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Fig. 1.

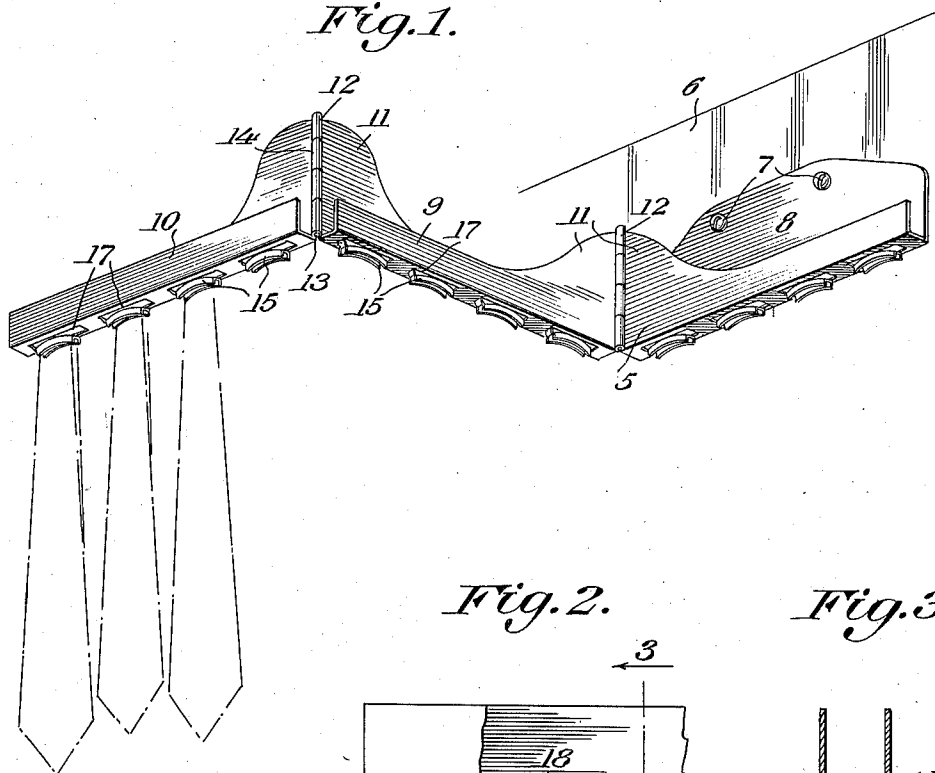


Fig. 2.

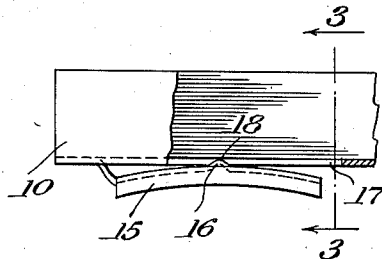


Fig. 3.

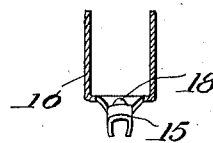
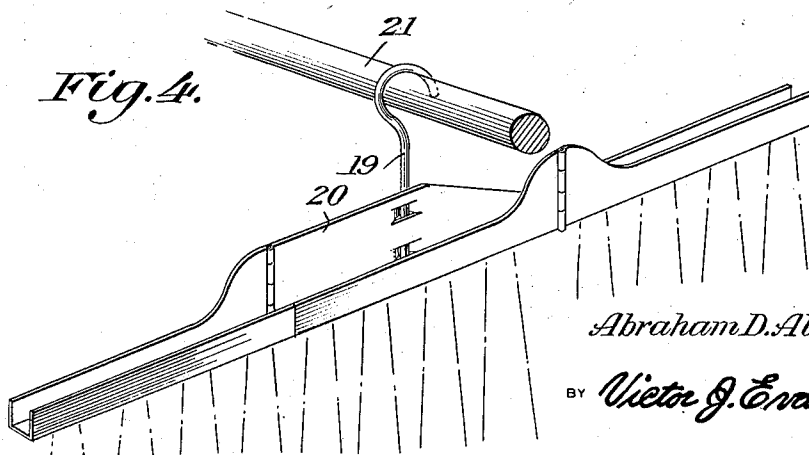


Fig. 4.



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The present invention relates to tie racks and more particularly to a device of that character for holding a plurality of neckties.

The primary object of the invention is the provision of a rack wherein the necktie supporting members are integral with and form a part of the rack.

A further object of the invention resides in the provision of a necktie rack that is readily foldable or collapsible so that a number of neckties may be supported in a minimum amount of space.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of a necktie rack holder of comparatively simple and inexpensive construction, yet durable and highly efficient in operation.

The invention will be fully and comprehensively understood from a consideration of the following detailed description when read in connection with the accompanying drawing which forms part of the application.

In the drawing:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the new and improved necktie rack in a partially extended position.

Fig. 2 is a fragmentary side elevational view with parts broken away to clearly illustrate the necktie supporting arm.

Fig. 3 is a sectional view taken on line 3—3 of Fig. 2, and

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a modified supporting means for the device.

Referring to the drawing for a more detailed description thereof, it will be noted that the new and improved necktie rack is formed of several sections hingedly connected and having one section adapted to be secured to a wall, door, or the like.

The numeral 5 indicates one section of the rack which is supported to a wall, door, or the like 6 by fastening elements 7, within the rear portion 8. While the invention has been illustrated using 3 sections 5, 9 and 10, it is to be understood that any desired number of sections 45 may be hingedly connected without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Each of the sections is channel shaped in cross-section as illustrated in Fig. 3 of the drawing, and have their adjoining ends flanged as at 11 for hinged connection at 12. It is to be understood that any form of hinged construction may be used, but the preferred form has been illustrated which comprises a pin 13 extending through the supporting hinges 14 formed in the flanged ends 11.

It will also be noted that the various sections have been hingedly connected so as to open away from the supporting section 5. Thus the section 9 will abut section 5 and the section 10 will abut the section 9 when in folded or collapsed position, and by grasping the outer section 10, the several sections can be opened so as to completely display all of the neckties supported thereon.

For supporting individual neckties there is provided the channel shaped arms 15 depending from and integral with the sections of the necktie rack. The arms 15 are stamped out from the bottom portion of each of the sections and are convexed so as to cause the intermediate portion 16 to project within the slot 17 formed during the stamping of the arm 15, as illustrated in Fig. 2 of the drawing. For further aiding in supporting the tie there is provided a knob or the like 18 which likewise projects through the slot 17.

From the above description it can be readily understood that one or more neckties may be supported on each arm 15, and when positioned thereon will be retained due to the convexity of the arm and its knob 18. The tie will pass over the arm and will be supported between the slot 17 and the arm 15, and while so supported may be easily and readily removed. It is to be understood that any desired number of arms 15 may be stamped out of the section depending, of course, upon the size of each section.

In Fig. 4 of the drawing there is disclosed a rack in which a hanger 19 has been attached to the central section 20, which will serve to support the rack from a clothes pole or the like 21. In this form of the invention the device is constructed the same as in the preferred form above described.

It is to be understood that this improvement is capable of extended application and is not confined to the exact showing of the drawing nor the precise construction described and, therefore, such changes and modifications may be made therein as do not affect the spirit of the invention nor exceed the scope thereof as expressed in the appended claims.

What is claimed as new is:

1. A foldable necktie rack comprising a plurality of hingedly connected channel sections consisting of at least one intermediate section and end sections thereon, one of said sections being adapted for mounting to a fixed support, each section being composed of an intermediate web and upstanding flanges extending therefrom, said intermediate web being punched out to form a

plurality of necktie engaging elements thereon, and hinge elements formed on opposed ends of the respective flanges of said intermediate section for engagement with complementary hinge elements on corresponding flanges of said end sections.

5 2. A necktie rack of the type described comprising a plurality of U-shaped elements, supporting means substantially permanently attached to certain of said elements, pivots passing through
10 formations in the sides of the ends of said elements whereby they are held in movable union, readily capable of being positioned side by side and also aligned relationship, and tie positioning
15 and holding members formed as part of and positioned at the bottom of said U-shaped elements, said members being adapted to hold and maintain a plurality of ties in relatively fixed position when the device is in opened position and when
20 it is in closed position.

3. A necktie rack of the type described comprising a plurality of U-shaped elements, supporting means substantially permanently attached to certain of said elements, pivots passing through
5 formations in the sides of the ends of said elements whereby they are held in movable union, readily capable of being positioned side by side and also aligned relationship, and tie positioning
10 and holding members formed as part of and positioned at the bottom of said U-shaped elements, said members comprising curved channelled
15 shapes resiliently held in substantially parallel relationship to said U-shaped elements and having projections located at substantially the midpoint of the upper surface thereof adapted to
20 engage with objects positioned between said channelled shapes and said U-shaped elements and firmly hold same in substantially fixed position.

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