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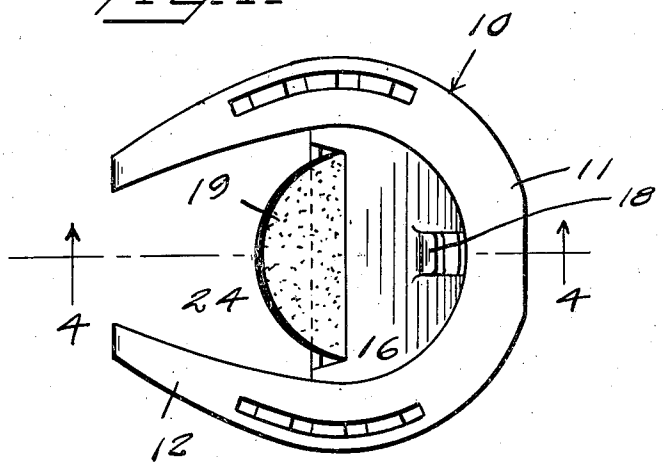


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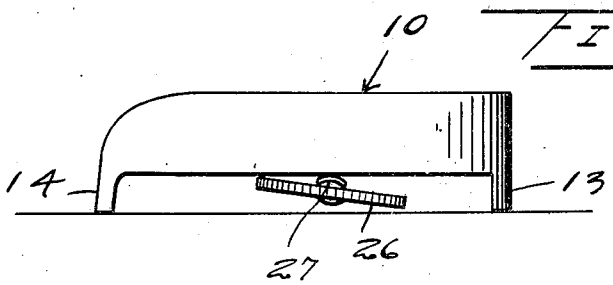


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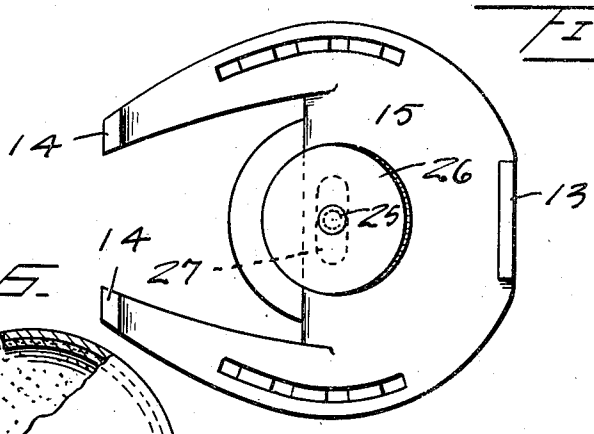
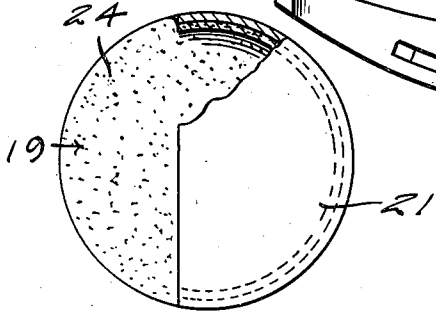


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FIG. 4.

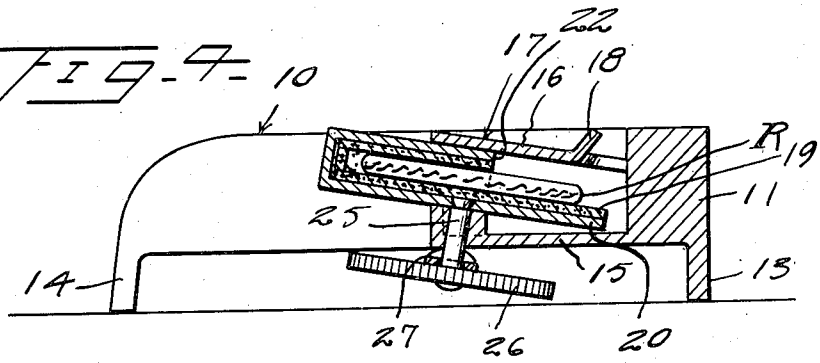


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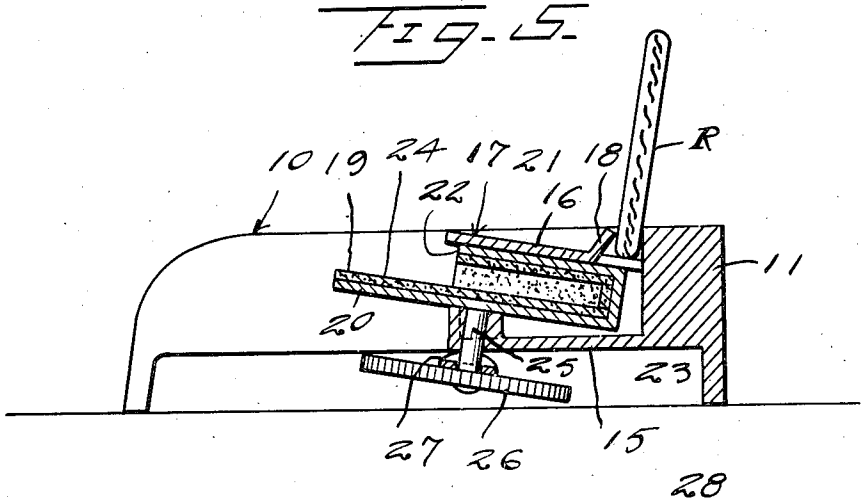


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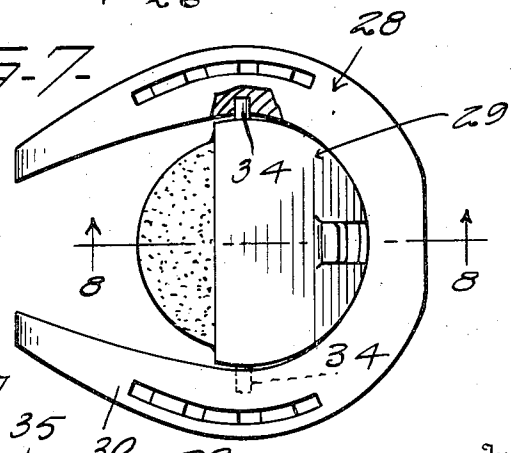
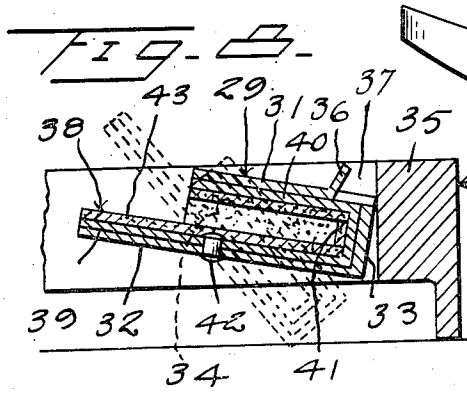


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This invention relates to jewelry boxes and more particularly to a jewelry box embodying the shape of a horseshoe.

An object of this invention is to provide a box or receptacle which embodies the configuration of a horseshoe and which is designed for receiving at least one ring, such as a wedding ring or the like.

Another object of this invention is to provide a box or receptacle of this kind embodying a rotatable holder which in one position is adapted to enclose the ring or article of jewelry and in another position is adapted to expose a portion of the article so that the latter may be withdrawn from the holder.

A further object of this invention is to provide a combined receptacle and display member which is so constructed that the article in the form of a ring or the like may be displayed on top of the receptacle with the article disposed in upstanding position or the article may be inserted within the holder and the latter may be rotated from an open to a closed position .

A further object of this invention is to provide a combined holder and display device which embodies an element of sentiment and superstition in the form of a horseshoe within which a wedding ring or other article of jewelry of relatively small size may be inserted.

To the foregoing objects, and others which may hereinafter more fully appear, the invention consists of the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts, as will be more specifically referred to and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, but it is to be understood that changes, variations, and modifications may be resorted to which fall within the scope of the invention as claimed.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a plan view of a horseshoe box constructed according to an embodiment of this invention.

Figure 2 is a detailed side elevation of the device.

Figure 3 is a bottom plan view of the device.

Figure 4 is a sectional view taken substantially on the line 4—4 of Figure 1.

Figure 5 is a view similar to Figure 4 showing the device with the ring in display position.

Figure 6 is a plan view partly broken away of the rotatable holder removed from the device.

Figure 7 is a plan view of a modified form of this invention.

Figure 8 is a sectional view taken substantially on the line 8—8 of Figure 7.

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Referring to the drawings and first to Figures 1 to 6, inclusive, the numeral 10 designates a body in the form of a horseshoe having a bight 11 and legs 12. The body 10 also includes a supporting caulk 13 extending from the bight 11 and a caulk 14 extending from the free ends of the legs 12, the caulks providing a three-point support for the body 10.

The body 10 includes a receptacle formed of a bottom wall 15 and a top wall 16. The two walls 15 and 16 are disposed between the legs 12 adjacent the bight 11 and have a marginal configuration coincident with the inner configuration of the bight 11 and the legs 12 so that the walls 15 and 16 may be either pressed, cast or otherwise secured within the body 10. The walls 15 and 16 form a receptacle 17 which is open at the front and the top wall 16 is formed with an upwardly and rearwardly extending lug 18 which provides a supporting means with the inner portion of the bight 11 for supporting a ring R in upwardly and rearwardly inclined position for display purposes as shown in Figure 5.

The receptacle 17 has rotatably mounted therein a holder, generally designated as 19. The holder 19 includes a substantially disc-shaped bottom wall 20, a top wall 21 which is formed with a straight front edge 22 disposed rearwardly from the marginal edge of the disc 20 thereby forming a rearwardly offset top wall. The bottom and top walls 20 and 21, respectively, are connected together by an arcuate connecting wall 23. The holder 19 is adapted to be lined by means of a fabric lining 24 in the form of plush or the like. The holder 19 has secured thereto a downwardly extending shaft or stud 25 which extends through the bottom wall 15 of the receptacle 17 and an operating wheel 26 is fixed to the lower end of the stud or shaft 25. The shaft 25 and the holder 19 are adapted to be frictionally held against rotation by means of a bowed spring 27 through which the shaft 25 extends and which is interposed between the bottom wall 15 and the upper side of the wheel 26.

Referring now to Figures 7 and 8, there is disclosed a modified form of this invention embodying a horseshoe-shaped body 28 similar to the body 10. The body 28 has a receptacle, generally designated as 29, mounted between the legs 30 thereof and the receptacle 29 is formed of a substantially semi-circular top wall 31, a circular bottom wall 32 and an arcuate connecting wall 33. The receptacle 29 is pivotally mounted between the legs 30 by means of a pair of pivot members 34 and the pivots 34 are so positioned

with respect to the receptacle 29 that in the normal position of the receptacle as shown in Figure 8 the connecting wall 33 will wedge against the bight 35 of the body 28. The receptacle 29 may be swung downwardly to substantially the dotted line position as shown in Figure 8 so as to facilitate the removal of the article in the form of a ring which may be mounted in the holder. The top wall 31 of the receptacle 29 is formed with an upwardly projecting lug 36 which is spaced forwardly from the inner side of the bight 35 providing a space 37 within which a ring may be inserted so as to hold the ring in upstanding position. The receptacle 29 has mounted therein a rotatable holder 38 in the form of a disc-shaped bottom wall 39, a substantially semicircular top wall 40 and a connecting wall 41. The holder 38 is adapted to be pivotally secured within the receptacle 29 by means of a pivot 42 which extends downwardly through the bottom wall 32. The holder 38 has a plush or other fabric lining 43 engaging the inner surfaces of the top and bottom walls so that the article such as a wedding ring or the like will not be scratched in the insertion or removal of the same from the holder.

In the use of this device the box disclosed in Figures 1 to 6, inclusive, may be formed out of any suitable material such as metal, plastic or the like and the surface of the device may be decorated in any desired manner. The ring which is to be enclosed in the holder 19 is inserted in the holder by rotating the latter through rotation of the wheel 26 to the open position shown in Fig. 5. The ring after being inserted within the holder 19 is then rotated to the closed position as shown in Figure 4. Where the box is used by a jeweler for display purposes, the ring R may be inserted between the lug 18 and the bight 11 of the body 10 as shown in Figure 5.

I claim:

1. A jewelry box comprising a body constructed in the configuration of a horseshoe, a receptacle carried by said body including top and bottom walls fixed between the legs and bight of said body, and a holder rotatably carried by said receptacle, the top walls of said holder and said receptacle being rearwardly offset from the bottom walls thereof whereby the article in said holder will be exposed for removal when the latter is rotated to open position.

2. A jewelry box comprising a body constructed in the configuration of a horseshoe, a receptacle carried by said body adjacent the bight of the latter, and a holder rotatably disposed within said receptacle.

3. A jewelry box comprising a body open at the front and having opposite sides and a rear, upper and lower receptacle forming walls fixed between said sides and rear, a holder loosely disposed between said walls, a shaft fixed to said holder and extending through one of said walls, and an operating wheel fixed to said shaft on the outer side of said one wall.

4. A jewelry box comprising a body open at the front and having opposite sides and a rear, upper and lower receptacle forming walls fixed between said sides and rear, a holder loosely disposed between said walls, a shaft fixed to said holder and extening through one of said walls, an operating wheel fixed to said shaft, and a spring between said one wall and said wheel frictionally resisting turning of said holder.

5. A jewelry box comprising a body open at the front and having opposite sides and a rear, a receptacle having an open front, means engaging said sides pivotally mounting said receptacle between said sides in a position whereby the rear of said receptacle will frictionally contact the forward side of the rear of said body to thereby limit the swinging of said receptacle in one direction, and a holder rotatably disposed in said receptacle.

6. A jewelry box comprising a body open at the front and having opposite sides and a rear, upper and lower receptacle forming walls fixed between said sides and rear, a holder loosely disposed between said walls, a shaft fixed to said holder and extending through one of said walls, an operating wheel fixed to said shaft, and an upwardly projecting lug carried by said receptacle cooperating with the rear of said body for holding an article in upstanding display position.

7. A jewelry box comprising a body open at the front and having opposite sides and a rear, a receptacle having an open front, means engaging said sides pivotally mounting said receptacle between said sides in a position whereby the rear of said receptacle will frictionally contact the forward side of the rear of said body to thereby limit the swinging of said receptacle in one direction, a holder rotatably disposed in said receptacle, and an upstanding lug carried by said receptacle adjacent the rear thereof and cooperating with the rear of said body for holding an article in upstanding display position.

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