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FINGERNAIL TOUCH-UP KIT

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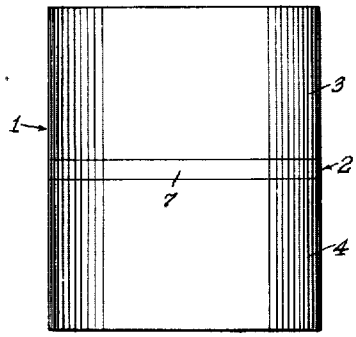


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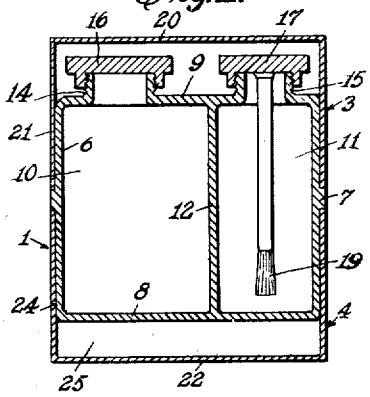


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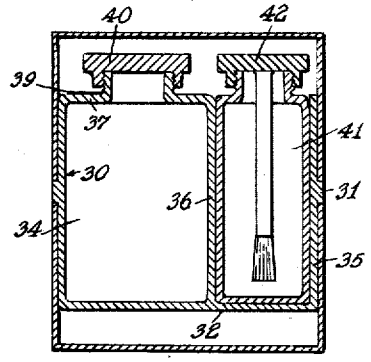


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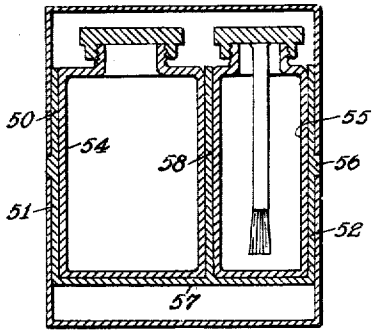


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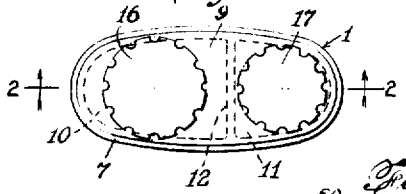


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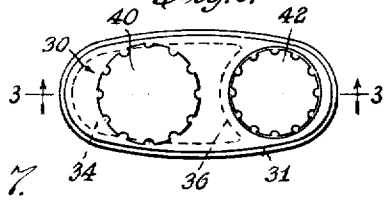
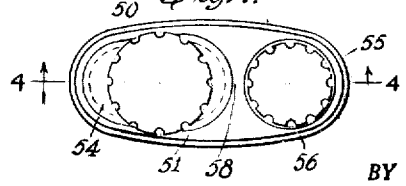


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The present invention relates to containers and particularly to a multiple compartment container which may be used, for example, for nail polish and accessories for the use thereof.

It is well-known that nail polishes are easily chipped off from fingernails by contact with a hard surface resulting in the marring of the polish and the spoiling of the effect thereof. In order that repairs may be made it is customary for persons to carry separate bottles of remover and polish, together with the accessory devices to apply these fluids. Considerable inconvenience is occasioned in carrying the articles in separate containers as one or more of the articles may easily become misplaced.

An object of the invention is to provide a container of such construction that it combines in a single unit the necessary materials for removing and/or applying liquid nail polish or the like.

Another object of the invention is to provide a small, neat, compact and ornamental unit suitable for carrying in a lady's handbag.

In accordance with the invention, the foregoing objects are accomplished by providing a unit adaptable for use as a nail polish touch-up kit including a compartment container to hold the fluids for removing the old polish and for providing the new polish, together with a compartment for the accessories used in applying the fluids to the fingernails.

The touch-up kit is advantageous to use in that the container is self-supporting and may be placed on a level surface without hazard of its tipping over and spilling the contents of the compartments. The outer casing adapts itself to be made in an attractive design and so has sales appeal. Further, by reason of the compact design a minimum of space is occupied by the kit.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent from the following description and from the accompanying drawing which shows, by way of example, an embodiment of the invention.

In the drawing:

Fig. 1 is an elevational view of a nail polish touch-up kit in accordance with the invention.

Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view of the kit shown in Fig. 1 taken along the line 2—2 of Fig. 5.

Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view of a modified form of device in accordance with the invention taken along the line 3—3 of Fig. 6.

Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view of another modified form of device in accordance with the invention taken along the line 4—4 of Fig. 7.

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Fig. 5 is a plan view of the device shown in Fig. 1 with the cover removed.

Fig. 6 is a plan view of the device shown in Fig. 2 with the cover removed.

Fig. 7 is a plan view of the device shown in Fig. 3 with the cover removed.

Referring to Fig. 1 there is shown a nail polish touch-up kit 1 in accordance with the invention comprising an intermediate section 2 with means adapted to separately store nail polish and nail polish remover or the like, an upper section 3 adapted to cover the intermediate section, and a lower section 4 adapted to provide with the intermediate section a compartment for the storage of accessories for applying the fluids. The touch-up kit is preferably made of a moldable plastic material, although, if desired, it also may be made of metal or other suitable materials.

The intermediate section 2 shown in Fig. 2 comprises a body member 6 of oblong or oval cross-section. A peripheral rib 7 is formed on the outer wall of the body member 6 at a position approximately at the midsection thereof. The bottom wall 8 is substantially flat. The body member is divided by a partition wall 12 to provide a larger compartment 10 for nail polish remover and a smaller compartment 11 for nail polish, as shown in Fig. 2. The top wall 9 is formed with upwardly extending nipples 14 and 15 threaded on the outer surfaces thereof to receive threaded closure members 16 and 17. Closure member 17 is provided with a brush applicator 19 cemented or otherwise attached to the inner surface of the closure member to apply fluid stored in the compartment 11.

The upper section 3 is formed with a top wall 20 of oval shape and a flange wall 21 of a length to abut against the rib 7 when the upper section is in position over the intermediate section 2, and to provide ample clearance between the inside of the upper section and the tops of closure members 16 and 17. The rib 7 projects from the side of the body member 6 a distance equal to the thickness of the flange wall 21 so that a smooth outer surface results.

The lower section 4 is made similar to, and may be interchangeable with, the upper section 3. The lower section 4 is formed with a flat bottom 22 of oval shape and a flange wall 24 of a length to abut against the rib 7 when in position on the bottom of the intermediate section 2. When the lower section 4 is in position on the intermediate section 2 a space 25 is provided between the bottom wall 8 of the intermediate section and the bottom 22 of the lower section.

This space is available for the storage of cotton, emery boards, orange sticks, cotton-tipped applicators, or the like. The space between the upper section and the top of the intermediate section may also be used for storage.

A modified form of touch-up kit in accordance with the invention is shown in Fig. 3. In this kit, the upper and lower sections are as previously described, the intermediate section being varied in construction so that a space is provided to receive a separate cylindrical container for the nail polish. Occasionally during the use of a kit, the nail polish becomes dried up and is practically impossible to remove. By this construction the liquid polish container may be discarded and replaced with a new container. In this form the intermediate section **30** of oval cross section is provided with a peripheral rib **31** as previously described. A flat bottom wall **32** extends across the member to provide a floor for compartments **34** and **35**. The top wall **37** is formed with an upwardly extending nipple **39** which is threaded to receive a closure member **40**. A wall **36** separating the two compartments is curved as shown in Fig. 6 to provide a concave surface for the inner wall of the compartment **35** and a convex surface for the inner wall of compartment **34**. The compartment **35** is thus adapted to receive and frictionally retain a cylindrical container **41** without waste of space. The container **41** may be provided with a closure member **42** to match the closure member **40**.

In another modified form of touch-up kit in accordance with the invention shown in Fig. 4, the intermediate section **50** is constructed as previously described excepting that a pair of open-ended compartments **51** and **52** are provided to receive separate containers or bottles **54** and **55**. The container **55** for nail polish is preferably cylindrical while container **54** for the polish remover is preferably oval and of greater capacity. This form is advantageous in that both of the containers for the nail polish and for the nail polish remover are replaceable. The intermediate section **50** has a peripheral rib **56** and a bottom wall **57** as previously described. A partition wall **58** is formed with a section having thickened sides to provide walls of concave section for both of the compartments **51** and **52** which are thus adapted to snugly receive and frictionally hold the containers **54** and **55**.

From the preceding description it will be apparent that a multiple compartmented container adaptable for use as a nail polish touch-up kit has been provided in a single unit, and which is small, neat, compact and ornamental.

While the invention has been described and illustrated with reference to specific embodiments thereof, it will be understood that other embodiments may be resorted to without departing from the invention. Therefore, the forms of the invention set out above should be considered as illustrative and not as limiting the scope of the following claims.

We claim:

1. A multiple compartment container comprising an intermediate section, a plurality of separate fluid chambers in said intermediate section each having an opening, a fluid tight closure for the opening of each of said chambers, the intermediate section having a peripheral rib thereabout positioned approximately midway between the top and bottom of said section, an upper section having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over the upper portion of the intermediate section and abut against the top side of the peripheral rib, and a lower section substantially identical with said upper section and having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over the lower portion of the intermediate section and abut against the bottom side of the peripheral rib, the length of the peripheral wall of the lower section being greater than the distance from the peripheral rib to the bottom of the intermediate section so that a storage space is provided between the lower section and the intermediate section.

2. In a nail polish touch-up kit, an intermediate section comprising a fluid chamber having an opening and a compartment for a container of fluid, a fluidtight closure for the opening of the fluid chamber, a fluid container frictionally retained in said compartment, the intermediate section having a peripheral rib thereabout positioned approximately midway between the top and bottom of said section, an upper section having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over the upper portion of the intermediate section and abut against the top side of the peripheral rib, and a lower section substantially identical with said upper section and having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over the lower portion of the intermediate section and abut against the bottom side of the peripheral rib, the length of the peripheral wall of the lower section being greater than the distance from the peripheral rib to the bottom of the intermediate section so that a storage space is provided between the lower section and the intermediate section.

3. In a nail polish touch-up kit, an intermediate section comprising two compartments to receive a pair of containers of fluid, a longitudinally extending partition separating the compartments for said containers, a fluid container frictionally held in each of said compartments, the intermediate section having a peripheral rib thereabout positioned approximately midway between the top and bottom of said section, an upper section having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over the upper portion of the intermediate section and abut against the top side of the peripheral rib, and a lower section substantially identical with said upper section and having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over the lower portion of the intermediate section and abut against the bottom side of the peripheral rib, the length of the peripheral wall of the lower section being greater than the distance from the peripheral rib to the bottom of the intermediate section so that a storage space is provided between the lower section and the intermediate section.

4. A nail polish touch-up kit comprising a hollow intermediate section member of oval cross-section having a peripheral rib thereabout positioned approximately midway between the top and bottom of said section, a partition wall to separate the cavity of the member into two compartments, the top of the member being closed by a flat wall provided with a pair of upwardly projecting nipples having a threaded outer surface, a pair of closure members having threaded inner surfaces to engage with the threaded surfaces of the nipples to close the compartments, an applicator brush depending from the inner surface of one of the closure members, an upper section having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over and frictionally engage the top portion of the intermediate member and abut against the top side of the peripheral rib, and a lower section having a concave wall adapted to fit over and frictionally engage the lower portion of the intermediate section and abut against the bottom side of the

peripheral rib, the length of the peripheral wall of the lower section being greater than the distance from the peripheral rib to the bottom of the intermediate section so that a storage space is provided between the lower section and the intermediate section.

5. A nail polish touch-up kit comprising a hollow intermediate section member of oval cross-section having a peripheral rib thereabout positioned approximately midway between the top and bottom of said section, the section having a cavity therein, a partition dividing the cavity of the section into two compartments, the partition having a semi-circular cross-section so as to form one of the compartments with a concave wall adapted to closely conform to the shape of a cylindrical container, the partition forming the other of the compartments with a convex wall, a flat top wall closing the top of the compartment with the convex wall, the top wall having an upturned nipple portion threaded on the outer surface thereof, a closure member having a threaded inner surface to engage with the threaded surface of the nipple to close the compartment, a fluid container frictionally retained in the compartment having a concave wall, an upper section having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over and frictionally engage the upper portion of the intermediate section and abut against the top side of the peripheral rib, and a lower section having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over and frictionally engage the bottom portion of the intermediate member and abut against the bottom side of the peripheral rib, the length of the peripheral wall of the lower section being greater than the distance from the peripheral rib to the bottom of the intermediate section so that a storage space is provided between the lower section and the intermediate section.

6. A nail polish touch-up kit comprising a hollow intermediate section member of oval cross-section having a peripheral rib thereabout positioned approximately midway between the top and bottom of said section, the section having a cavity therein, a partition dividing the cavity into two compartments, both sides of the partition being concave, an upper section having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over and frictionally engage the upper portion of the intermediate section and abut against the top side of the peripheral rib, and a lower section having a peripheral wall adapted to fit over and frictionally engage the lower portion of the intermediate section and abut against the bottom side of the peripheral rib, the length of the peripheral wall of the lower section being greater than the distance from the peripheral rib to the bottom of the intermediate section so that a storage space is provided between the lower section and the intermediate section.

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