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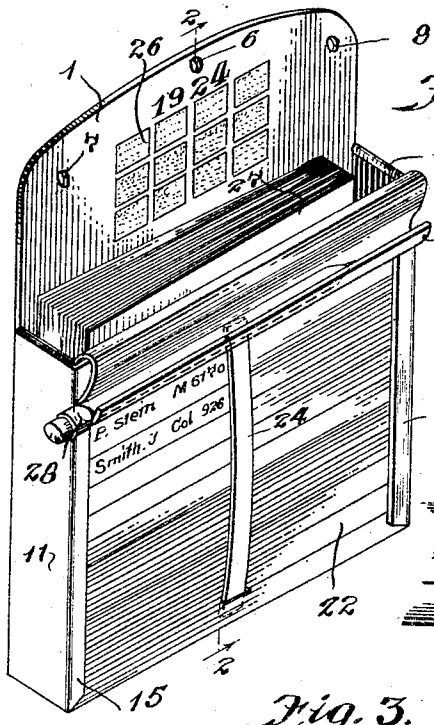


Fig. 1.

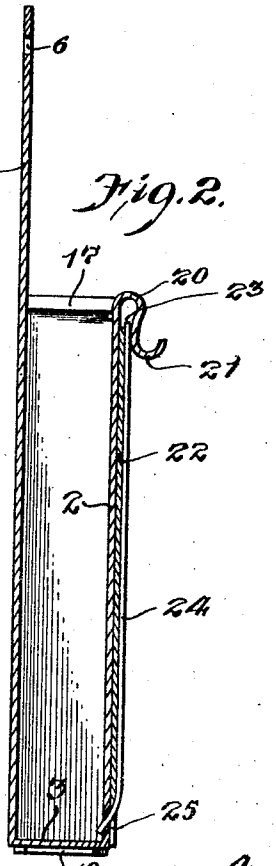


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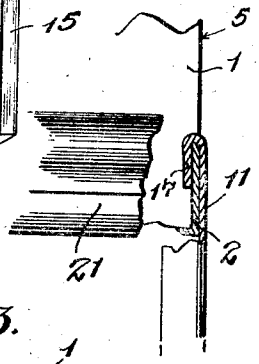


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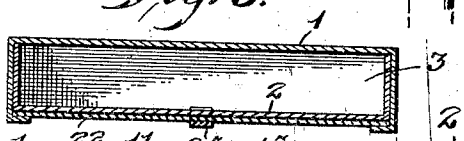


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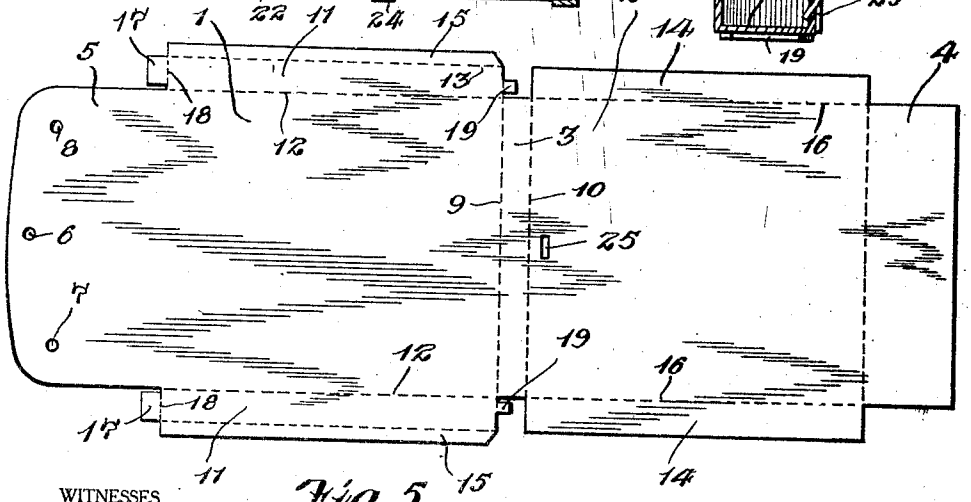


Fig. 5.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PHILIP STEINBERG, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Toledo, in the county of Lucas and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to holders for telephone books, and has for its object the provision of an ornamental casing adapted to be employed in a home or an office for carrying a telephone book, and a lead pencil, while provision is made for maintaining a tablet in a convenient writing position, and a calendar in a position sufficiently conspicuous that the same may be easily read.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a holder for carrying a number of articles relating to the use of a telephone and which is made of a single blank.

This invention will be best understood from a consideration of the following detailed description, in view of the accompanying drawing forming a part of the specification; nevertheless it is to be understood that the invention is not confined to the disclosure, being susceptible of such changes and modifications which shall define no material departure from the salient features of the invention as expressed in the appended claim.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a view in perspective of the improved holder.

Figure 2 is a vertical section taken along the line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a horizontal section of the same.

Figure 4 is a fragmentary vertical section showing the construction of the interlocking of the side pieces of the holder with the front face of the holder.

Figure 5 is a plan view of the blank from which the holder is stamped from a single piece of material.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 1 designates the back of the holder, 2 the front and 3 an intermediate section connecting the front with the back and forming the base of the pocket in the holder. A rectangular projection 4 is provided on the upper end of the front plate 2 and is adapted to be bent into shape to receive a pencil or pen. The upper end of the back plate 1 is reduced in shape as shown at 5 and is provided with a central perforation 6 to receive a tack or nail for securing the holder to the fixed support. The perforations 7 and 8 located upon opposite sides of the perforation 6 may be employed for securing the holder in a vertical fixed position or for maintaining the holder in position which is at an angle to the vertical. The position of the holder is dependent upon the existing condition in the home or office or upon the desires of the owner.

The back is bent along the lines 9 and 10, as shown in Figure 5, to form the base 3 and for placing the back and front in substantially parallel relation.

The back portion 1 has extensions 11 forming the sides of the holder and which are bent along the dotted lines 12 and 13 to form the overlapping member 15 which engages over the edges of the front plate 2. The front plate is provided with flanges 14 which are bent along the line designated at 16 to form unitary side members and which are adapted to be placed in flat engagement with the end members 11. Flanges 17 are bent downwardly and inwardly along the dotted lines 18 and engage over the upper edges of the side members 14 for locking them in engagement with the side members 11 integrally formed with the back. Flanges 19 are formed at the lower end of the side members 11 and are adapted to be bent upwardly and engage the bottom 3 of the holder.

As shown more particularly in Figure 2, the extension 4 is bent downwardly as at 20 and curved outwardly and upwardly to form a groove 21 in which is adapted to be received a pencil or pen 28 for writing upon the pad or tablet 22 secured to the front plate 2. The ends of the sheet or pad 22 are adapted to be engaged at opposite edges by the flanges 15 for aiding in locking the same in position. Intermediate the ends of the groove 21 and at the rear of the curved portion 20 is provided spaced lugs or pieces of solder 23 to form a pocket to receive the upper end of a strip of metal 24. The lower end of the strip of metal is adapted to be received within a perforation 25 in the front plate 2 and likewise passed through the sheet of writing paper 22 for locking the paper in position. A calendar 26 is secured to the reduced portion 5 of the back plate 1.

The holder may be made of metal, cardboard or any form of composition suitable for the purpose and the same may be treat-

ed in one of numerous ways for decorative purposes and may be plated with some metal, lacquer or paint as may be desired.

The front plate 2 is of such a height that the telephone directory 27 will project above the pencil holder 21 a sufficient distance so that said book may be grasped by the hand and readily withdrawn from the holder.

What I claim is:

A holder formed of a single strip of material and comprising a back plate and a front plate having an integral strip of material connecting the lower ends, with the front plate and back plate being located in parallel relation, said back plate having side flanges which are bent forwardly at right angles to the back plate, the front plate having side flanges bent rearwardly and adapted to lie in close contact with the flanges of the back plate, the outer ends of the flanges of the back plate being bent in parallel relation to the back plate and engaging the front plate along its side edges for locking the two plates in parallel relation, flanges projecting upwardly from the back plate adapted to be bent downwardly and engage over the upper edges of the side flanges of the front plate, the upper edge of the front plate being bent downwardly and outwardly and curved to provide a pencil holder, the front plate being provided with a perforation adjacent its lower end and a strip of material having its upper end maintained in position by the lead pencil holder and its lower end inserted in the perforation of the front plate.

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