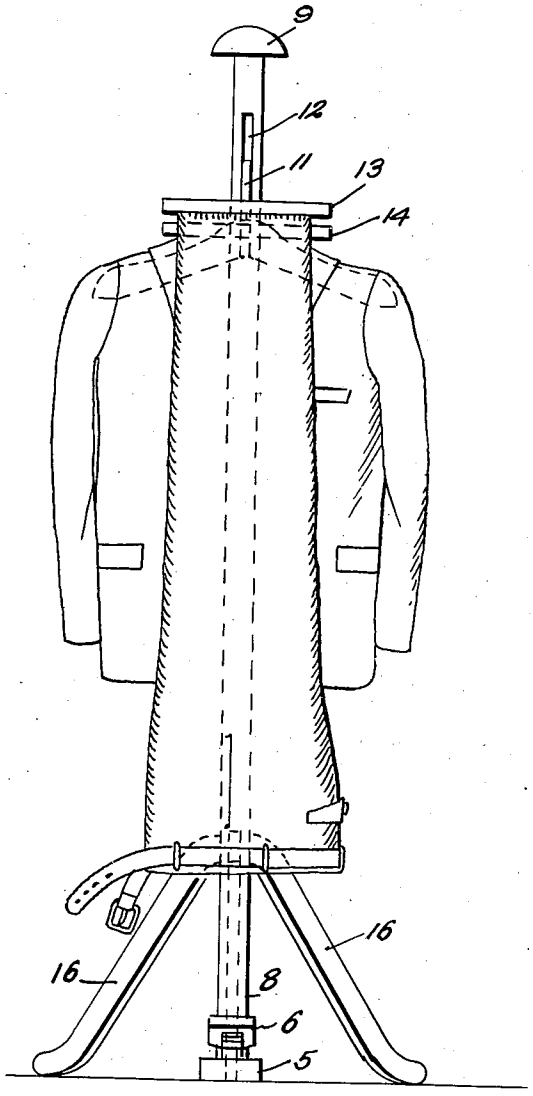
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Fig. 1.



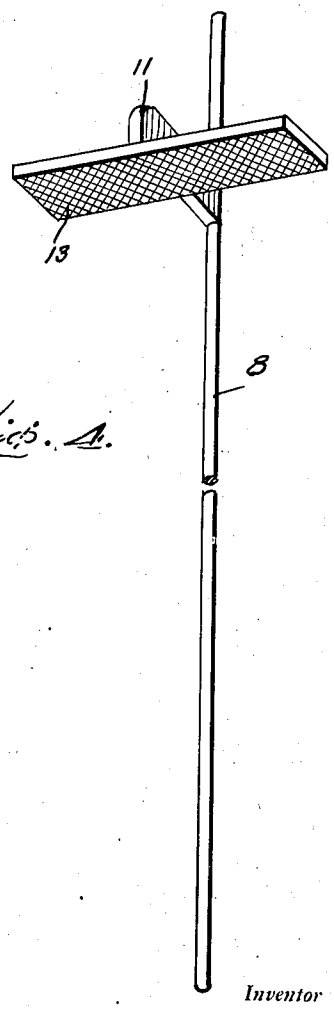


Fig. 4.

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Fig. 3.

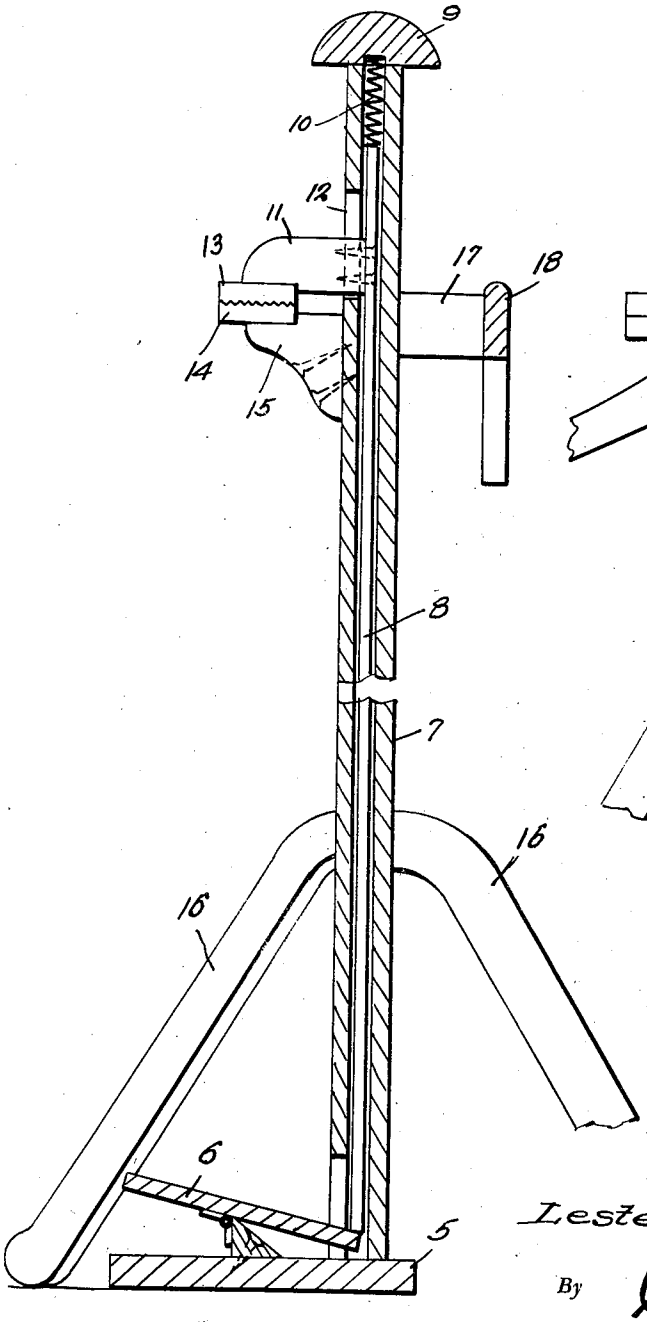
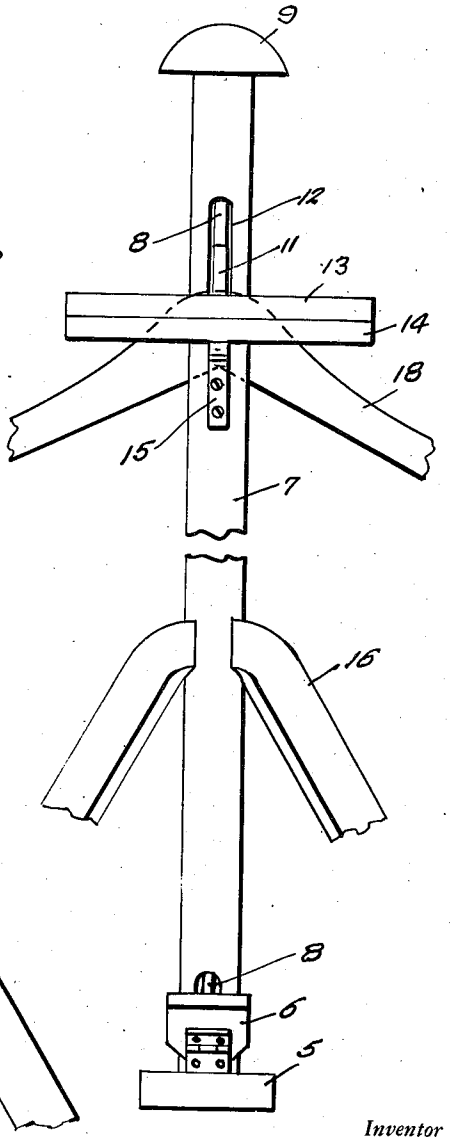


Fig. 2.



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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in racks for supporting trousers and other elements of apparel.

The principal object of the present invention is to provide a rack or hanger for the more practical supporting of trousers so that their creases will not become mussed.

Another important object of the invention is to provide a conveniently operative trousers hanger whereby the trousers will be suspended by their cuffs and thus supported in a manner whereby the creases of the trouser legs cannot become malformed.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent to the reader of the following description.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of the device.

Figure 2 is a fragmentary side elevational view with the garments removed.

Figure 3 is a vertical fragmentary sectional view through the device.

Figure 4 is a fragmentary perspective view of the movable clamp unit.

Referring to the drawings wherein like numerals designate like parts, it can be seen in Figures 1 to 4, inclusive, that numeral 5 denotes a base member on which is a treadle 6 rockably supported.

Numeral 7 denotes a vertical post, this post being hollow and having a rod 8 vertically slidable therein. The upper end of the post 7 has a head or cap 9 and interposed between this and the upper end of the rod 8 is a compression spring 10 serving to normally urge the rod 8 downwardly with its lower end bearing against the treadle 6 so as to hold its outer end in elevated position.

An arm 11 protrudes laterally from the rod 8 and through a slot 12 in the upper portion of the post 7. The outer end of the arm 11 carries a clamp plate 13 which is opposed to a clamp plate 14 supported by a bracket 15 on the post 7. It is preferable that the opposed faces of the clamp plates 13, 14 be roughened, corrugated or the like so that the trouser cuffs will not slip therefrom when interposed therebetween.

Suitable legs 16 are provided for the post 7, and an arm 17 may protrude from the back of the post 7 and serve to support a coat hanger 18.

Obviously, by pushing downwardly with the foot on the outer end of the treadle 6, the rod 8 will be elevated as will the arm 11 and the clamp plate 13. The cuffs of trousers can be inserted between the plates 13, 14 and upon releasing the treadle 6, the plate 13 will be urged downwardly to clamp the cuffs against the plate 14 and this pressure will be maintained by the spring 10.

While the foregoing specification sets forth the invention in specific terms, it is to be understood that numerous changes in the shape, size and materials may be resorted to without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed hereinafter.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. A pants hanger comprising a base, a hollow upright mounted on said base, a slide member in the upright, a treadle pivotally mounted on the base for elevating the slide, a clamp plate fixed on the upper portion of the upright, and a second clamp plate carried by the slide and being cooperative with the first-mentioned clamp plate, and a spring in the upper end of the upright and engaging the upper end of the slide to force the latter downwardly and maintain the clamp plate carried thereby in clamping relation with respect to the first-mentioned clamp plate.

2. A pants hanger comprising a base, a hollow upright mounted on said base, a slide member in the upright, a clamp plate fixed on the upper portion of the upright, a second clamp plate carried by the slide and being cooperative with the first-mentioned clamp plate, a spring exerting force on the slide for yieldingly maintaining the second clamp plate in clamped relation with respect to the first-mentioned clamp plate, and a treadle pivotally mounted on the base for operating the slide to move the second clamp plate away from the first clamp plate against the action of said spring.

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