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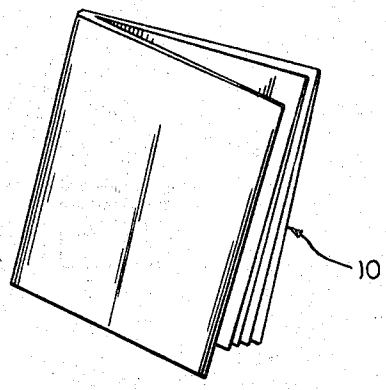


FIG.1

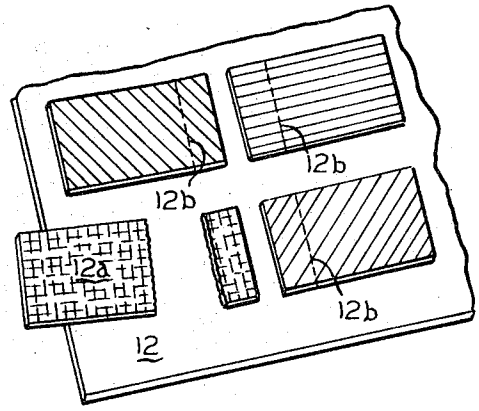


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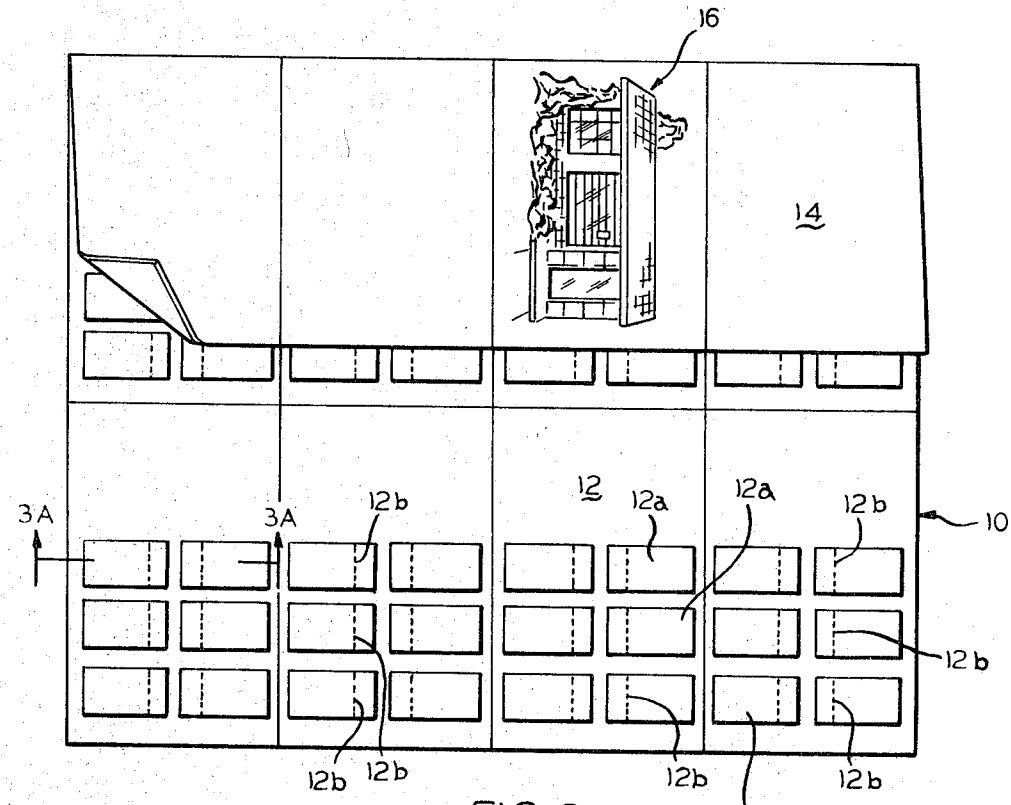


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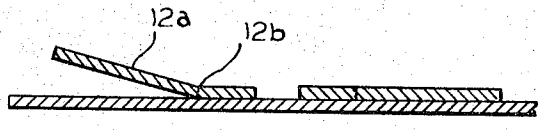


FIG.3A

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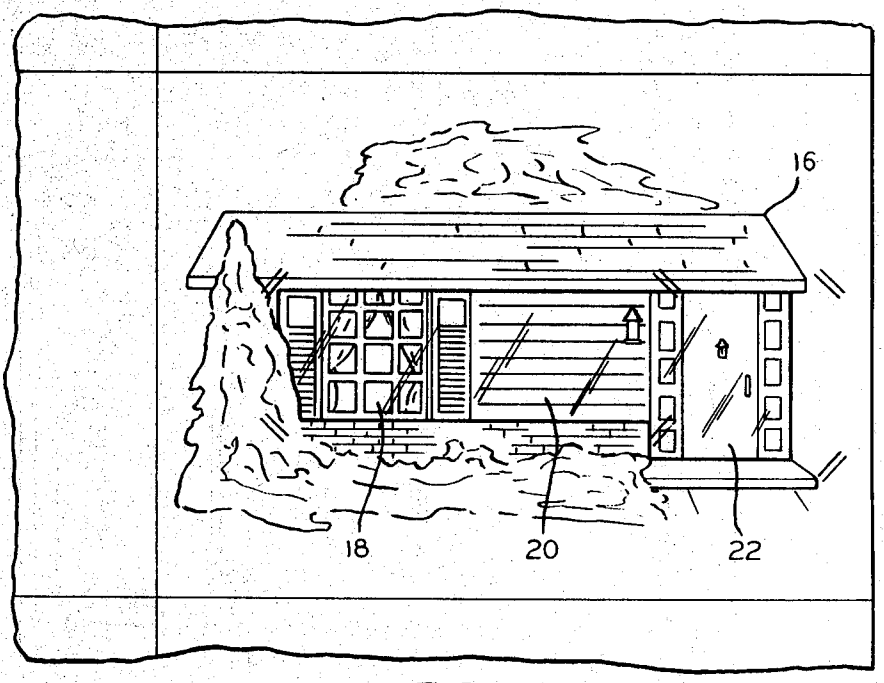


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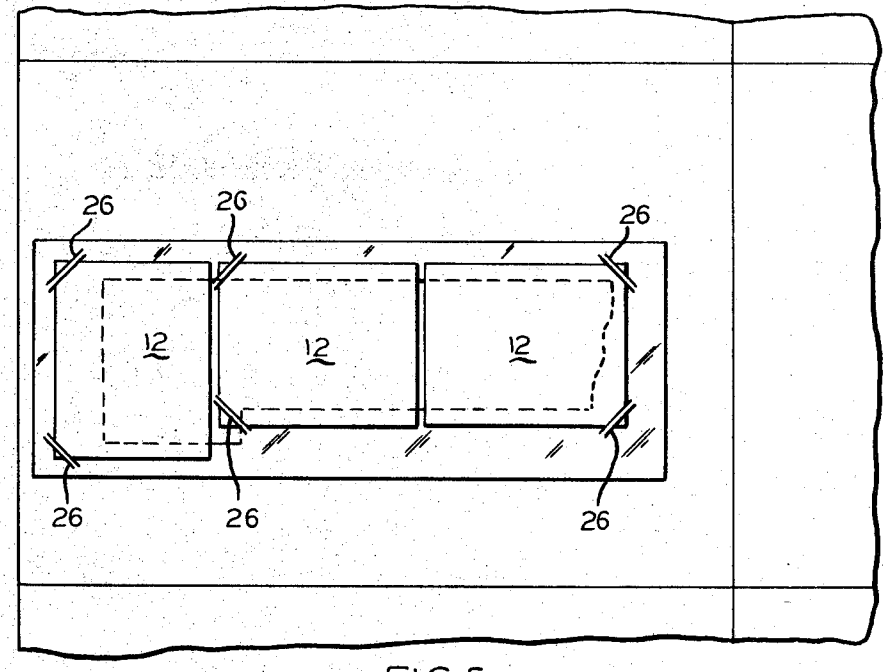


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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Includes a number of color samples that are removably attached to a sample section, and they can be selectively detached therefrom and positioned in a color displayer or illustrative section to aid in the selection of colors for the exterior painting of a house, or the like.

This invention relates to the decorating art, and more particularly to a new and novel method and device for readily determining and demonstrating the aesthetic appeal of certain color combinations of a plurality of decoratively distinct areas of a house. The device aids prospective customers of paint, or the like, by helping them determine in advance whether a harmonious selection of colors has been made.

It is therefore a primary object of this invention to provide a self contained color display apparatus which includes the outline of a house thereon with a certain architecture, as well as land scaping of a certain color and configuration, along with initially uncolored areas which can be symbolically covered by selective color samples so that different color combinations on the house can be presented to the customers for visual appraisel.

A further object of this invention is to provide color display apparatuses that are self contained and enable selective color representations to be made with a convenience of manipulation, in that the color samples are removably attached to a portion of the display device.

Other objects of this invention will become readily apparent from reading a description along with the accompanying drawings wherein:

FIG. 1 is a pictorial view of the invention after it has been folded;

FIG. 2 is a planar view of the invention wherein removable paint samples are visible, and a portion of the device is folded;

FIG. 3 is a fragmentary view illustrating a removable paint sample;

FIG. 3*a* is a sectional view illustrating the paint samples removably associated with the display device with one of the paint samples separated from the device;

FIG. 4 is an enlarged fragmentary view of the color display device illustrating the outline of a house with the means for receiving the paint samples thereon; and

FIG. 5 is a view of the rear of the house illustrating the configuration thereof for receiving the paint samples thereon; and

FIG. 6 is a partial fragmentary sectional view of FIG. 5 illustrating the means for holding the paint samples in position relative to the outline of the house as illustrated in FIGS. 2 and 4.

Referring to the drawings wherein corresponding parts are designated by corresponding character references, the self contained color display device **10** is illustrated in its

closed position in FIG. 1 and in its partially open position in FIG. 2. It will be seen from the drawings that a preferred embodiment of the display device incorporating the invention herein has a paint sample section **12**, as well as a section **14** for printed and illustrative matter. The printed and illustrative section is illustrated as having the outline of the house **16** thereon with shrubbery, or the like.

The decorative areas of the house **16** preferably include three sections, **18**, **20** and **22**, section **18** designating the shutters, as well as the curtains of the house, section **20** designating a wall of the house, and section **22** designating a door of the house.

Sections **18**, **20** and **22** have a transparent material such as Celluloid forming the front thereof with an outline of the curtains and shutters in the case of section **18** shown thereon, and with the outline of shingles in the case of **20**, as well as the outline of a door section in the case of section **22**.

Underneath the transparent section **24**, each of the sections **18**, **20** and **22** have means for receiving paint samples in positions where the color of the sections **18**, **20** and **22** can be indicated by means of the paint samples. It will be seen that the means for receiving the paint samples preferably include corner receiving sections **26**, which receive the paint samples **12***a* after they have been severed from the paint sample section **12** as illustrated in FIGS. 3 and 5. The corner receiving sections **26** are not visible through the transparent section **24** when the paint samples are mounted.

It will be seen from FIG. 2 that in the practice of the invention, a plurality of paint sample members **12***a*, each of which are identical in shape and each of which is differently colored, is held by the sample chart section of the invention. Also, the paint sample members **12***a* are perforated at **12***b* to facilitate their removal.

From the foregoing, it becomes apparent that the objects of the invention have been fulfilled in a novel and unexpected fashion in that the exterior color scheme of the house can be planned by means of selectively mounting different color samples within the different sections **18**, **20** and **22** so that a color scheme can be simulated and appraised within the background and environment of a house. Also, since the paint samples are perforated so that they can be torn from the self contained sample chart area conveniently and easily, and mounted in the corner receiving sections **26**, the device illustrated and described not only performs the functions stated, but does so in a convenient and expeditious fashion. It is, of course, understood that the embodiment herein described and illustrated is described by way of illustration and not limitation and that such application, modifications and variations of the concept herein presented as occur readily to the artist when confronted with this disclosure are intended as part of this invention especially as it is defined by the scope of the claims appended hereto.

What is claimed is:

1. A self contained color displayer comprising: a multifold folio including color sample section having a plurality of elongated color samples that are attached on one end to said color sample section, are perforated near the attached point and are loose on the other end whereby removal and positioning in said illustrative section thereof is easily facilitated while retaining a small sample of the color in the color sample section,

an illustrative fold over section having the outline of a house with a pictorial representation of certain foreground and background appearing thereon,

said house having a transparent area that is a colorless material with an outline of a plurality of decoratively distinct sections formed thereon, and

means for receiving and positively locating said color samples underneath said transparent material,

whereby different color combinations of said decoratively distinct areas can be seen to determine whether a harmonious selection of colors in decorating the house has been made.

2. A self-contained color displayer, as defined in claim 1,

said means for receiving said color samples underneath said transparent area includes corner receiving sections that hold said samples in position against said decoratively distinct areas without being visible through said transparent section.

3. A self-contained color displayer, as defined in claim 2, wherein said distinct decorative sections include a window with shutters, a shingled wall and a door,

whereby each of said sections can be colored differently to determine what color combination is most effective from an aesthetic standpoint.

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