

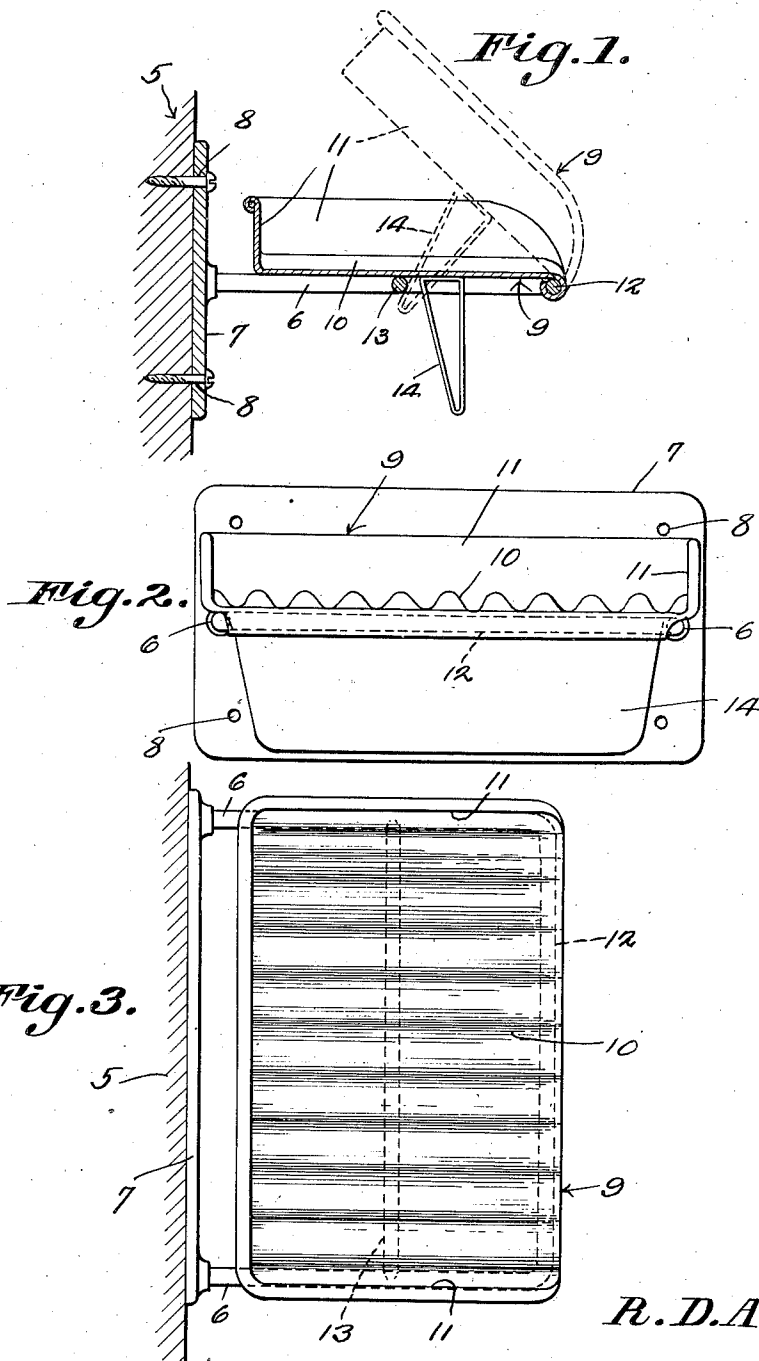
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1 Claim. (Cl. 45—28)

This invention relates to soap trays or soap holders, the primary object of the invention being to provide a soap tray which may be supported adjacent to a washstand or tub for supporting soap in such a way that it may be easily and conveniently removed for washing purposes.

An important object of the invention is to provide a soap tray or soap holder which is pivotally mounted, so that it may be readily tilted forwardly to discharge the soap into the hands of the user, to the end that the soap will be easily accessible when the soap or the hands of the person using the soap, are wet.

Another object of the invention is to provide means to limit the forward tilting movement of the tray or holder, thereby insuring the tray being held in its proper position to discharge the soap, at all times.

Still another object of the invention is to provide a device of this character wherein the soap may be removed from the tray without the necessity of the person placing his fingers in the tray, which frequently causes the tray and soap to become soiled from the dirt on the hands of the user.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention consists of certain novel details of construction and combinations of parts hereinafter more fully described and pointed out in the claim, it being understood that changes may be made in the construction and arrangement of parts without departing from the spirit of the invention as claimed.

Referring to the drawing:

Figure 1 is an elevational view illustrating a soap tray constructed in accordance with the invention as mounted on its support, the tray and support being shown in section.

Figure 2 is a front elevational view thereof.

Figure 3 is a plan view of the soap tray.

Referring to the drawing in detail, the support for the tray is indicated generally by the reference character 5 and embodies a rod 6 formed into substantially U-shape, the ends of the rod

being secured to the plate 7 that in turn is secured to the supporting surface, by means of the screws 8. The tray proper comprises a body portion 9 which is formed with a corrugated bottom 10 for draining purposes. A flange indicated at 11 is formed along the side and rear edges of the bottom 10 and rises therefrom, the forward edges of the flanges being curved to lend a pleasing appearance to the tray.

As clearly shown by Figure 1 of the drawing, the forward edge of the bottom 10 is bent around the forward bar or section of the rod 6, providing a pivot for the tray. Secured to the side portions of the rod 6, and disposed in parallel spaced relation with the rod 12, or forward section of the support, is a rod 13 which rod 13 provides a stop against which the arm 14 engages when the tray is swung upwardly to discharge the soap, thereby limiting the tilting movement of the tray to insure against the tray being moved too far, with respect to its support. This arm 14 is wide and provides a finger piece against which the ends of the fingers of the person using the tray, are placed when pressure is directed to the tray to tilt it to the position as shown in dotted lines in Figure 1 of the drawing.

Thus it will be seen that due to this construction, a person may by placing his fingers against the arm 14, and exerting pressure towards the support 5, cause the tray to tilt and the soap to slide into the hand of the person using the tray.

What is claimed is:

A soap tray comprising a support including a rod formed in substantially U-shape, providing supporting legs adapted to be secured to a supporting surface, and a rod connecting the forward ends of said legs, a body portion, means for pivotally mounting the body portion on the rod connecting the legs, an arm depending from the bottom of the body portion and adapted to be engaged by the fingers of the hand in tilting the body portion forwardly, and means for restricting forward tilting movement of the body portion.

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