

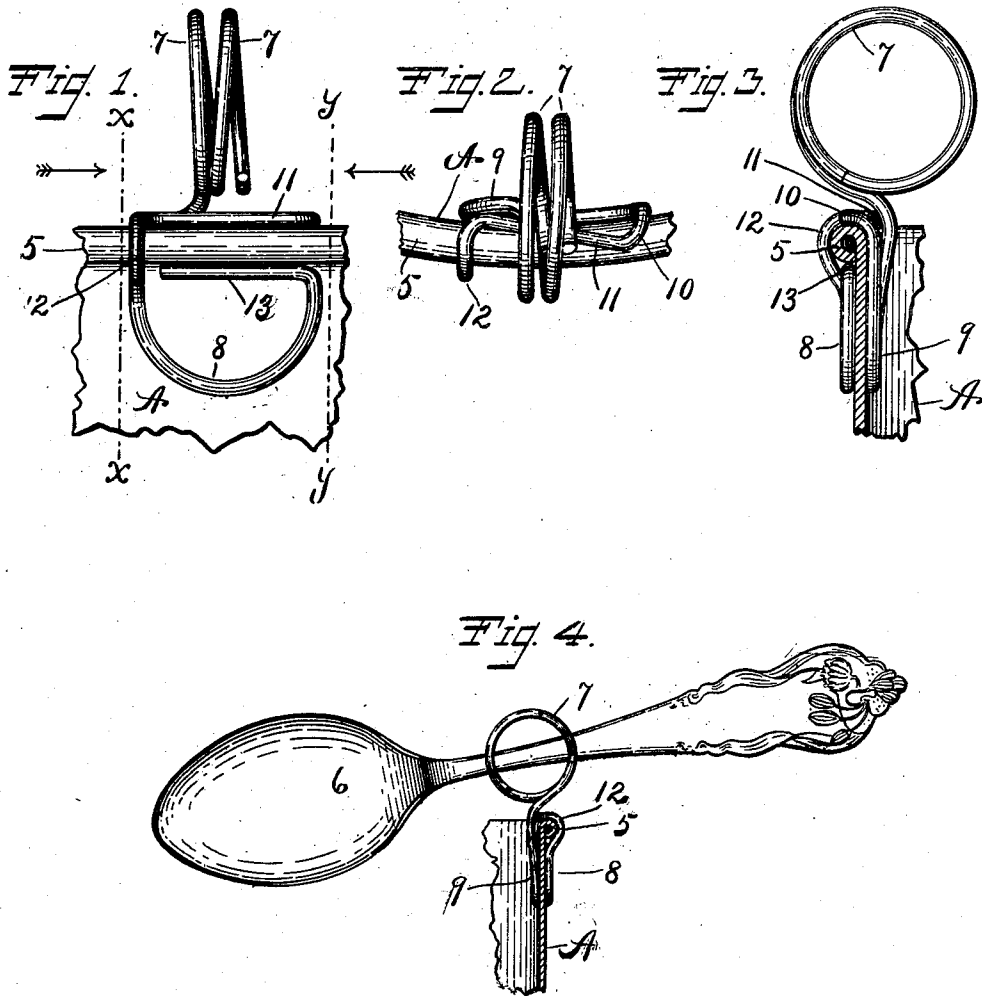
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT SENF, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Britain, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Implement-Holders for Culinary Vessels, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to implement holders for culinary vessels, and the objects of my improvement are simplicity and economy in construction and at the same time convenience and efficiency in use.

In the accompanying drawing:—Figure 1 is a front elevation of my implement holder, together with a broken out portion of a culinary vessel to which the holder is applied. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the holder with a sectional view of the vessel on the line *x x* of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a side elevation, on a smaller scale, of the reverse side of the holder, and a sectional view of the vessel on the line *y y* of Fig. 1, with a spoon held within the holder.

My holder is primarily intended for being attached to a culinary vessel for holding an implement that may be used to stir the contents of the vessel from time to time when cooking. These vessels *A*, are often provided with a rim 5 at the top edge, and I prefer to construct my holder with special reference to grasping such an edge. The stirring implement may be any ordinary or convenient one, as for example, a knife, fork, or spoon, a spoon 6 being illustrated in Fig. 4.

I am aware that prior patents show implement holders consisting of a pair of spring jaws for holding a knife, or spoon, and another pair of jaws for attaching the holder to a plate or similar article, and I hereby disclaim the same.

I form my holder of a single piece of spring wire, having coils 7 at its upper part between which coils the implement may be placed and held, and coils 8 and 9 at its lower part between which the edge of the vessel may be received to attach the holder thereto, the said coils 7 standing at about a right angle to the coils 8 and 9, so that an implement held between the coils 7 will stand substantially at right angles to the rim or edge of the vessel and the spoon bowl may be held over the inside of the vessel with the handle of the spoon, or other implement, extending outside of the vessel as the spoon is shown in Fig. 4.

In order to specially adapt the vessel receiving coils or jaws 8 and 9, to a vessel having the rim 5, the coil 9, which is designed to go on the inner side of the vessel, extends downwardly from the coil 7 and on its return bend is carried nearly straight up as far as the rim 5 and is then provided with a short stop bend 10 that extends transversely to the body of the coil 9 and is designed to rest on the top of the said rim, as best

shown in Figs. 2 and 3. It then extends horizontally the width of the coil to form the top member 11 of the coil 9 and is then given a short outward, downward and inward bend to form the rim receiving curve 12 at that end of the top member 11 which is opposite the stop bend 10. From the curve 12 the wire extends downwardly and upwardly on a curve to form the main portion of the coil 8, and is then bent to form the horizontal top member 13 of the coil 8, which top member is the terminal of the wire and is designed to engage the under side of the vessel rim 5, as best shown in Fig. 1. The coils 8 and 9 should be formed so closely together as to be put under tension by the vessel when they are forced down over the rim of the vessel.

The holder may be attached by merely forcing it down over the top edge of the vessel and upon the rim as shown. If placed thereon with the coil 9 on the inner side of the vessel, the several members, formed as described, act upon the rim of the vessel as well as upon the outer and inner walls thereof, and secure the holder squarely and firmly in place, so that there is no danger of accidental detachment. Any ordinary implement that may be used to stir the contents of the vessel, when not wanted for immediate use, can be forced in between the coils 7 as shown, and may be held there in a convenient position from which it may be taken when again wanted for stirring the contents of the vessel. While the holder is securely attached to the vessel, it can be readily pulled off by the use of sufficient force.

By making the holder of a single piece of spring wire, bent to form, it can be made at a small cost, and by bending the said wire as described, a very efficient holder is produced.

I claim as my invention:—

1. An implement holder for vessels formed of a single piece of wire with implement holding coils at its upper part and vessel receiving coils at its lower part, the said vessel receiving coils comprising an inner coil having a stop bend at its upper part for seating on the top of the rim of the vessel, a horizontal connecting member extended from said stop bend, a rim receiving curve extended downwardly and inwardly from that end of the horizontal arm that is opposite the said stop bend, an outer coil extended downwardly and upwardly from the said rim receiving curve, and a horizontal terminal member for engaging the under side of the said rim.

2. An implement holder for vessels formed of a single piece of wire with implement holding coils at its upper part and vessel receiving coils at its lower part, the coils of the lower part being provided with horizontal members for engaging the rim of the vessel to seat and hold the holder thereon.

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