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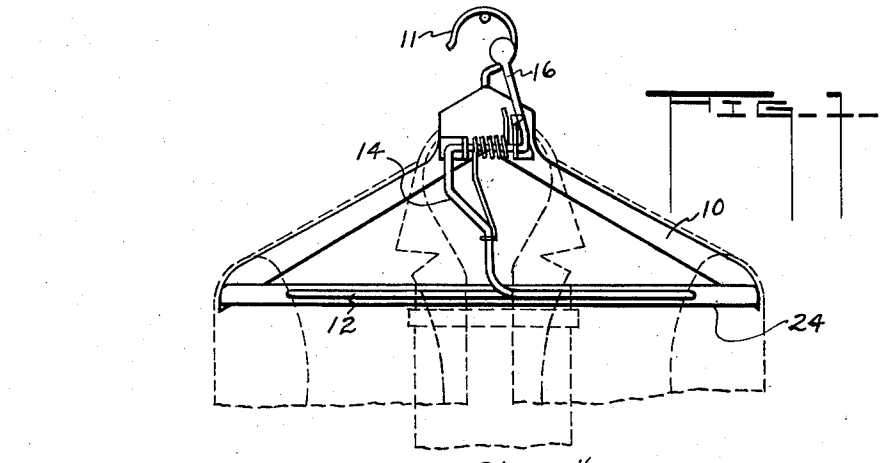


FIG. 1

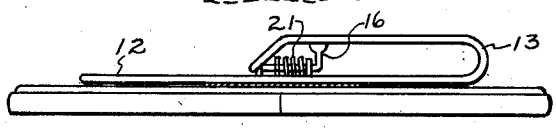


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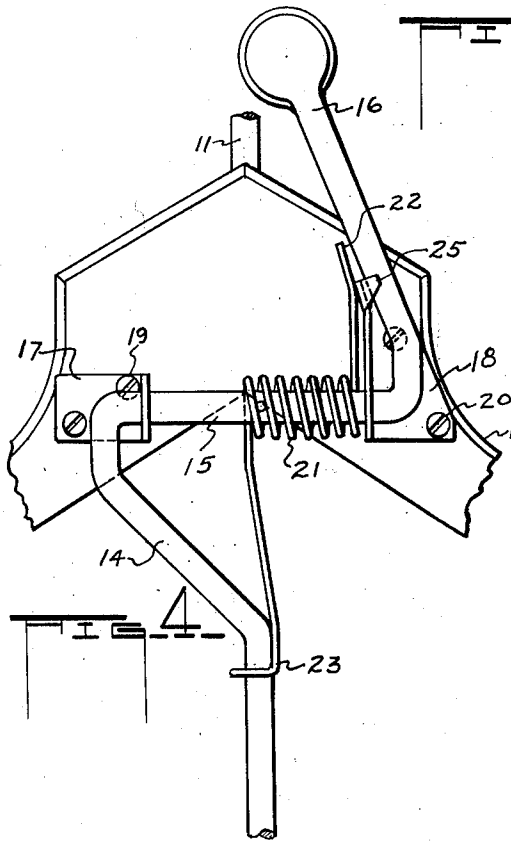


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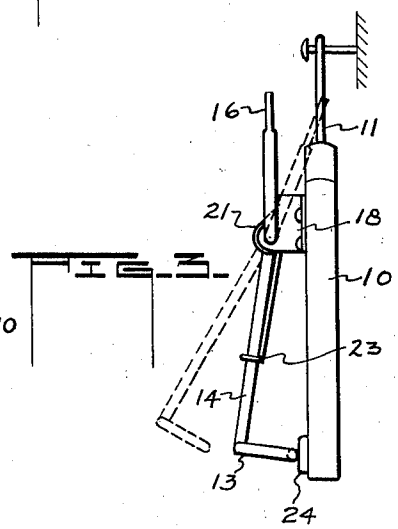


FIG. 3

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This invention relates to suit hangers.

One of the objects of the invention is in the provision of a suit hanger comprising a frame portion adapted to receive the coat and vest portion thereof, and a manually operated open-ended trousers hanger connected thereto in such manner as to permit the trousers to be readily placed thereon.

Another object lies in the provision of a suit hanger, which includes a frame portion for the coat and a pivoted, open-ended trousers hanger portion so arranged as to permit the operator, by manual movement thereof, to move the trousers hanger portion laterally from the coat support.

Still another object lies in the provision of a suit hanger which comprises a conventional frame support for the coat and vest and a laterally movable trousers hanger so arranged as to permit the trousers to be readily disposed over the hanger portion when same is held in a lateral position by the operator, there being also provided a latch means for holding the trousers in a lateral position as well as a spring tensioning means for returning the support to a position immediately adjacent the frame.

Further, it will be noted that by having the trousers suspended in a tensioned position against the coat and vest portions, it is impossible for the coat, vest or trousers to become disarranged.

Other objects will appear in the following specification, taken in connection with the annexed drawing, in which

Fig. 1 is a front elevational view of my suit hanger;

Fig. 2 is a plan view from below;

Fig. 3 is a side elevational view; and

Fig. 4 is an enlarged detail view of the tensioning and latch mechanism.

Before referring specifically to the drawing for a detail description thereof, it might be stated that the present applicant has taken into consideration the disadvantages that attend the use of an ordinary suit hanger, wherein the frame and trousers support are usually formed in a single member and there are certain difficulties attending the placement of the trousers upon a support prior to the insertion of the hanger within the coat and vest.

Applicant has designed herein a suit hanger which insures ease in hanging the trousers upon their support as well as the coat and vest upon its supporting member. Further, the trousers are suspended in a position with respect to the coat that permits their ready removal without the necessity of disarranging the coat portion.

Now, referring to the drawing, a hanger or frame portion 10 is found, which conforms to the conventional coat and vest support in practically every detail. Obviously, same has the well known hook portion 11 connected thereto at the upper end.

With respect to the trousers supporting mechanism, an entirely different character of device is shown. In the first place, an open-ended trousers support is shown at 12. This support comprises a portion of a rod bent in the manner shown at 13, which in turn is connected to an upwardly extending portion 14, which portion eventually becomes the horizontal member 15 and finally the same rod ends in the upwardly projecting manually operated handle portion 16.

Obviously, the use of a single rod simplifies the mechanism, although, of course, such manner of supporting the open-ended trousers receiving portion might be accomplished in different ways.

The portion 15 of the rod is supported in brackets 17 and 18 which are secured to the frame 10 by means of the plural screws 19 and 20 for the respective brackets. The rod, various portions of which have been designated by different numerals, is held in a spring tensioned manner against the frame by means of the spring 21, which is coiled about the portion 15 of the rod, the same having one of its ends, 22, abutting the frame 10, and its other end, 23, grasping the rod 14.

It will be noted that the spring normally tends to force the open-ended trousers hanger portion 12 against the cross brace 24 of the hanger 10.

Means for moving the open-ended trousers receiving portion 12 in a lateral direction to more readily permit the trousers to be placed thereon is provided in the particular fashioning of the above described rod and by operation of the handle 16, which lies in a position immediately adjacent the top of the frame and adapted to be operated by the thumb of the operator. Depression of the lever 16 obviously moves the open-ended portion of the rod 12 to the dotted line position shown in Fig. 3, whereupon the trousers may be readily inserted upon the open-ended portion thereof. Pending this operation, the operator merely disposes the rod 16 beneath the latch portion 25 formed as a part of the bracket 18. This latch assists in expediting the disposition of the trousers upon the hanger and obviously may readily be relieved by slight lateral pressure of the member 16. The spring then re-

turns the trousers support and trousers to the full line position shown in Fig. 3, wherein said member will be forced against the coat portion and thus assist in holding said coat portion in a fixed position upon the frame 10.

As far as the operation of applicant's device is concerned, it is apparent that the operator may readily grasp the upper portion of the frame in his hand, with the thumb against the lever 16. Depression of the lever 16 will hold the open-ended trousers receiving support in a lateral and latched position, while the coat and vest are disposed about the frame 10. The operator then finds the rod 12 in such position as to be readily inserted in the folded trousers and finally, when the latch is released, the supported trousers are forced, due to the tension of the spring, to a position immediately adjacent the coat portion. Further, it is apparent that the trousers may be readily removed prior to the removal of the coat portion without disarranging the coat in the least.

What I claim is:

1. A suit hanger comprising a coat hanger portion, a horizontal trousers hanger bar supported at one end only and pivoted on said coat hanger portion, resilient means normally urging said trousers hanger bar toward said coat hanger portion, whereby trousers or the like may be clamped between the hanger bar and coat hanger portion, manually operated means for moving said trousers hanger bar away from said coat hanger portion, and a latch for holding said trousers hanger bar in its position away from said coat hanger portion, whereby the coat hanger portion and the trousers hanger bar may be simultaneously used independently of each other.

2. A coat and trousers hanger including in combination a supporting frame for the coat, a horizontal bar on said coat frame, a horizontal open ended trousers support comprising a bar supported at one end only and pivotally secured to said frame and cooperative with said horizontal bar to clamp trousers or the like therebetween, tensioning means for holding the trousers support in clamping position relative to the horizontal bar, manual means for moving the same away from the bar out of clamping position and a latch for holding the same in the latter position in opposition to said tensioning means.

3. A suit hanger including in combination a supporting frame for a coat or the like, a horizontal bar on the coat frame, a horizontal open ended garment support comprising a bar supported at one end only and pivotally supported on the coat frame, the same being so fashioned as to be capable of cooperating with said horizontal bar to clamp garments therebetween or to act as an independent garment support and means for holding said support in said clamping position or in said independent garment supporting position.

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