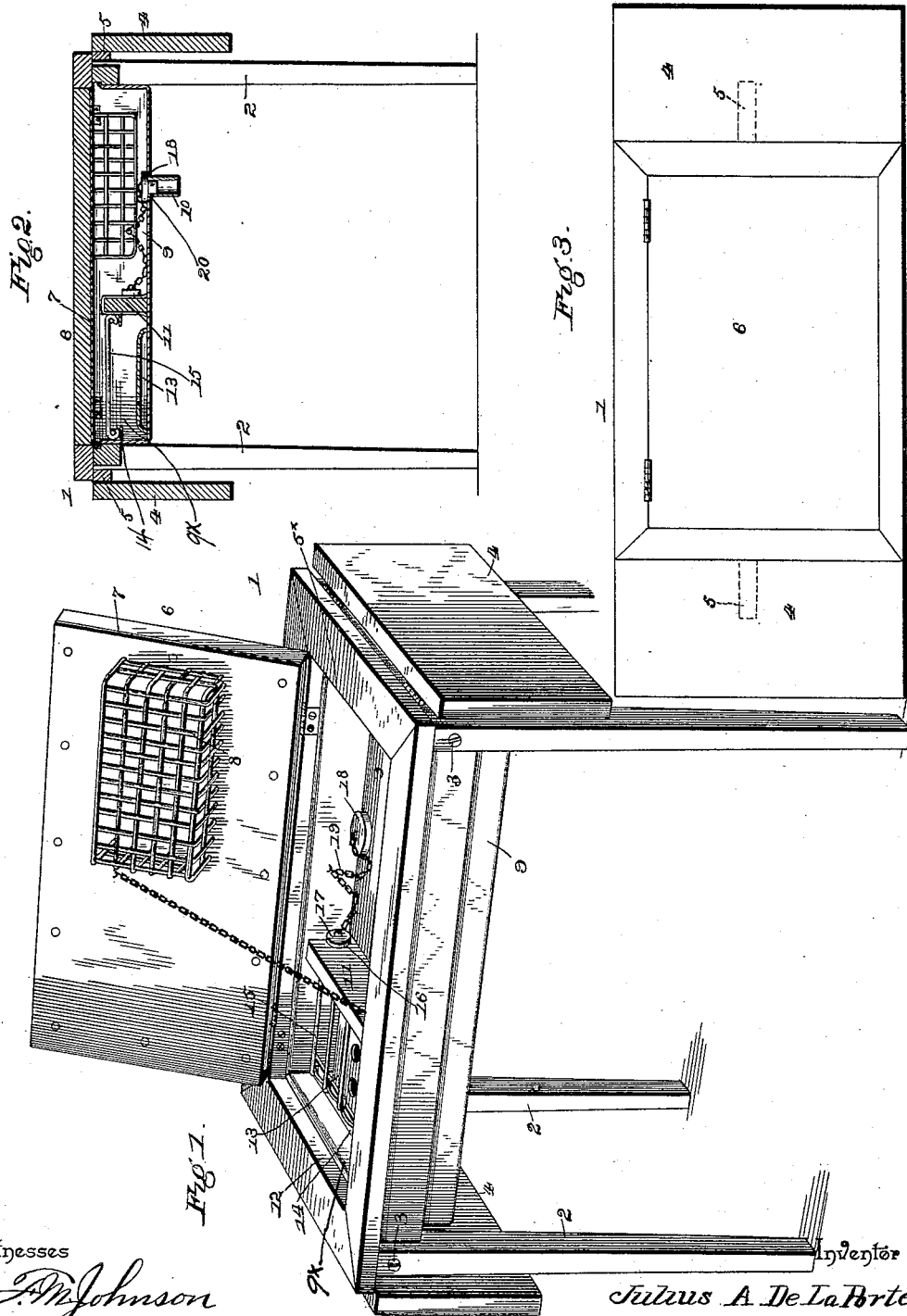


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIUS A. DE LA PORTE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Hannibal, in the county of Marion and State of Missouri, have invented a new and useful Dish-Drainer, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in combined dish-drainers and sinks, and consists of the construction and the arrangement of the parts thereof as will be more fully hereinafter described and claimed.

The object of this invention is to provide simple and convenient means for washing and draining dishes or other articles, the parts of the same being convertible from said use to the form of an ordinary table and which is also adapted to be employed for the preparation of vegetables for cooking purposes and also as an ordinary dining table.

In the drawings:—Figure 1, is a perspective view of the improved device with the lid or cover of the sink thereof in raised position. Fig. 2, is a central longitudinal section with the lid or cover closed down on a reduced scale. Fig. 3, is a top plan view of the device shown arranged as a table, also on a reduced scale.

Similar numerals of reference are used to indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings the numeral 1, designates a table of any preferred form of construction having legs 2, which are detachably secured thereto by screws 3, in order that they may be removed and the device entire, be rendered in compact form for transportation or storage. To each end of the table is attached a hinged leaf 4, having a support 5, after the manner of an ordinary form of leaf-table. A rectangular, or substantially rectangular opening 5^x, is cut through the table top and is supplied with a lid or cover 6, which is hinged to the adjacent portion of the said table top and is supplied with an inner metallic lining 7. To the said inner metallic lining 7, of the lid or cover is secured a drain-basket 8, which is adapted to receive dishes for the purpose of draining the same after having been washed, and is formed of suitable reticulated material adapted for the pur-

pose. To the underside of the table-top and aligning with the opening 5^x, therein is a metallic sink 9, which is supplied with a drain spout or pipe 10, and has a partition 11, extending transversely across the same and forms with the adjacent end of the sink a drain receptacle or compartment 12, in which is located a perforated removable plate or tray 13, which is held elevated above the bottom of the receptacle or compartment 12, for obvious purposes. The one side of the partition 11, and the adjacent portion of the sink end 9^x, are each formed with a flange 14, on which removably rests a rack 15, to support the dishes to be drained. The rack 15, may be removed at any time and larger dishes or vessels, such as bowls or other cooking utensils, may be placed directly upon the perforated plate or tray 13, for the purpose of draining. An opening 16, extends through the partition 11, and communicates with the sink proper whereby the water from the receptacle or compartment 12, may run directly into the sink and be carried out through the waste-pipe 10. Plugs 17 and 18, are attached to a chain 19, and are respectively adapted to engage the openings 16, and an opening 20 leading from the sink into the waste-pipe 10. In order to support the lid or cover 6 in an upright position as shown in Fig. 1, a chain or brace, 21, is secured at its lower end to the partition 11, and at the opposite end of the same to the metallic lining of the said lid or cover.

In using the device for the purpose of washing and draining dishes, they are first washed in the sink proper and then may be placed in the basket 8, from whence the drain water flows downward over the metallic lining 7, of the lid or cover, back into the sink, the said cover being arranged at an angle of inclination to facilitate this operation. If desired however, the dishes may be also placed on the rack 15, and in a similar manner drained, or as has been before stated, the rack may be removed and larger pieces of crockery or cooking utensils be placed directly on the perforated plate or tray 13. It will be observed that all the parts of the frame work of the table are protected from contact directly with the water. By a metallic lining 7, water is prevented from penetrating the lid or cover and at the same time an effective means of draining is pro-

vided. The drainer set forth being comparatively simple in the construction and arrangement of its parts may be readily applied to any table, and when the lid or cover 6, is
5 closed down the table may be employed for dining purposes and afterward used as a means for cleansing and draining the dishes.

In the preparation of vegetables for cooking the sink proper may be employed to receive
10 the pairings or refuse and the receptacle or compartment 12, can be conveniently used to wash the same. The basket 8 is of considerable length and depth but of comparatively narrow width, with an open top portion and
15 a closed bottom, whereby dishes may be placed therein on edge and held in said position against falling and be more thoroughly and practicably drained. It will be observed also that the lid or cover 6, when in operative po-
20 sition, as shown in Fig. 1, is held at an angle of inclination and the lower edge slightly overhangs the sink below, thereby causing the drain water from the dishes held by the basket 8 to fall directly into the sink and avoid
25 leakage thereof at points around the top of the said sink. Other advantages will appear from time to time to those using the device and it is readily apparent that the same may
30 be employed wherever desired and found convenient.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

In a dish drainer, the combination of a table with an opening through the top thereof and hinged end-extension leaves, a metallic sink let
35 down from said opening in the top of the table and having a partition therein to form a receptacle or compartment at one end communicating with the main body of the sink and provided with a surrounding supporting flange,
40 a perforated plate or tray removably mounted on the bottom of said receptacle or compartment, a rack removably supported on said flange above said plate or tray, a hinged lid
45 or cover having an inner metallic lining adapted to close down over the opening in the top of said table and supported at a rearward angle of inclination when in raised operative position with the lower edge slightly overhang-
50 ing the said sink, and a drain-basket secured against the inner side adjacent to one end of said cover, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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