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Fig. 1

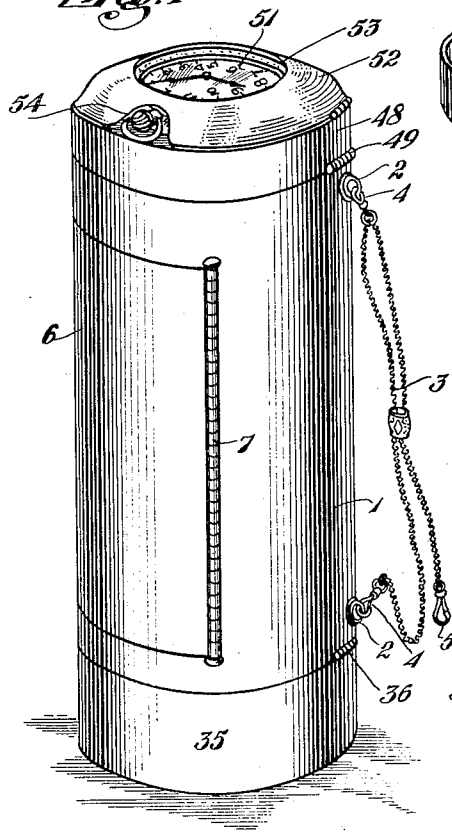


Fig. 2

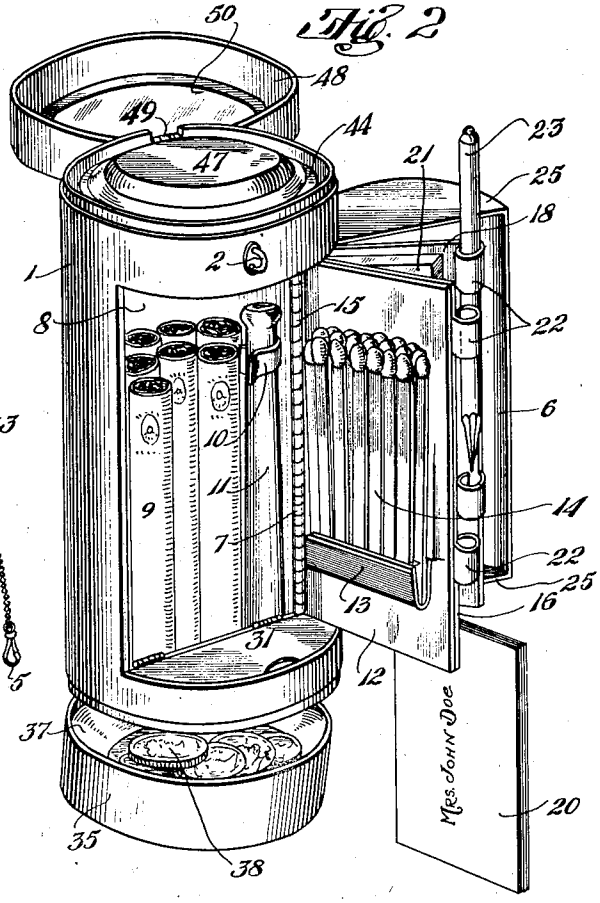


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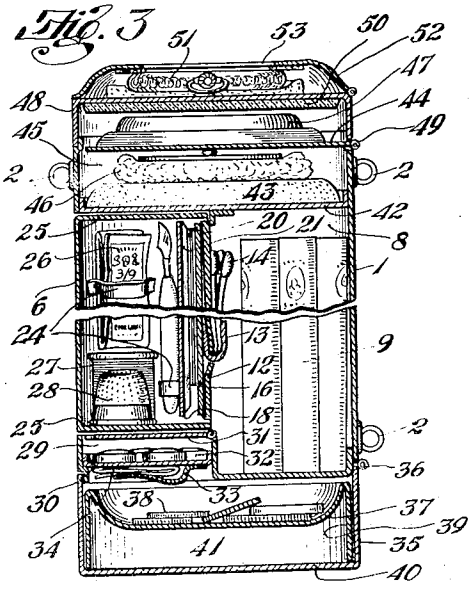
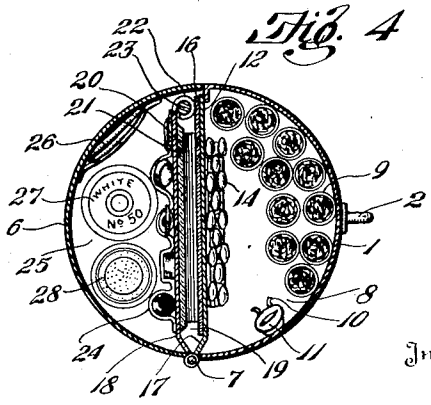


Fig. 4



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VANITY CASE.

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The invention relates to toilet cases of the type commonly known as vanity cases; and the object of the improvement is to provide a toilet case so constructed that a maximum number of toilet and other articles may be compactly and neatly arranged within a relatively small space.

An embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved toilet case in closed position;

Fig. 2, a similar view showing the various compartments opened;

Fig. 3, a longitudinal sectional view through the case, and

Fig. 4, a transverse sectional view of the same.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts throughout the drawing.

The case is tubular and comprises the body portion 1, preferably cylindric, having rings or eyes 2 for the connection of a chain or carrying cord 3 by means of which the chain may be connected either to the side of the case, as shown in Figure 1 or to the end portion thereof.

This chain is preferably connected to the eyes upon the case by snap clasps 4 and may be provided with another snap clasp 5 to accommodate a key.

Although the case is illustrated and described as cylindric, it may be of elliptical or of any polygonal cross section and throughout the specification and claims it should be understood that where the case is referred to as tubular or cylindric it is intended to cover any of said shapes.

A semi-cylindrical door 6 is hinged as at 7 upon the body portion of the case within the semi-tubular cutout portion thereof forming an interior half-round compartment 8, within the body portion, this compartment being of sufficient size to form a cigarette case in which cigarettes, indicated at 9, may be received longitudinally. A clamp 10 is provided within the interior of this half-round compartment to receive a cigarette holder 11.

This compartment may be normally closed by the door 12, upon the inner side of which is provided a clip 13 for the reception of a package of matches indicated at 14, this door 12 being hinged at one longitudinal edge as shown at 15. The outer surface of the door 12 may contain a celluloid memorandum tablet indicated at 16.

This door has an offset portion 17 adjacent to the hinge and a similar door 18 is hinged at the same point, the two doors when folded together forming a narrow flat compartment 19 to receive calling cards as indicated at 20. The inner face of the door 18 may be provided with a mirror 21 and the free edges of the two doors 12 and 18 are preferably provided with tubular sockets 22 for the reception of a pencil 23 by means of which these two doors may be normally connected together at their swinging edges.

The outer face of the door 18 may be provided with a plurality of loops or eyes 24 to receive manicure instruments such as a nail file, orangewood stick and tweezers and a lip stick, eyebrow pencil, bodkin or the like.

The half-round outer door 6 has the top and bottom walls 25 and when closed provides a compartment which may contain perfume, smelling salts, a comb, cold cream tube, and if desired needles and thread as indicated at 26 and 27 and a thimble 28.

The outer door 6 is of less height than the cigarette compartment 8, thus providing for a small half-round compartment 29, beneath the outer door, formed by a bottom wall 30 and a hinged lid 31, this compartment being adapted to contain aspirin tablets as indicated at 32, and the like.

The under side of the wall 30 carries a spring clip 33 to receive paper money, stamps or the like, as shown at 34, this being accessible from the bottom as will be later described.

A round compartment 35 is hinged as at 36 to the lower end of the body and provided with a removable tray 37 for receiving coins as indicated at 38, this tray being provided with the flanges 39 at its sides for supporting the tray as a false bottom spaced above the bottom wall 40 thus providing an extra compartment 41 beneath the tray for containing any desired articles.

When this compartment 35 is swung open upon its hinge access may be had to the coins as well as to the paper money or stamps, retained by the clip 33, but the compartment 41 is normally closed at all times and access can be had to the same only by removing the tray 37.

A transverse wall 42 is spaced from the upper end of the case providing a closure for the upper end of the compartment 8 and

supporting a powder compact as shown at 43. A hinged disk 44 normally closes the compartment 45, thus formed, within which may be located a powder puff 46 for use upon the compact.

A rouge compact 47 may be carried upon the upper side of the hinged disk 44, and the inverted, hollow lid 48, hinged to the upper end of the body as at 49, normally closes the same. A mirror 50 may be located within the lid 48, where the same is accessible when the lid is opened to use the rouge or powder.

A watch 51, may be carried upon the top of the lid 48, being retained thereon by the hinged cover 52, provided with the central opening 53, through which the face of the watch is exposed, and having a notch 54 in one edge to accommodate the stem of the watch.

From the above it will be seen that a vanity case is provided in which a great number of articles may be contained in order within a limited space, the cirgarette compartment being normally unexposed when the body of the case is opened.

I claim:

1. A vanity case comprising a tubular body having a semi-tubular cut-out portion intermediate its ends, a semi-tubular cigargette compartment accessible through said cut-out, a semi-tubular door hinged to the body at said cut-out portion and a pair of flat, hinged doors between the cigarette compartment and the semi-tubular door, said flat doors being spaced slightly apart forming a card space therebetween.

2. A vanity case comprising a cylindric body having a semi-cylindric cut-out portion intermediate its ends, a semi-cylindric cigarette compartment accessible through said cut-out, a semi-cylindric door hinged to the body at said cut-out portion, a pair of flat, hinged doors between the cigarette compartment and the semi-cylindric door, said flat doors being spaced slightly apart forming a card space therebetween and tubular stockets at the free edges of said flat doors to receive a pencil or the like to lock said doors together.

3. A vanity case comprising a cylindric body having a semi-cylindric cut-out portion intermediate its ends, a semi-cylindric cigarette compartment accessible through said cut-out, a semi-cylindric door hinged to the body at said cut-out portion, a coin compartment hinged to one end of the cylindric body and a removable tray in the coin compartment forming a false bottom in the coin compartment.

4. A vanity case comprising a cylindric body having a semi-cylindric cut-out portion intermediate its ends, a semi-cylindric cigarette compartment accessible through said cut-out, a semi-cylindric door hinged to the body at said cut-out portion, a half-round compartment beneath said door, a false bottom in said half-round compartment, a paper money clip on the under side of said false bottom, and a coin compartment hinged to the end of the cylindric body below said half-round compartment, whereby access may be had to the paper money clip and coin compartment simultaneously.

In testimony that I claim the above, I have hereunto subscribed my name.

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