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HAND BAG

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Fig. 1.

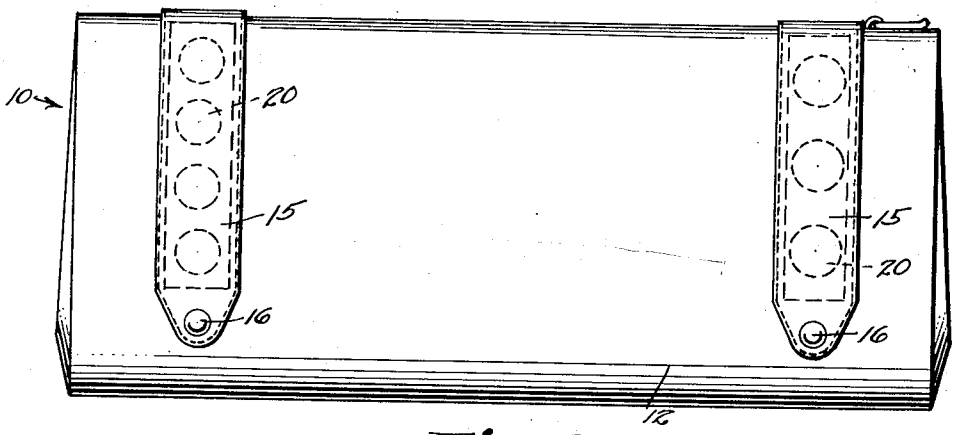


Fig. 2.

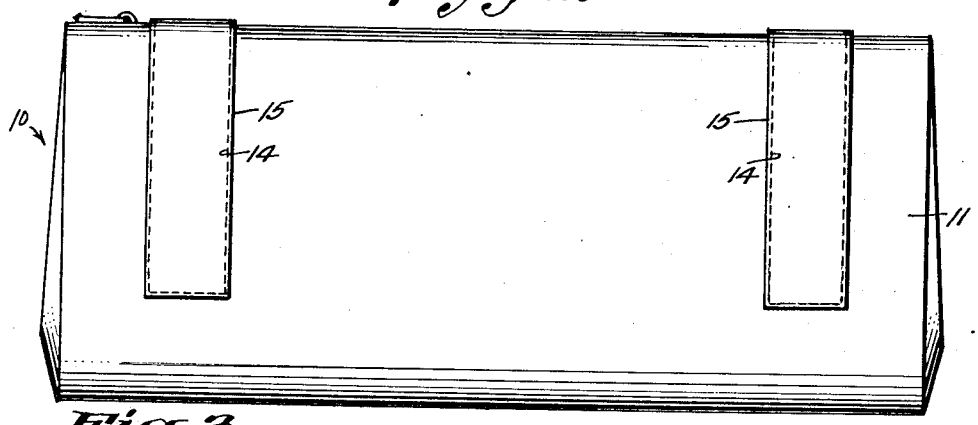


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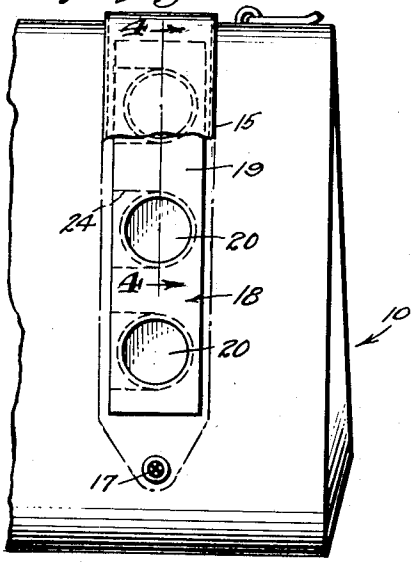
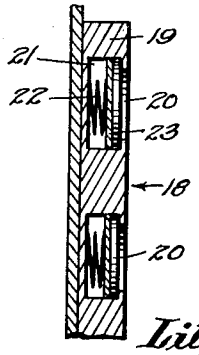


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1 Claim. (Cl. 150—37)

This invention relates to a lady's handbag and has for an object to provide a lady's handbag in combination with one or more coin or bus token holders concealed on the back of the handbag by a handbag holding strap.

A further object of this invention is to provide a holder for coins or bus tokens so placed on the outside of a handbag that it may be quickly and easily accessible for dispensing one or more coin or bus tokens whenever desired without the necessity of opening the handbag and further which will conceal the presence of this holder against casual observation.

A further object of this invention is to provide a concealing means for coin or token holders on the back of the bag which concealing means also serves to hold the handbag in closed position.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, as will hereinafter become apparent, this invention comprises the construction, combinations and arrangements of parts hereinafter set forth, disclosed and shown on the accompanying drawing. In this drawing,

Figure 1 is a back view of the handbag showing coin slots mounted thereon,

Figure 2 is a front view of the handbag,

Figure 3 is an enlarged front elevational view of one of the coin containers, the protection strip being broken away to show the slots, and

Figure 4 is a sectional view taken on the line 4—4 of Figure 3.

There is shown at 10 a lady's conventional handbag having a front face 11 and a back face 12. Stitched as at 14 to the front face 11 of the handbag 10, are a pair of leather straps 15 extending down the front face 11 of the bag and extending an equal length beyond the upper edge thereof so that they may overlap the rear portion 12 of the bag 10 and be secured to the rear face 12 by cooperating snap fastening means 16 formed on the ends of the straps 15 and 17 located on the back 12 of the bag 10.

Secured to the back face 12 beneath each strap 15 is a coin or bus or street car token holder 18. As will be observed from Figures 1 and 3 the strap 15 is of sufficient width to slightly overlap the token holder 18 and completely conceal the same, thus making the token and coin holder 18 invisible to ordinary observation. This holder 18 includes a base plate 19 having a plurality of windows 20 leading to tubular coin or token recesses 21. The tubular coin recesses 21 each contain a spring member 22 behind a casing 23 adapted to urge any coin in the recess forward to abut against the flange of the window 20. Slotted passages 24 leading through the sides of the base plate 19, permit the entry and exit of coins or tokens to the recess 21, the windows 20 being of sufficient size to permit the thumb or finger to be passed therethrough and press the coin or token toward and through the slotted passages 24. Obviously, the tubular recesses 21 may be made of any desired size according to the type of coins or tokens that are to be carried, an may either be made all in one size or in different sizes, or as shown in Figure 1, one of the holders may be of a size containing one denomination of tokens or coins, and the other holder may be of a size to contain other size coins.

As a result of this invention it is possible to carry a large quantity of coins and tokens in a ready position for use when needed without the necessity of opening the bag and thus inviting possible loss of the contents of the bag. A further advantage is that these straps 15 serve both to conceal the coin holders and make their presence ordinarily invisible and to fasten the bag in closed position. Due to the fact the two holders and straps are used the bag will remain in closed position while the coins or tokens are being withdrawn from one of the holders, due to the fact that the other strap remains in closed and fastening position at that time. Further, the strap 15 may be made decorative so as to embellish the appearance of the handbag.

The novel features and the operation of this device will be apparent from the foregoing description. While the device has been shown and the structure described in detail, it is obvious that this is not to be considered limited to the exact form disclosed and that changes may be made therein which the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Having thus set forth and disclosed the nature of this invention, what is claimed is:

As a new article of manufacture, a handbag, a handbag fastening strap secured to the front face of the handbag transversely thereof, and extending over the edge and transversely of the rear face in normally unsecured condition, an elongated coin carrier on the surface of the rear face and secured thereto transversely thereof, said coin carrier being of less width than said strap, the latter projecting over and concealing the coin carrier, and means on said rear face beyond said carrier cooperating with said strap for releasably holding same in position.

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