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Fig.1

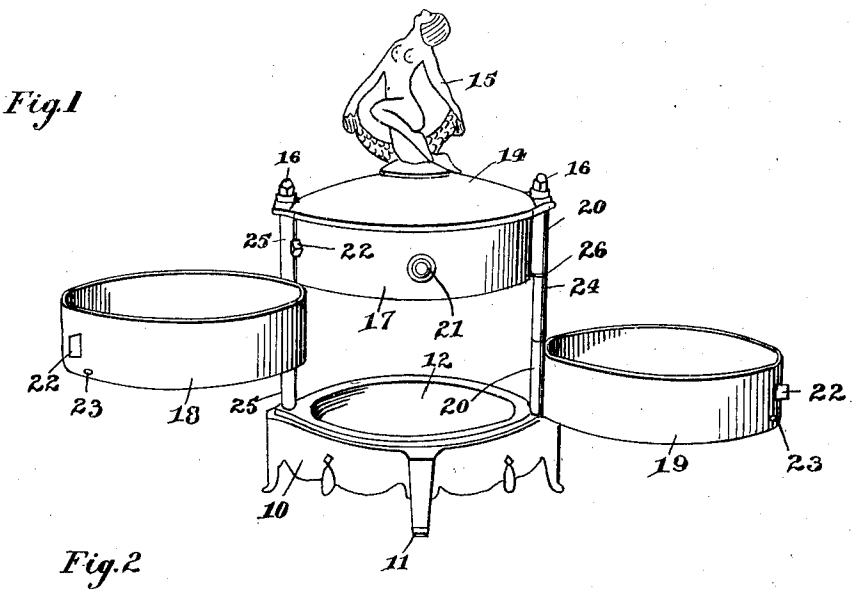
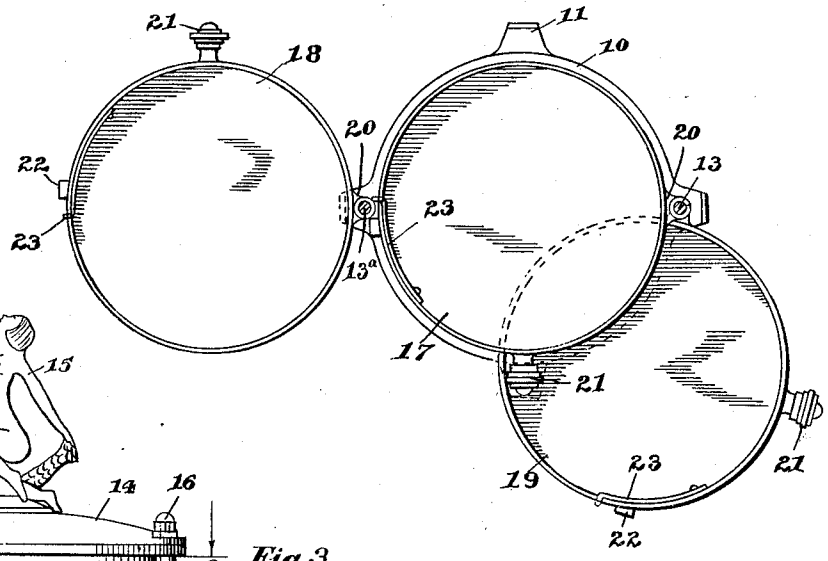


Fig.2



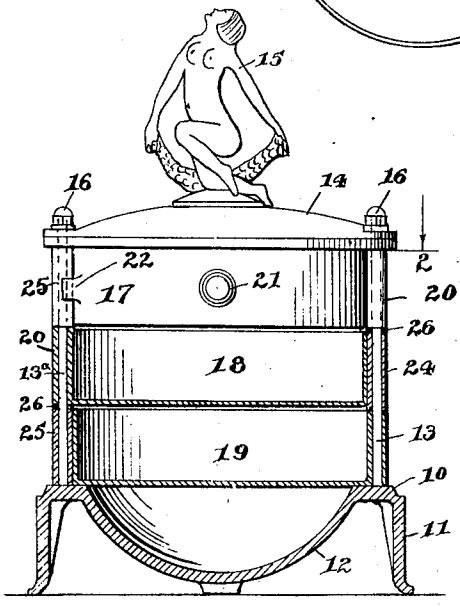


Fig.3

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Our invention relates to new and useful improvements in small cabinets adapted to be made of metal and to be used as ladies' vanity cases for containing jewelry and other precious articles.

It is an object of this invention to provide an attractive cabinet of this type that is adapted to be placed upon a table or dresser in a manner to afford a convenient place to keep valued and useful articles, to provide a cabinet having a number of compartments adapted to be readily opened and closed, and openly positioned to display the entire contents of the cabinet. A further object of the invention is to provide a cabinet of the class described which is specially designed and adapted to be made of, or finished in, precious metals so as to present a pleasing and highly ornamental exterior, better to adapt it to harmonize with other high class articles to be used and associated therewith.

Fig. 1 shows a front perspective view of our improved jewelry cabinet with two of the trays in open positions;

Fig. 2 is a sectional plan view taken on line 2—2 of Fig. 3 with the two lower trays in open positions; and

Fig. 3 shows a front sectional elevation of the cabinet in closed position.

Care has also been exercised in the designing of the article to permit of it being manufactured at a nominal cost due to the duplication in part of the several trays included in the cabinet. As will be noted the cabinet briefly includes a base, posts supported thereby, a top carried by the posts, and a series of trays which are hingedly mounted upon the posts and adapted to be swung in to a closed position intermediate of the cover and base.

Referring in detail to the characters of reference marked upon the drawings, 10 represents the base, 11 legs formed thereon, and 12 a concaved spherically shaped pocket or recess formed in the top of the base intermediate of said legs. A pair of posts 13 and 13*a* are secured in the top of the opposite side portions of the base in any suitable manner, as, for instance, by being first formed of wire and having their lower end portions exposed in the mold and cast in the metal when poured therein so that the same will be properly positioned in parallel and spaced relation on each side portion, in a way to form a pivot in part for the hinged support of the trays and in part as a stop against which other of the trays are closed. These trays, of which three are shown, are of like construction though alternately supported upon the two side posts, so that one tray may swing open to the left and the other two to the right. 14 represents the top or cover member which as will be noted includes a smooth finished under face and preferably an oval top side which may be surmounted by an attractive figure or ornament 15 of any preferred design. This cover is provided with diametrically, oppositely positioned holes, one for each of the posts positioned therein, and secured by nuts 16 mounted upon the upper threaded ends of these posts so as to provide a rigid assembly with the top. The rounded top portion 14 has a diameter substantially equal to that of the base and by means of the said posts is supported directly above the base and in fixed spaced relation thereto, so that the several trays which we will designate as 17, 18, and 19 are free to be swung in and out.

These trays are of a pan-like structure including a bottom and an annular side wall, upon the outer side of this said wall is formed an integral enlargement 20 which is provided with a vertical hole therethrough to receive one of the posts upon which it is hingedly mounted. These trays each further include a handle 21 by means of which they are opened and closed, and are further provided with a lug 22 upon their outer surface in substantially opposite relation to the bearing portion 20, which lug serves as a stop to engage the posts when the trays are closed. In this connection it will also be noted that, see Fig. 2, each of the trays are provided with a spring actuated detent 23 formed upon the free end of a spring positioned in the side of the tray and having its fixed end secured to the inner wall thereof in a way to allow the detent to be depressed by its engagement with the posts, when the tray is swung closed, and to spring out again when free of the post in a manner to form an engagement with the

post by the lug 22 upon one side and the detent 23 upon the other, it being obvious that while this normally serves to hold the trays closed, yet is of such construction as to allow the trays to be readily opened at any time against the action of the spring.

It will also be noted that the post upon one side is provided with a tubular sleeve 24 positioned between the bearing portion 20 of the upper tray 17 and lower tray 19, so as to properly support the upper tray in spaced relation and to provide space to permit the intermediate tray to be swung upon the opposite post 13*a* in and out between the said upper and lower trays and whereby the stop 22 and the detent 23 of the said intermedial tray, functions with respect to the said sleeve forming a part of the post at this point. Similar sleeves 25 are mounted upon the opposite post 13*a* to support the intermediate tray and also serves as a jam against which the upper and lower trays close, as in the case of the intermediate tray heretofore described. Also note that small washers 26 may be provided upon the posts between the said sleeves and the bearing portions of the trays.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. In a cabinet of the class described, the combination of a base, oppositely positioned posts thereon, a series of trays hinged upon one of the said posts and adapted to swing out and in againt the opposite post, a cover supported upon the posts in spaced relation to the base and adapted to close the top tray when positioned therebeneath, and means for engaging the trays with the posts when closed.

2. In a cabinet of the class described, the combination of a base having a pocket therein, oppositely positioned posts thereon, a cover supported upon the posts in spaced relation to the base, a series of trays alternately hinged upon said posts and adapted to swing against the opposite post, and means for engaging the trays with the posts when closed.

3. In a cabinet of the class described, the combination of a base having a pocket there in, oppositely positioned posts thereon, a cover supported upon the posts in spaced relation to the base, a tray hinged upon one post and adapted to swing out to one side and back into engagement with the other post, and a second tray hinged upon the second post and adapted to swing out to the opposite side and back against the first mentioned post.

4. In a cabinet of the class described, the combination of a base having a pocket therein, oppositely positioned posts thereon, a cover supported upon the posts in spaced relation to the base, a tray hinged upon one post and adapted to swing to one side and back into engagement with the other post, two or more trays hinged upon the second post and adapted to swing out on the opposite side and back against the first mentioned post, and sleeves upon the posts adjacent the hinged portion of the trays.

5. In a cabinet of the class described, the combination of a base having a flat annular top surface and a central pocket therein, oppositely positioned posts thereon, a cover supported upon the posts in spaced relation to the base, a series of trays hinged upon one post and adapted to be swung in between the cover and base and adapted to close the pocket in the base and against the other post, and means to secure the trays in their closed position.

Signed at Bridgeport, in the county of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, this tenth day of June, A. D. 1929.

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