

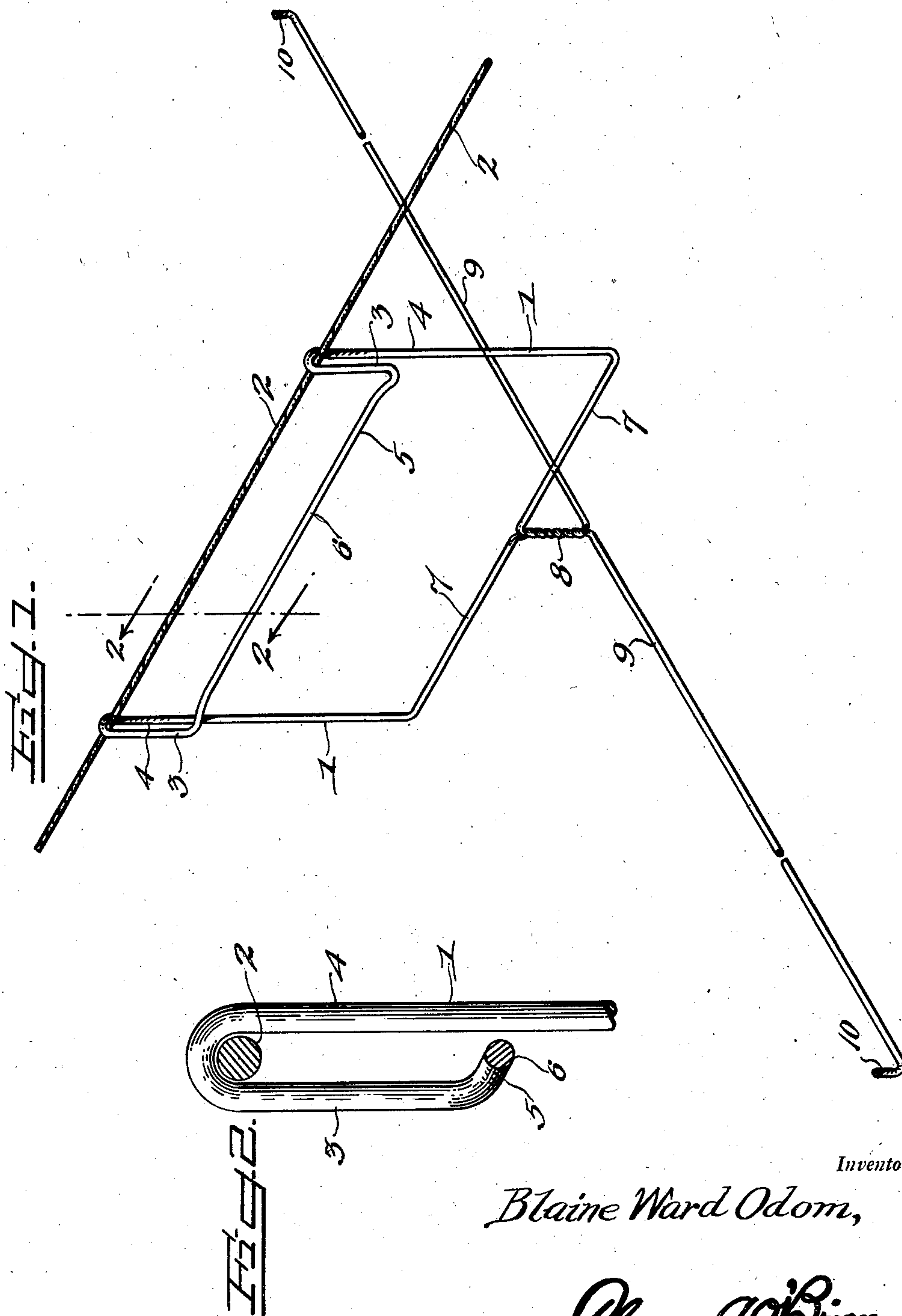
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This invention relates to novel improvements and useful refinements in clothes hangers, and the principal object of the invention is to provide a device of the character herein described, by means of which an appreciably greater quantity of sheets, shirts and other wearing apparel may be suspended from a clothes line of given length, than has heretofore been possible by using hangers of conventional design.

A further object of the invention is to provide a hanger on which the laundry may be suspended without coming into contact with the usually dusty or otherwise unclean surface of the clothes line.

Another object of the invention is to provide a hanger which, by virtue of its space saving advantages, will be particularly useful in restricted locations such as small apartments, indoor drying rooms, and the like.

An additional object of the invention is to provide a hanger which will eliminate the use of conventional clothes pins, and which may be cheaply manufactured in large quantities from one piece of material.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a hanger which will appreciably minimize the possibility of the adjacent pieces of laundry coming into contact with one another while suspended, and which will prevent the same from falling to the ground during strong wind or other similarly adverse conditions.

With the above more important objects in view, and such other objects as may become apparent as this specification proceeds, the invention consists essentially of the arrangement and construction of parts as illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the invention, showing the same positioned on a clothes line.

Figure 2 is a fragmentary, cross-sectional view of the hanger, taken in the plane of the line 2—2 in Figure 1.

Like characters of reference are used to designate like parts in the specification and throughout the several views.

Referring now to the accompanying drawings in detail, the entire hanger is formed from one piece of wire rod, suitably angulated to provide a pair of spaced, inverted hooks 1 suspended from the conventional clothes line 2. Each of the afore-mentioned hooks consists of a short arm 3 and a relatively longer arm 4, the like arms of the hooks overhanging the like sides of the line 2, as will be clearly apparent from the accompanying drawings.

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A distance piece 5 extends between the lower ends of the arms 3 and has a horizontally off-set portion 6 formed medially the length thereof, in vertical alignment with the line 2.

The lower ends of the longer arms 4 are angulated as indicated by the reference numerals 7, and are twisted together in a vertically extending splice 8. The latter is centrally disposed with respect to the hooks 1 and is separated at the lower end thereof, to form a pair of axially aligned, outstretched limbs 9. The latter extend transversely in respect to the clothes line 2, and are provided at the outer ends thereof with the upturned portions 10.

When the invention is placed in operation, the hangers are positioned on the line 2 in the manner illustrated in the accompanying Figure 1, whereupon the laundry may be easily and conveniently suspended on the outstretched limbs 9. The conventional clothes pins need not be employed since the upstanding portions 10 will prevent the clothes from sliding off.

It will be noted that in the above described manner, the clothes will be suspended transversely from, rather than end to end on the line, and space saving advantages of the improved hanger are readily apparent.

The provision of the spaced hooks 1 prevents the hanger from tilting longitudinally in the plane of the line 2, thus assuring that the clothes on adjacent hangers remain in a spaced relationship with one another. At the same time, the off-set portion 6 of the hanger necessitates that each of the hooks 1 be placed on or removed from the line 2 independently and in succession, thereby preventing their undesirable falling off the line under the influence of strong winds.

While in the foregoing there has been shown and described the preferred embodiment of this invention it is to be understood that minor changes in the details of construction, combination and arrangement of parts may be resorted to without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

What I claim as my invention is:

1. A laundry hanger comprising a one-piece wire rod forming a pair of spaced, inverted hooks adapted to be suspended from a clothes line, each of said hooks including a relatively short arm and a relatively long arm, the like arms of said hooks overhanging the like sides of said line, a distance piece connecting together the lower ends of said short arms, the mid-portion of said distance piece being horizontally offset and in vertical alignment with said line, the lower end continuations



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of said long arms being angulated toward each other and twisted together at the junction thereof, the twisted portion of said arms extending downwardly and being separated at the lower end thereof to provide a pair of outstretched limbs, said limbs being axially aligned and extending transversely with respect to said clothes line, and an upturned portion at the outer end of each of said limbs.

2. A laundry hanger comprising a one-piece wire rod forming a pair of spaced, inverted hooks adapted to be suspended from a clothes line, each of said hooks including a relatively short arm and a relatively long arm, the like arms of said hooks overhanging the like sides of said line, a distance piece connecting together the lower ends of said short arms, the mid-portion of said distance piece being horizontally offset and in ver-

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tical alignment with said line, the lower end continuations of said long arms being angulated and providing a pair of outstretched limbs, said limbs extending substantially at right angles with respect to said clothes line.

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