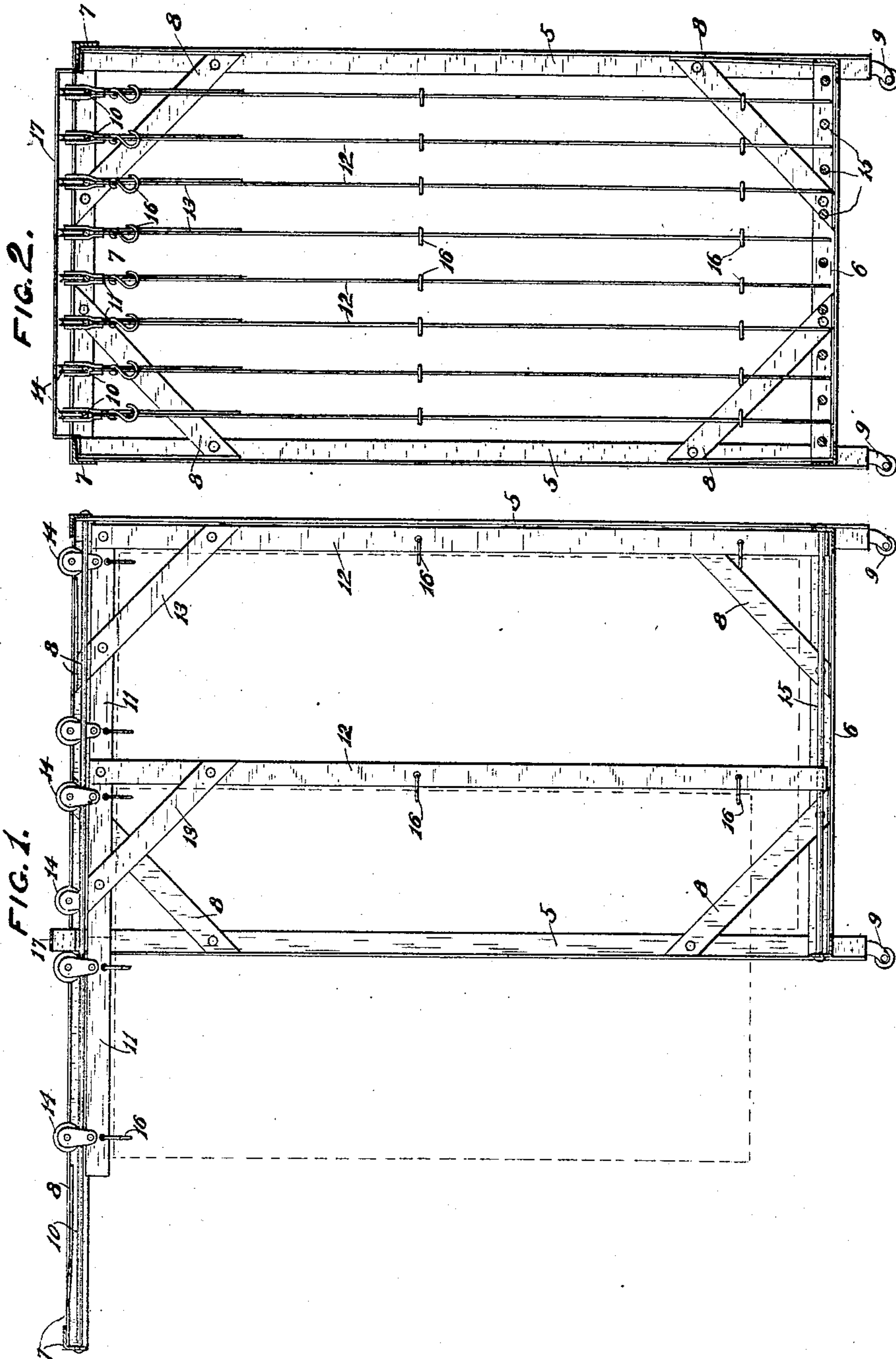


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT DONOVAN, residing in Waupun, in the county of Fond du Lac and State of Wisconsin, have invented
5 new and useful Improvements in Display-Stands, of which the following is a description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which are a part of this specification.

10 This invention has for its object to provide a display stand for supporting a number of samples of rugs or curtains or the like and for presenting one or more samples to view as desired.

15 The invention consists of a support having a series of frames which are adapted to support the samples and which are slidably mounted to enable them to be run out on guides from the body portion of the support to a position where they will expose
20 the samples to view.

With the above and other objects in view the invention consists of the display stand herein described and claimed, its parts and
25 combinations of parts and all equivalents.

Referring to the accompanying drawings in which like characters of reference indicate the same parts in the different views; Figure 1 is a sectional front elevation of
30 a display stand constructed in accordance with this invention; and, Fig. 2 is a sectional side elevation thereof.

In these drawings the supporting frame or body portion is shown as formed of vertical standards 5, preferably of angle iron construction, and these standards are connected near their lower ends by a rectangular frame 6 and at their upper ends by a somewhat similar rectangular frame 7, both
40 preferably of angle iron construction. The front and rear members of frame 7 are nearly twice the length of the corresponding members of the lower frame, so that said frame projects to one side of the device.
45 The standards 5 are rigidly braced with the frames 6 and 7 by means of suitable brace strips 8 at the corners, and casters 9 are provided at their lower ends to permit of the device being easily moved from one position
50 to another.

The frame 7 has a series of parallel guide

rods 10 extending lengthwise thereof forming tracks on which sample frames are adapted to ride, these frames being preferably formed of horizontal metal strips 11 connected at
55 their rear ends to vertical metal strips 12 with braces 13 at their angles. The horizontal strips 11 of the sample frames have rollers 14 mounted on them which ride upon the rods 10 and permit the sample frames to
60 be moved into and out of the supporting frame. The lower ends of the sample frames pass between parallel guide rods 15 of the frame 6 and are thereby kept in place during their movements and prevented from in-
65 terfering with each other. The members of the sample frames are provided with hooks 16 or other suitable means for engaging the samples of carpet or curtains or other material to be displayed. In order to make the
70 supporting frame more rigid a cross brace 17 is arched across the frame 7 from one standard to the other and is sufficiently above the rods 10 to permit the rollers 14 to pass
75 therebetween.

In operation, the display stand having samples secured to the respective sample frames by means of the hooks 16 may have the samples exposed one after the other by running their respective frames out upon
80 their guide rods for that purpose, or they may be shown in combinations by extending several sample frames at the same time to a different extent. All of the samples may be displayed at one time by arranging their
85 frames in a stepped formation.

By means of this construction the samples are quickly and easily exposed to view without a great amount of handling and may be presented in any order and in any combina-
90 tions desired.

What I claim as my invention is:

A display stand, comprising an angle iron supporting frame with its top extending beyond one side to approximately the distance
95 of its width, parallel rods extending across the top of the supporting frame from the extended edge to the opposite edge, parallel rods extending across the bottom of the supporting frame, and sample frames slidably
100 mounted on the top rods and comprising a horizontal top bar and a single vertical side

bar, the side bar extending into the space between the rods at the bottom of the supporting frame to be guided thereby, and means on the top bar and the side bar for engaging the sample at the top and one side thereof, leaving the bottom and the other side free.

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

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