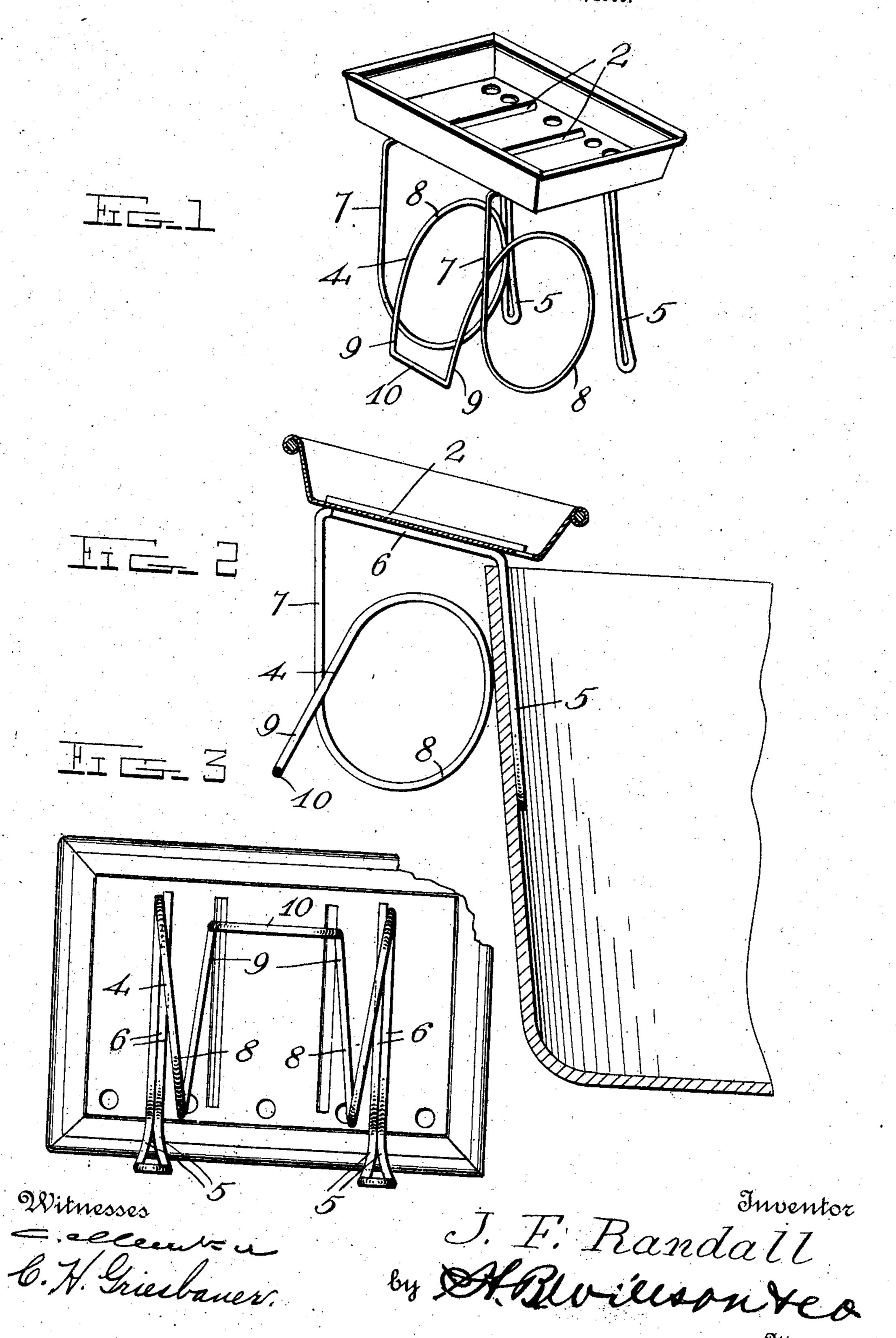
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John F. Randall, a citizen of the United States, residing at Brookings, in the county of Brookings and 5 State of South Dakota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Soap-Holders; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled 10 in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention is an improved soap-holder, having means whereby it may be detachably secured to a tub, bucket, pan, or other vessel, 15 and adapted for use in holding the soap after the water in the vessel has been soaped to a suitable extent and to prevent waste of the soap; and my invention consists in the construction, combination, and arrangement of 20 devices hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved soapholder. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the same, showing the soap-holder attached to a vessel. 25 Fig. 3 is a detail view showing the construction of the holding-spring.

The soap-holder is here shown as a rectangular pan of suitable depth provided in one side, which I will call the "inner" side, with 30 drainage openings which extend through the bottom. The bottom is also provided with ridges 2 to support the soap in a slightlyelevated position, so as to cause the water on the soap to drain therefrom.

To the under side of the holder is secured a spring clamping and supporting element 4, which is made of a single piece of spring-wire, preferably brass wire. The same is dou preferably brass wire. The same is doubled 40 and bent at its ends to form arms 5 to bear against the inner side of the vessel and the horizontal portions 6, which are secured to the bottom of the holder. The said springwire is also bent to form the outer arms 7,

each of which includes a volute 8. The said 45 volutes merge in downwardly-extending terminating portions 9, which are connected by a bar 10. It will be understood that the outer arms 7 and their volutes 8 by pressing against the outer side of the vessel serve to 50 securely clamp the device thereto and that when the holder is removed from the vessel it may be placed on a table or other object, where it will be supported in a horizontal position by the arms 5 and the said arms 7.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction and operation of the invention will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

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

The herein-described soap-holder comprising the vessel to hold soap and a spring clamp- 65 ing and supporting element on the under side thereof formed from a single piece of springwire and comprising the doubled U-shaped end portions forming the inner depending arms to bear against the inner side of a tub 70 or other vessel, the horizontal portions extended transversely across and secured to the under side of the vessel, the outer depending arms formed at the lower ends with volutes which extend toward the inner arms 75 and under the vessel to bear against the outer side of the tub and coact with the inner depending arms to form clamps, the downwardly and outwardly extending terminals of the volutes, and the longitudinal bar uniting 80 said terminals, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

JOHN F. RANDALL.

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