

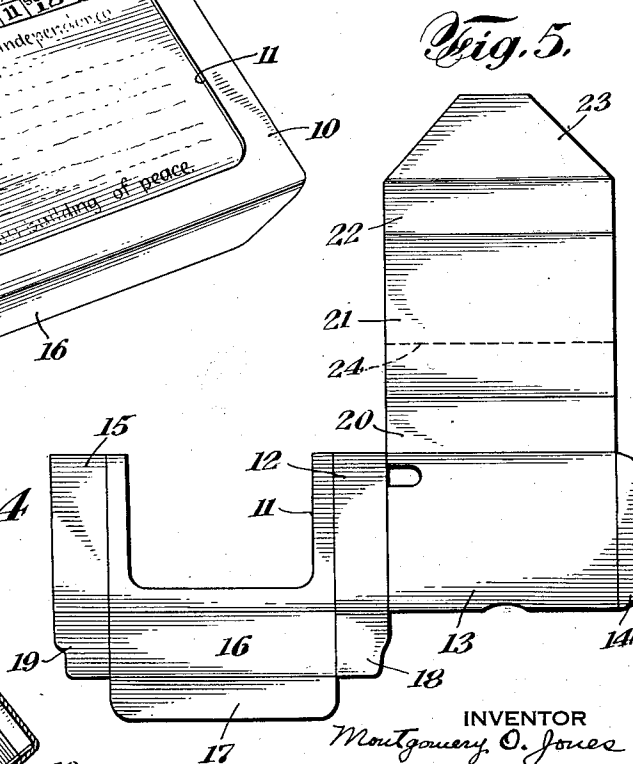
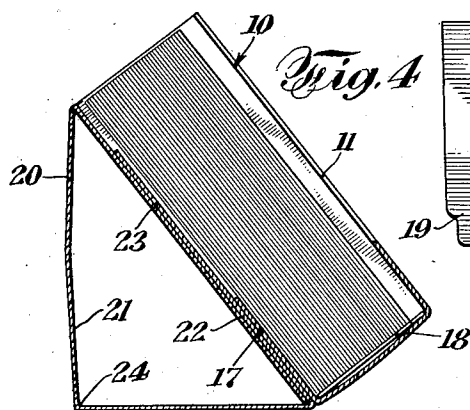
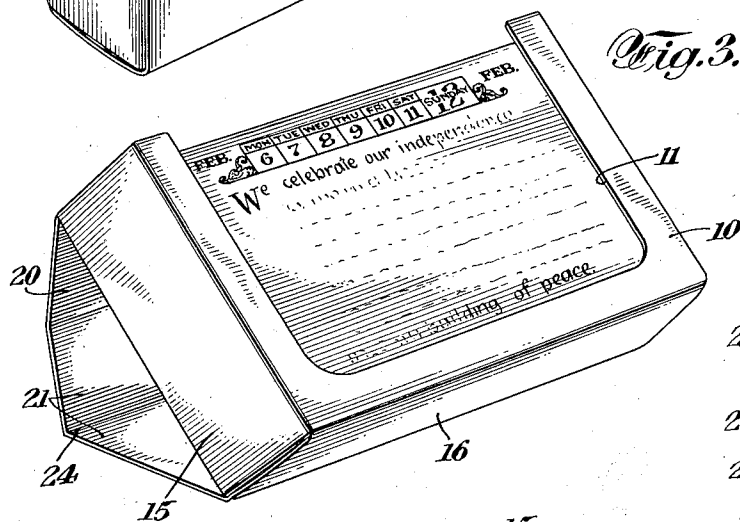
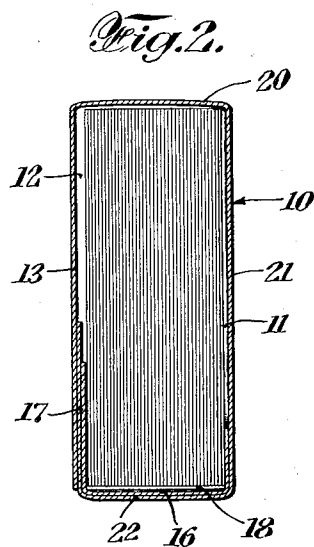
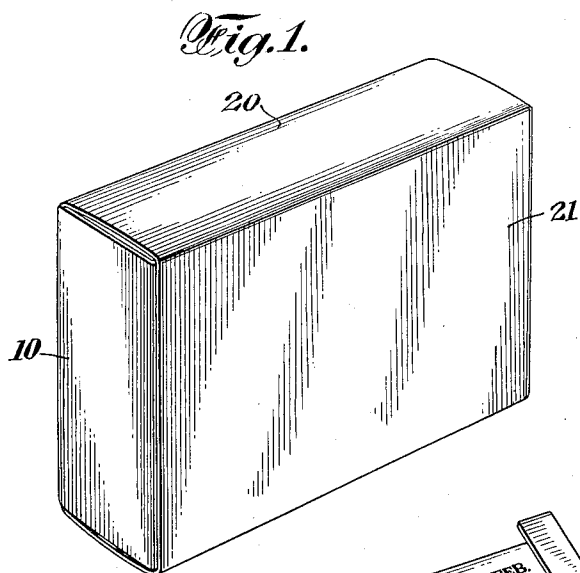
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This invention relates to boxes and more especially to a folding box for use as the container for envelopes used in making weekly offerings to church, Sunday-school or other organization. Envelopes for such use are furnished in boxed sets and may have serially printed on corresponding faces successive weekly calendars.

An object of this invention is to provide a foldable envelope box having means for supporting the box in inclined position to permit utilization of the envelopes and box as a desk calendar.

According to this invention, the front wall of the body portion of the box is partially cut away to expose the top envelope of the set arranged within the box. The bottom of the body portion is closed by a bottom member hinged to the front wall of the body portion and having a flap engageable with the rear wall. A cover member is hinged to the rear wall of the body portion and is divided by creases into four sections, the first of which overlies the top of the body portion, the second of which overlies the front wall of the body portion, the third of which underlies the bottom member and the fourth of which is an end flap insertable between the rear wall of the body portion and the bottom member flap, thus holding the cover in place. By folding the cover member rearwardly over the rear of the box and tucking the fourth and third sections between the bottom member flap and the rear wall of the body portion, the cover member is formed into a support for holding the body portion in inclined position with the front wall uppermost. The inclination of the body portion may be increased by providing a crease intermediate the top and bottom edges of the second section, thus making the horizontal and vertical supporting sections of the cover approximately equal.

Other objects, novel features and advantages of this invention will be apparent from the following specification and accompanying drawing, wherein:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a body embodying the invention;

Fig. 2 is a vertical section of such box filled with envelopes;

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of an open box supported in inclined position;

Fig. 4 is a section substantially on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3, and

Fig. 5 is a plan view of the blank for the box.

As shown in Fig. 5, the blank from which the box 10 is made up consists of a cut-out side portion 11 connected by an end portion 12 with a side portion 13, the side portion 13 being pro-

vided with a flap 14 which is adapted to be secured by suitable adhesive to the end portion 15 joined to the side portion 11. A bottom member 16 joins the side portion 11 and is provided with a flap 17 while the end portions 12 and 15 are provided with flaps 18 and 19. The cover member is joined to the side portion 13 and is divided by creases into four serially arranged sections 20, 21, 22 and 23 of which 23 is an end flap.

When the blank is formed into a box, the flaps 18 and 19 are held up by the bottom member 16, the flap 17 being engaged with the side 13 forming the rear wall of the body portion, the front wall being formed by the side portion 11. The section 20 closes the top of the body portion while the section 21 overlies the front wall 11 and the section 22 underlies the bottom member 16, the flap 23 being inserted between the flap 17 and the rear wall 13.

The cover member may be so arranged with respect to the body portion as to support the latter in inclined position with the wall 11 uppermost. This arrangement is accomplished by folding the cover member rearwardly over the wall 13 and inserting the flap 23 and also the section 22 between the flap 17 and the wall 13, thus forming a support for the body portion, the support consisting of a horizontal portion and a vertical portion. Preferably the section 21 is scored and folded at 24, thus making the vertical portion of the support substantially equal to the horizontal portion. This arrangement results in a higher degree of inclination for the body portion than would be the case if the section 21 were not so scored.

Preferably, the side portion or wall is cut out to such extent that substantially the whole face of the top envelope is exposed. This makes it possible to read or observe any message or illustration that may be provided on the face of the envelope. The attention of the envelope user is thus more actively directed to the envelopes and obviates any possibility of overlooking any of the contribution days for which the envelopes are intended. Regular use of the envelopes is thus stimulated to the benefit of the organization by which they are supplied.

I claim:

1. An envelope box comprising a body portion having front, back and side walls of fixed contour, a bottom member perpendicular to each of said walls both in open and closed position of the box, said bottom member having an upturned flap lying in juxtaposition to the back wall, a cover member hinged to the upper edge of said

rear wall and of a length and scored in such manner as to extend over said front wall and under said bottom member and terminating in a hinged flap shaped to be inserted into the body portion
 5 between said bottom member flap and rear wall, both with the cover overlying the top, front and bottom of the body portion and with the cover folded back over the body portion to form a support to hold the body portion with the bottom
 10 member in inclined position.

2. An envelope box comprising a body portion having front, back and side walls of fixed contour, a bottom member perpendicular to each of said walls both in open and closed position of the
 15 box, said bottom member having an upturned flap lying in juxtaposition to the back wall, a cover member hinged to the top edge of said rear wall and having first, second and third scoring to provide a first, a second and a third section
 20 arranged to overlie respectively the top, front and bottom of said body portion, and an end flap shaped to be inserted into the body portion between said bottom member flap and the rear wall, both with the cover overlying the top, front and
 25 bottom of said body portion and extending into the body portion up to the third scoring and with the cover folded over the back of said body portion in spaced relation thereto and extending into the body portion up to the second scoring to form

from the first and second sections a support for holding the body portion with the bottom member in inclined position.

3. An envelope box comprising a body portion having front, back and side walls of fixed contour, a bottom member perpendicular to each of said walls both in open and closed position of the box, said bottom member having an upturned flap lying in juxtaposition to the back wall, a
 5 cover member hinged to the top edge of said rear wall and having first, second and third scoring to provide a first, a second and a third section arranged to overlie respectively the top, front and bottom of said body portion, and an end flap
 10 shaped to be inserted into the body portion between said bottom member flap and the rear wall, both with the cover overlying the top, front and bottom of said body portion and extending into the body portion up to the third scoring and
 15 with the cover folded over the back of said body portion in spaced relation thereto and extending into the body portion up to the second scoring to form from the first and second sections a support for holding the body portion with the bottom
 20 member in inclined position, said second section being additionally scored to arrange a portion thereof substantially in alinement with said first section.

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