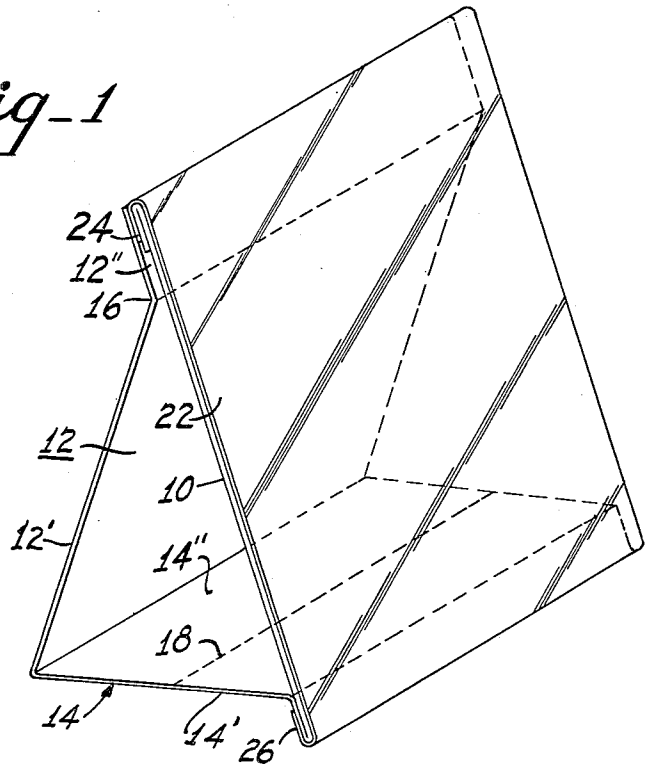
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Fig_1



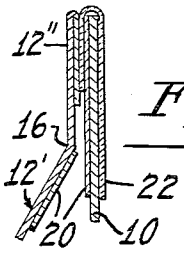


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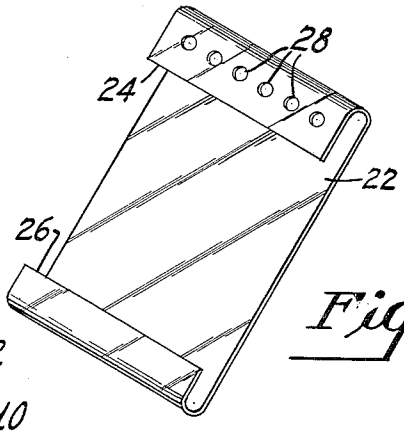


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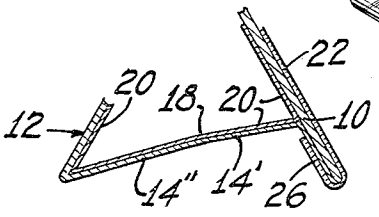


Fig_4

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This invention comprises an improved collapsible display mount or picture frame.

An object of the invention is to provide a simple and relatively inexpensive type of collapsible display mount having fixedly attached thereto a flexible transparent cover which is movable at one end to enable the insertion of a display sheet.

Another object is to enable the insertion and removal of display sheets from portable display or picture mounts with a maximum of ease and a minimum of manipulation without requiring the complete separation of component parts of the mount.

A further object is to provide a simplified collapsible display mount which is inexpensive to manufacture made from a continuous piece of cloth having stiffeners inserted only into the front and rear sections, with a transparent cover folded over and cemented at the top to both sections.

In brief, the invention comprises a portable collapsible display mount or picture frame having front and rear support sections made from a continuous piece of fabric such as canvas, containing therein rigid cardboard stiffeners. A foldable portion is provided at the base or bottom of the display mount between the front and rear sections for enabling the mount to be collapsed and put away when not in use. An important feature is the manner of raising the bottom foldable portion above the lower edge of the front section to thereby furnish a firm support for the display mount on the top of a table or counter on which it is placed. Another important feature is the construction of the transparent cover sheet and the manner of securing the same to the display mount. The transparent cover is provided with hooked portions or tabs at the top and bottom thereof. The top hooked portion folds over the front section of the mount for a short distance and is permanently attached to the mount by being cemented between the front and rear sections. Spaced holes in the top hooked tab portion of the transparent cover enable the cement to seep therethrough for the purpose of firmly anchoring or securing the tab to the display mount.

A more detailed description of the invention follows, in conjunction with a drawing, wherein:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the collapsible display mount of the invention;

Fig. 2 is a side view of the display mount with the lower half broken away; and

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the transparent cover sheet of the display mount; and

Fig. 4 is a side view of the lower part of the display mount with the upper half broken away.

Throughout the figures of the drawing, the same parts are represented by the same reference numerals.

Referring to the drawing in more detail, the collapsible display mount of the invention comprises front and rear sections **10** and **12** respectively, joined together at the base or bottom by a canvas web section **14**. The front, rear and bottom sections are made from a continuous piece of cloth or canvas folded over along its length and

cemented to a thin sheet of paper **20** on the inside of the display mount. The sections **10** and **12** include relatively rigid stiffeners, such as heavy cardboard, inserted into the canvas or cloth such that the canvas or cloth envelops the boards. The rear section **12** includes two separate rigid board stiffeners **12'**, **12''** of different dimensions placed end to end. A hinge line **16** is provided at the adjacent horizontal edges of stiffeners **12'**, **12''**. The total area of rear section **12**, including both stiffeners **12'** and **12''** equals the area of front section **10**.

The bottom or web section **14** is the extension of the cloth or canvas facing of front and rear sections **10** and **12**. Web **14** has a fold line **18** extending horizontally across it, dividing the web **14** into two sections **14'** and **14''**. Bottom web part **14** has a portion thereof adjacent front section **10** cemented thereto in such manner that it (web part **14'**) is raised above the table or counter, not shown, on which the mount rests in the unfolded or open position shown in Fig. 1. This construction enables the lower edges of the front and rear sections to rest firmly on the table or counter top. It should be noted that the distance between the fold line **18** and the front section **10** is shorter than the width of section **14''** measured from the fold line **18** to the lower edge of section **12**, although the distances from fold line **18** to the lower edges of the front and rear sections **10** and **12** as measured along the web or base are approximately equal. When the front and rear sections **10** and **12** are pushed toward each other, the web **14** folds upward along fold line **18** into two parts in the form of an inverted V. The foldable fabric web **14** permits the display mount to collapse for storage purposes, and to open up when ready for use.

Attached to the top of the display mount is the transparent cover sheet **22** which is made of thick cellophane or any suitable plastic of crystal clear transparency, for example the product sold under the brand name "Lucite." The transparent cover has hook or folded tab portions **24** and **26** respectively adapted to fold over the top and bottom edges of the front section **10**. The top hook portion **24** is positioned between the front and rear sections and cemented thereto. To assure a firm and permanent bond between the hook portion **24** of the transparent cover sheet and the front and rear sections, the tab **24** is provided with a multiplicity of spaced holes **28** punched through the tab to enable the cement to seep through the holes. The bottom hook or tab portion **26** folds over the bottom edge of the front section in snug fashion to retain any picture or display sheet positioned between the transparent cover and the front section **10**. The hook **26** is not attached to the bottom of the display mount and acts as a flap which, though relatively firm, is freely removable from around the bottom of the display mount in response to downward pressure of the fingers on the horizontal edge of the tab. To remove or insert a display sheet, the bottom hook portion **26** of the transparent cover is freed from the bottom edge of the display mount and the cover then lifted slightly to enable the display sheet to be positioned between cover and the face of the front section.

The display mount of the invention is highly attractive in appearance, simple and inexpensive to manufacture, durable and easy to use.

In one embodiment of the invention being used, and given by way of example only, the front and rear sections were 8½" by 11", the upper hook or tab of the cover was 1¼", the lower hook or tab of the cover was approximately 1" and the base web section was cemented to the lower part of the front section for a distance of about 1" from the lower edge of the front section.

What is claimed is:

1. A collapsible display mount comprising front, rear and base sections made from a continuous piece of fabric, said front and rear sections having stiffening elements

enveloped by said fabric, said base section being foldable and having a fold line across its length to form an inverted V base section when said mount is collapsed, said rear section having a hinge line near the top portion thereof, a transparent plastic cover sheet having hooked or folded ends at the top and bottom thereof, the hooks on said ends extending toward each other, the top hooked end of the cover sheet folding over the top edge of the front section and being positioned between and cemented to the top portions of the front and rear sections, said top hooked end having spaced openings therein to enable cement to penetrate therethrough, the fabric of said base section being cemented to the rear of said front section for a predetermined distance upward from the bottom edge of said front section, which distance is greater than the dimension of the fold of the bottom hooked end of the transparent cover, whereby said bottom hooked end of the transparent cover may be disengaged from the lower edge of said front section to form a flap, and the entire front of said transparent cover is free to be drawn away from said front section.

2. A collapsible display mount as defined in claim 1,

characterized in this, that said foldable base section is cemented to the lower part of said front section for approximately 1 inch upward from the lower edge of said front section, thereby providing a space between the base section and the top of the surface upon which said display mount rests when opened up and in use, the distance of the fold in said base section to said rear section being greater than the distance of said fold to said front section.

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