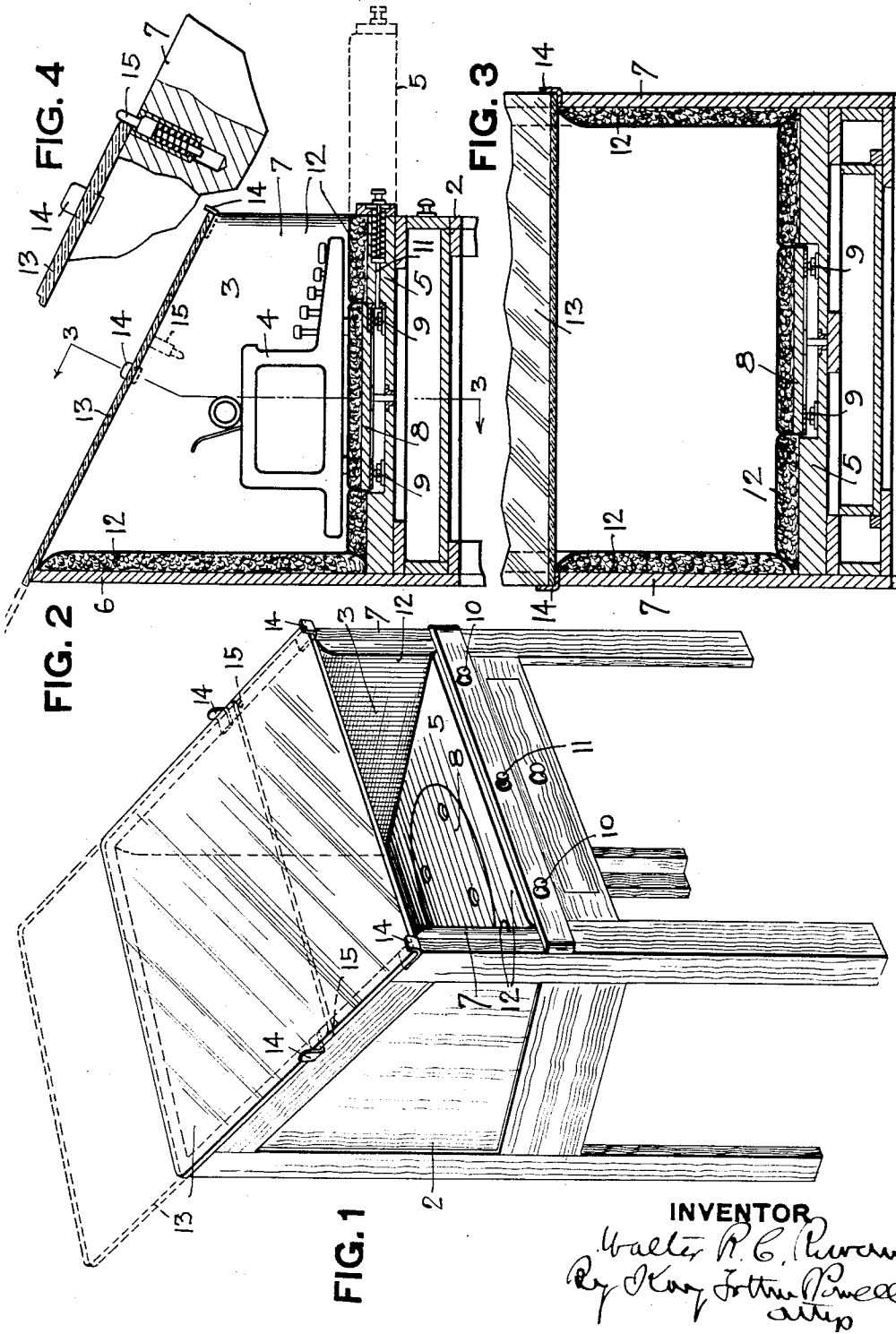


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALTER R. C. ROWAN, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Pittsburgh, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Type-Writer Cabinets; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention relates to a stand or cabinet for typewriter, or other machine.

The object of my invention is to provide a stand of this character in which the annoying sound of the keys and other parts is greatly reduced and modified.

To this end, my invention consists, generally stated, in a stand or support having a compartment for the typewriter which is open in front for admission of the hands of the operator, and lined with felt or other suitable sound absorbing material, the top of the compartment being closed by a plate of some translucent material arranged preferably on a slant and readily movable out of the way when it is desired to inspect the typewriter or remove same.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved stand or support; Fig. 2 is a cross-section of the upper portion of the stand taken through the compartment; Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3-3, Fig. 2; and Fig. 4 is a detail of the stop for the top plate.

Referring to the drawing, the numeral 2 designates a suitable stand or support having the compartment 3 to receive the typewriter 4. This compartment has the bottom 5, back 6 and ends 7.

In the bottom is the turn-table 8 mounted on ball-bearings 9. The typewriter is mounted on this turn-table, so that it may be turned to inspect the machine from the rear or sides. Furthermore the bottom 6 is slidable to and fro, and for that purpose is provided with the knobs 10 by which it may be drawn out to the position indicated in dotted lines, Fig. 2.

To lock the turn-table against turning, I provide the spring bolt 11 which engages said turn-table and holds it in place.

The bottom 5, the back 6 and the ends 7 are lined with felt 12 or other suitable sound absorbing material which acts to deaden the sound of the keys and other parts of the machine.

To further aid in this sound deadening effect, I employ the top-plate 13. This top-plate is preferably formed of glass or other translucent material and rests upon the upper edges of the back 6 and ends 7. The ends 7 are made sloping downwardly to the front of the stand, and the top-plate 13 has a corresponding slant. The upper edges of the ends 7 have the stops 14 which control the lateral and endwise movement of the plate 13. Spring stops 15 are also provided in the ends 7 which are depressed by the weight of the plate but act when the plate is moved beyond same, as indicated in dotted lines, Fig. 1 to hold said plate in its raised position. In this manner, access may be had to the machine without lifting the plate when it is desired to adjust the paper or for any other purpose.

When the operator is operating the machine there is ample room for the admission of the hand to operate the machine without inconvenience, and as the top-plate is translucent, the work is under inspection of the eye at all times.

The sound absorbing material will act to deaden the sound of the keys and other parts of the machine, while at the same time, the top-plate confines the sound waves and acts in conjunction with the felt on the walls of the compartment to further deaden the sound, so that only a faint click of the keys is heard outside the compartment 3.

By my invention the sharp metallic sound of the keys and other parts is practically eliminated, and where there are a number of machines in one room the annoyance and disturbance due to the noise is so modified and lessened as to be practically negligible.

What I claim is:

A stand or support for typewriter or other machine having a normally open-front compartment with its bottom and walls provided with sound absorbing material, and a slanting top-plate of translucent material adapted to deflect the sound of the keys against the sound-absorbing walls and bottom.

In testimony whereof, I the said WALTER R. C. ROWAN, have hereunto set my hand.

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