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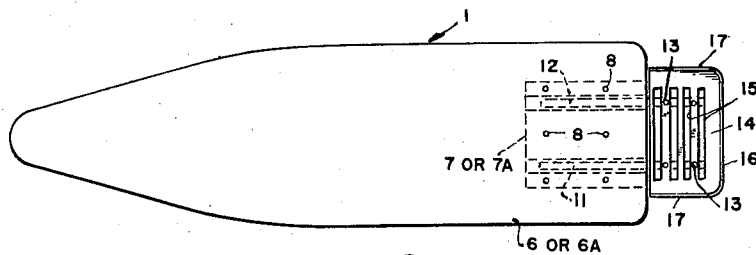


FIG. 2

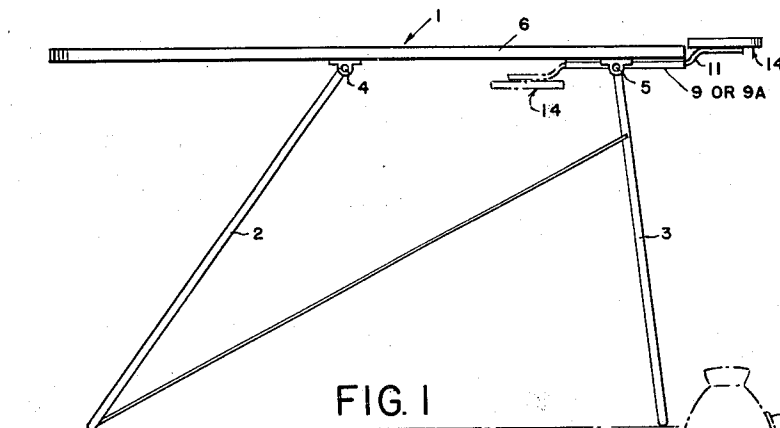


FIG. 1

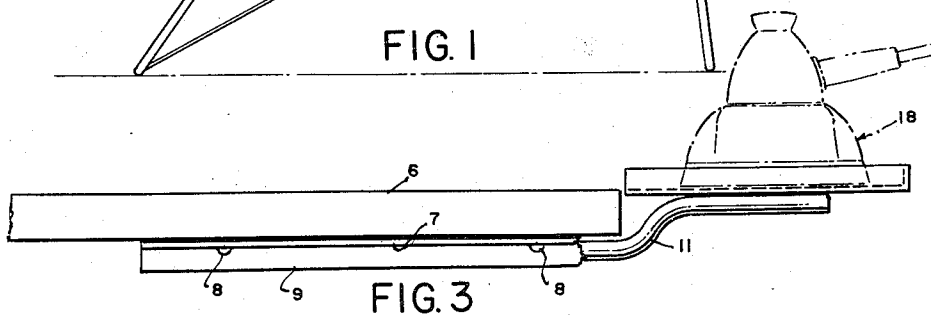


FIG. 3

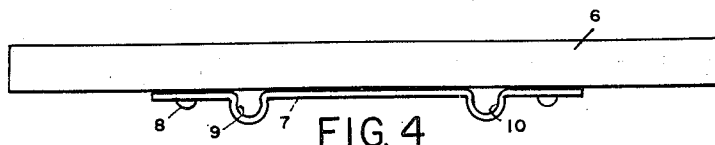


FIG. 4

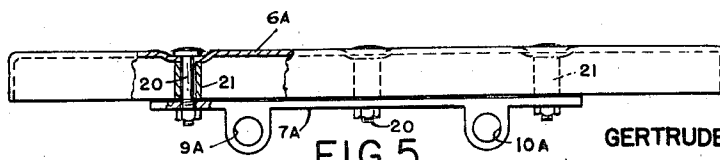


FIG. 5

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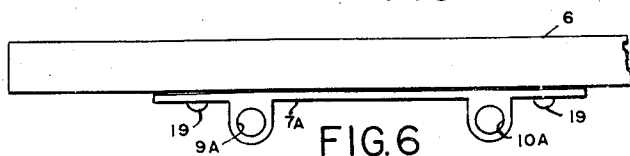


FIG. 6

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This invention relates to ironing boards and more particularly to a flatiron rest upon which a flatiron may be supported when not in actual use.

One of the principal objects of the invention is to provide a rest of the character described which may be conveniently attached to the ironing board for supporting the flatiron in horizontal alignment with but away from one end of the ironing board when the board is being used for ironing purposes and to provide means for storing the rest beneath the ironing board when not in use.

Another object is to provide a flatiron rest which is of simple, durable, and inexpensive construction and which will be thoroughly efficient and practical in use.

The foregoing and other objects and advantages which will become subsequently apparent reside in the details of construction and operation as more fully hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming a part hereof, wherein like numerals refer to like parts throughout, and in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of a conventional ironing board provided with a flatiron rest made in accordance with my invention.

Figure 2 is a top plan view of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary detail view on an enlarged scale showing a flatiron in broken lines supported upon the rest.

Figure 4 is an end view of Figure 3 with the flatiron rest removed from the ironing board.

Figures 5 and 6 are views similar to Figure 4 showing a modified form of bracket secured respectively to the underside of a metal ironing board and a wooden ironing board.

With continuing reference to the drawing, reference numeral 1 indicates generally a standard type of household ironing board, supported on the usual legs 2 and 3 hinged as at 4 and 5 to the underside of the ironing board 6 which as shown in Figures 3, 4 and 6 is made of wood and in Figure 5 as made of sheet steel indicated at 6A.

The flatiron rest comprises a plate 7 secured by suitable fastening elements 8 to the underside of the wooden ironing board 6 at the end of the board remote from the pointed end thereof. The plate 7 is channeled as at 9 and 10 throughout its length to provide two parallel guideways for suitable brace means in the form of rods 11 and 12 slidably received and supported at one of their ends within the guideways. The opposite end portion of each rod is bent upwardly, rearwardly, then horizontally for securement as at 13 to the flatiron rest proper in the form of a tray 14 ventilated as at 15 and having a vertical rear

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flange 16 and side flanges 17. The bend of the rods as aforesaid is calculated to position the tray 14 in the plane of the top surface of the ironing board so that a flatiron 18 may be smoothly slid from one to the other.

In the modifications shown in Figures 5 and 6 the plate 7A and guideways 9A and 10A are made of cast metal and provided with suitable openings for the passage thereof of fastening screws 19 as in Figure 6 or for bolts 20 as in Figure 5 wherein the ironing board 6A is made of flanged sheet metal as shown. In order to accommodate the bent brace rods 11 and 12 so that they will position the tray 14 in the plane of the top surface of the ironing board 6A I provide bolt-surrounding spacer sleeves 21 between the underside of the board and the top surface of the plate 7A.

From the foregoing it will be apparent that for convenience in storing the ironing board when collapsed, the tray and brace rods may be withdrawn from their rearwardly extending operative position to a position of concealment under the board as shown in broken lines in Figure 1 by merely withdrawing the brace rods 11 and 12 from the rear of the guideways 9—10 or 9A—10A, inverting the tray and reinserting the rods in the opposite end of the guideways.

While I have shown particular forms of embodiment of my invention I am aware that many minor changes therein will readily suggest themselves to others skilled in the art without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. Having thus described my invention what I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

A flatiron rest, comprising a plate adapted for attachment to the under side of an ironing board at one end thereof, said plate having a pair of tubular guideways therein open at both of their ends and extending in the direction of the length of the ironing board, a pair of brace rods adapted to be slidably received and supported within either end of the guideways, said brace rods normally extending outwardly from one end of said plate rearwardly of the ironing board and bent upwardly and rearwardly into a horizontal portion, and a tray secured to the top of the horizontal portions of the brace rods whereby the top surface of the tray will be supported in an operative position in the plane of the top surface of the ironing board to thereby facilitate sliding movement of a flatiron from one of said surfaces to the other, and whereby the tray and brace rods may be withdrawn from said one end of the plate, inverted and reinserted in the opposite end of the plate to thereby entirely conceal the tray and brace rods in a retracted inoperative position beneath the ironing board.

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