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FIG. 1.

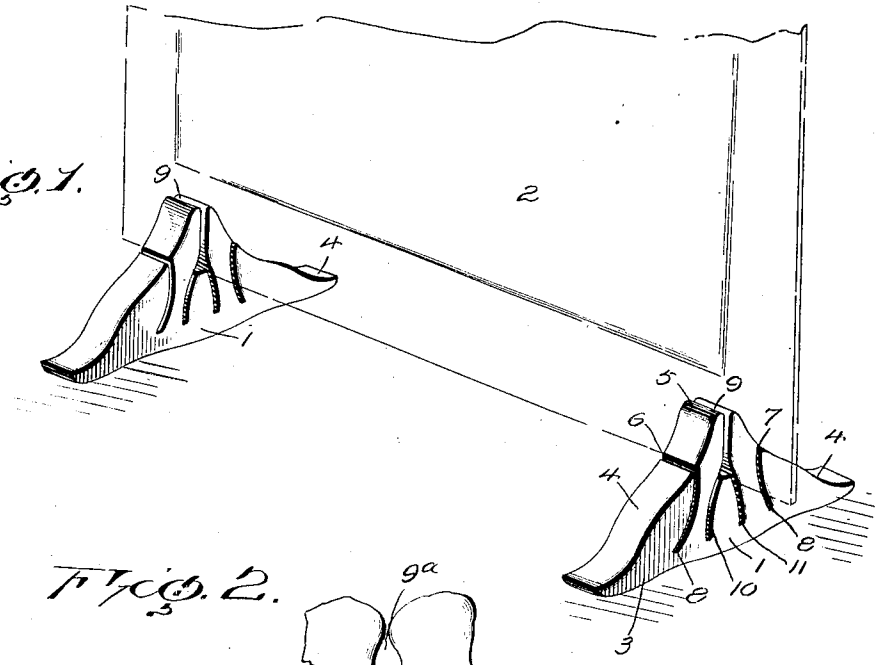
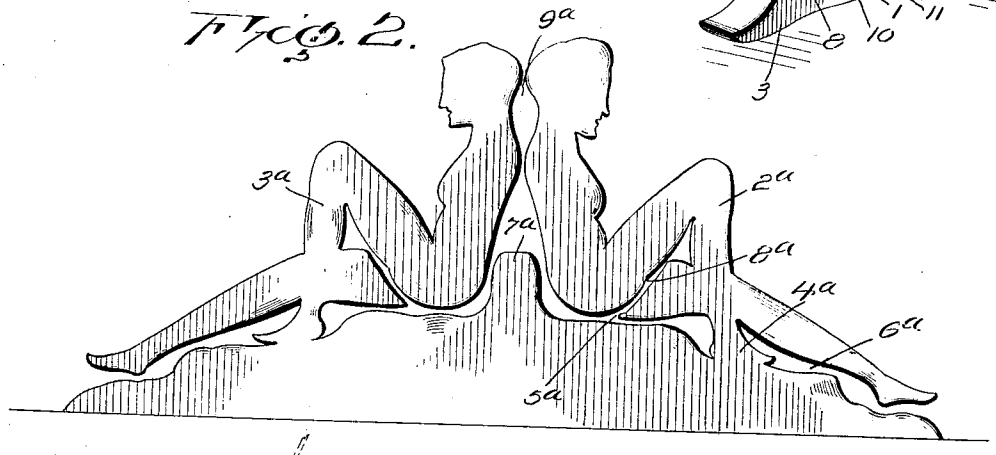


FIG. 2.



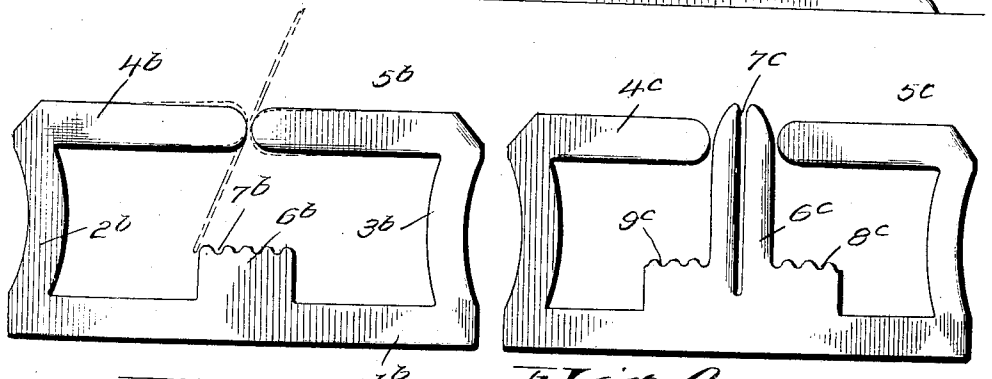


FIG. 3.

FIG. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PAUL R. GOMOLL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Oshkosh, in the county of Winnebago and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holders or Exhibitors, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to devices for holding or displaying photographs, cards, signs and analogous articles in different positions.

One of the objects of my invention is to produce a new and efficient yet artistic holder of the above class to receive articles of varying thickness and securely hold the same.

A further object of my invention is directed to a novel and improved holder adapted to support or exhibit a number of articles of varying thickness and in different angular positions.

Another object of my invention is to provide a holder, which will be simple in construction, artistic in appearance, strong and durable and very inexpensive to manufacture.

With these objects in view and others which will be suggested as the nature and purpose of my invention are revealed in the following specification and drawing wherein—

Figure 1 is a perspective showing a pair of holders in use.

Fig. 2 is a side view of a modified form.

Figs. 3 and 4 are further side views of modified forms.

Referring to Fig. 1, I have shown a pair of triangular holders designated by numeral 1 supporting a card, picture or sign 2 in a vertical, upright position. The holder may be constructed of wood, metal or some similar material and comprises a comparatively wide base 3, curved sloping sides 4 having a rounded top 5. Transverse arcuate slots 6, 7 are cut in the sides 4 and extend to a point 8 near the base of the stand for supporting a flexible card, photograph or the like. A transverse, vertical slot 9 is cut through the top 5 and terminates in reversely curved, arcuate slots 10, 11 which extend to a point in proximity to the base as shown in Fig. 1. It will be apparent that a pair of holders of this type may readily support a plurality of flexible articles in the respective slots above described, and at different angles.

Referring now to Fig. 2 wherein I have shown a modified triangular holder similar to the above described type, wherein curved or stamped figures 2^a, 3^a comprise the sides of a holder which may be constructed of flexible metal or similar material. The central recess 9^a between the figures will of course, retain the article or articles placed between the figures and when flexible material is used in this form of my invention, the figures will be flexed outwardly thereby enlarging the space between them. The figures are connected to the main body portion of the holder as at 4^a which forms the terminus for the horizontal recess 5^a and the recess 6^a. A vertical, rounded projection 7^a between the figures acts as a support or separating division between the same. Since it is intended that this type of holder will be constructed of flexible material, it is obvious that cards or similar flat articles may also be inserted in the diagonal recesses.

In the form shown in Fig. 3, I have shown a holder having a front and rear curved body 2^b, 3^b integral with the base 1^b and provided with resilient slightly spaced holding arms 4^b, 5^b integral with the sides. A central support 6^b, having a plurality of grooves or notches 7^b is adapted to receive and support the articles placed between the resilient arms in various angular positions as is well understood.

In Fig. 4, I have shown a similar construction to that above described wherein the resilient arms 4^c, 5^c are spaced sufficiently to permit a central partition 6^c, having a vertical recess 7^c to extend above the said arms. In this form, the grooves or notches 8^c, 9^c are adapted to receive and hold an article or articles inserted between the arms 4^c, 5^c and the vertical partition.

It is obvious that various changes and modifications in the details of construction above shown and described may be suggested in the practical, commercial application of the invention, and it is therefore to be understood that I do not wish to be unnecessarily limited to the exact details herein recited, but reserve the right to make all such changes and corrections as may properly fall within the spirit and scope of the invention as defined by the subject matter being claimed.

Having shown and described my invention, what I now claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the U. S. is:—

1. In a holder or exhibitor for pictures, cards and analogous articles, a support having a comparatively wide base and integral,

resilient sides and provided with a plurality of recesses for retaining articles of various thicknesses in various angular positions.

2. In a holder or exhibitor for pictures, cards and analogous articles, a support having a comparatively wide base and integral sides, spaced resilient arms integral with the sides, a grooved projection formed in the base and below the resilient arms whereby articles may be retained in different angular positions.

3. In a holder or exhibitor for pictures, cards and analogous articles, a support having a comparatively wide base, and integral sides, spaced resilient arms integral with the sides, a grooved projection between the sides and a recessed vertical member extending from said projection and between the resilient arms whereby a plurality of articles may be retained in different angular positions.

4. In a holder or exhibitor for pictures, cards and analogous articles, a support having a comparatively wide base, and integral sides, spaced resilient arms integral with the sides, a raised grooved projection between the sides and a recessed vertical member extending from said projection above and between the resilient arms permitting articles of various thicknesses to be retained in vertical and different angular positions.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature hereto.

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