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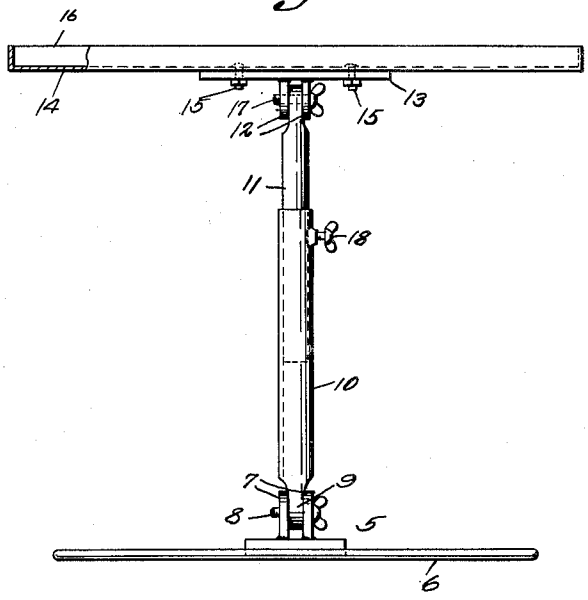


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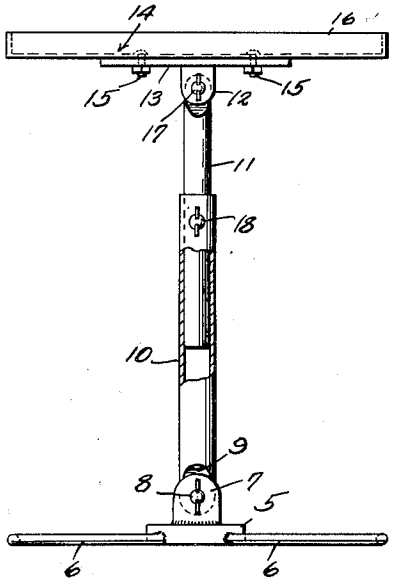


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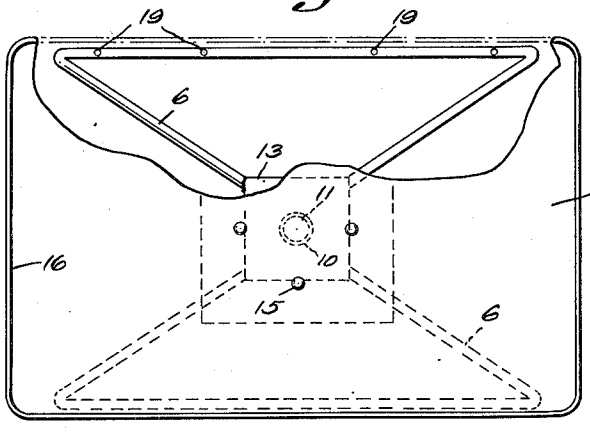
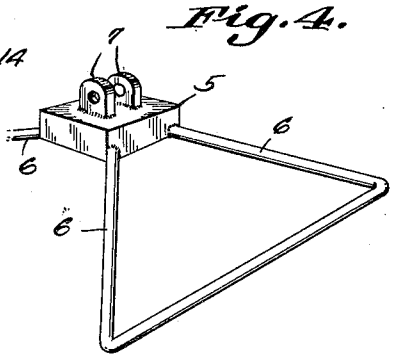


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This invention relates to display stands of the portable type, and specifically designed for use in displaying special items, such as tomatoes, avocados, pears or other out of season items in such a way that they will stand out and be clearly visible over the remaining and more common vegetables on the stand with which the portable stand is used.

An important object of the invention is to provide a portable display stand of this character having adjustable characteristics permitting the device or stand to be used in connection with practically any type of fruit or vegetable stand now in common use.

Another important object of the invention is to provide a display stand of this character including a supporting tray having an upstanding marginal flange to insure against the fruit placed thereon rolling from the tray when vegetables are removed therefrom.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention consists of certain novel details of construction and combinations of parts hereinafter more fully described and pointed out in the claims, it being understood that changes may be made in the construction and arrangement of parts without departing from the spirit of the invention as claimed.

Referring to the drawing:

Figure 1 is an elevational view of a display stand and supporting tray or pan, constructed in accordance with the invention.

Fig. 2 is a side elevational view taken at right angles to Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a plan view of the display stand, a portion of the tray or pan having been removed.

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the supporting base of the stand.

Referring to the drawing in detail, the device comprises a base including the block 5 to which the legs 6 are secured, the legs extending outwardly from the block 5 providing a wide supporting surface.

Rising from the block 5, are spaced ears 7 that are formed with aligning openings through which the bolt 8 extends, the bolt 8 also extending through the lower end 9 of the tubular section 10 of the telescoping supporting post.

Extending into the tubular section 10 of the supporting post, is the section 11 of the post, which has its upper end pivotally mounted between the ears 12 that are spaced apart, and are secured to the plate 13 which in turn is bolted to the pan or tray 14 by means of the bolts 15. This pan or tray 14 may be of any desired contour, although in the present showing, the pan or tray is rectangular in formation.

Extending upwardly from the marginal edge of the pan or tray, is the flange 16 which acts as a guard against the fruit or vegetables positioned on the pan or tray, rolling from the pan or tray 14.

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The bolt 17 connects the upper end of the section 11 of the telescoping supporting post between the ears 12, while the bolt 18 which extends through a threaded opening in the tubular section 10 of the supporting post, engages the section 11 to hold the section 11 in various positions of vertical adjustment.

In order that the base of the stand may be secured on an inclined surface, openings 19 are formed in one of the legs, through which nails or securing screws may be extended to secure the stand against movement.

In using the stand, it is contemplated to place the stand in the usual vegetable stand, the base resting on the bottom of the stand, while the pan or tray is supported above the level of the seasonable vegetables supported on the display stand, for the reception of out of season vegetables. such as avocados, tomatoes, pears or the like, so that these out of season vegetables will stand out and be clearly visible above the remaining vegetables on the stand.

Because of the vertical adjustment of the supporting post, it will be seen that the pan or tray may be elevated to the desired position above the remaining vegetables of the stand, and the pan or tray may be adjusted to various angular positions with respect to the post and base.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

A portable fruit and vegetable stand for use with a vegetable display bin, comprising a base, a telescoping adjustable post rising from the base, a pan pivotally connected to the upper end of the post, an upstanding marginal flange formed on the pan, said pan adapted to support vegetables on a level above the vegetables in the bin with which the portable stand is used, and leg members secured to the base embodying lengths of wire material extending laterally from the base on which vegetables in the bin are placed holding the stand in a vertical position.

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