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FILE CASE.
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FIG. 1

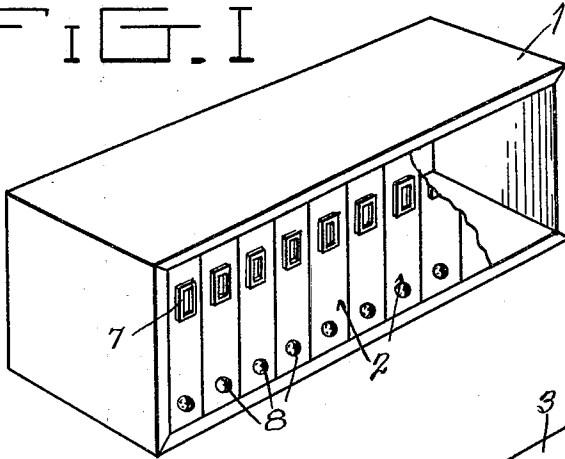


FIG. 2

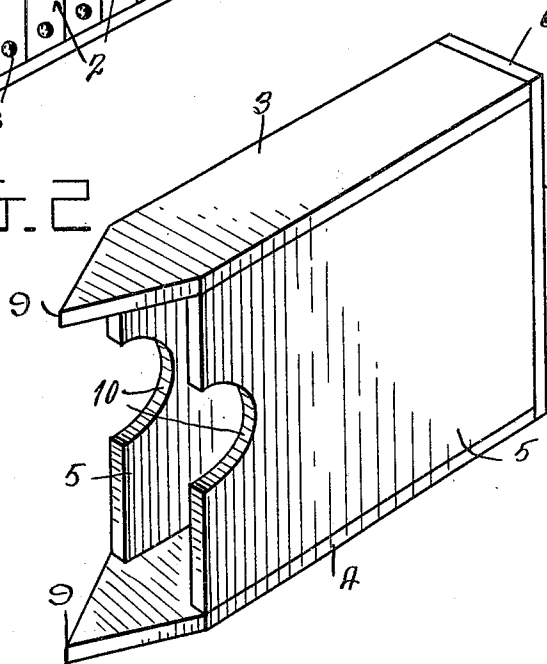
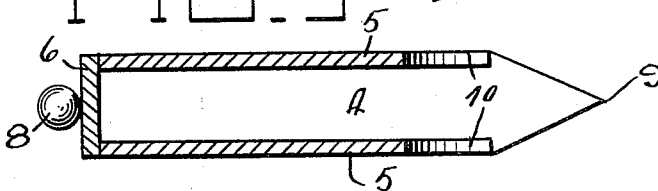


FIG. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. SMITH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Rhyolite, in the county of Nye and State of Nevada, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in File-Cases; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to sectional file cases, and one of the principal objects of the same is to provide a file case of simple construction which will hold a few bills, documents, or papers to which access may be readily had owing to the fact that but a few papers are included in each file, and that the file cases are placed in a container or cabinet of sufficient size to hold a large number of file cases, means being provided for sliding the file cases in the cabinet, and means being provided for permitting the paper to be readily withdrawn.

The foregoing and other objects may be attained by means of the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a sectional file case, in which one section is shown and broken away at one end, Fig. 2 is a perspective view of one of the file cases separated from the cabinet, and Fig. 3 is a horizontal sectional view of the same.

Referring to the drawing, the numeral 1 designates a cabinet or case for containing a number of file cases 2. It will be obvious that any suitable number of the cabinets or cases 1 may be utilized and may be placed one on top of another, and added as they are needed. Each one of the file cases 2 comprises the top 3, the bottom 4 and the side members 5, and the front 6. The front is provided with a label holding device and a label 7 near the upper end and a knob or handle 8 near the lower end for removing the case. The top 3 and the bottom 4 are pointed at their ends as at 9 so that the file case can be readily guided between two adja-

cent cases and pushed in place. The two side members 5 are each cut away centrally to form a semi-circular opening 10 to give ready access to the papers when the file has been removed from the cabinet.

From the foregoing it will be obvious that a file case made in accordance with this invention is simple in construction, will hold a small number of papers or bills or documents which can be removed readily, and which will not require the handling of a large number of papers to withdraw one paper, such as is the common practice in ordinary file cases containing from twenty to a hundred papers. The file cases made in accordance with this invention are from a half an inch to an inch and one-half in thickness and will only contain two or three or at the most a half dozen papers, and since they are so thin, a large number can be placed in a comparatively short cabinet and will give ready access to the papers. This invention is particularly desirable in railway offices for filing freight and passenger tariffs and other documents.

Slight changes may be made in the details of construction without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as defined in the claims.

What is claimed is:—

1. A filing case comprising a top and bottom, each having a pointed rear end to assist in guiding the case in replacing it in the filing compartment.

2. A file case comprising top and bottom members, side members, said top and bottom members being extended beyond the side members and cut away at opposite sides to form a central guiding point, and the side members of the case being cut away centrally to give easy access to the papers within the file case.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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