The present invention relates to an improved lipstick applicator and a holder or container therefor wherein the latter is preferably, although not necessarily, such in construction that it constitutes an attachment for the base end of a lipstick holder.

As the proceeding general statement of the invention implies lipstick applicators are not new. That is to say, persons conversant with the art to which the invention relates are aware that flexibly resilient finger cot, stalls and so-called little finger shields, which serve to apply and spread lip rouge, are of many and varied styles and forms. Also, the art under advisement has been developed to the extent that finger-tip-type applicators of the types mentioned are made to be sold in conjunction with lipstick containers.

It is an object of the instant invention to structurally, functionally and otherwise improve upon similarly constructed and performing prior art applicators. To this end there is provided a rubber or an equivalent finger-tip-cot which is apply and ideally suited to be attached to the tip of the user's little finger.

So that it will be effectively retained in place while in use the cot is not only shaped with requisite nicety to fit the finger tip, the open end thereof is provided with an encircling or surrounding flange possessed of requisite elastic properties that it insures effective retention of the cot on the finger.

The invention also features the construction stated and wherein the top portion of the cot between the closed and open ends is molded or otherwise formed to provide a concavo-convex portion with the concave side projecting into the receiver portion of the cot so as to provide a yielding detent which insures more effective maintenance of the cot on the finger during the period of use thereof.

Further novelty is predicated on a simple storage container for the finger cot when it is not in use. This part is preferably constructed so that it will constitute an attachment, that is, an attachment which may be mounted on the base of a more or less conventional type lipstick casing or container.

The attachment is characterized by a cup-like member which may be coupled to the base of the lipstick container. A tubular cylindrical extension provides an effective holder and this is enclosed by a readily applicable and removable cap. In addition the open bottom of the holder has an internal endless rib with an inner peripheral recess to accommodate the flange of the finger cot and this rib is provided with circumferentially spaced keeper pockets for circumferentially spaced rib-like detents on the flange of the cot so that the cot when it is in the holder is in a satisfactory position to facilitate correct mounting of the same on the tip of the user's little finger when the cot is to be used for spreading and smoothing the lipstick.

Other objects, features and advantages will become more readily apparent from the following description and the accompanying drawing.
of its characteristics and design will be accepted by users without undue hesitation.

It is yet to be mentioned that the holder and container for the finger cot serves to accommodate a readily removable cap or equivalent cover 38.

Novelty is thought to reside in the cot-type lipstick applicator 16 with its special features 33, 34 and 36, in the container and holder means therefor said means to be construed by itself or as an attachment to as well as in combination with the conventional type lipstick holder. That is to say, it is within the purview of the inventive concept to make, use or sell the applicator alone, in combination with a storing container and holder therefor, and also where the holder is used as an attachment and complement to a lipstick holder.

The foregoing is considered as illustrative only of the principles of the invention. Further, since numerous modifications and changes will readily occur to those skilled in the art, it is not desired to limit the invention to the exact construction and operation shown and described, and accordingly all suitable modifications and equivalents may be resorted to, falling within the scope of the invention as claimed.

What is claimed as new is as follows:

1. In combination, a lipstick and holder therefor, an attachment for one end of said holder, said attachment embodying an axially projecting sleeve, said sleeve being open at an outer end and providing a storing container for a lipstick applicator, and a closing cap fitting telescopically and removable over said sleeve, the outer open end of said sleeve being provided internally with an annular rib serving as an abutment and support for an insertable and removable finger cot, said rib having its inner peripheral surface recessed to provide a groove and further provided with circumferentially spaced keeper notches.

2. The structure defined in claim 1, and in combination a readily insertable and removable finger cot fitting telescopically into the hollow portion of the sleeve and having a flange conformable with and fitting into the peripheral groove on said rib, and said flange having detents adapted to fit into said keeper notches.

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