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Fig. 1.

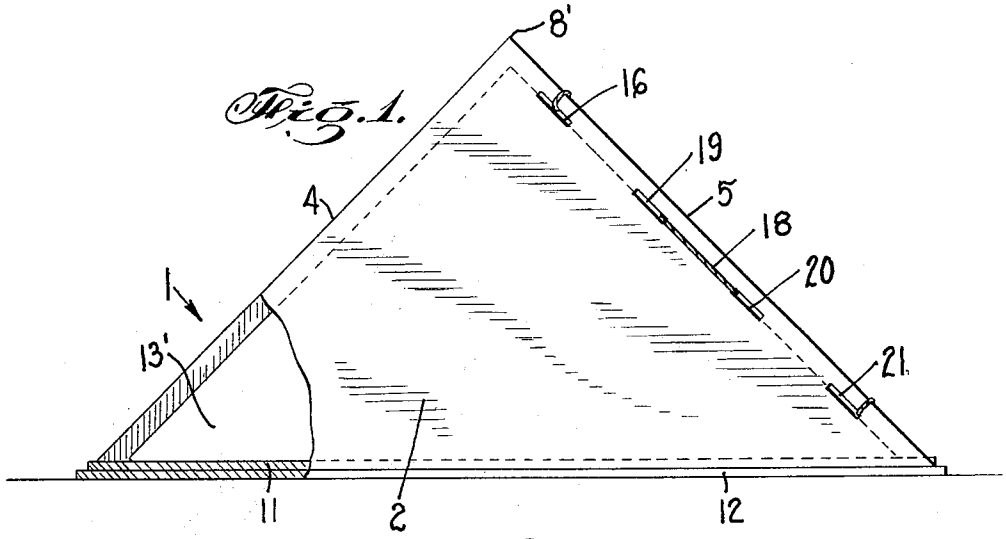


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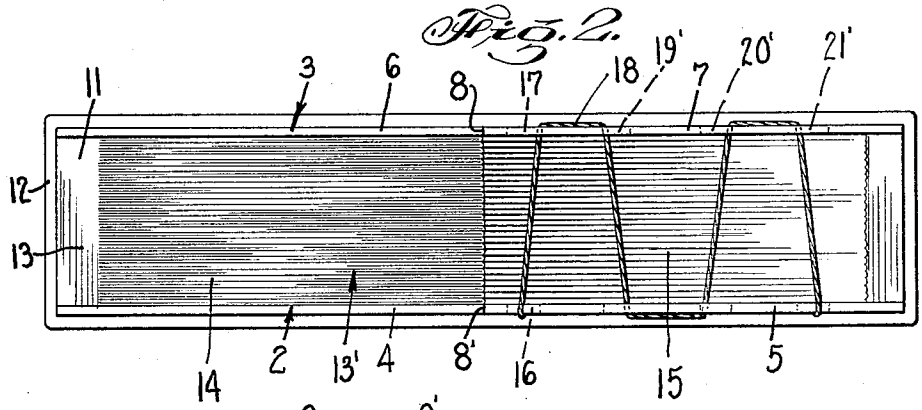
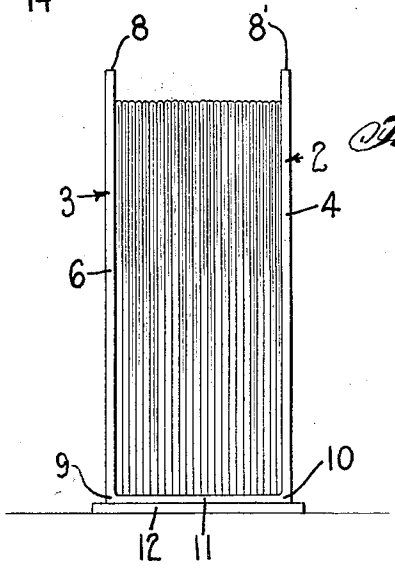


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My invention relates to improvements in napkin holders and one of the important objects of the invention is to provide a cheap economically produced holder from which folded triangularly shaped or other napkins can be dispensed with facility and expedition.

Another important object of the invention is to provide a napkin holder in which the napkins can be expeditiously inserted thru one side, the other side of the holder being provided with appropriate means for preventing the napkins from being displaced.

Another important object of the invention is to provide an improved napkin holder that can be sold in the household and cafeterias more readily than those in use at present.

Fig. 1 is a front elevation of the napkin holder.

Fig. 2 is a plan view of the napkin holder.

Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the napkin holder.

Referring to the various views depicted on the drawing, the numeral 1 represents the napkin holder, which comprises the two spaced triangularly shaped side pieces, 2, 3, each having the side edges 4, 5, and 6, 7 respectively, converging upwardly and forming apices 8, 8'.

Integrally associated with the bases, 9, 10, is the connecting base plate 11 which spaces the side pieces, 2, 3, and connects them. The connecting plate 11 can be made integral with the side pieces or can be attached in any conventional manner.

The supporting plate 12 is secured or welded to the plate 11 and is shown as being larger in area than plate 12, thus affording a more stable support. The triangularly shaped napkins are inserted thru the open side 13 of the napkin holder and the bases rest on the connecting plate 11. The sides 14, 15, of the napkins 13' converge upwardly similar to the side plates or pieces, 2, 3. The opposed edge portions, 4, 5, 6, 7 of the respective side plates have rows of apertures 16, 17. A string 18 is adapted to be inserted thru two consecutive apertures, 19, 20 of a side plate, then thru two other consecutive apertures, 21' 20' of the opposite side plate, then thru another set of apertures 21, 16, of the first plate.

The sides of the folded napkins abut the string which prevents the napkins from being inadvertently displaced. The string also serves the useful function of keeping the row of napkins in position.

In operation, the triangularly shaped napkins or any other folded napkins are inserted thru the open end of napkin holder with their bases resting on the plate 11, and the string first having been inserted thru the apertures in the side plates the inclined edges of the napkins rest against the inclined string which prevents the napkins from being displaced from the holder.

When set upon the table or other support, the napkins can then be dispensed in an expeditious manner.

It will be apparent that this device can be utilized by cafeterias and the household for which it has been especially designed.

The napkin holder is very cheap to manufacture, is light in weight, durable and can be used in place of the present type of holder, which is larger in size, more cumbersome to handle.

The present type of holder can also be used by restaurants, hotels and other establishments which require an inexpensive device which can dispense napkins in an expeditious manner.

The present type of holder has the side pieces which converge upwardly to accommodate the particular shape of the folded napkin, the enlarged support affording a means of preventing the holder from being tipped over.

What I claim is:

1. A napkin holder, said napkin holder comprising spaced triangularly shaped side pieces and a connecting bottom piece, a support comprising a plate secured to said bottom piece, said support being larger in area than said bottom piece, apertures in two of the opposed edges of the spaced side pieces, and a string extending thru the apertures of the opposed edges of the side pieces.

2. A napkin holder, said napkin holder comprising spaced triangularly shaped side

pieces, each having upwardly converging edges, a base piece connecting the side pieces at the bases of the side pieces, a support comprising a plate secured to said bottom piece, a row of spaced apertures positioned adjacent an edge of each side piece and a string extending through a plurality of spaced apertures in one side piece, thru a set of consecutively spaced apertures in the other side piece and then thru an aperture in the first side piece.

3. A napkin holder, said napkin holder comprising spaced triangularly shaped side pieces, each having upwardly converging edges, a base piece connecting the side pieces at the bases of the side pieces, said base piece being integral with the side pieces, a support comprising a plate secured to said bottom piece, said support being larger in area than said base piece, a row of spaced apertures positioned adjacent an edge of each side piece and a string extending thru and fastened to an edge of a side piece, then extending thru a plurality of consecutive apertures in the second side piece, then extending thru a plurality of consecutive apertures in the first side piece and finally tied to the first side piece.

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