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FIG. 1.

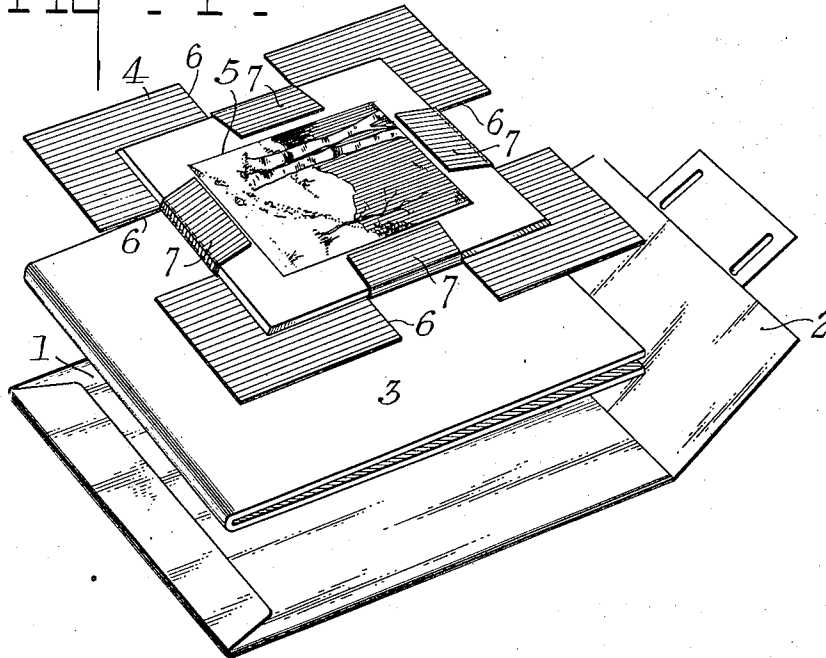


FIG. 3.

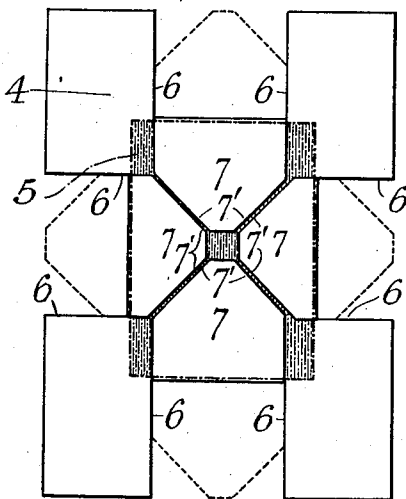
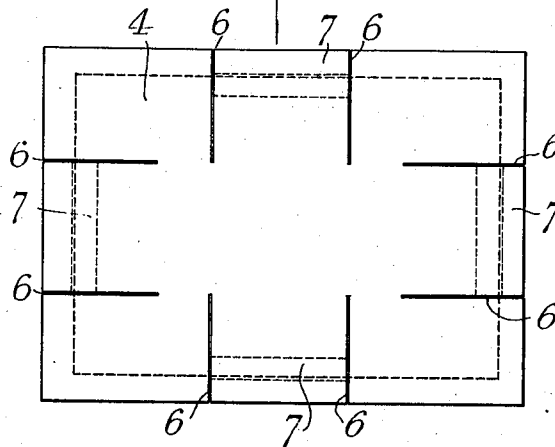


FIG. 2.



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FIG - 4 -

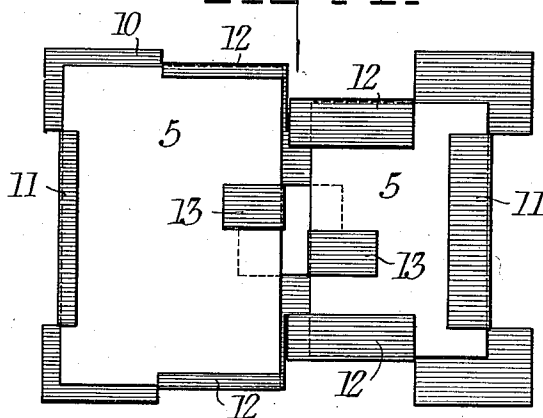


FIG - 5 -

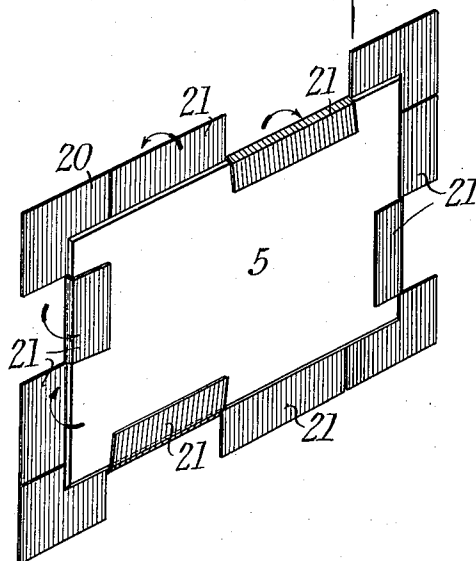
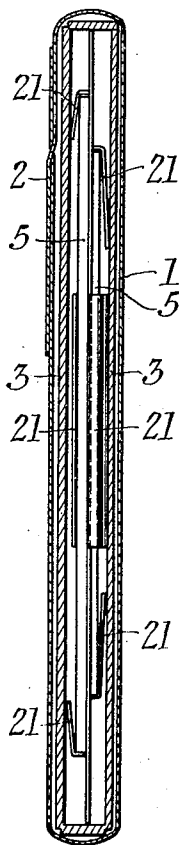


FIG - 6 -

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PACKAGE FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC MOUNTS.

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This invention relates to a package for the carriage of a photograph or other paper or card. The object of the invention is to provide such a package capable of taking cards or mounts of different sizes.

Photograph mounts are made and stocked in a very great variety of sizes and frequently individual customers or photographers demand or use odd sizes. In transmitting photographs, particularly individual pictures, by mail, it is, of course desirable that they shall fit within the container and not slip around. It is necessary therefore, either to wrap up the photographs individually or to carry in stock a very large variety of standard sizes of stiffened mailing containers for the various sizes and even then to wrap up separately odd sized mounts.

I have overcome this difficulty by providing an outfit capable of taking cards or mounts of any dimensions within certain limits, by providing a sheet of stiff paper, flexible cardboard, or other suitable material, the outer dimensions of which are such as to fit snugly within a standard container, and having tabs or flaps, preferably integral therewith, and adapted to be folded. A mount of any size smaller than the filler is placed thereon and the portions of the tabs protruding beyond its edges are turned over the edges, thus centering the mount with its edges well within the edges of the filler sheet. When the assembled filler sheet and mount are placed within an envelope of the size of the filler sheet, the mount will be securely held without slipping.

Reference will now be made to the accompanying drawings wherein the same reference characters designate the same parts throughout and in which

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the several parts of a package separated.

Fig. 2 shows the filler sheet only.

Fig. 3 shows a modified filler sheet with a mount in place.

Fig. 4 shows another embodiment of the filler sheet with two mounts carried on the same side thereof.

Fig. 5 shows still another embodiment of the filler sheet with a mount carried on each side.

Fig. 6 is a section of a package including a filler sheet of the type shown in Fig. 5.

The package preferably consists of three parts, an outer envelope 1 of stout paper and

of ordinary construction having the closing tabs 2, a heavy folded sheet 3 of paste board, corrugated box board or any other stiffening and strengthening material and fitting snugly within the envelope and a filler sheet 4 fitting snugly within the envelope and stiffening sheet and carrying the mount, card or photograph 5.

In a simple form this sheet 4 has two cuts 6 made into it from each edge, forming therebetween tabs 7. A card 5 of smaller dimensions than the sheet 4 is placed flat upon the card and the portions of the tabs extending beyond it are bent back over the card. In Fig. 2 the card and the bent over portions of the tab are indicated in dotted lines. The filler and mount are then together placed within the folded heavy sheet 3 and this assemblage placed within the envelope 1.

The edges and corners of the mount are well within the edges of the package and securely protected. The pressure of the envelope and protective sheet hold the tabs bent down upon the card which thus can not slip or slide within the envelope.

In Fig. 3, the tabs have beveled corners 7, thus the more readily permitting the use of the filler with small cards, over which the tabs would otherwise overlap.

In Fig. 4 is shown a form of filler sheet 10 having single tabs 11 formed at its ends, two tabs 12 formed on each side and two tabs 13 formed from its central part, thus permitting the placing of two mounts 5, which may be of different sizes, on the same side of the sheet.

Another embodiment is shown in Fig. 5, wherein the sheet 20 has two tabs 21 struck from each of its four edges. One tab from each edge may be bent over a card 5 carried on one surface while, as is evident, the remaining tabs may be bent back over the opposite surface. Such form is shown in an assembled package in Fig. 6.

These packages will be made up and sold by the manufacturer with the filler flat and in this condition constitute articles of sale, adapted to be used by photographers and sellers of pictures and art goods, as well as by individual users. Dealers, as for instance in tourist resorts, will have for sale photographs and other pictures already prepared for mailing in this package, which in this condition also constitute articles of sale.

Moreover, the filler sheets alone, being adapted for use with standard containers, may be sold in quantity. It will be necessary for the dealer or photographer to carry in stock only a few sizes of envelopes and to use these with fillers for all the intermediate and odd sizes of mounts.

I contemplate as included within my invention all such modifications and equivalents as fall within the scope of the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. As an article of manufacture, a stiff, rectangular flat container, a sheet separate from said container and fitting snugly within said container and having tabs adapted to be bent over the central part of the sheet to hold a card in position thereon.

2. As an article of manufacture, a stiffened, rectangular container, a sheet separate from said container and fitting snugly

within said container and having bendable tabs, a card of smaller dimensions than said sheet positioned centrally thereon, the tabs being bent over said card and holding it in position.

3. As an article of manufacture, a stiffened, rectangular envelope and a sheet separate from said envelope and fitting snugly within said envelope and having slits cut in each of its edges whereby tabs are formed, adapted to be bent over a card to hold the same in position thereon.

4. As an article of manufacture, a stiffened, rectangular envelope, a sheet separate from said envelope and fitting snugly within said envelope and having tabs cut from its edges, and a card of smaller dimensions than said sheet positioned centrally thereof, the tabs being bent over said card and holding it in position.

Signed at London, England, this 10th day of March 1926.

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