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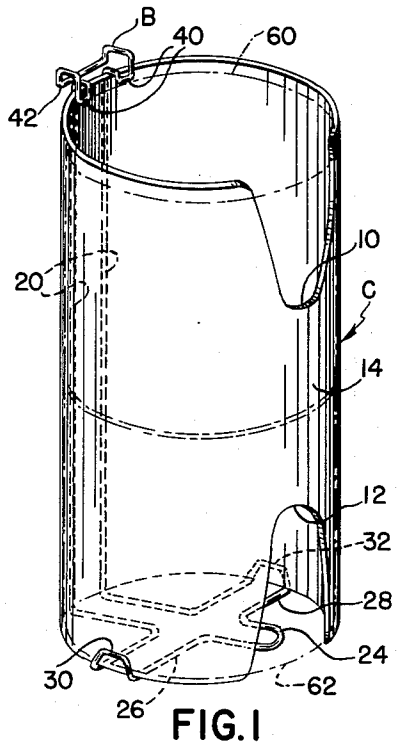


FIG. 1

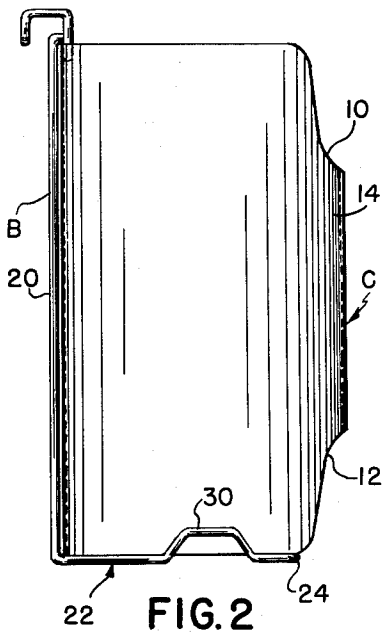


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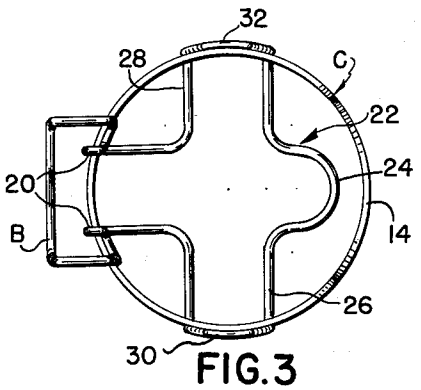


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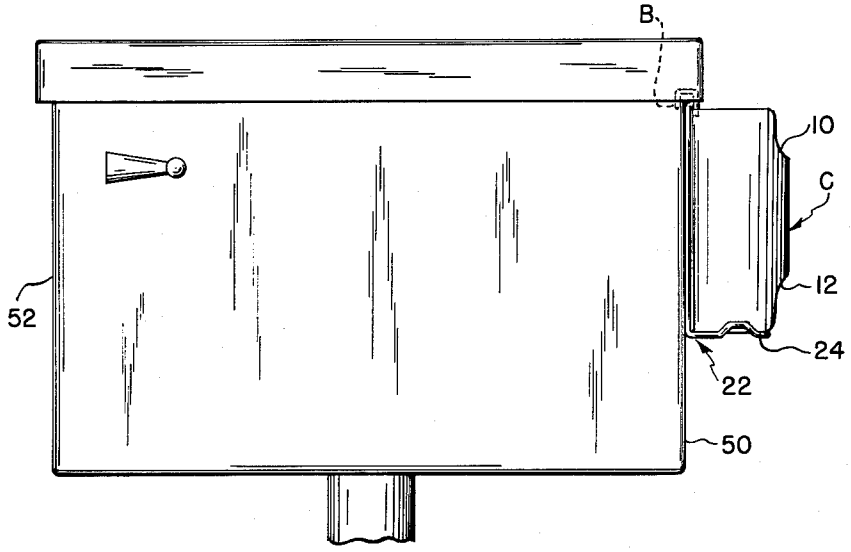


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This invention relates to paper roll storage containers and more particularly to a storage container for receiving toilet paper rolls.

Toilet paper for replacement is usually kept in linen closets and like storage places and a visitor is often embarrassed by finding that the normal source of paper has been used up and a new roll is not immediately available. It follows, therefore, that it is highly desirable that means be provided to store and maintain extra rolls of toilet tissue in a handy location immediately adjacent the toilet for use whenever necessary or desired. Many and varied types and styles of reserve toilet tissue containers have been devised, but fall short of achieving all of the requirements concerned.

It is an object of the present invention to provide a simple, effective toilet tissue storage container which may be expeditiously installed on the side of a toilet water closet.

A further object of the invention is to provide a toilet tissue storage container of the above type which is simple in construction, strong, durable, of light weight, inexpensive to manufacture and easy to install.

Briefly, the foregoing objects are accomplished by the provision of a toilet tissue storage container including an upstanding, hollow, cylindrical, tubular container open at the top and adapted to receive therein toilet tissue rolls stacked vertically in end-to-end relation. The container is provided with a mounting bracket having a lower shelf portion supporting the container, and an upper hook portion for hooking onto the top edge of a side wall of a toilet water closet. The container has upper and lower cut-away portions to facilitate removal of the tissue roll from the container.

Thus, the invention provides a toilet tissue roll reserve storage container that may be quickly and simply installed on the toilet water closet, said container being of simplified construction and highly effective in operation.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent from the following description taken in conjunction with the following drawings wherein:

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a toilet tissue container constructed in accordance with the invention;

FIG. 2 is a side elevational view of the container shown in FIG. 1;

FIG. 3 is a top plan view of the container shown in FIG. 1;

FIG. 4 is a front elevational view of a conventional toilet water closet and showing the toilet tissue container of the invention attached thereto.

Although the invention is shown and described herein with reference to a container for toilet tissue rolls, it will be understood that it may be used or adapted for receiving or storing any type of paper rolls, such as paper towel rolls, small wrapping paper rolls, etc.

Referring to the drawings, the two main components of the invention comprise a toilet tissue roll receptacle in the form of a casing or container C and a coacting mounting means in the form of the bracket B for holding the container and for detachably securing the same to a toilet water closet as will be hereinafter explained.

The container C, in the preferred form, is an upstanding, elongated, hollow, cylindrical, tubular structure having oppositely disposed inwardly-directed upper and lower cut-away portions **10** and **12** respectively, in the front wall

14 to facilitate manual removal of toilet tissue rolls therefrom. In the structure shown, the container C is open at both ends, although only the top end need be open for removal of the tissue rolls. The open bottom end is blocked by a lower portion of the bracket B now to be described.

The bracket B, in the preferred form, is an endless wire structure configured to support the container C and to detachably secure the same to a toilet water closet. The bracket includes a main portion or stem **20**, having at its lower end a shelf portion, generally designated as **22**, for supporting the container, said shelf portion including an outwardly extending main web or finger **24**, and a pair of oppositely disposed side webs or fingers **26** and **28** each having upturned end flanges **30** and **32** respectively.

The upper end of the bracket B includes a first hook portion in the form of the container hook **40**, which hooks over the top rim of the container as shown and thus coacts with the shelf portion **22** to retain the container in detachably fixed position on the bracket. Extending up, over, and downwardly from the first hook portion **40** is a second hook portion in the form of the bracket main hook **42** which is adapted to be hooked on to the top edge of a thin wall, such as a side wall **50** of a conventional toilet water closet **52** in the manner shown in FIG. 4.

In practice, the container is simply hooked on to the side wall **50** of a toilet water closet as shown in FIG. 4 after which two rolls of toilet tissue **60** and **62** (FIG. 1) may be placed in the container C through the top opening thereof in end-to-end relation. Although, the structure shown and described is adapted to receive only two rolls of toilet tissue, it will be understood that the container may be made larger to accommodate additional rolls.

Thus, there is provided a reserve toilet tissue container that is most simple in construction and that may be quickly and simply placed on a toilet water closet wall for handy, convenient use. The container and bracket are exceptionally strong and durable and are most inexpensive to manufacture.

The terms and expressions which have been employed are used as terms of description, and not of limitation, and there is no intention, in the use of such terms and expressions, of excluding any equivalents of the features shown or descirbed, or portions thereof, but it is recognized that various modifications are possible within the scope of the invention claimed.

I claim:

A tissue roll storage container comprising, a vertically disposed, hollow, cylindrical, tubular container open at the top for the reception of a plurality of tissue rolls, said container including a forward wall having upper and lower inwardly directed cut-away portions to facilitate manual removal of tissue rolls therefrom, and mounting means supporting said container and displaceably mounting the same on an associated toilet water closet, said mounting means including an endless wire structure having a vertically disposed stem portion with a shelf portion at its lower end for releasably supporting the container and with a first hook portion at its upper end to releasably engage the top edge of the container and a second hook portion adjacent the first hook portion to engage the top edge of a side wall of the water closet.

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