

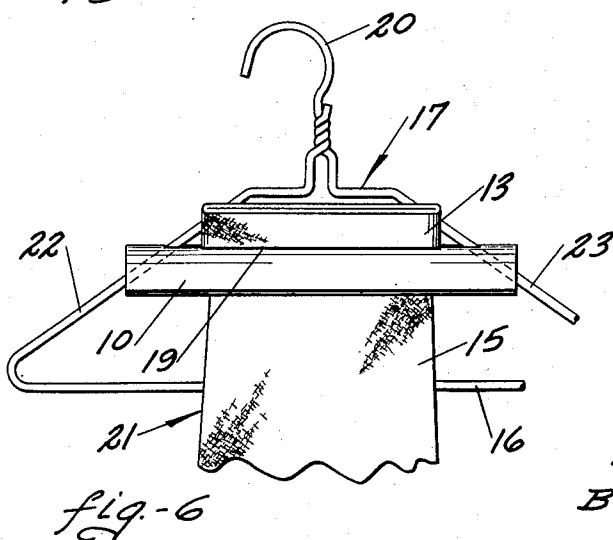
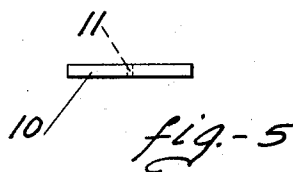
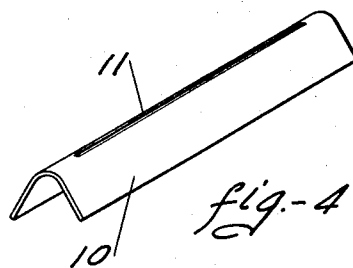
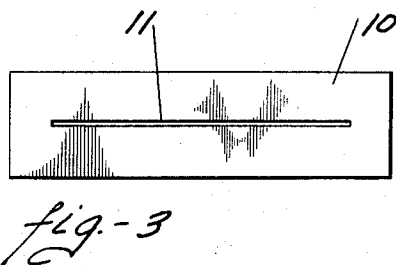
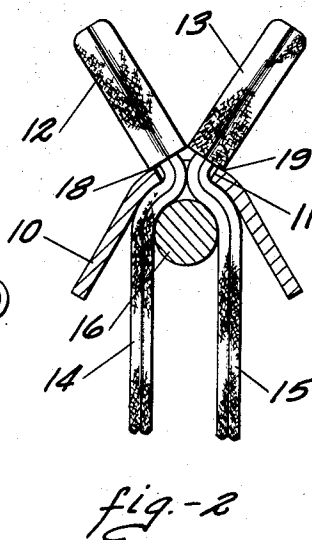
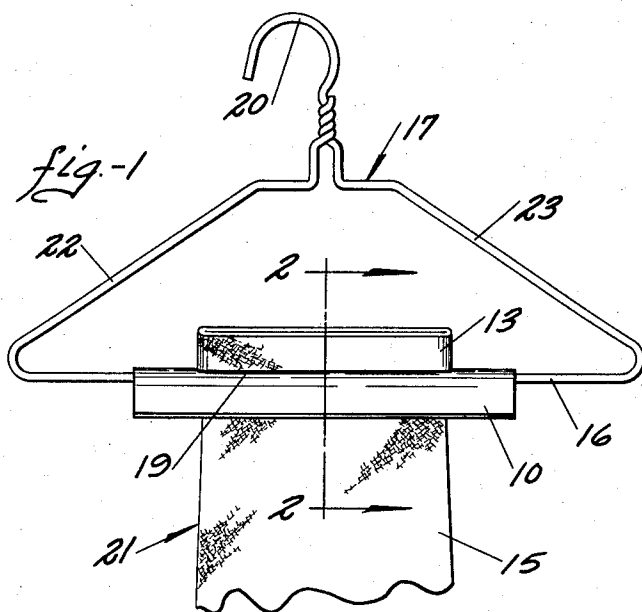
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This invention relates to a pants hanger structure which may be carried by the ordinary wire garment hanger and consists essentially of a slit strip of fiber board or even thin sheet metal if the cost is not prohibitive, through which the cuffs of pants are carried to allow the upper edges of each cuff to drop down against the marginal sides of the slit, and to have either the arms or a cross bar of the hanger support the board or sheet as will hereinafter be more fully explained.

A primary object of the invention is to provide an exceedingly simple and most inexpensive means for hanging a pair of trousers by their cuffs in a manner whereby the legs of the trousers are not hung over a cross member of the hanger which normally sets up transverse creases where not desired.

Furthermore, the device embodying the invention is applicable to any of the well known and standard formed garment hangers most generally made out of a single length of wire. These and many other objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent to those versed in the art by the following description of the invention, in which:

Fig. 1 is a view in side elevation of a garment hanger to which the invention is applied;

Fig. 2 is a view in vertical section on the line 2—2 in Fig. 1 on an enlarged scale;

Fig. 3 is a top plan view of a holder;

Fig. 4 is a view in perspective of the holder in a curved form;

Fig. 5 is a view in end elevation of the holder shown in Fig. 3; and

Fig. 6 is a view of the structure embodying the invention supported on the arms of the hanger.

A generally rectangular holder 10 is formed out of any suitable material such as cardboard, fiber or plastic board, or even thin gauge metal. This holder 10 is provided with a centrally disposed slot 11 therethrough extending throughout the major length of the holder. The holder may be used in the flat state as indicated in Figs. 3 and 5, or preferably it may be curved to slope downwardly and outwardly from each side of the slot 11 as indicated in Fig. 4.

In either form of the holder, the cuffs 12 and 13 of the trouser legs 14 and 15 are gripped together, and pulled through the slot 11 by spreading the margins thereof apart sufficiently to permit that entrance and travel through of the cuffs. In the form shown in Fig. 4 the holder may be readily manipulated since the portions thereof on each side of the slot 11 may be sprung readily outwardly from the other to permit the passage therethrough of these cuffs.

In the form shown in Figs. 1 and 2, the cross bar 16 of the hanger 17 will have been inserted between the legs

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14 and 15 prior to the carrying the cuffs 12 and 13 through the slot 11, and after those cuffs have so been pulled through, then the cross bar 16 is pulled upwardly and the cuff edges 18 and 19 extend downwardly into contact with the margins of the slot 11. The hanger 17 is then held by its hook 20, whereupon the cross bar 16 comes up snugly between the legs 14 and 15, one leg on each side of the bar 16, and the cuffs normally swinging together instead of remaining apart as shown for the sake of clearness in Fig. 2. In any event, the trousers generally indicated by the number 21 are securely supported.

When it is not desirable to place the bar 16 preliminarily between the legs 14 and 15, the cuffs may be carried through the slot 11 of the holder 10 and then the upper hook portion 20 of the hanger 17 is inserted through the slot 11 either at one side of both cuffs, or centrally therebetween, to allow the holder to drop downwardly and bear on the arms 22 and 23 of the hanger 17 as indicated in Fig. 6.

In this later form the trousers may be removed readily from the hanger 17, without disturbing a coat which may be hanging below across the arms 22 and 23, and in any event in packing the trousers for travel or the like, the hanger 17 is disengaged readily without having to take the holder off of the legs by pulling the cuffs 12 and 13 back through the slot 11.

Thus it is to be seen that I have presented a very simple and yet extremely effective device for supporting trousers by their cuffs by use of the single strip of material constituting the holder 10, all without any complicated bending or dieing operations. Therefore, while I have shown my invention in the particular form as above described, it is obvious that structural changes may be employed without departing from the spirit of the invention, and I therefore do not desire to be limited to that precise form beyond the limitations which may be imposed by the following claim.

I claim:

The combination with a coat hanger having a cross bar extending thereacross on its under side, around which a pair of trousers having cuffs at the bottoms of the trouser legs may be suspended in inverted position and hanging from said bar: of a strip of flexible material having a single slit therethrough; the flexible material normally having an inverted V-shape in cross-section with said slit being at the apex of that shape; said strip being positioned above said bar and said trouser legs, one each, extending upwardly on opposite sides of the bar and brought together in side by side contact over the top side of the bar and thence upwardly through said slit allowing the marginal edges of the slit to spring back against sides of and under the top sides of said legs and cuffs which bear downwardly over said strip along opposite marginal edge portions of the slit; the bearing of said cuffs on said slit margins pressing said strip by its under side against those portions of said trouser legs intervening between said bar and said strip.

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