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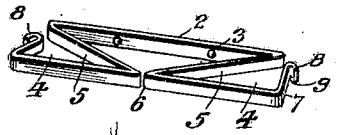
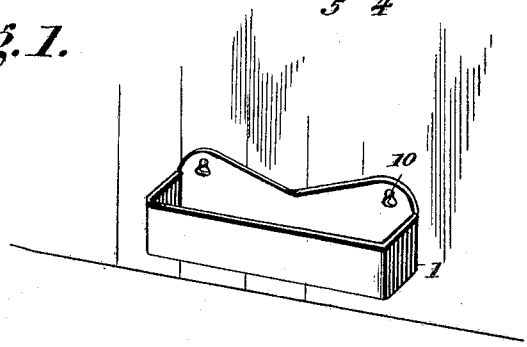



Fig. 1.



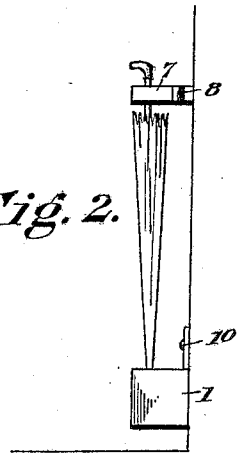




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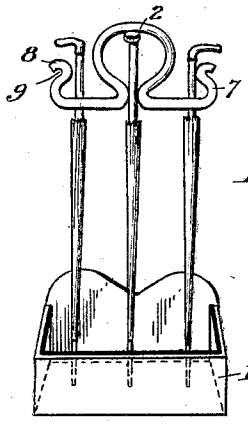



Fig. 3.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that EDWARD C. KOVARIK, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, has invented certain new and useful Improvements in Umbrella Racks, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to umbrella stands especially designed for use in homes, hotels, restaurants and other public places, and the primary object of my invention is the provision of novel means for temporarily holding an umbrella whereby it can be easily removed from the stand without contact or injury to others already placed therein.

A further idea of my invention is to furnish the public with a sanitary, serviceable, convenient and necessary article for hotels, restaurants, homes, offices, stores, factories and other public places.

A still further object of my invention is to provide a reservoir that is removable, so that same can be cleansed and emptied of the water from the deposits of the umbrellas and returned to its original position for use on another rainy day.

A still further object of my invention is to provide an umbrella stand in which each umbrella has its own compartment and is distinctly separated from the one next to it, so that there is no danger of ripping of seams or broken ribs as frequently happens when one utensil is used for a large quantity of umbrellas, as the present umbrella stand is constructed today.

A further object is to provide an umbrella stand or support that is simple in construction, durable, and efficient for all purposes intended, and one that can be manufactured and placed on the market at a relatively low cost.

These and other objects will be better understood as the description of my invention proceeds.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention resides in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will be hereinafter specifically described and then claimed.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification,

Figure 1 is a perspective view illustrating the holder constituting the preferred embodiment of my invention as the same appears when properly positioned on the wall or other upright support and disposed above a receptacle for receiving the drippings from the umbrellas.

Figure 2 shows a side elevation of my invention and also the receptacle for drippings attached to wall.

Figure 3 is a slightly modified form of umbrella holder.

Referring to the drawings in detail, like numerals will be used to designate like parts in the different views, 1 denotes a trough like receptacle suitably attached to and arranged horizontally on a wall or other suitable upright support. 2 is the main frame of the holder, which comprises a frame struck from a single sheet of metal and provided with apertures 3—3 for engagement with the wall or an upright support. The frame 2 is adapted to be positioned directly above the trough 1. The frame 2 is provided with three pockets indicated by the numeral 4 and each pocket serves as an individual holder for each umbrella. The arms 5—5 of the frame 2 are adapted to converge into a closure 6 for the central pocket 4, while the ends 7 are bent inwardly towards the body 2 of the frame to form closures for the pockets 4—4 in the end of the frame. Each of the ends 7—7 is provided with a hook 8—8 to provide for the reception of an umbrella in a curvature 9—9 of same.

The trough 1, is adjustably placed beneath the frame 2 by securing same to a wall or any other suitable upright support through the apertures 10—10.

In the actual use of my invention, the lower end of an umbrella to be held is placed in the receptacle 1 and the handle of the umbrella is pressed rearwardly or forwardly according to the pocket of the frame 2 that is to receive same. Immediately after the placing of the umbrella handle in the pocket of the frame 2, the arms 5—5 or ends 7—7 will return to their normal position, and hence will preclude the accidental fall of the umbrella from the frame 2. When, however it is desired to move the umbrella it is simply necessary to draw the handle of same forward or backward, according to pocket in which same is contained with sufficient force to overcome the spring arms 5—5 or end arms 7—7 a sufficient distance apart to permit the passage of the umbrella handle therethrough. On release of the spring arm, as when the umbrella handle is removed from same, the arms will return to their

normal position so that said frame will be ready to receive the next umbrella placed in their complementary receiver.

From the foregoing it will be seen that I have provided a simple, inexpensive and efficient means for carrying out the objects of the invention, and while I have particularly described the elements best adapted to perform the functions set forth, various changes in form, proportion and in the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the principles of the invention.

What I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:—

1. An umbrella holder of the class described comprising a support formed of a single strip of spring metal, said strip having its ends bent at predetermined points to form outwardly extending arms, said arms converging to provide a central pocket, the free ends of said arms extending laterally in opposite directions and then rearwardly, said rearwardly extending portions terminating at points adjacent said arms to provide supplementary pockets, the free ends of the rearwardly extending portions being curved outwardly to provide a guide means between the outer faces of said arms and the rearwardly extending portions, the converging ends of said arms and the free ends of the rearwardly extending portions forming spring closures for said central and supplementary pockets respectively.

2. An umbrella holder of the class described comprising a substantially flat support formed of a single strip of spring metal, said strip having its ends bent at predetermined points to provide outwardly extending arms, said arms converging to provide a central pocket, the free ends of said arms extending laterally in opposite directions and in a plane parallel to the plane of said flat support, the arms being bent rearwardly in line with the ends of said flat support and terminating in close proximity thereto, forming supplementary pockets on opposite sides of said central pocket, the free ends of said arms being bent back upon themselves to provide guide means, the converging ends of said arms and the free ends of the rearwardly extending portions forming spring closures for said central and supplementary pockets respectively.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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