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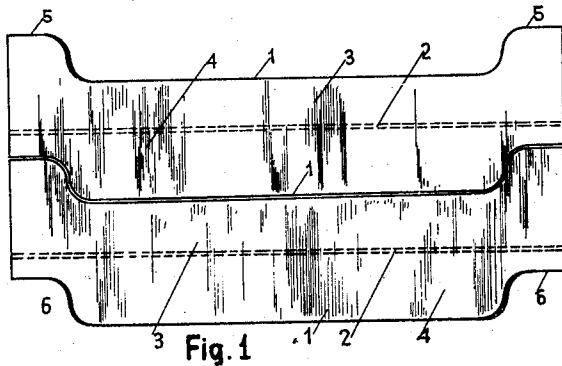


Fig. 1

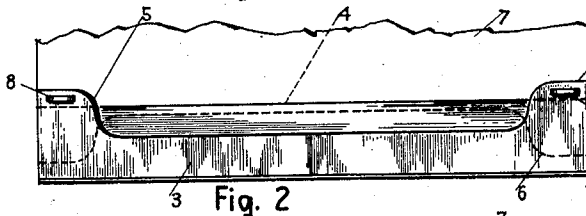


Fig. 2

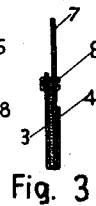


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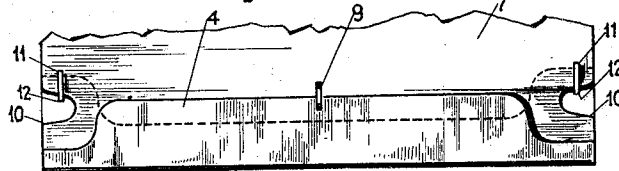


Fig. 4



Fig. 5

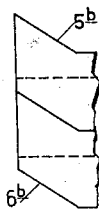


Fig. 6

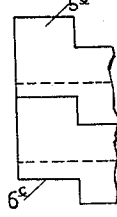


Fig. 7



Fig. 8

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My invention has for its object a transparent pocket to be used in connection with card holders of visible card files, the said pocket being provided with terminal wings which make it possible to connect the said pocket to the body of the card holder at points located above the upper edge of the pocket.

The purpose of this is to allow the insertion in the pocket sidewise, as well as through the top thereof, of a strip substantially higher than the pocket.

The pocket according to my invention is characterized by the fact that its two flaps possess complementary outlines, that is, when two pocket blanks are placed end to end their outlines so register with each other that the extensions or projections provided at the end of a flap of one blank, providing lugs for attaching the pocket to the body of the card holder, correspond to complementary recesses or contractions consequently resulting on the other flap of the other blank, the pockets being thus obtained from a strip of transparent material without waste.

The pocket may be made in several shapes and may be attached to the body of the card holders in various ways, some examples being illustrated in the annexed drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 shows two adjacent pocket blanks as cut from a strip of material.

Fig. 2 is a front elevation of a card holder provided with a pocket according to the invention.

Fig. 3 is a side elevation thereof.

Fig. 4 is a rear view in elevation of a card holder of a modified design, illustrating another way of attaching the pocket to the card holder.

Figs. 5, 6, 7 and 8 partially show in a smaller scale, by way of example, some outlines of pocket blanks different from that shown in Fig. 1.

As Fig. 1 shows, each pocket consists of a piece of transparent material which is separated from a similar piece or blank by means of a single cut in the material along a line 1 which defines at the same time the upper edge of one pocket blank and the lower one

of another. Each piece or blank will then be folded along a longitudinal line 2 so that the portion 3 above this line will constitute the forward flap, whilst the portion 4 under the folding line will form the pocket's rear flap. The outline of cutting line 1 is such that the flap 3 results formed with two end extensions or wings 5, which correspond to recesses 6 in the flap 4.

As stated, the wings 5 are adapted for the attachment of the pocket to the card holder's body 7 (Figs. 2, 3 and 4) at points above the upper edge of the main part of the front flap of the pocket.

The attachment can be made, for instance, by means of metal sewing stitches 8 parallel to the pocket's edge, said stitches passing through wings 5 and the card holder's body, whilst the rear flap of the pocket remains unattached. This arrangement is particularly suitable for small size card holders, in which the stiffness of the material out of which the pocket is made is sufficient to retain the rear flap 4 close against the card holder's body thus forming also at the rear of the said card holder another pocket which may be highly useful for the insertion of a card or indicating strip, or both, carrying notations which do not call for permanent visibility.

In the large sized card holders it may instead be preferable or necessary to also attach the rear flap to the card holder's body. This is preferably done by means of a vertically directed central stitch 9 (Fig. 4) passing through the card holder's body 7 and the pocket's rear flap 4. In this case it will be preferable to attach the front flap to the card holder's body in such a manner that it may not prevent the different expansions or contractions of the two materials, due to variations of temperature.

This end may be attained by notching the card holder at each side somewhat below the position reached by the upper edges of wings 5, when the pocket is inserted on the card holder, as shown at 10. A vertically disposed stitch 11 is then inserted through the card holder and the flap, in such a manner that its lower end 12 only goes through the

flap wing, clearing the card holder, through the corresponding notch 10, while its upper end only goes through the card holder, clearing the flap wing just above its upper edge.

5 In this manner the relative displacements of the card holder and pocket due to their different thermal alterations, will be free to take place.

10 The Figs. 1 to 4 show the preferred outline of the cut made across a continuous strip for the separation of the pocket blanks, said outline comprising a transverse portion terminating at each end with an upwardly directed ninety-degrees curve and a similar 15 outwardly directed curve terminating in a short horizontal portion. Similar results may be attained by means of cuts having different outlines, such as, for instance, those shown in Figs. 5, 6, 7, 8. In all of these, 20 the central transverse cut has its ends directed upwardly and outwardly so as to form wings or extensions 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d in the blank severed from the strip and corresponding recesses 6a, 6b, 6c, 6d, at the ends 25 of the lower edge of the next blank.

As stated in the course of the description and from the figures, a pocket having wings formed integral therewith in accordance with my invention presents the advantage of 30 making it possible to use an indicating strip wider than the depth of the pocket, as advocated in the constructions described in my Patents Nos. 1,742,087 Dec. 31, 1929, and 1,770,793 July 15, 1930.

35 In the present case, however, no separate collars, and no extensions at the bottom of the card holder such as shown in some of the previous constructions are required. At the same time all waste of material, such as occurs 40 in the production of some of the card pockets shown in my other patents above referred to, is entirely avoided.

It is obvious that minor changes and modifications may be made in the constructions 45 described and shown, without departing from the inventive idea; accordingly, I reserve the right to carry my invention into practice in all those ways and manners which may enter, fairly, into the scope of the appended 50 claims.

I claim:

1. The method of producing visible index card pocket blanks, which consists in successively isolating said blanks from a continuous strip of material the width of which corresponds to the width of the pockets to be 55 formed from said blanks, by cutting said strip along a line comprising a central transverse portion, and two outwardly directed end portions longitudinally offset from, and connected to said central tract. 60

2. The method of producing visible index card pockets, which consists in successively isolating pocket blanks from a continuous 65 strip of material the width of which corre-

sponds to the width of said pockets, by cutting said strip along a line comprising a central transverse portion, and two outwardly directed end portions longitudinally offset from, and connected to said central tract, and 70 folding the blanks thus obtained along a line parallel to said central tract, so as to form a flap having two upwardly directed side wings, and a flap having downwardly directed end notches reversely corresponding to 75 said wings.

3. A card pocket adapted for attachment to a visible index card holder, comprising a blank folded to form a front and a rear flap, one of said flaps having its edge cut along a line comprising a central portion parallel to 80 the folding line, and two end portions upwardly and outwardly extending from said central portion, forming end wings upwardly extending from the central portion of said 85 flap and the other flap having its edge cut along a line comprising a similar central portion, and two downwardly and outwardly directed end portions forming end notches 90 the outline of which is complementary to the outline of said wings. 95

4. A card pocket adapted for attachment to a visible index card holder, comprising a blank folded to form a front and a rear flap, one of said flaps having its edge cut along a line comprising a central portion parallel to 100 the folding line, two upwardly and outwardly directed curved portions extending one from each end of said central portion, and two end portions outwardly extending from said 105 curved tracts, forming end wings upwardly extending from the central portion of said flap, and the other flap having its edge cut along a line comprising a similar central portion, two downwardly and outwardly directed 110 curved portions extending one from each end of said central portion, and two end portions outwardly extending from said curved portions, forming end notches the outline of which is complementary to the outline of said 115 wings. 120

5. A card pocket adapted for attachment to a visible index card holder, comprising a blank folded to form a front and a rear flap, one of said flaps having its edge cut along a line comprising a central portion parallel to 125 the folding line, and two end portions upwardly and outwardly extending from said central portion, forming end wings upwardly extending from the central portion of said 130 flap and the other flap having its edge cut along a line comprising a similar central portion, and two downwardly and outwardly directed end portions forming end notches the outline of which is complementary to the outline of said wings, and means for attaching said wings to a card holder body. 135

6. A visible index card holder comprising a body, a card pocket comprising a blank folded to form a front and a rear flap in- 140

serted over the edge of said body, one of said flaps having its edge cut along a line comprising a central portion parallel to the folding line, and two end portions upwardly and outwardly extending from said central portion, forming end wings upwardly extending from the central portion of said flap and the other flap having its edge cut along a line comprising a similar central portion, and two downwardly and outwardly directed end portions forming end notches the outline of which is complementary to the outline of said wings, and stitches connecting said wings to said card holder body.

7. A visible index card holder comprising a body, a card pocket comprising a blank folded to form a front and a rear flap inserted over the edge of said body, one of said flaps having its edge cut along a line comprising a central portion parallel to the folding line, and two end portions upwardly and outwardly extending from said central portion, forming end wings upwardly extending from the central portion of said flap and the other flap having its edge cut along a line comprising a similar central portion, and two downwardly and outwardly directed end portions forming end notches the outline of which is complementary to the outline of said wings, lateral notches in said holder body at points opposite and intermediate the height of said wings, and vertical stitches connecting said wings to said body, the lower ends of said stitches passing through said lateral notches so as to clear the card holder body, and their upper ends passing through said card holder body just above the upper edges of said wings, clearing said wings.

8. A visible index card holder comprising a body, a card pocket comprising a blank folded to form a front and a rear flap inserted over the edge of said body, one of said flaps having its edge cut along a line comprising a central portion parallel to the folding line, and two end portions upwardly and outwardly extending from said central portion, forming end wings upwardly extending from the central portion of said flap and the other flap having its edge cut along a line comprising a similar central portion, and two downwardly and outwardly directed end portions forming end notches the outline of which is complementary to the outline of said wings, and means for connecting said wings to said card holder body, allowing their relative displacements due to different thermal variations to take place.

Signed at Turin, Italy, this 9th day of April, A. D. 1930.

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