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WINDOW SHELF

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FIG. 1.

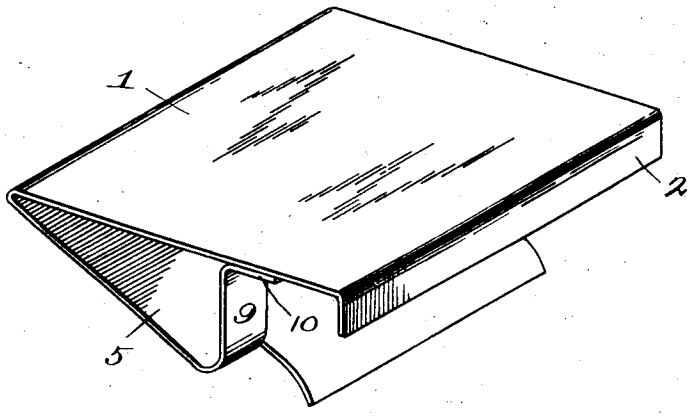


FIG. 2.

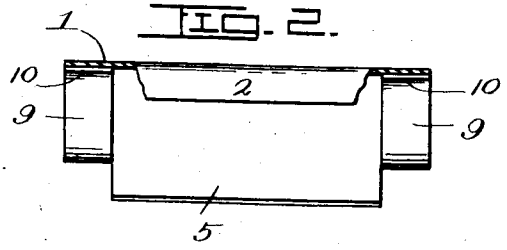
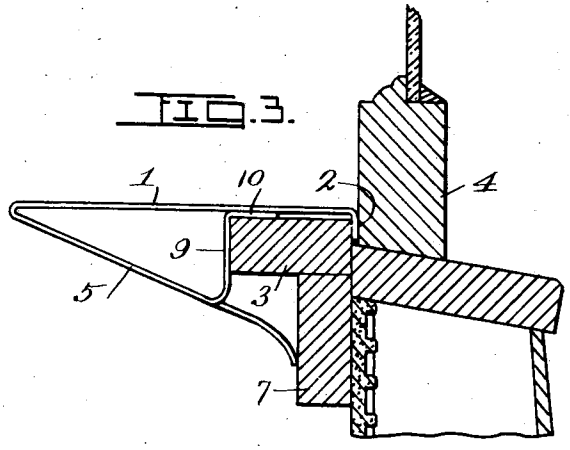


FIG. 3.



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My invention relates to window shelves and the present invention is an improvement over the window shelf disclosed by my U. S. Letters Patent No. 1,491,678, granted on April 22, 1924.

The object of the present invention is to provide a more substantial shelf and one which can be stamped or otherwise formed from one piece of sheet metal, and is capable of being quickly applied to a window sill without the use of separate parts, as for instance the angle member 8—9, disclosed by said patent, to become lost or misplaced.

In order that the invention may be fully understood, reference will now be made to the accompanying drawing, in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the shelf.

Fig. 2 is an end elevation of the shelf with a portion thereof broken away.

Fig. 3 shows the shelf attached to a window sill.

In the preferred embodiment of my invention, the shelf is made from one piece of sheet metal and comprises a flat horizontal top portion 1 provided at one end with a downwardly extending flange 2 and at its opposite end with an inclined leg 5 from which a pair of hangers 9 extend upwardly and have their upper terminals 10 bent to lie flat against the underside of said top portion 1, as best shown by Figs. 1 and 3.

In applying the shelf to a window, the terminals 10 are placed upon the inner top portion of the window sill 3 and beneath the horizontally disposed top portion 1, the flange 2 of which latter is disposed between the sill 3 and the lower sash rail 4. The lower end of the leg 5, like the terminals 10, terminates in advance of the rear portion of the top portion, and is curved to abut the apron 7 of the window frame and thus coact with the hangers 9 and the flange 2 in firmly holding the shelf in place, so that it may be utilized for holding a flower pot or other article.

While the sheet metal from which the shelf is formed is sufficiently stiff to remain in any position in which it is bent, it is also pliable enough to enable the hangers 9 and their terminals 10, together with the curved lower portion of the leg 5, to be bent to fit window sills of different widths.

From the foregoing description it is apparent that I have provided a window shelf which may be stamped or otherwise cheaply formed from one piece of sheet metal and is so constructed that it can be readily applied to a window sill for supporting articles without the aid of angle bars or other extraneous devices.

While I have shown and described the preferred embodiment of my invention, I reserve the right to all such modifications thereof as properly fall within the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. A window shelf consisting of a top portion having a downwardly extending flange at one end thereof, an inclined leg connected to the opposite end of the top portion and extending downwardly beneath the latter, and hangers at opposite sides of said leg and engaging the underside of the top portion in advance of the flange.

2. A window shelf consisting of a top portion, an inclined leg extending downwardly from said top portion and beneath the same, the lower end of said leg being curved and terminating in advance of the rear end of said top portion, and a pair of members united to said leg near its lower end and bearing at their upper ends against the underside of the top portion.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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