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MEMORANDUM AND REMINDER PAD

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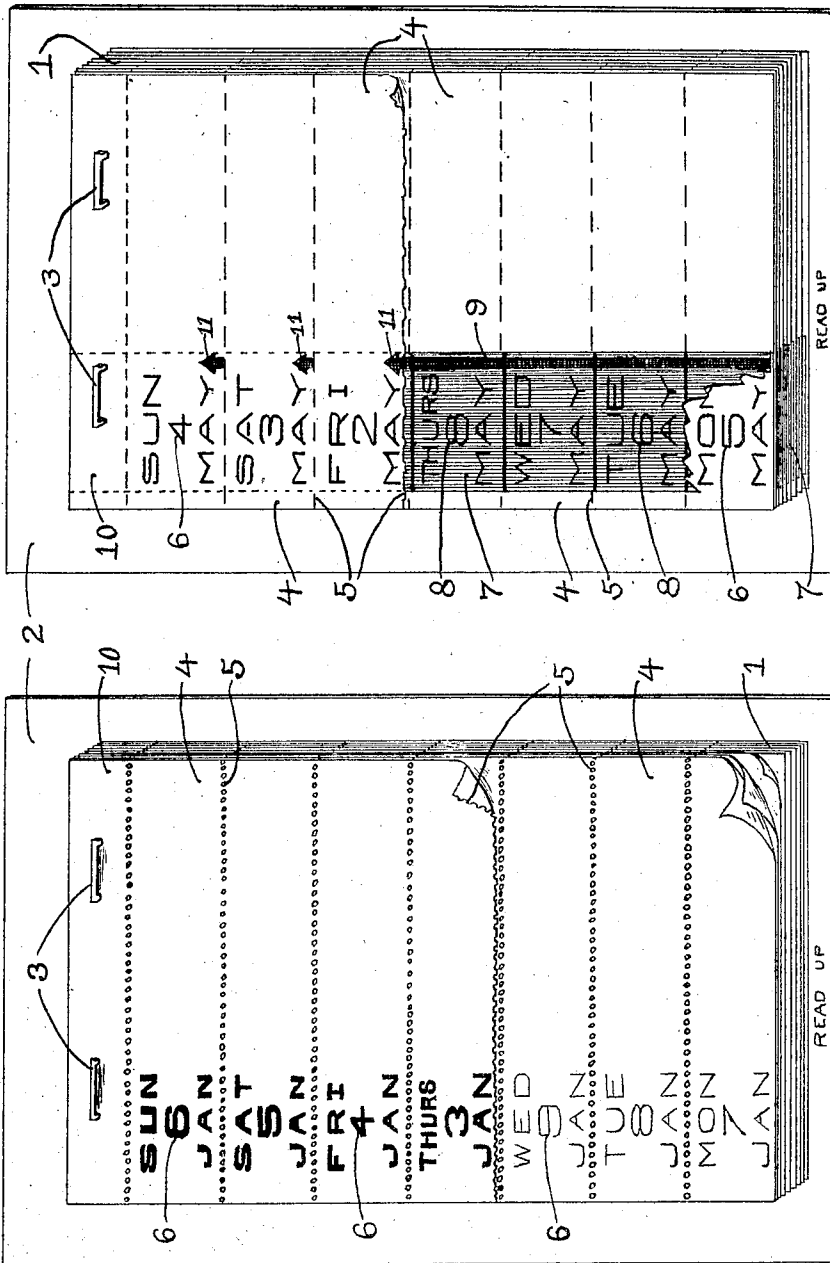


FIG. 2

FIG. 1

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY VAN ARSDALE, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Rochelle, in the county of Westchester and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Memorandum and Reminder Pads, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to memorandum and reminder pads, and more particularly relates to pads adapted to be used to keep a record of matters requiring attention on particular dates in the future, and to remind the user of such matters and of the dates designated for giving attention thereto, as such dates approach and arrive.

The principal object of my invention is to provide a reminder or memorandum pad from which consecutively dated memorandum slips may be readily detached one by one in predetermined sequence as the date of each passes, and is adapted constantly to expose for the reception and disclosure of memorandum a constant plural number of consecutively dated memorandum slips which include a slip dated to the current date and a constant number of other slips dated consecutively to a constant number of consecutive dates thereafter, as said slips are detached from the pad, one by one in their regular sequence, and thus to provide a pad which is adapted to show constantly at a glance memorandum allotted to the current date and to a predetermined constant number of consecutive dates next in advance irrespective of what the current date happens to be.

Another object of my invention is to provide a contrasting appearance between the top sheet of the pad and the next sheet so that the current sheet and current date slip will be prominently distinguishable; and a further object of my invention is to provide means for guiding a user's sight to the current date slip. Other objects will be in part obvious and in part pointed out hereinafter.

In accordance with my invention I provide a memorandum pad incorporating a stack of sheets, each of which includes a plurality of consecutively dated memorandum

slips, one for each date, which are adapted to be removed, one by one, and intended to be so removed as each current date, such as a day, passes, the pad being so arranged that there will be constantly exposed to view and presented for the reception of memorandum or notes a plurality of date slips, the number of which is constant, and intended to include the current date slip and a constant predetermined number of other date slips, dated in proper sequence with dates next in succession, and the sheets all having the same number of date slips in substantially the same alignment with the corresponding slips of the next sheet of the pad so that whenever a current date slip is detached from the pad the next succeeding unexposed date slip will be uncovered and will become exposed to view and presented to receive and disclose memorandum or notes thereon without requiring any sheet of the pad or attached date slips to be lifted up. I associate with these sheets a system of marking or coloring, or both, which causes the uppermost sheet of the pad, or any remaining date portion thereof to be prominently distinguishable from the next sheet in the pad.

In order that a clearer understanding of my invention may be had attention is hereby directed to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this application and illustrating certain possible embodiments of my invention. Referring to the drawings, Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a pad embodying my invention in one modification, and Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a pad embodying my invention in another modification.

Referring to the drawings, as shown, each pad comprises a stack 1 of sheets bound together only at the top and there attached to a usual backing 2, as by means of wire staples 3. Each sheet comprises the same plural number of horizontally extending day spaces or slips 4 which are separated from each other by weakened lines 5, of perforations or scoring, so that the day slips 4 of each sheet may be readily detached from the pad one by one in upward succession. The slips of each sheet are marked in order from the bottom of the sheet upwardly with in-

5 dicia 6 of successive dates, and the sheets
 are so arranged that the slip at the bottom
 of each sheet is marked with the date next
 succeeding the date on the top slip of the
 10 previous sheet. The corresponding slips of
 all the sheets are in substantial alignment so
 that whenever a slip of the uppermost sheet
 is removed the corresponding unexposed
 15 slip of the next sheet will become exposed.
 Thus as the slips of the current uppermost
 sheet are removed, one by one, upwardly, as
 intended, the slips of the next sheet will be-
 come exposed one by one in upward progres-
 20 sion, thus when the current day slip is re-
 moved as that day passes, as is intended to
 be done, another day slip, which is next in
 succession to the latest day slip already ex-
 posed, will become exposed, and the pad
 25 will constantly have exposed the current day
 slip and a predetermined number of other
 day slips which are next in proper succession,
 according to their dates, irrespective of the
 position of the current day slip on the cur-
 30 rent sheet of the pad, and irrespective of
 what date and what day of the week the
 current day happens to be, until the last
 sheet of the pad is used. For instance, when
 the slip dated January 3d is removed from
 35 the pad in Fig. 1 a slip dated January 10th
 on the next sheet of the pad will be un-
 covered and become exposed. When the slips
 dated Jan. 7, Jan. 8, and Jan. 9 are removed
 slips dated Jan. 14, Jan. 15, and Jan. 16 on
 the next sheet of the pad will be uncovered
 40 and become exposed.

In order that the current sheet and day
 slip may be readily discerned I may mark
 the dates on all slips of alternate sheets in
 one style of lettering, such as on the upper-
 45 most sheet of Fig. 1, and mark the dates on
 all slips of intermediate sheets in another,
 and preferably distinctively different, style
 of lettering, as on the next sheet in Fig. 1.
 Instead of, or in addition to, changing the
 50 style of lettering on successive sheets dif-
 ferent coloring may be applied, or all sheets
 may be the same in appearance in them-
 selves and, as shown in Fig. 2, narrow strips
 55 7 of paper, of distinctive appearance, either
 of color or otherwise, may be interleaved be-
 tween each two successive sheets of the pad.
 These strips will show where the second
 sheet in the pad is exposed and will not
 60 show where a day portion of the top sheet
 remains, thus establishing a prominently vis-
 ible demarcation between the current sheet
 and the current day slip (under which the
 colored strip disappears) and the next sheet
 of the pad. These marking strips 7 should
 65 be narrow enough and be so located as not
 to interfere with marking down or reading
 memorandum or notes on the second sheet,
 and unless the strips carry date markings,
 as at 8, aligning with and corresponding
 70 with the day slip of the second sheet (as

shown), these strips should leave the dates
 on the second sheet exposed also. By mark-
 ing a vertical line 9 on these strips 7 for their
 full length and by marking small arrow
 75 heads 11 at the bottom of each day slip in
 position to align with the line 9 on the strip
 7 which is beneath the day slips of the up-
 permost sheet, when each strip becomes ex-
 posed the line 9 will form with the arrow
 head on the lowest (current) day slip of the
 80 top sheet an arrow marking leading to that
 particular current slip irrespective of its
 position on the sheet. When all the slips
 of the top sheet have been removed and all
 the slips of the next sheet have become ex-
 85 posed, the strip 7 which will now be upper-
 most on the pad is intended to be torn off
 bodily, thus permitting the strip which is
 beneath the memorandum sheet which is
 now on the uppermost of the pad to func-
 90 tion in its turn as the slips of such sheet are
 removed.

As shown in the drawing each sheet com-
 95 prises seven day slips and an attachment
 portion 10, and, as will be well understood
 from the above description, the pad is adapt-
 ed to constantly expose the properly dated
 current day slip and six other slips properly
 dated in successive order for the six days
 100 next in succession. Obviously the pad may
 be arranged to show constantly the current
 day and any predetermined arbitrary con-
 stant number of days next in succession,
 merely by predetermining the number of
 105 day slips to each sheet. Thus, to show con-
 stantly only two slips, one for the current
 day and the other for the next day, each
 sheet will comprise only two day slips. To
 show constantly the current day and three
 successive days in advance, each sheet will
 110 comprise four day slips. As will be read-
 ily apparent, in any case the pad is adapted
 constantly to disclose at a glance, and to
 receive, memorandum or notes allotted to
 specific days including the current day and
 a certain constant number of days immedi-
 115 ately succeeding that day without requiring
 any sheet or day slip to be lifted up.

As many changes could be made in the
 120 above construction and as many different
 embodiments of this invention could be made
 without departing from the scope thereof,
 it is intended that all matter contained in
 the above description or shown in the accom-
 125 panying drawings be interpreted as illus-
 trative and not in a limiting sense.

What I claim is:

In a pad of the character described, in
 combination, a stack of sheets, each includ-
 130 ing a plurality of separately detachable
 memorandum slips, the slips of each sheet
 being in substantial alignment over the slips
 of the next sheet of the pad, so that when a
 slip of the uppermost sheet is detached, a
 slip of the next sheet will become uncovered

and exposed for the reception and disclosure of memorandum, and a narrow strip of material of distinctive color interleaved between the uppermost sheet of the pad and the next sheet, said strip being arranged to be removed from its position over said next sheet when all the slips of the uppermost sheet have been detached from the pad, said narrow strip constituting means for distinguishing the slips of said uppermost sheet from the slips of said next sheet. 10

This specification signed this 9th day of January, 1924.

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