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WRIST VANITY CASE

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Fig. 1.

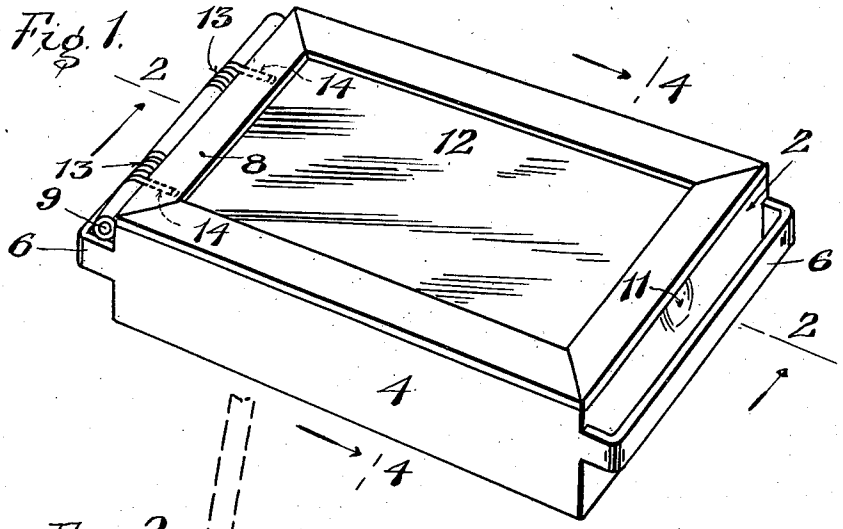


Fig. 2.

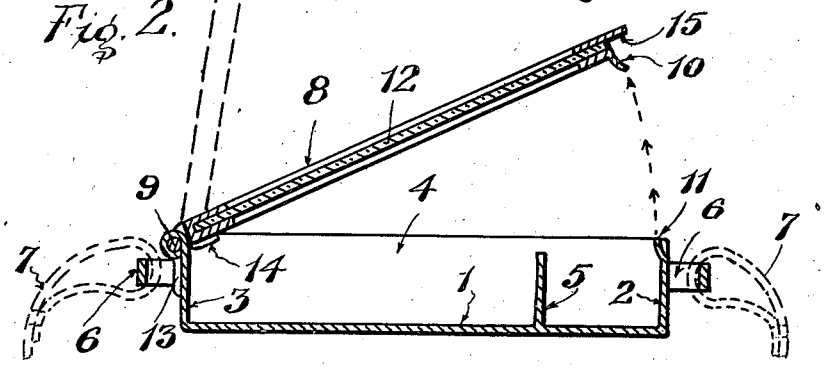


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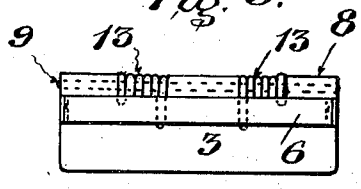
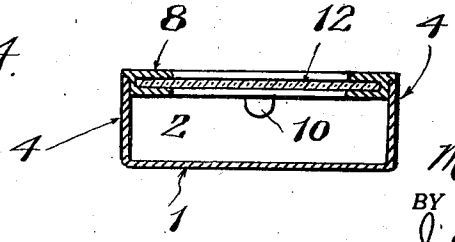


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MONROE HAMMEL, a citizen of the United States, and resident of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Wrist Vanity Cases, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improvement in a small and compact receptacle intended to be carried on the wrist in a manner similar to that in which a wrist watch is carried, that is, by a band or strip encircling the wrist.

The object of this invention is to provide a receptacle of this character intended to contain various small toilet articles, such as a powder puff and powder, lip sticks, small trinkets, coins or other articles.

A further object of the invention is to provide a receptacle of this character having a mirror arranged on one side of the cover and means for automatically raising the cover when desired and holding said cover in such position that the user may look into the mirror.

With these objects and other objects which may hereinafter appear, in view, I have devised the particular arrangement of parts hereinafter set forth and more particularly pointed out in the claims appended hereto.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawing forming a part hereof in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved raised vanity case;

Figure 2 is a sectional view on the line 2—2 of Figure 1 looking in the direction of the arrows;

Figure 3 is an end view of the case; and

Figure 4 is a sectional view on the line 4—4 of Figure 1 looking in the direction of the arrows.

Throughout the various views of the drawings, similar reference characters designate similar parts.

In the preferred embodiment of my invention as illustrated in the accompanying drawing, it will be seen that I have shown my improved wrist vanity case in the form of a substantially shallow rectangular box provided with a bottom 1, ends 2 and 3 and sides 4. It will be obvious however, that the casing of the receptacle may be of any suitable shape and size to accommodate the contents to be placed within it.

I have shown the receptacle provided with a transverse partition member 5 but it will also be understood that the interior of the receptacle may be divided by a plurality of partitions or the like to suit different requirements.

The opposite ends 2 and 3 of the receptacle are provided with loops or straps 6 for engagement by the ends of the wrist band or strap 7.

At 8 is shown the cover for the case which is hinged on a pin 9 to the end 3 of the case. The opposite end of the cover is provided with a suitable catch member of any simple form and for convenience in illustration, I have shown said catch consisting of a spring tongue 10 on the cover adapted to engage with a depressed portion 11 on the end 2 of the case. To enable the catch to be disengaged, I have shown the cover provided with a projecting flange 15 under which the finger nail of the user may be placed to raise the cover. The cover 10 consists of a frame within which is held a mirror 12 facing outwardly so that if desired, the user can look into the mirror without lifting the cover. A pair of springs 13 surround the pivot pin 9 and these springs 13 have their ends 14 extending below the cover 8 so that when the catch members 10 and 11 are disengaged, the spring will raise the cover to an upright or substantially vertical position as indicated in dotted lines in Figure 2 and will hold the same in such position so that the user can look into the mirror conveniently without removing the device from the wrist.

It will be seen from the foregoing that the spring arrangement above mentioned will automatically raise the cover and hold the same upright so that the user can look into the mirror while making use of the contents of the receptacle. Heretofore, cases of this character have been provided with mirrors placed in such a position that the case was in its closed position while the mirror was being used or else the mirror was so inconveniently located that it was difficult to use the device while using articles forming the contents of the case.

By the arrangement herein described, I have provided the cover holding a mirror

and so arranged that the mirror is automatically held in a very convenient position while the case is open to permit removal of the contents.

From the foregoing, it is obvious that my invention is not to be restricted to the exact embodiment shown but is broad enough to cover all structures coming within the scope of the annexed claims.

What I claim is:

1. An article of the class described comprising a case, a cover hinged thereto, a catch for said cover, a mirror on the outer face of said cover and a spring for swinging the cover open and holding the same upright so that the mirror can be used in said upright position.

2. An article of the class described comprising a case, a cover hinged thereto, a catch for said cover, a mirror on the outer face of the cover, and a spring located at the hinge for swinging the cover open when the catch is released and holding said cover vertical or nearly so whereby the mirror in said cover is conveniently positioned for use.

Signed at the city, county and State of New York this 8th day of June, 1923.

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