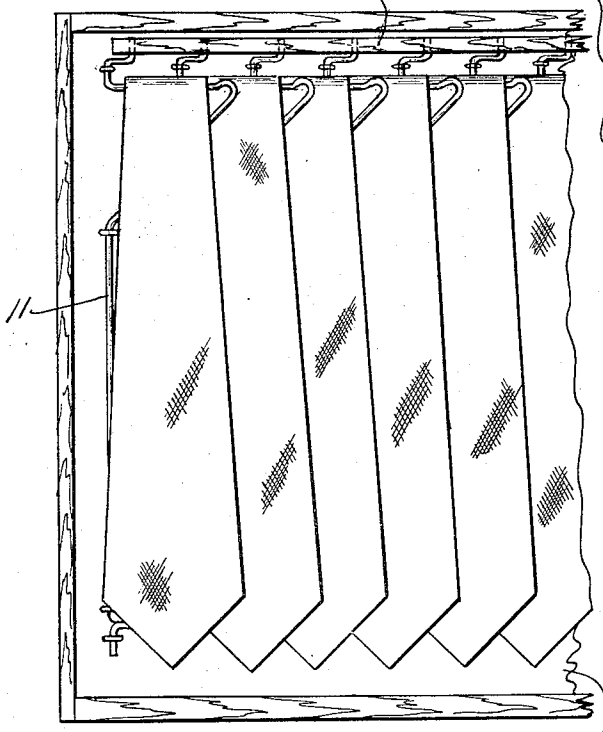
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FIG. 1



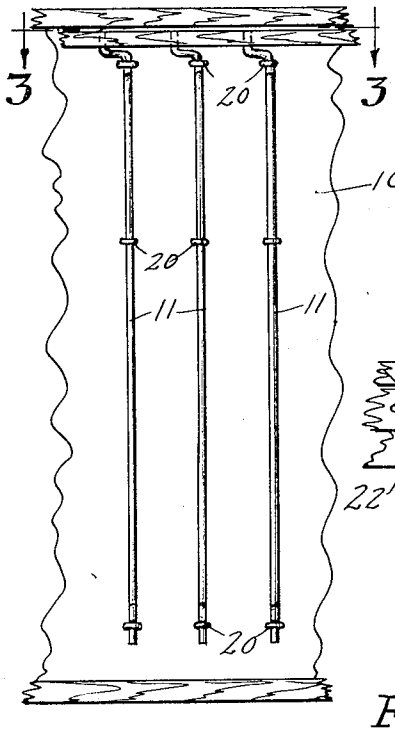


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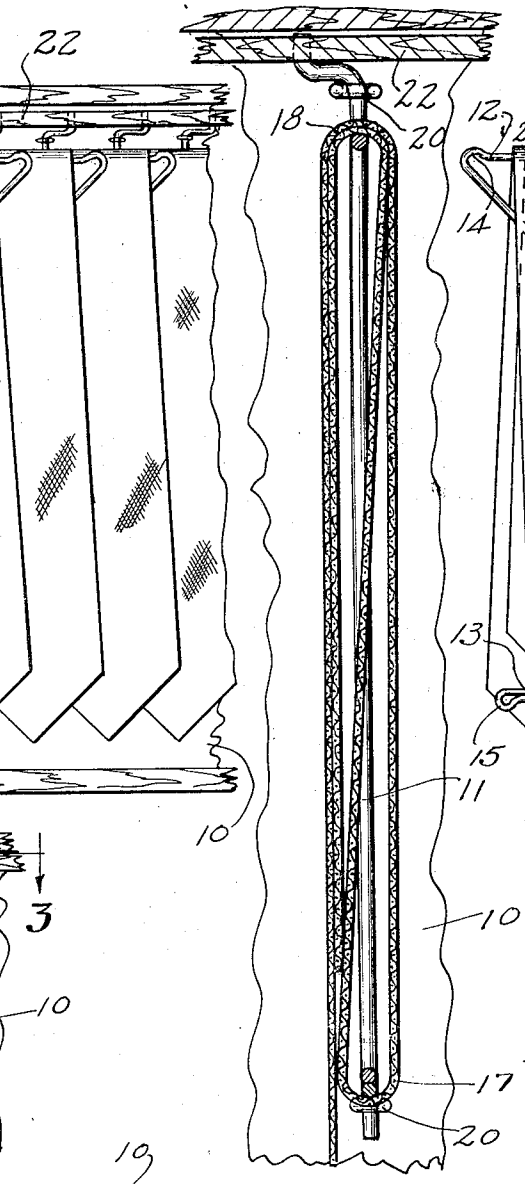


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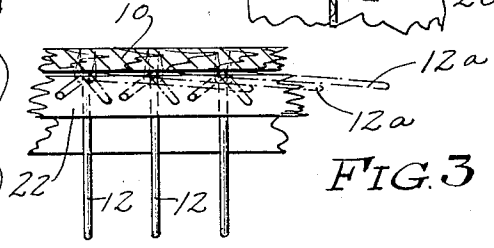


FIG. 3

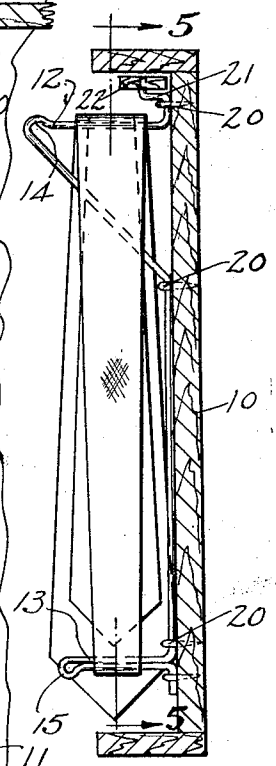


FIG. 4

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This invention relates to neck tie display racks or holders and has for one of its objects, the provision of a rack, which will satisfactorily display a number of neck-ties, and yet, will enable any one to be conveniently moved or replaced. Furthermore, my invention is concerned with a rack, which will maintain the ties in proper condition, and prevent wrinkling or creasing. A rack of this type is well adapted for use as a display panel in stores, and also as tie holder for the home.

Referring now to the drawing, Fig. 1 is a front elevation of a part of a rack or panel, embodying my invention and showing neck ties positioned thereon; Fig. 2 is a similar view illustrating the tie supporting members in extended position; Fig. 3 is a section taken on the lines 3—3 in Fig. 2; Fig. 4 is a vertical section taken through the rack illustrating the tie supporting members in extended position, and Fig. 5 is a section taken on the line 5—5 in Fig. 4.

A display panel or rack embodying my invention preferably comprises a panel 10, which provides the back for the rack, and also a support for tie holding members 11. Such members are arranged in side by side relationship and extend vertically across the panel. In the embodiment illustrated, each member preferably embodies a single strip of wire, which is bent to provide spaced laterally offset portions 12 and 13 respectively. Such portions are shown near the upper and lower parts of each member, and are provided with means for maintaining the tie in adjusted position thereon. Such means preferably take the form of proturbances 14 and 15 on the laterally extending portions 12 and 13 respectively.

To position a tie upon the supporting member, it is first folded once in substantially equal parts to provide a loop 17, and then the loop is placed around laterally offset part 13. The adjacent parts of the tie are then extended upwardly, and are looped at 18 over the top offset part 12, whereupon the ends of the tie extend downwardly, as is shown in Figs. 4 and 5. By spacing the parts 12 and 13 at a distance approximately one-fourth the length of the tie, it is apparent that the ties will be self-supporting.

To facilitate the selection of any particular tie, I prefer to pivotally mount the supporting members upon the panel, as by staples 20, and to provide an arrangement whereby movement of any one member will automatically move the others to the same position. This may be accomplished by bending the upper end of each member, as at 21 in the form of a crank and by connecting the various crank arms together by a bar 22. Thus, whenever one member is moved from the position shown in Fig. 1 to that shown in Fig. 2, the others are correspondingly moved an equal amount. Fig. 3, for example, shows in full lines, the positions of the members in extended position, and in broken lines 12*a*, in corresponding relationship when they are swung into overlapping position.

An advantage of my invention is the fact that ties are not gripped by any spring-actuated holding device, wherefore, they are satisfactorily supported without danger of being wrinkled or creased. Furthermore, a portion of each tie is available for inspection, and yet a large number may be displayed in a comparatively small space. The rack is therefore, well suited for use as a display panel on show cases, or as a tie holder for the home.

I claim:

A neck tie rack comprising in combination, a supporting panel a plurality of tie holding members pivotally mounted thereon, each comprising a strip of wire that is bent to provide laterally extending vertically spaced tie engaging portions, and to provide a crank portion, a bar connecting all of the crank portions and being disposed adjacent one of the bent portions, and the laterally extending portions being spaced apart a distance approximating one-fourth the length of a tie.

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