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LIP STICK HOLDER

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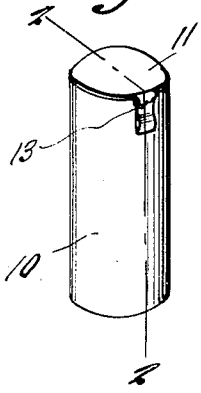


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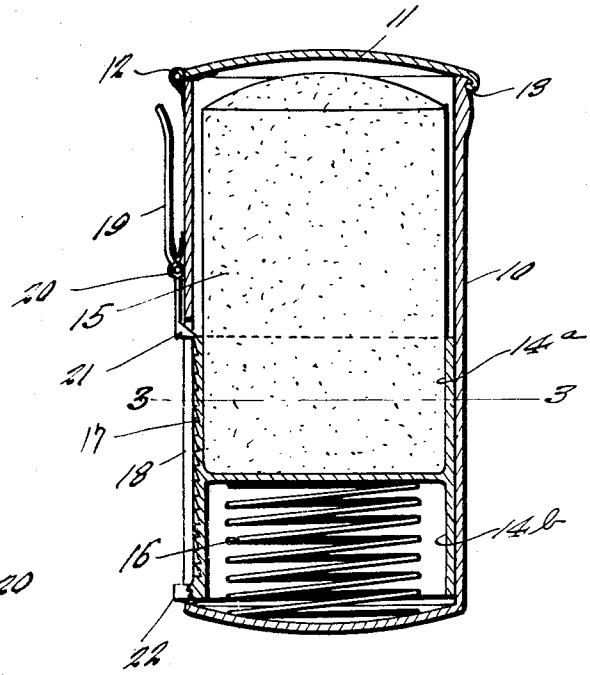


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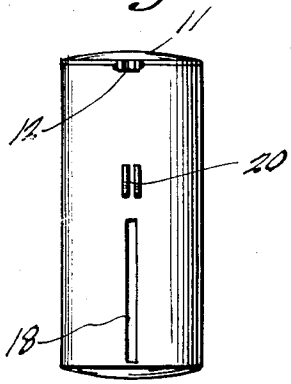


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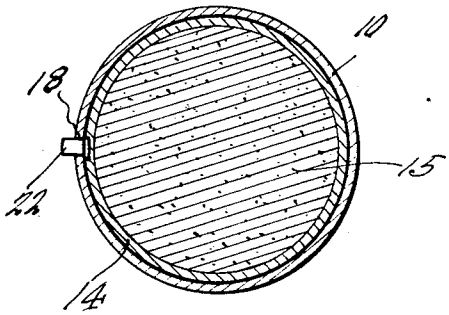
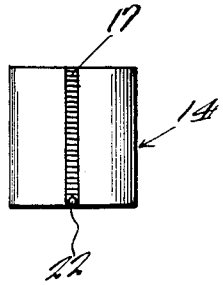


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1 Claim. (Cl. 206—56)

This invention relates broadly to toilet articles, and more particularly to a receptacle or holder especially adapted to contain a lipstick.

In accordance with the present invention a container for a lipstick is provided, having means for ejecting the lipstick, and for securing the same against casual ejection, and at the desired adjustment.

The invention together with its numerous objects and advantages will be best understood from a study of the following description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing wherein:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the holder.

Figure 2 is a sectional view on an enlarged scale, taken substantially on the line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a transverse sectional view taken substantially on the line 3—3 of Figure 2.

Figure 4 is an elevational view of the container, the follower and locking device therefor being removed.

Figure 5 is an elevational view of the follower.

Referring more in detail to the drawing it will be seen that the lipstick holder comprises a cylindrical casing or receptacle 10 provided with a lid or closure 11 united therewith as by a hinge 12, and being also provided with a spring catch or lip 13 arranged to engage over a locking projection provided on the upper end of the container 10 whereby the lid 11 is releasably retained in closed position.

Mounted to reciprocate within the container 10 is a follower 14 that is provided in its upper end with a recess 14*a* receiving one end of a lipstick 15. In its lower end the follower 14 is provided with a recess 14*b* receiving one end of a spring 16 of the coil type, and whose lower end bears against the bottom wall of the container as shown in Figure 2. Manifestly under action of spring 16 the follower 14 is forced upwardly for ejecting the lipstick 15.

The follower 14 is provided with a longitudinal row of rack teeth 17 paralleling a slot 18 provided in the peripheral wall of the container 10 and elongated longitudinally of the container. A lever or finger 19 is pivoted adjacent one end as at 20 to the peripheral wall of the container 10 above the slot 18 and adjacent its pivoted end, the lever 19 is provided with a locking projection 21 engageable with the rack teeth 17 for securing the follower at the desired adjustment. In the construction shown, preferably a spring hinge 20 is employed so that the locking lug 21 is normally urged inwardly of the slot 18 and in the path of the teeth 17.

The follower 14 is retained against rotative movement relative to the container, through the medium of a lug or pin 22 projecting radially therefrom adjacent the lower end of the follower and operating in the slot 18.

As is thought apparent, in actual practice, with the lid 11 open, an ejection of the lipstick may be accomplished by rotating the lever 19 in a clockwise direction whereby to move the locking lug 21 out of engagement with the teeth 17 thereby releasing the follower and the latter under action of spring 16 will then move upwardly.

Upon release of pressure on the lever 19, the same under the action of the spring of the hinge will rotate in an anti-clockwise direction whereupon locking lug 21 will engage with one of the teeth 17 retarding further upward movement of the follower so that the latter will then be held at the desired adjustment.

It will be further noted, that the container may be held in one hand, and a release of the latch 13, and also control of operation of the lever 19 may be accomplished by the fingers of said hand whereby an opening of the holder, and an adjustment of the lipstick may be conveniently effected.

Even though I have herein shown and described the preferred embodiment of the invention, it is to be understood that in actual practice, other forms of the invention may be found desirable, and accordingly I claim all such forms of the invention to which I am entitled in view of the requirements of the prior art and the scope of the appended claim.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new is:

In a holder for lipsticks, a cylindrical receptacle having a peripheral wall provided with a longitudinal slot, a substantially cylindrical follower mounted for reciprocation within said receptacle and provided intermediate its ends with a partition dividing the follower into two recesses one of which opens at the top of the follower and is adapted to receive therein one end of a lipstick, and the other of which recesses opens at the bottom of the follower, a spring arranged in the receptacle and having one end seating against the bottom of the receptacle and a second end arranged in the recess opening at the bottom of the follower with the inner end of the spring seating against said partition for normally urging the follower upwardly with respect

to the bottom of the receptacle; said follower also having a peripheral wall provided with a longitudinal series of rack teeth disposed opposite to the aforementioned slot, and a lug on the peripheral wall at the lower end of the follower operating in said slot to retain the follower against angular movement; and a spring pressed lever pivotally mounted on the peripheral wall of the receptacle and having an end arranged in operative position to said slot for engaging said rack teeth for releasably retarding upward movement of the follower in opposition to said spring.

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