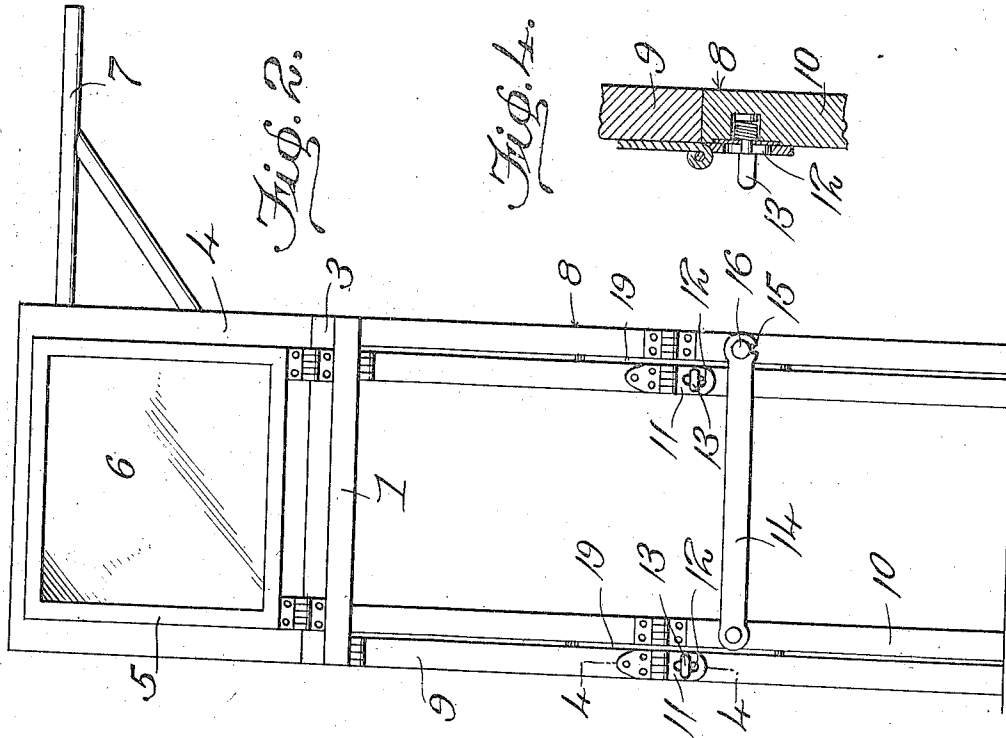
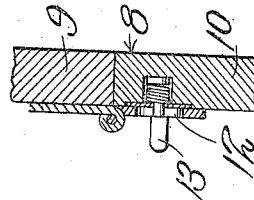
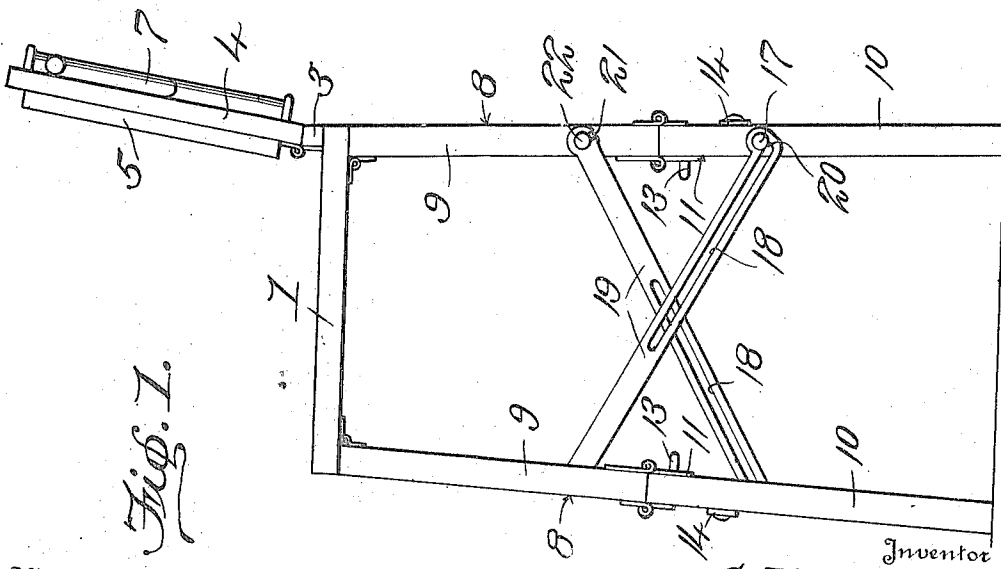


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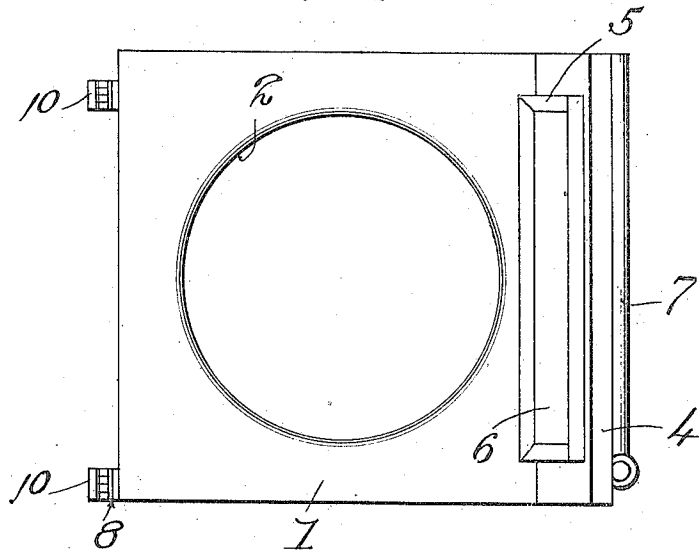
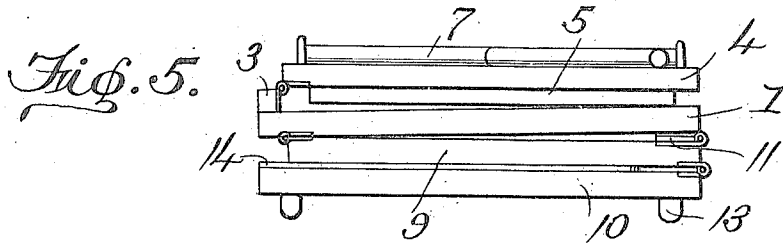
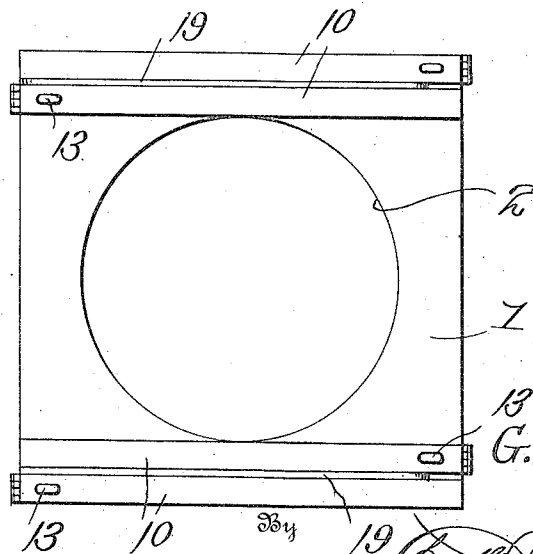


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE E. WOLKE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Alameda, in the county of Alameda, State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Folding Washstands; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

The present invention is directed to improvements in folding washstands, and has for its object to provide a device of this character constructed in such a manner that the same can be quickly and compactly folded when not in use and readily unfolded for use.

A further object of the invention is to provide a device of this character having combined therewith a leaf, said leaf serving to support a mirror and a towel rack.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a washstand having its supporting legs so constructed that they can be folded closely against the under surface of the basin supporting top.

With these and other objects in view this invention resides in the novel features of construction, formation, combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter more fully described, claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the device.

Fig. 2 is a front view.

Fig. 3 is a top plan view.

Fig. 4 is a sectional view on line 4—4 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 5 is a side view, showing the device folded.

Fig. 6 is a bottom plan view of the device when folded.

Referring to the drawing, 1 indicates the top preferably rectangular in shape and having formed therein a basin receiving opening 2. Hingedly connected to the strip 3, which is secured to the upper surface of the top, is a leaf 4 having mounted on one face thereof a frame 5 which supports the mirror 6. Hingedly connected to the other face of the leaf is a towel rack 7, which can be folded against the leaf when not in use, and readily extended for use.

The legs 8 consist of upper and lower sections 9 and 10, respectively, the former being hingedly connected to the under surface

of the top 1, while the sections 10 are hingedly connected to the lower ends of the sections 9. The sections 9 have hingedly connected thereto plates 11 provided with slots 12, the purpose of which will appear later.

Rotatably engaged with the upper ends of the sections 10 are spring pressed heads 13, which are adapted to engage in the slots 12 of the plates, and when turned to a horizontal will hold said plates in tight engagement with the sections 10, thereby preventing the sections from accidentally folding. The front and rear pair of sections 10 are held against spreading by the brace bars 14, which have one end pivotally connected to one section and the other end provided with a notch 15 for detachably engaging the pin 16 carried by the adjacent section 10.

Headed lugs 17 are carried by the leg sections 10, and are slidably engaged in the slots 18 formed in the bars 19, said slots terminating at their lower ends in recesses 20. When the lugs 17 are engaged in the recesses 20 it is obvious that movement of the bars 19 in opposite directions is prevented. The upper ends of the bars 19 are provided with slots 21 which are adapted to detachably engage the pins 22 carried by the upper leg sections 9, and when thus engaged movement of the front and rear legs toward each other is prevented. When the device is in its unfolded position the bars 19 will be arranged in crosswise relation, as clearly shown in Fig. 1 of the drawing.

When it is desired to fold the device, the pins 22 are disengaged from the slots 21 and the sections 10 folded against the sections 9, after which the sections 9 and 10 are folded against the under surface of the top 1. It will be noted that the hinged connection between upper sections 9 and the top 1 are arranged in offset relation so that when the legs are folded against the under surface of the top said legs will lie side by side. It will be of course understood that the plates 11 have been unlocked before the sections are folded. By providing the bars with the slots 21 they can be slid to parallel relation with the sections 9 and 10 of the legs 8 when folded.

From the foregoing description it will be seen that the device can be folded compactly and carried from place to place producing a device which is extremely useful to campers, or for hospitals. If desired the device can be formed from suitable metal.

The presence of the mirror will permit a person to perform his toilet, and the provision of the towel rack will assure a place for the face towel.

5 What is claimed is:—

A foldable wash stand comprising a top, front and rear legs supporting said top and hinged thereto, the hinges being offset to permit said legs to be folded alongside of
10 each other, said legs consisting of upper and lower hingedly connected sections, slotted plates hinged to the upper sections, spring pressed heads rotatably mounted on the

lower sections and engageable through the slots in adjacent plates and rotatable out 15 of alinement with said slots whereby to retain the sections in extended position, and bars detachably connected to the lower and upper sections of the legs.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature, in the presence of two witnesses. 20

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