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ADJUSTABLE GARMENT HANGER

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Fig. 1.

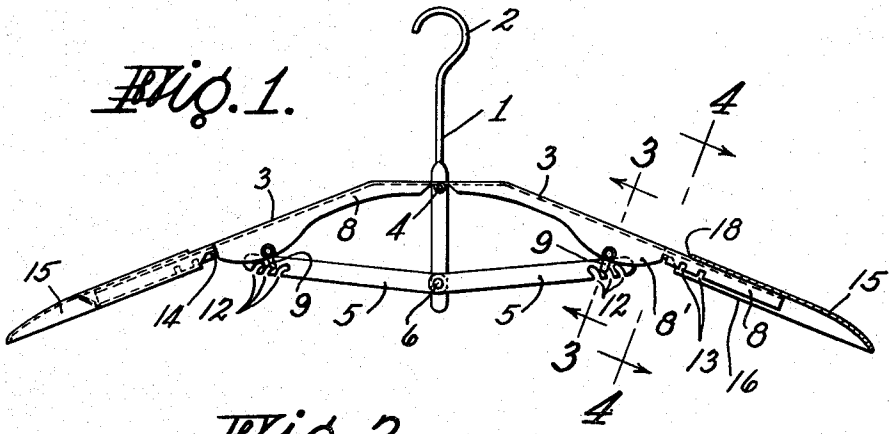


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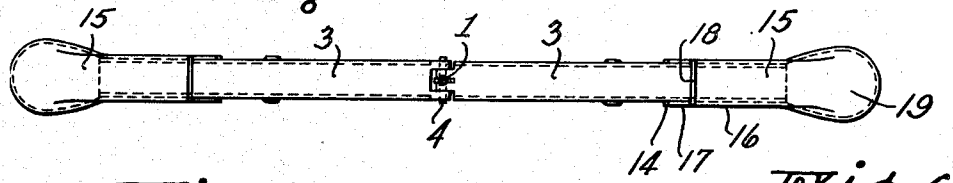


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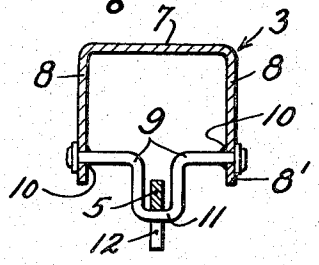


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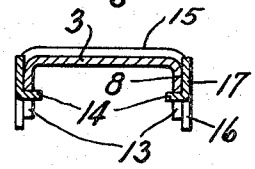


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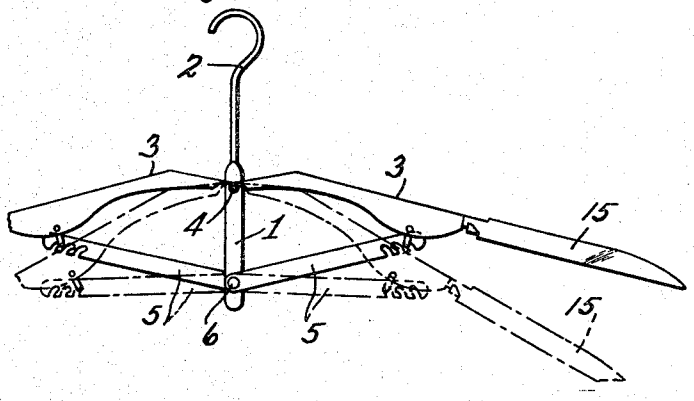
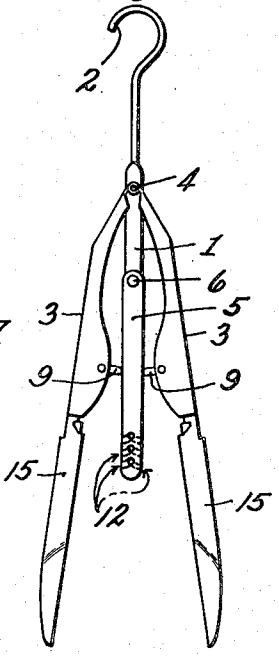


Fig. 6.



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This invention relates to improvements in garment hanger construction and has for an object to provide a hanger construction having means for easy adjustment to a variety of differently shaped garments.

The average garment hanger is generally fixed in shape, yet is used indiscriminately to support garments of many types completely dissimilar in size and shape. Under such conditions the garments may be rendered misshapen and distorted in hanging, particularly if thus supported for long periods of time.

Another object of the present invention is to provide a garment hanger easily adjustable as to shoulder slope and shoulder width.

A further object is to provide a garment hanger having the above mentioned advantages which is easily collapsible when not in use.

Other objects and advantages will become apparent from the following description and drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a side elevation of the improved construction of the invention;

Fig. 2 is a plan view of the structure of Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a sectional view taken on line 3—3 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 4 is a sectional view taken on line 4—4 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 5 is a view similar to Fig. 1 but showing the hanger support arms in different positions; and

Fig. 6 is a view showing the garment hanger of Fig. 1 in collapsed position.

Referring to the drawings, the garment hanger as shown by Figs. 1 and 2 comprises a suspension member with an elongated shank as center post 1 having a hanger loop, hook 2, at its upper end, oppositely extending garment supporting arms 3 pivotally hinged centrally of center post 1 as at 4, and arm supports as bars 5 pivotally fixed as at 6 to the lower end of post 1.

As shown by Figs. 3 and 4 the arms 3 are of channel shaped cross section with a top wall 7 having depending side walls 8 with the open side of the channel facing downwardly. Each arm 3 has a cross rod 9 rigidly fixed at each end to opposite skirted portions 8' of the channel side walls 8 as at 10. Each rod 9 has a depending offset portion 11 extending downwardly below the side skirts 8' of arm 3. A rod 9 receives in portion 11 one of a plurality of slots 12 cut in the underside of arm support bar 5 adjacent its outer end. As shown by Fig. 5, a slot 12 when engaging portion 11 of bar 9 determines the angular position of the arms 3 with respect to the center post. The offset 11 of the cross rod 9 provides clearance for bar 5 against contact with arm 3 when the bar is engaged in its innermost slot 12 by the offset.

Adjacent the outer end of arms 3 pairs of notches 13 (Fig. 4) are cut in the side walls 8. The notches 13 are adapted to receive inturned

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lugs 14 of arm extensions 15 which are adapted to overlie the ends of arm 3. As shown by Figs. 1, 2 and 4 extensions 15 are provided with side walls 16 overlapping the end portions of walls 8 and forward wing portions 17 extending inwardly along the sides of the arms. The inturned lugs 14 are formed at the inner ends of the wing portions 17 and may be removed from engagement in a pair of notches 13 by the upward swing of extension 15 on its forward top edge 18 as a pivot. As the extensions may thus be adjusted for engagement of lugs 14 in any one of the pairs of notches 13 the overall length of the arms 3 may be varied as necessary to accommodate a garment having a particular shoulder width. The end portion 19 of an extension 15 is flared to provide a rounded surface for shoulder support of the garment.

In the interest of saving space and for convenient storage the structure of the hanger may be folded as is shown by Fig. 6 with both support bars unlatched and hanging downwardly, to permit the lowering of arms 3 adjacent thereto.

I claim:

1. A collapsible garment hanger comprising, a suspension member having a hanger loop at the top thereof and an elongated shank, oppositely extending arms pivotally connected at their inner ends to said shank and centrally thereof, each of said arms having depending spaced skirted portions midway of the length thereof, cross support rods fixed between the skirts and arm support members pivotally joined to said shank at a point spaced from the pivotal connection with said arms, the members having slots at their outer ends engageable in extended position with said cross rods.

2. A collapsible garment hanger comprising, a suspension member having a hanger loop at the top thereof and an elongated shank, oppositely extending arms pivotally connected at their inner ends to said shank and centrally thereof, each of said arms having a channel shaped formation with depending side skirts intermediate the arm ends, arm supports pivoted on the lower end of said shank and provided adjacent the free ends of the supports with spaced slots, arm support rods fixed between said depending skirt portions of the arms and adapted to carry said supports by insertion in any of the slots thereof for a plurality of extended positions, said arms at their outer ends having a plurality of pairs of spaced notches in the lower depending side edges thereof and provided with arm extensions overlying the outer ends of the arms with inturned lugs engageable in the respective pairs of notches for varying the overall length of said arms.

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