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CHILD'S COUNTER TRAY

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FIG. 1.

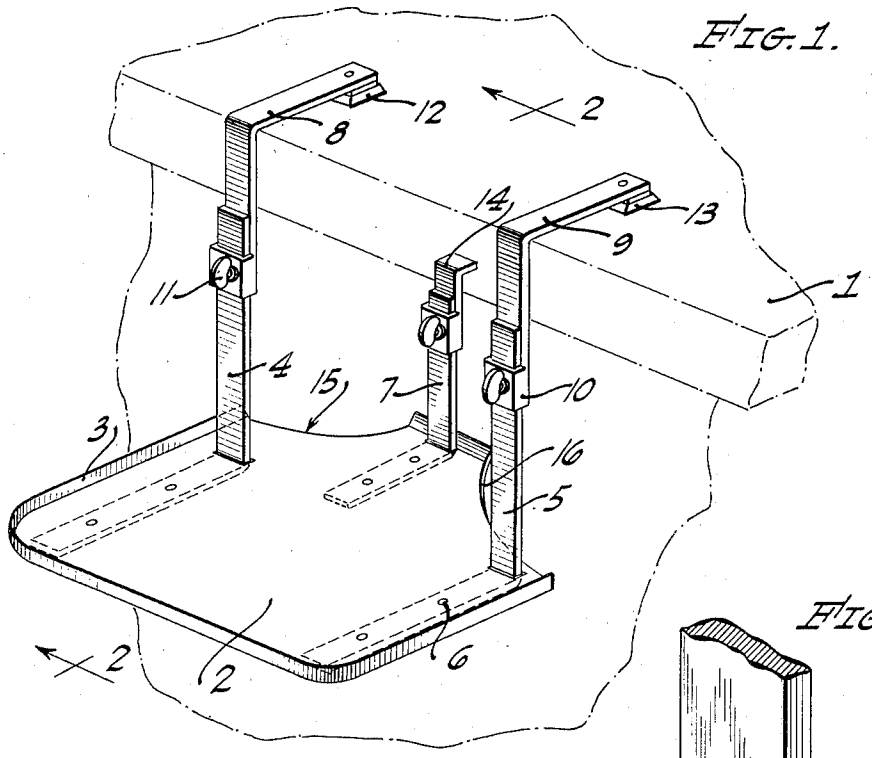


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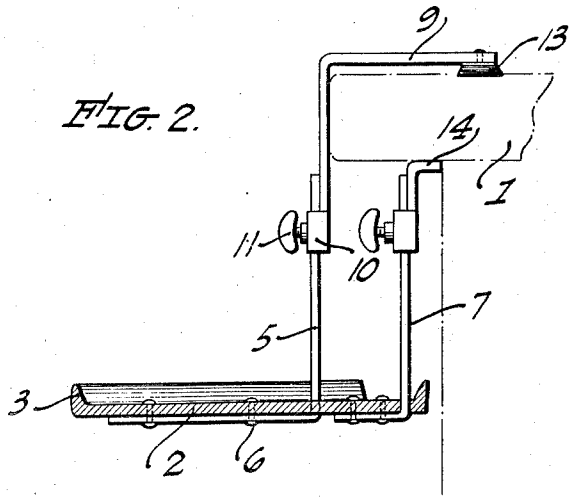
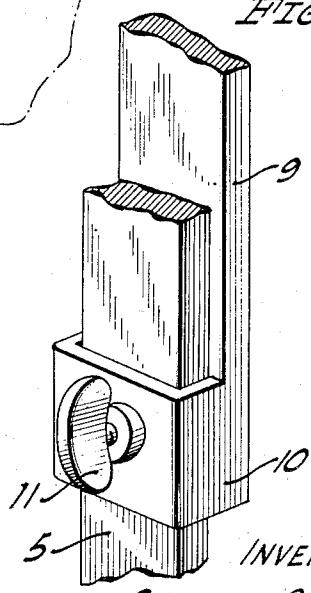


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This invention relates to a child's counter tray whereby a tray for use of a normal child may be suspended below the level of a normal counter.

An object of my invention is to provide a tray having fingers thereon which engage the top of the counter and which is suspended from the counter without the use of clips or other fastening means.

A feature of my invention resides in the manner in which the tray may be adjusted to fit various counters.

Another feature of my invention is to provide a novel child's counter tray of the character stated, which may also be used as a seat, if desired.

Still another object of my invention is to provide a child's counter tray of the character stated, which is simple in construction, inexpensive to manufacture and effective in use.

Other objects, advantages and features of invention may appear from the accompanying drawing, the subjoined detailed description and the appended claims.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my child's counter tray.

Figure 2 is a sectional view taken on line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary perspective view of one of the supporting arms of the tray.

Referring more particularly to the drawing, the numeral 1 indicates a counter of the usual type found in restaurants and cafes, consisting of the usual horizontal table-like structure, and usually provided with spaced seats along the front thereof.

My device consists of a tray 2, which is formed of a suitable material, such as wood, metal or plastic, and is preferably formed with a peripheral ridge 3 to prevent dishes from accidentally dislodging from the tray.

A pair of arms 4—5 are fixedly attached to the tray 2, preferably by bending each arm into an L-shape and riveting the lower element of the arm to the bottom of the tray, substantially as shown at 6. A third arm 7 is also fixedly attached to the tray 2 at the rear thereof and rises above the level of the tray, substantially as shown. This third arm is fastened to the tray in the same manner as the arms 4—5. Thus, all of the arms are fixedly attached to the tray and also the method of attachment serves to reinforce and strengthen the tray.

Fingers 8—9 are mounted on the arms 4—5, respectively, and these fingers are mounted on

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each of the arms, preferably in the following manner: a ring 10 is formed on each of the fingers and the arm extends through this ring and is engaged by a thumbscrew 11, thus holding the arm and the finger in the desired position. The fingers 8—9 are both angular and each has a pad 12—13, respectively, fixedly secured to the outer end of the finger, the pad being pressed against the top of the counter 1. These pads are formed of rubber or plastic, and when pressed against the counter will prevent the tray from slipping.

A finger 14 is mounted on the arm 7, in the same manner as the fingers 8—9 are mounted on their respective arms. The finger 14 presses against the bottom of the counter 1, substantially as shown in Figure 2, and thus acts as a column to prevent tilting of the tray and serves to hold the tray 2 in a horizontal plane. It will be noted that my tray can be mounted without any clips and if the same counter is used repeatedly none of the parts need be adjusted. The tray simply slips on to the front edge of the counter and the pads 12—13 prevent the tray from slipping. Also, upward pressure on the finger 14 against the bottom of the counter will further hold the parts in position for use.

The tray 2 may also be formed with arcuate cuts 15—16 at the rear of the tray to permit a child to place his legs in this cut away portion, if it is desired to use the tray as a seat. It is possible to permit the child to sit on the tray and thus eat off of the top of the counter.

Having described my invention, I claim:

1. A child's counter tray, comprising a pair of arms, fixedly mounted on the tray and extending upwardly therefrom, a vertical finger mounted on each of said arms, means to adjust said fingers vertically on the arms, a third arm fixedly secured to the tray and extending upwardly therefrom, a vertical finger on the third arm and means to adjust said finger vertically on said third arm, said pair of fingers adapted to rest on the top of a counter, and a third finger adapted to bear against the bottom of the counter.

2. A child's counter tray, comprising a pair of arms, fixedly mounted on the tray and extending upwardly therefrom, a vertical finger mounted on each of said arms, means to adjust said fingers vertically on the arms, a third arm fixedly secured to the tray and extending upwardly therefrom, a vertical finger on the third arm and means to adjust said finger vertically on said third arm, and a resilient pad on the bottom of each of said first named fingers, said pads rest-

ing on top of the counter, said pair of fingers adapted to rest on the top of a counter, and a third finger adapted to bear against the bottom of the counter.

3. A child's counter tray, comprising a pair of arms rising from said tray, a horizontal finger on each of the arms adapted to rest on the top of a counter, and a third arm rising from the tray having a horizontal finger adapted to bear against the bottom of the counter, and a resilient pad on the bottom of each of the first named fingers, said pads resting on the top of the counter, and an arcuate cut away portion at the rear of the tray and at each side thereof to reduce the width of the tray at the rear, said pair of fingers adapted to rest on the top of a counter, and a third finger adapted to bear against the bottom of the counter.

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