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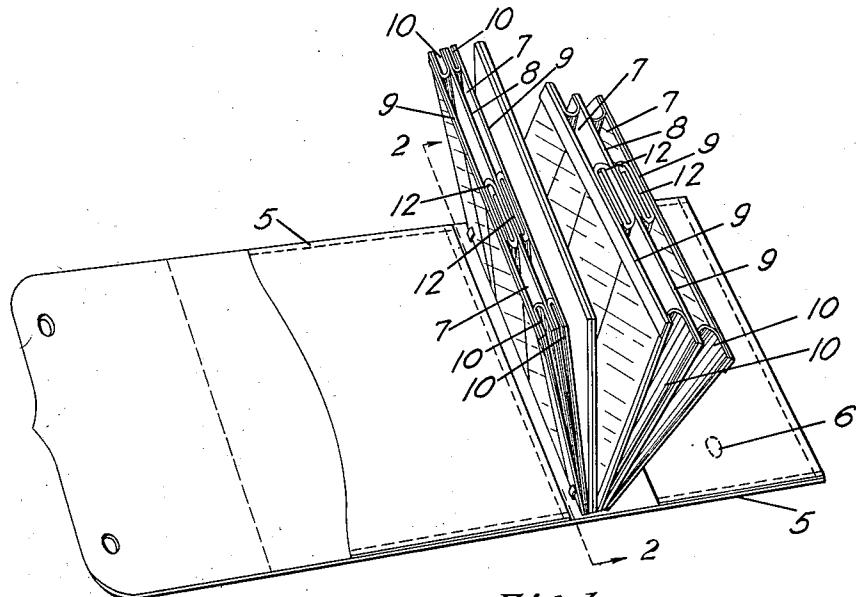


Fig. 1.

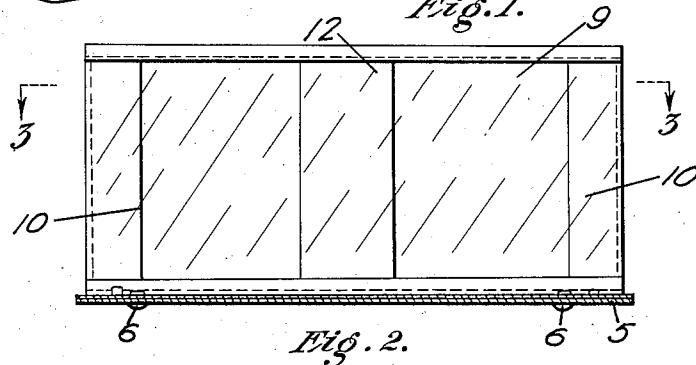
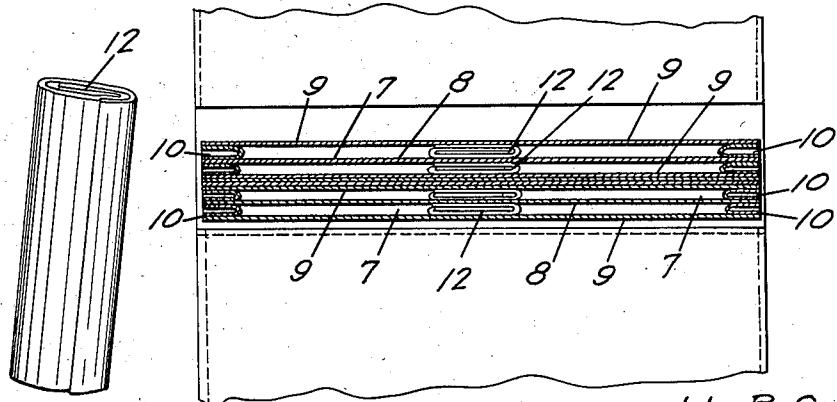


Fig. 2.



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This invention relates to fly books of the type used by fishermen to carry artificial bait. It frequently occurs in the use of fly books that artificial flies placed therein are crushed and broken by exterior pressure, more particularly when the books are carried in a pocket of the fisherman, or packed among weighty objects in a grip or other container.

Many artificial flies are comparatively costly, and are rendered unfit for use when crushed or broken even to a small degree, and it is the object of the present invention to provide a fly book which safeguards its contents against damage or destruction, irrespective of a pressure to which it may be subjected in ordinary use.

The above object is attained by the provision of an insert which permanently separates the walls of a fly book or of a pocket in the same, so that even under pressure, the walls cannot be brought together sufficiently close to injure flies or other articles placed between them.

The insert is preferably made resilient and in the preferred form of the invention, it is composed of a roll of felt or other similar material which is loosely placed between the walls of the fly book or a compartment thereof, and which cooperates with the flexible ends of the same to produce the desired results.

An embodiment of the invention has been illustrated in the accompanying drawing in which like reference characters designate corresponding parts throughout the views, and in which

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a fly book made in accordance with the invention, in an open position.

Figure 2 an enlarged section in the plane indicated by the line 2—2 in Figure 1.

Figure 3 a section taken on the line 3—3 of Figure 2, and

Figure 4 a perspective view of one of the inserts included in the invention.

Referring further to the drawing, the fly book comprises a cover member 5 provided with snap buttons 6 or other fastening means for holding the book in a closed condition. Inside the cover are one or more pockets 7 to hold artificial bait in the use of the book.

These pockets may be of any convenient size and form, it being preferred to make them in pairs having a common wall 8 of paper, leather, or other suitable material, and having outer walls 9 partially made of transparent celluloid to expose the contents of the pockets.

The pockets are fastened at one edge inside the

cover, while their opposite edge is open for the ready insertion or removal of the flies or other articles.

The ends 10 of the pockets are made of bellows-strips of leather or other fabric, to produce an accordion effect which permits of the ready separation of the sides of the pockets to a limited extent.

The inserts hereinbefore referred to are placed loosely in the pockets, usually intermediate of its ends and in substantially parallel relation thereto.

While the inserts may be made in a different manner within the scope of the invention, they are preferably composed of a strip 12 of felt or other fabric, rolled or folded upon itself as shown in Figure 4 of the drawing.

The inserts thus produced are slightly resilient, thereby yieldingly resisting pressure to a limited degree, while maintaining the walls of the pockets in which they are inserted in a permanently separated position.

It will be apparent that artificial flies or other fragile objects placed in the pockets are safeguarded against injury since the inserts per se and in cooperation with the accordion ends of the pockets effectively prevent the walls of the pockets from coming together sufficiently near to exert detrimental pressure upon the contents of the pockets, placed between them.

Having thus described the improved fly book, it will be understood that variations in the form and arrangement of the parts of which it is composed may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention as herein described.

What I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A fly book or the like, comprising a pocket having separable side walls connected along both ends and one side, and an insert composed of a folded strip of fabric, between the side walls, adapted to maintain them in a separated position with relation to each other, under external pressure.

2. A fly book or the like, comprising a pocket having separable side walls directly connected along one side and having their ends connected by folded end walls, and an insert composed of a rolled strip of fabric, between the side walls, adapted to maintain them in a separated position with relation to each other, under external pressure.

3. A fly book or the like, comprising a pocket having side walls and extensible flexible ends,

and a resilient insert of rolled fabric between the side walls and between the ends in spaced relation to the latter adapted to maintain the side walls in a separated position with relation to each other, under external pressure.

4. A fly book or the like comprising a pocket having side walls having their ends connected by folded, flexible end walls, and a loose and removable insert between the same, adapted to maintain the walls in a separated position under external pressure.

5. A fly book having a pocket for the reception of flies, a side of one wall of the pocket being directly connected with an adjacent side of another wall of the pocket, the ends of the side walls being connected by folded flexible end walls, means for holding the side walls spaced a predetermined minimum distance, to prevent the crushing of the contents of the pocket when it is

subjected to pressure, said spacing means comprising a roll of resilient fabric whose normal thickness is somewhat greater than that of the contents to be protected.

6. A book for carrying fishing flies and for protecting the same from becoming crushed, said book having pockets each of which is formed from two substantially rectangular side walls, a side of one wall of the pocket being directly connected with an adjacent side wall of the pocket, the corresponding ends of the side walls being joined by a folded flexible strip that permits the side walls to move relative to each other, and a spacer of resilient fabric located in each pocket between the end walls, the normal thickness of the spacer being greater than that of the flies carried in the pocket whereby the latter will be protected against crushing.

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