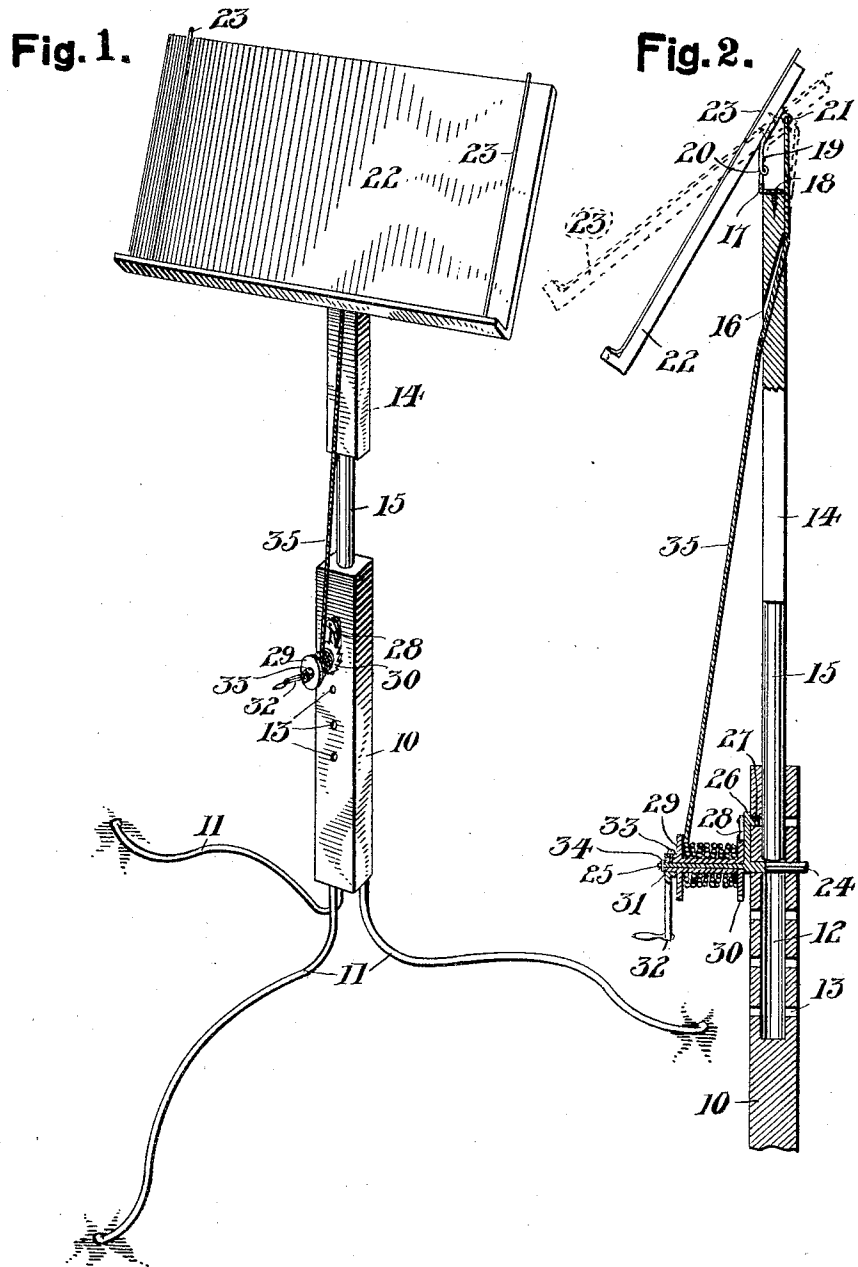


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, STANISLAW PRZESPOLEWSKI, a subject of the Czar of Russia, residing at Carnegie, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Supporting-Stands for Newspapers, &c., of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in stands for supporting newspapers, magazines, etc.

An object of the invention is to provide a supporting stand or bracket for newspapers, magazines and the like that may be easily and quickly adjusted as to height and angularity, and practically held rigid in its adjusted position.

According to my invention, I provide a supporting stand for newspapers that is extremely simple in construction, employing few parts, and may be cheaply manufactured and sold at a low cost.

With the above general objects in view and others that will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter more fully described and then claimed.

In the accompanying drawing in which is shown the preferred embodiment of my invention and to which reference is had herein by like characters designating corresponding parts throughout the several views:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of my supporting stand, and, Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view of the same with a portion of the base broken away.

The present invention is particularly adapted for the dining table, and is utilized to support a newspaper in such a position that the same may be read while a person is eating. Accordingly, I have provided a supporting stand that may be easily and quickly adjusted as to height and angularity and in every way perform its duties in an efficient manner.

Referring more in detail to the accompanying drawing, the reference numeral 10 designates the body-portion of the device in the form of a central block having suitably secured in the lower end thereof the supporting legs 11. The block 10 is provided with an elongated socket 12 opening at its upper end and extending the major

portion of the length of the said block and has opening into said socket alined transverse openings 13 for purposes to be later described.

A rod or bar 14 preferably rectangular in cross-section, or of a contour similar to the central block 10 has its lower end made circular in cross-section as at 15 and received in the socket 12 in the upper end of the central block 10. An angularly-disposed opening 16 is formed adjacent the upper end of the rod 14. A hinge section 17 is secured as at 18 to the upper end of the rod 14 and has pivoted thereto as at 20, the hinge section 19, the hinge section 19 carrying upon its other end an eye-bolt 21, the said hinge section 19 having suitably secured thereto the supporting bracket 22. The bracket 22 is adapted to support a newspaper, magazine or other reading matter which is held in position on the bracket 22 by the spring fingers 23.

Mounted in selected alined openings 13 in the central block 10 is a stub-shaft 24 having the lateral extension 25. A radial extension 26 of the shaft 24 carries a pin 27 that is adapted to be received within the upper adjacent opening 13 to prevent relative movement of the shaft 24 and central block 10, the radial extension 26 carrying a ratchet pawl 28. A winding reel 29 is mounted on the shaft extension 25 and has the inner flange thereof toothed upon its periphery as at 30 to be engaged by the ratchet pawl 28, while the opposite flange carries a lateral extension 31 upon which is mounted the operating crank handle 32 fixed thereto by a locking set screw 33, the reel 29 being held upon the shaft extension 25 by a cotter pin 34. A rope or cord 35 is connected at one of its ends to the eye 21 carried by the hinge section 19 while the other end thereof is wound upon the reel 29, as clearly shown in Fig. 2.

In operation, when it is desired to elevate or lower the supporting bracket 22, the shaft 24 is removed from its opening 13 and positioned in the selected openings, with the pin 27 positioned in the upper adjacent opening to prevent rotary movement of the shaft, thereby rendering the device practically rigid. The angularity of the supporting bracket 22 is controlled by the cord 35 connected thereto and passing through the openings 16 in the rod 14 and wound upon the reel, the reel being held in its adjusted

position by the pawl and ratchet mechanism 28 and 30. The lower end 15 of the rod 14 is permitted to have a slight rotary movement so that the supporting bracket 22 may be partially revolved without moving the entire stand.

While I have shown and described the preferred embodiment of my invention, I do not wish to confine myself to the exact details of construction, as various forms, modifications and arrangement of the parts as shown may be had without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

What I claim as new is:—

In a newspaper supporting stand, a central block, supporting legs carried by the lower end of said block, said block having

an elongated socket formed therein with alined apertures opening into the socket, an elongated bar received within the socket, a supporting bracket pivotally carried by the upper end of the bar, a shaft extending through the alined apertures and constituting an adjustable lower rest for said bar, a winding reel mounted on the extended end of said shaft, and a rope connection between the supporting bracket and reel whereby the angularity of the supporting bracket is controlled.

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

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