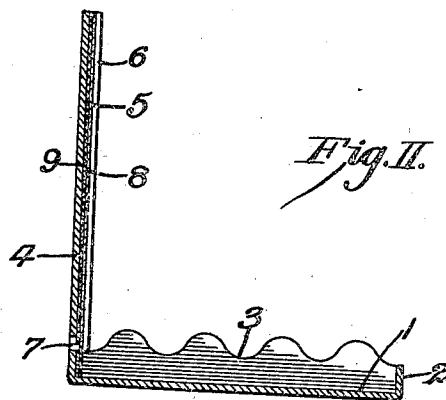
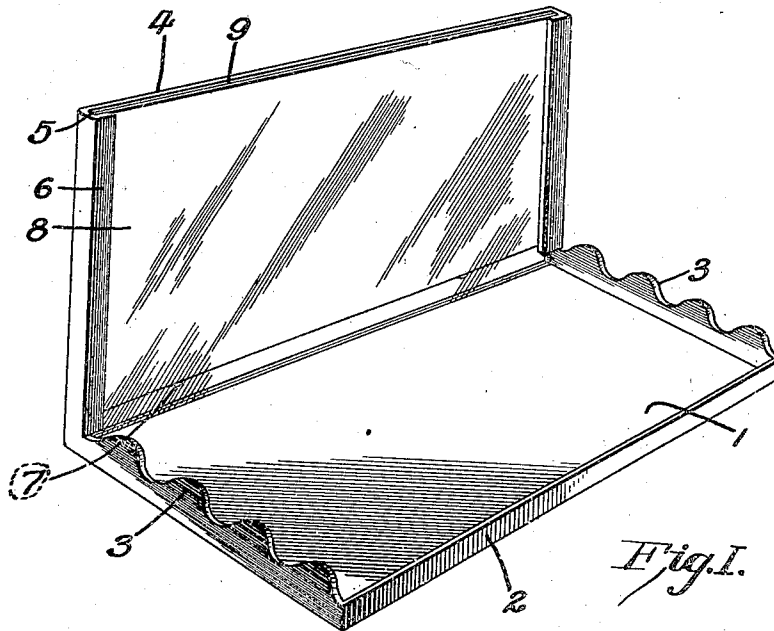


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GUSTAVE H. WAGNER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Kansas City, in the county of Jackson and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pen-Racks; and I do 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to pen racks, and has for its object to provide a device of that class adapted for conveniently holding a number of pens and for displaying an advertising card. In accomplishing this object I provide the improved details of structure hereinafter described and pointed out in the claims, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure I is a perspective view of a pen rack constructed according to my invention. Fig. II is a cross sectional view of same.

Referring more in detail to the parts:— 1 designates the base of the rack which is provided with a front flange 2 and side flanges 3, the latter being grooved to provide sockets for receiving pens or pencils and the flanges being of sufficient height to form a tray for the reception of pins, pen-points etc.

4 designates the back of the tray which rises from the base to a height equal to the width of an ordinary business card. The edges of the back member are folded forwardly to form the grooves 5, the edged lips 6 being at the front of the rack and of only sufficient width to hold a card without covering more than is necessary of the card face. Near the bottom of the rack the back member 4 is punched to form the buttons 7 for supporting a card above the rack base.

8 designates a sheet of celluloid which fits within the grooves 5 and is supported on the rack base.

9 designates a card which is placed within the grooves between the back member 4 and the celluloid sheet.

It is readily apparent that the card 9 may be provided with suitable advertising matter which may be read through the celluloid sheet and that by supporting the card on the buttons 7 it is held out of contact with the base 1, so that it is not easily soiled from dust coming in beneath the bottom of the transparent sheet.

The rack may be, and is preferably formed by stamping same from a single piece of sheet metal and shaping the back member 4 and grooved flanges 6 after the stamping operation.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new therein and desire to secure by Letters-Patent is:—

1. A sheet metal pen rack comprising a base member having upturned end flanges provided with grooves at the upper edges, and a back member having its ends folded forwardly to provide card grooves, and a sheet of transparent material fitted within the grooves and covering the face of the back member.

2. A sheet metal pen rack comprising a base member having grooved end flanges, and a back turned up from the base member and having end flanges providing facing grooves, the back member being punched to provide forwardly projecting, card supporting buttons, substantially as set forth.

3. A pen rack formed from a single piece of sheet metal into a horizontal base member having front and end flanges, the end flanges being grooved at their upper edges, a back member turned up from the rear edge of the base extending above the front of the base member, having end flanges turned forwardly and laterally to provide facing grooves, and having forwardly projecting buttons near the base, and a sheet of transparent material supported on the base member with its ends located within the back member grooves, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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

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