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Fig. 1.

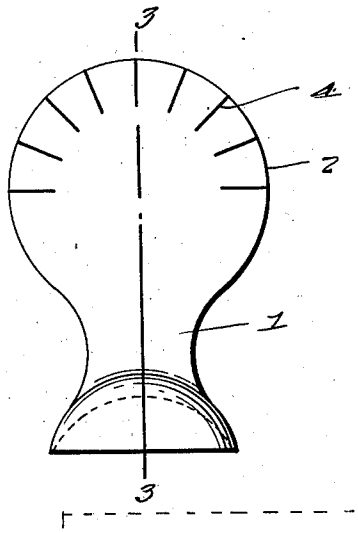


Fig. 2.

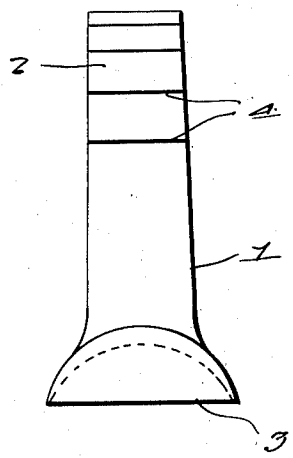
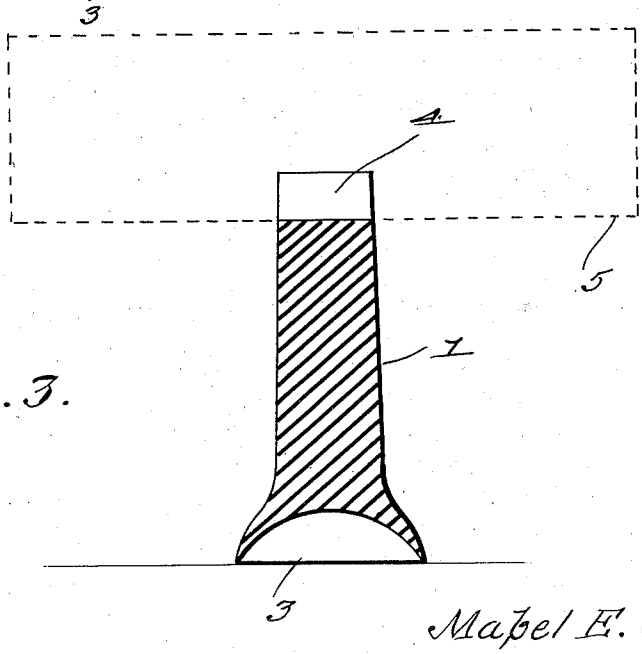


Fig. 3.



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My invention relates to improvements in card holders for use more particularly in holding recipe cards and mounting the same in fixed position in the kitchen so that they may be read while working and without repeated handling.

The principal object of my invention is to provide a simply constructed inexpensive device of this character which may be readily attached to or detached from a wall, cupboard, kitchen table, window sill, or the like, and which is adapted to hold a card at various different angles convenient for reading.

To the accomplishment of the above, and subordinate objects presently appearing, a preferred embodiment of my invention has been illustrated in the accompanying drawing, set forth in detail in the following description, and defined in the claim appended hereto.

In said drawing:

Figure 1 is a view in side elevation of the preferred form of my invention,

Figure 2 is a view in edge elevation, and

Figure 3 is a view in longitudinal section taken on the line 3—3 of Figure 1.

Referring to the drawing by numerals, the holder of my invention comprises a flat shank 1, somewhat rectangular in cross section, having at one end an enlarged substantially circular head 2, also flat, and at its other end a suction cup 3. The shank 1, head 2, and cup 3 are formed in one piece of suitable rubber, or rubber composition, and as will be understood, with the axis of the suction cup 3 at a right angle to the axis of the head 2. The head 2 has formed therein a plurality of edge slits 4 preferably extending radially of said head and into which a card is adapted to be inserted edgewise as shown in dotted line in Figure 3, the card being designated 5.

In the use of the invention, the suction cup 3 is slightly moistened around the edges thereof and the device secured thereby to any object desired at a height suitable for reading of a card. A card is then inserted in a selected one of the slits 4 depending upon the angle at which it is desired to dispose the card, said card being yieldingly gripped by the head 2 in a manner which will be readily understood.

As will be appreciated the described device may be used in offices, stores, and schools, for holding filing cards, display cards, copy etc.

My invention will, it is believed, be readily understood from the foregoing without further explanation.

Manifestly the invention, as described, is susceptible of modification without departing from the inventive concept and right is herein reserved to such modifications as fall within the scope of the subjoined claim.

What I claim is:

A holder for displaying cards to view comprising a suction cup for attachment to a desk, table, wall, or the like, a shank extending axially from said cup, and an enlarged flat head of circular form extending from said shank edgewise and having circumferentially spaced radial slots in the periphery thereof for the insertion of cards therein fanwise to present the same to view at selected angles to the line of sight, said cup and shank being formed of a single piece of resilient material.

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