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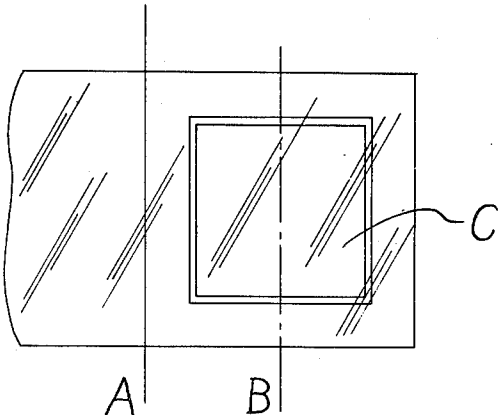


Fig. 1

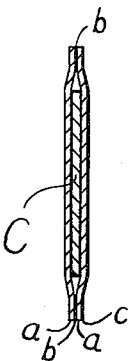


Fig. 2

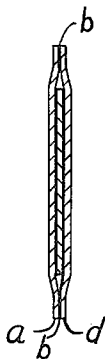


Fig. 3

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My invention relates to a display device for exhibiting flat articles such as postage stamps, currency, printed matter, photographs and similar articles.

5 More specifically my invention pertains to a display device, which will properly protect and display flat objects, such as those mentioned above and is of particular benefit to philatelists, and numismatists and also advertising and sales executives.

10 The principal object of my invention is the provision of a protecting tube-like device having a transparent face and an opaque background so that the objects to be shown, when mounted between the transparent face and opaque back-
15 ground are very beautifully displayed and at the same time amply protected. When desired, the opaque background may be of a contrasting color so as to enhance the display.

20 Referring to the accompanying drawing:

Fig. 1 is a front elevation of a section of my device showing an article on display;

Fig. 2 is a vertical cross section taken on line B—B of Fig. 1;

25 Fig. 3 is a vertical cross section of a modified form of the display device.

Specifically in the drawing the display device disclosed in Figs. 1 and 2, consists essentially of a flat tube having front and rear portions *a—a* composed of Cellophane, regenerated cellulose, Celluloid or the like. The opposite longitudinal meeting edges of the sheets or strips *a—a*, which form the display tube, are secured together by a suitable adhesive indicated by *b—b* or if preferred the edges may be fused together by heat and pressure as is well-known in the art.

35 The rear face or background *c* of one of the strips *a* is suitably colored or rendered opaque by means of a dye, printer's ink, lacquer or the like. The article *C* to be displayed is inserted

between the front and rear sheets or strips *a—A* and will remain in position with practically no lateral displacement.

When a philatelist desires to mount a single stamp or block thereof, he takes a suitably sized tube and mounts his specimen *C* therein, after which the tube is severed on lines A—A and the section then mounted in an album. The opaque background *c* may be of a contrasting color to the stamp to give a pleasing and artistic effect, or if preferred the background *c* may be jet black or white.

The form of display device shown in Fig. 3 is a modification in that the transparent facing strip *a* is secured by adhesive *b* to a somewhat rigid strip or panel *d* of heavier gage Celluloid or paper. In this form the colored or opaque background *d* renders the tube substantially rigid and is easy to handle.

The form of display device shown in Fig. 3 is further modified in that the transparent facing strip *a* is secured by adhesive *b* to a colored or opaque strip or panel *d* of similar material. In this form, any shrinkage of the material will be equal for the front and rear thus preventing distortion of the display device.

What I claim is:

1. A display device for exhibiting stamps, comprising a flat open ended tube, said tube having a transparent face section and lesser light pervious back section, the longitudinal abutting edges only of the face and back sections being adhesively joined together.

2. A philatelic display device including a pair of flat cellulose derivative strips joined by adhesive along their opposite longitudinal edges only, one of said strips being transparent while the other of said strips is colored.

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