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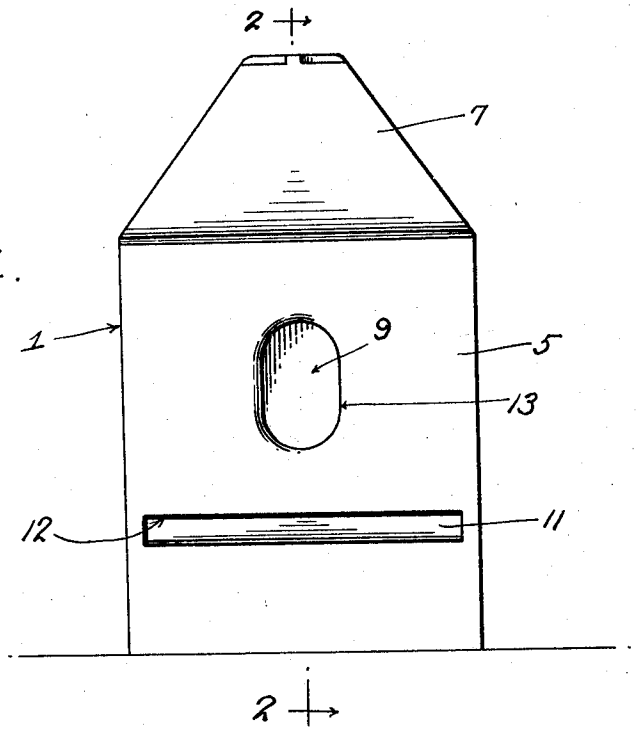
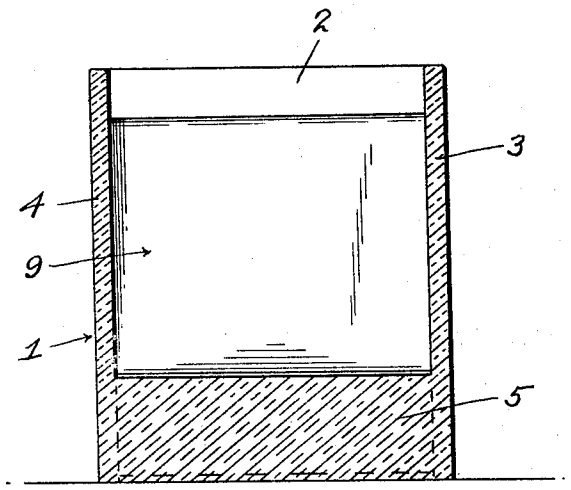


Fig. 4.



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Fig. 2.

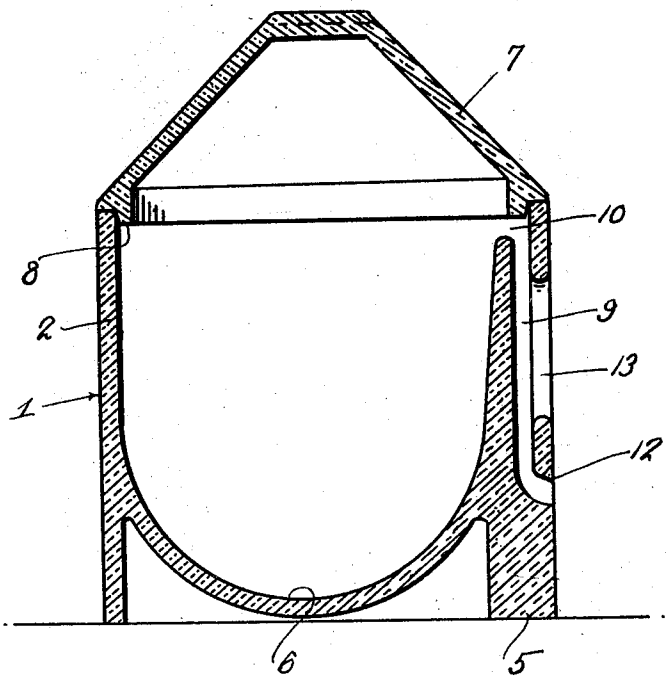
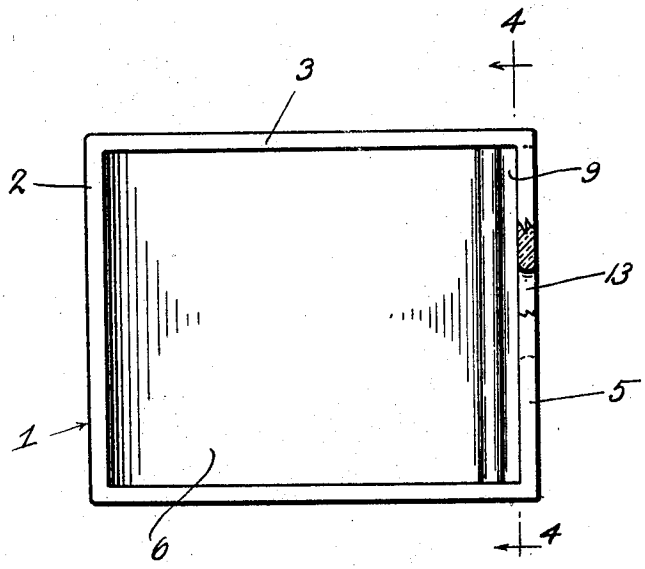


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in paper holders and more particularly to devices of this character which are especially adapted to hold and dispense a roll of toilet paper but it is to be understood that a holder constructed in accordance with this invention may be utilized for any purpose for which the same is found adapted.

An important object of the invention is to provide, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, a paper holder of the aforementioned character which is adapted to contain and completely enclose a roll of paper and which further embodies means whereby the paper may be expeditiously drawn from the roll and torn off in any desired length.

Other objects of the invention are to provide a paper holder of the character set forth which will be neat and attractive in appearance, strong, durable, efficient in its use and which may be manufactured at low cost.

All of the foregoing and still further objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from a study of the following specification, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings wherein like characters of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, and wherein:—

Figure 1 is a view in front elevation of a paper holder constructed in accordance with this invention.

Figure 2 is a vertical longitudinal sectional view taken substantially on the line 2—2 of Figure 1 looking in the direction of the arrows.

Figure 3 is a top plan view of the container with the cover removed therefrom, a small portion of the same being broken away in horizontal section.

Figure 4 is a vertical transverse sectional view taken substantially on the line 4—4 of Figure 3 looking in the direction of the arrows.

Referring to the drawings in detail, it will be seen that the reference character 1 designates generally the container which is of substantially rectangular configuration and comprises a rear wall 2, side walls 3 and 4, a comparatively thick front wall 5 and an arcuate bottom wall 6, the container being formed of a single integral piece of suitable material, preferably porcelain or glass. As clearly illustrated in the drawings, the container 1 is open at its top and is adapted to receive the pyramidal closure 7 having a depending lip 8 on its lower end for disposition within the upper end portions of the container 1 for retaining said closure in place thereon.

The upper portion of the comparatively thick front wall 5 of the container 1 is provided with a vertical passage 9 which extends inwardly at its upper end and communicates with the interior of the container, as at 10 and which is turned outwardly at its lower end to provide a transversely extending elongated opening 11 in said front wall 5. The upper wall of the slot 11 is formed to provide a paper tearing edge 12. A substantially oval opening 13 is provided in the front wall 5 above the opening or slot 11 and in communication with the passage 9.

In use, a roll of paper (not shown) is disposed in the container 1 and is threaded downwardly through the passage 9 and out through the opening or slot 11. The paper may then be withdrawn by simply pulling the same outwardly and unwinding it from the roll and the tearing off of the paper at any desired length is facilitated by raising the free end portion upwardly to engage it with the comparatively sharp cutting edge 12, as will be obvious. The paper may be fed through the passage 9 by inserting a finger through the opening 13 and frictionally engaging the same and pushing downwardly on said paper.

It is believed that the many advantages of a paper holder constructed in accordance with this invention will be readily understood, and although the preferred embodiment of the invention is as illustrated and described, it is to be understood that changes in the details of construction may be had which will fall within the scope of the invention as claimed.

What is claimed is:—

A paper holder of the character described comprising a container for the reception of a roll of paper, said container including a rear wall, side walls, an arcuate bottom wall and a comparatively thick front wall formed of a single integral piece of material, the front wall being provided with a transversely extending slot in its outer side spaced from the lower end of the container, the upper wall of the slot being formed to provide a cutting edge, said front wall being further provided with a vertical passage communicating at its lower end with the slot and communicating at its upper end with the interior of the container, said passage adapted to have the paper from the roll threaded therethrough, the front wall being further provided with a finger receiving opening communicating with the passage therein, said opening providing means for engaging the paper in the passage in a manner to feed the same therethrough, the container being open at its top and a closure detachably mounted thereon.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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