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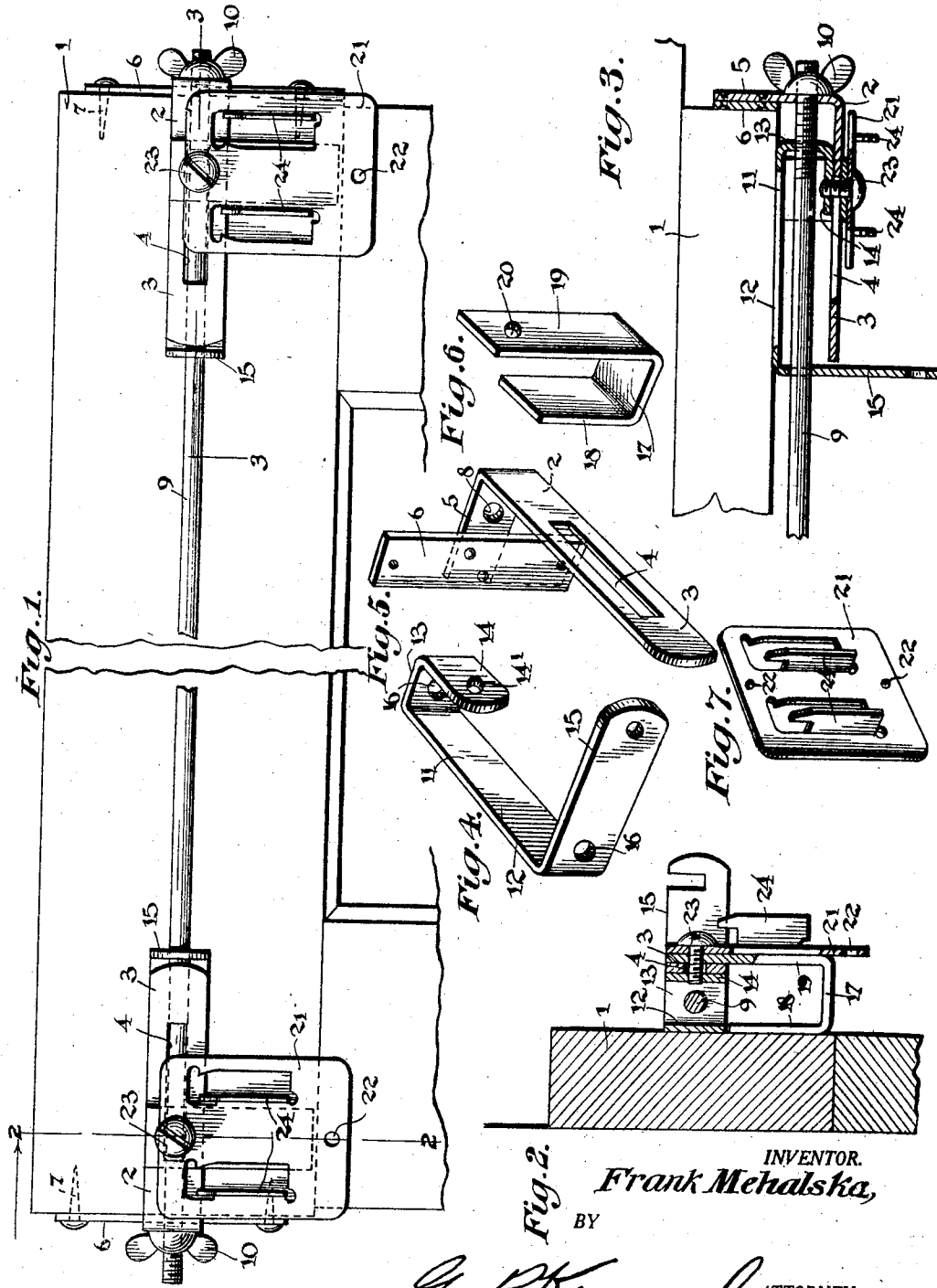


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK MEHALSKA, a citizen of the United States, residing at Saginaw, in the county of Saginaw and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shade Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to combined shade and curtain supports and has for its object the provision, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, of a shade and curtain support adapted to be secured across the top face of a window frame and which is capable of a variety of adjustments to accommodate shades and curtain rods of varying lengths.

Another object of this invention is the provision, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, of a shade and curtain support provided with means for whereby it may be attached to a window frame in such a way as to be securely retained in position and without scarring or otherwise marring the surface of the window.

A still further object is the provision, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, of an adjustable shade and curtain support, wherein an adjustment of the shade bracket will simultaneously adjust the curtain rod bracket also.

Still another object is the provision, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, of an adjustable shade and curtain support so constructed that the curtain rod support may be removed to allow the use of the shade brackets only, if so desired.

A final object is the provision, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, of a combined adjustable shade and curtain bracket which will be easily setup, strong, durable, of neat appearance and inexpensive to manufacture.

The invention will be best understood from a consideration of the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification, with the understanding that the invention is not confined to any strict conformity with the showing of the drawings but may be changed and modified so long as such changes and modifications mark no material departure from the salient features of the invention as expressed in the appended claims.

In the drawings:—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the device embodying this invention.

Figure 2 is a section on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Figure 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

Figure 4 is a detail perspective of one of the shade bracket members.

Figure 5 is a detail perspective of one of the clamping members.

Figure 6 is a detail perspective of the curtain rod bracket support, and

Figure 7 is a detail perspective of the curtain rod bracket.

Referring now to the drawings in detail, wherein like numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts throughout the several views of the drawing, the upper portion of a window frame is indicated at 1. Upon each side of the frame is positioned a clamp member 2 which comprises a tongue 3, provided with a central longitudinal slot 4, one end of which tongue is bent to form the right angular extension 5. Attached to the outer end of the extension 5, is a vertical transverse abutment plate 6 adapted to engage the side edge of the frame and is held against slipping by the spurs 7. As is shown clearly in Figure 3, the tongue 3 extends in across and is spaced from the face of the frame. Each of the angular extensions 5 is provided with an aperture 8 through which the threaded ends of a coupling rod 9 passes. Each end of this rod carries a wing nut 10 which is tightened against the adjacent extension 5 to draw the clamp inwardly against the sides of the frame.

Slidably mounted upon the rod 9 is a pair of brackets 11 having the horizontal body portion 12 which lies against the surface of the window frame beneath the tongue 3. The outer ends of each of these brackets are bent upward as at 13, and inward along the under surface of the tongue 3 as at 14. These angles 14 are provided with threaded apertures 14'. The inner ends are bent out at right angles and extended beyond the end of the tongue 3 to provide the supporting arms 15 for the shade rollers. Passages 16 are provided in the angles 13 and 15 for the passage of the rod 9, upon which the brackets slide. Depending from each of the tongues 3 is a substantially U-shaped member 17 having one short arm 18 which bears against the face of the frame, and a long arm 19, provided with an aperture 20 which aligns with the slot 4, upon the outside of the tongue. These members 17, act

as braces for curtain rod supporting brackets 21, which are provided with apertures 22 through their top and bottom edges. The brackets 21, are suspended from screws 23 which pass through the upper apertures 22; through 20, in the legs 19; through the slots 4, and terminates in the threaded apertures 14' to retain all the members together. These brackets 21, have struck up therefrom the members 24 by which curtain rods may be supported.

From the foregoing description it may be seen that a curtain and shade fixture is provided which may be quickly and easily adjusted. The only operation necessary is to loosen the screw 23, whereupon the brackets 11 may be slid inwards or outwards as desired, the curtain rod supports being adjusted with same movement.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is:—

1. In a shade holder of the character set forth, a pair of shade fixtures adapted to be positioned one on each side of a window frame and each comprising, a pair of right angled members, each having one long and one short leg, the said long legs being positioned in spaced parallel relation, with the short legs extending in opposite directions across the free end of the long leg of the opposing member, one of said short legs being adapted to engage the side of the window and the other short leg having means for engagement with a shade roller, means

extending between said long legs and through said short legs for connecting the members together, that member having the shade roller engaging means being slidable upon said connecting means, and means for connecting and holding said members in adjusted position one with respect to the other.

2. In a shade holder of the character set forth, a pair of shade fixtures adapted to be positioned one on each side of a window frame and each comprising, an angular clamping member having one leg adapted to engage the side of said frame and the other leg provided with a longitudinally extending slot and opposing and spaced from the front of the frame, a shade supporting member having a central portion extending across the face of said frame behind said slotted leg and having each end projecting outwardly, one across the free end of said slotted leg and the other abutting the back thereof, a coupling rod extending between said pair of members and having each end extended through said outwardly projecting ends and through the frame engaging leg, said shade supporting member being adapted to slide freely upon said rod, and means extending through said slot and said abutting end for securing the supporting member in adjusted position.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature hereto.

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