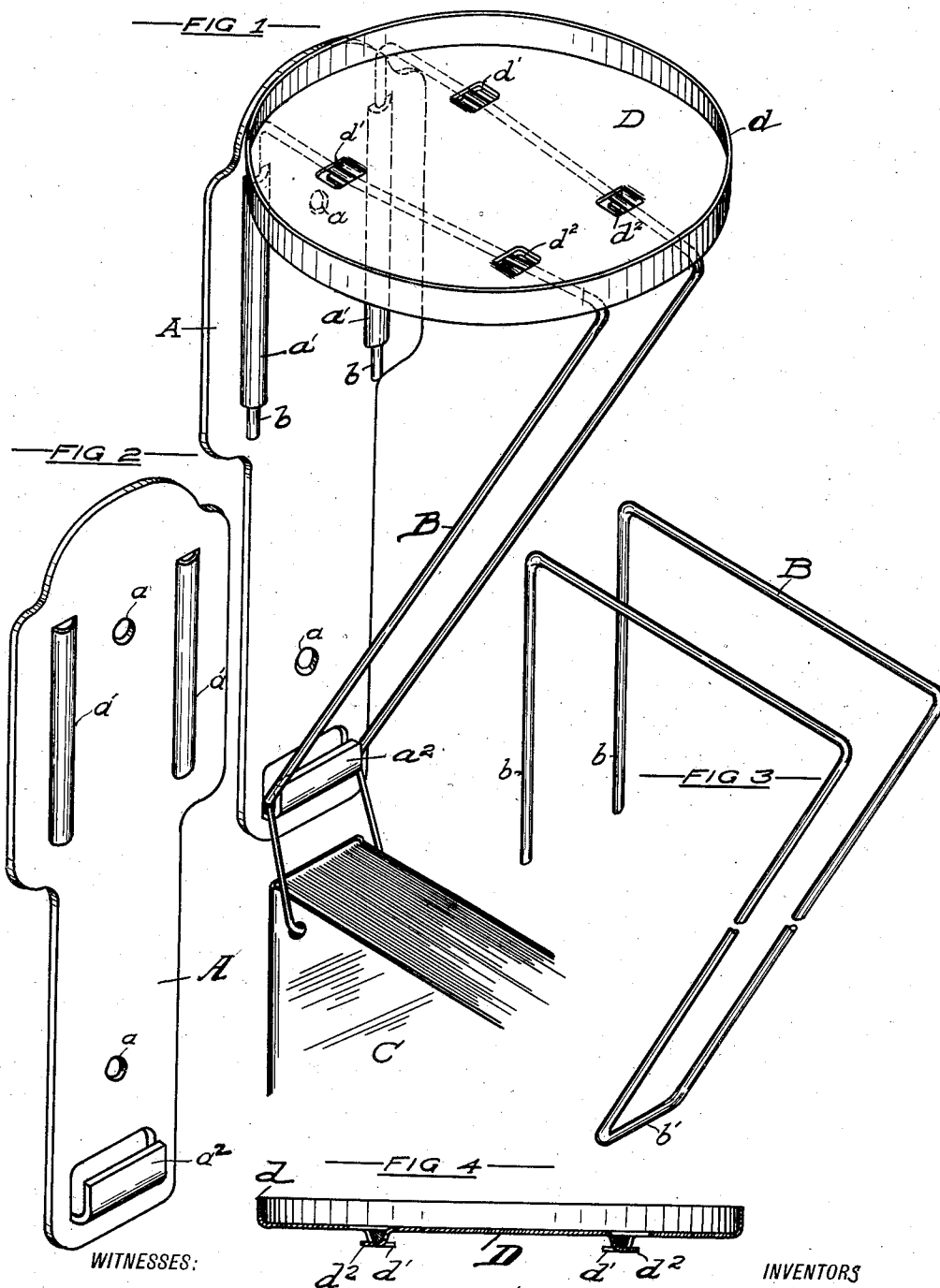


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WILLIAM A. NOBLE and ALONZO L. PHILLIPS, citizens of the United States, residing at Detroit, county of Wayne, State of Michigan, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Knockdown Telephone Shelves or Stands, and declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

Our invention relates to a knockdown telephone shelf or stand, shown in the accompanying drawings and more particularly set forth in the following specification and claims.

The object of our invention is to provide a simple and inexpensive knockdown shelf or stand for telephone or other uses, preferably constructed of sheet metal, which may be readily attached to a wall, desk, or other convenient support and which in its knockdown condition may be packed in a relatively small carton for selling or shipping purposes. These and other advantages will hereafter appear.

In the drawings accompanying this specification: Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device when assembled. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the back plate. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the wire bracket upon which the shelf rests. Fig. 4 is a sectional view through the shelf and one pair of the fingers integral therewith serving to secure the shelf to the wire bracket, the other pair of fingers (projecting in the opposite direction) being indicated in elevation beyond.

Referring now to the letters of reference placed upon the drawings: A is a plate perforated at a, a , for the passage of screws by means of which it is attached to a wall or other convenient support. a', a' , are channel grooves struck up from the body of the plate to receive the ends b of the supporting bracket B.

a^2 is a hook projecting from the lower end of the plate A to receive and support the lower horizontal end b' of the bracket. This hook also provides a convenient means for suspending a telephone directory C, as indicated in Fig. 1.

D is a circular shelf of suitable size to receive the base of the telephone (not shown)

and is provided with an up-standing flange d to protect the telephone from accidental dislodgment.

d', d' , are a pair of fingers struck from the body portion of the shelf engaging the upper horizontal portions of the bracket B; and d^2, d^2 , are a similar pair of fingers in line therewith also engaging the bracket B;—the fingers of each pair, however, project in opposite directions to prevent lateral displacement of the shelf. It will be noted that the wire bracket is spread somewhat farther apart beneath the shelf in order to provide adequate support for the latter, the tension of the wire against the fingers serving to insure the shelf against lateral play when the parts are assembled.

Having indicated the several parts by reference letters, the construction of the device and manner of employing the same will be readily understood.

It will be obvious that the several parts may be readily assembled, and in a knockdown condition they may be packed in a small carton in convenient form for sale or shipment.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim is:—

1. In a device of the character described, a shelf having fingers integral therewith to engage a supporting wire bracket, the wire bracket bent to form two substantially triangular-shaped members spaced apart, a plate adapted to be engaged to a suitable support having a pair of channels struck up from the body thereof to receive the ends of the supporting bracket, and a hook beneath said channel portions to receive the lower end of said bracket.

2. In a device of the character described, a shelf having fingers integral therewith whereby it may be engaged to a supporting bracket, the bracket bent to form two substantially triangular-shaped members spaced apart and having a horizontal portion connecting said triangular members, a plate adapted for engagement to a suitable support having a pair of channels struck up from the body thereof to receive the ends of the supporting bracket, and a hook beneath said channel portions to receive and support the horizontal portion of said bracket.

3. In a device of the character described, a wire bracket bent to form two substantially triangular-shaped members spaced

apart and having a horizontal portion connecting said triangular members, a shelf provided with two pair of fingers integral therewith to engage the spaced members of
5 the wire bracket, the end of each pair of fingers projecting in opposite directions whereby the shelf is secured against lateral movement, a plate adapted for engagement to a suitable support having a
10 pair of channel grooves struck up from the body thereof to receive the ends of the sup-

porting bracket, and a hook beneath said portions to receive and support the horizontal portion of said bracket.

In testimony whereof, we sign this specification in the presence of two witnesses. 15

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