

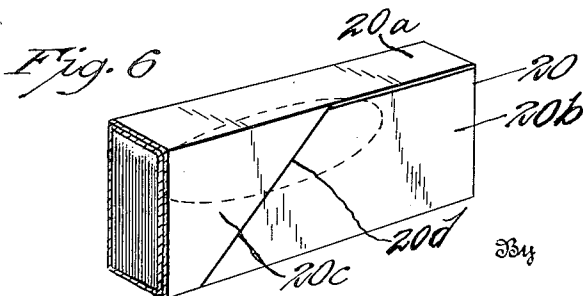
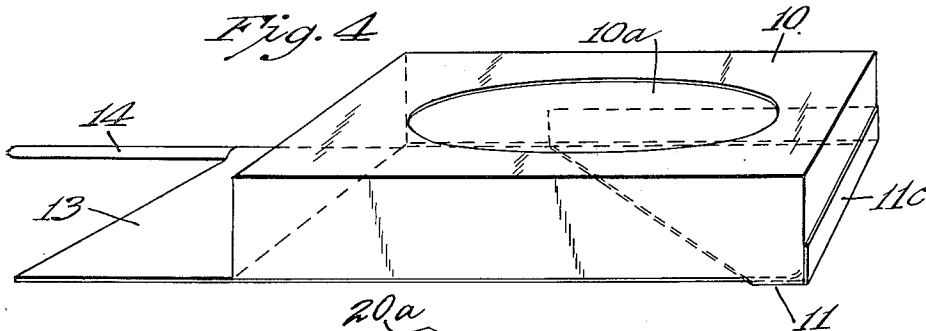
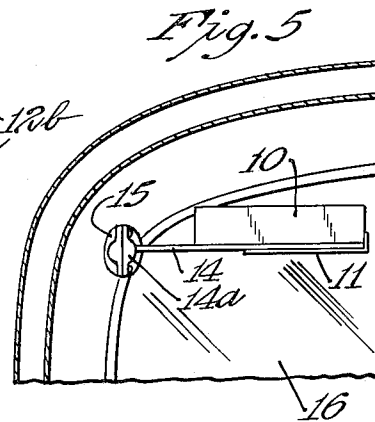
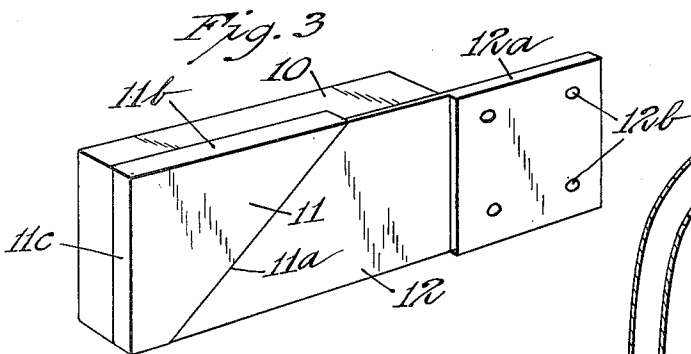
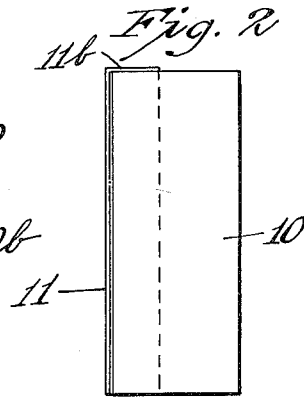
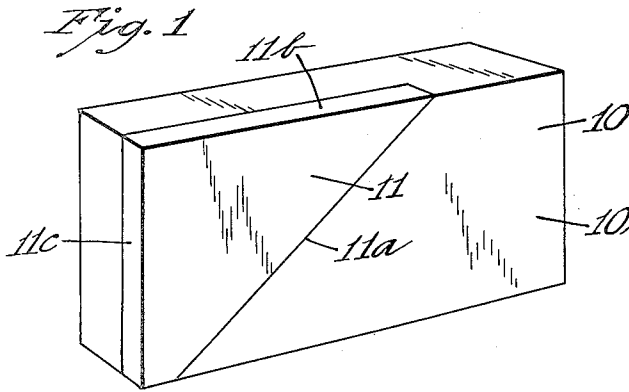
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This invention relates to a container, and while the invention is applicable to many forms of containers, it is illustrated as applied to a container of elongated and substantially parallelopiped form. Such containers or boxes are now used to contain many articles or substances, and one common article marketed in such a container is the well known piece of crepe or tissue paper to be used for a napkin or other purpose.

It is an object of this invention to provide a container adapted to contain various articles, including a piece of tissue or crepe paper, said container having an opening at one side through which said articles can be removed, and having another flat side with a sheet of material partially covering said side, the same having a free edge extending from one edge of said side to the opposite edge preferably in a diagonal line.

It is another object of the invention to provide a container of general parallelopiped form, which container has an opening at one side through which the contents may be removed, and having a sheet of material partially covering one large side thereof, said sheet having a free edge extending diagonally from one edge of said side to the opposite edge of said side whereby a plate-like member can be inserted under said sheet and form a support for said container.

It is a further object of the invention to provide a container made of sheet material preferably of parallelopiped form, the same having an opening at one side through which the contents may be removed, said container having another side formed by the sheet from which it is made, said sheet being provided with a slit extending from one edge of said latter side to the opposite edge preferably in a diagonal direction whereby a plate-like support can be inserted through said slit and under a portion of said side to form a support for said container.

These and other objects and advantages of the invention will be fully set forth in the following description made in connection with the accompanying drawings in which like reference characters refer to similar parts throughout the several views and in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view showing a container made in accordance with this invention;

Fig. 2 is a view in end elevation as seen from the right of Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 1 showing a support for said container;

Fig. 4 is a perspective view showing the container supported on the sunshield of an automobile;

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Fig. 5 is a view showing a portion of an automobile in vertical section showing the container of this invention supported on the sunshield thereof; and

Fig. 6 is a view similar to Fig. 1, partly in vertical section showing a modification.

Referring to the drawings, a container 10 is shown, and while this might take various forms, in the embodiment of the invention illustrated it is shown as a box-like container or an elongated container of general parallelopiped form. The various sides of said container are in the form of rectangles. While container 10 could have various kinds of contents, in the embodiment of the invention illustrated it is adapted to contain pieces of tissue, crepe or other paper adapted to be used as napkins, etc. Container 10 is provided on one flat side with an elliptical or oblong opening 10a. Said opening may be formed by a portion of the box being perforated with a row of spaced perforations defining said opening so that said portion may be readily removed when the contents are to be removed. Such containers carrying such pieces of paper are now in common use. In accordance with the present invention said container has at one flat side, preferably the side opposite opening 10a, a sheet of material 11 which partially covers the large side 10b of said container and has a free edge 11a extending from one edge or side of the side 10b to the opposite edge or side thereof, said edge 11a preferably extending diagonally to or at an angle to the long edges of side 10b. Sheet 11 is shown as having narrow rectangular portions 11b and 11c which are secured to the adjacent side and end respectively of said container in any suitable manner, as by an adhesive. With said container provided with the sheet 11 it will be obvious that a plate-like member, such as the plate 12 which will have a width slightly less than the width of side 10b, can be inserted under the sheet 11 and between the same and side 10b and form a support for said container. Plate 12 is shown as having a thickened portion 12a and said plate can be secured to a wall or other support by fastening means extending through holes 12b. The containers 10 can be readily placed on and removed from said support when desired.

With the construction shown in Figs. 1 and 2, the container can also be very readily supported upon one end of a sunshield 13 of an automobile. Such sunshades are usually carried on a rod 14 which is adapted to be rotated through 90 degrees or more to bring the sunshield into raised inoperative position or into lowered operative position.

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In Fig. 5 such a sunshield is shown as having the rod 14 provided with a ball 14a which is suitably clamped in a bracket 15 secured adjacent the top of the automobile at one side of the transparent windshield 16. When the sun vizer 13 is swung downwardly, container 10 will be in a position shown in Fig. 4, so that the pieces of paper or napkins can be readily removed through the opening 10a. When the sunshield 13 is swung upwardly, the container 10 will be in the rear thereof and will be out of the way and out of sight.

In Fig. 6 a container 20 is shown, shaped similarly to that shown in Fig. 1, and said container is made of sheet material, the sheet of which said material is made forming the larger opposite sides. Instead of having a separate sheet, such as sheet 11, secured to side 20a, one side of said container such as the top 20a is continued to overlie the flat side 20b and form the extension 20c which partially covers side 20b and has the edge 20d extending diagonally from edge to edge of side 20a. With such a construction it will be readily seen that a plate-like member can be inserted under portion 20c and be disposed between the same and the side 20b and thus form a support for the container. Such a plate-like member could take various forms, as the plate 12 illustrated on the sunshield 13.

From the above description it will be seen that I have provided an extremely simple yet highly efficient structure of container provided with a means for receiving a supporting member. The container can be produced at a very slight increase in cost and will have a high degree of utility. Such a support as member 12 could be disposed in a washroom or bathroom and support the container so that the contents would be readily accessible. As stated, the container can be conveniently placed on the sunshield of an automobile. The contents will then be very accessible to the driver or occupant of the car by merely lowering the sunshield. If desired the box or container could be placed on the front of the sunshield so as to always be in accessible position. The containers or packages will be sold with the invention applied thereto so that they are already in condition to be conveniently and efficiently supported. The device has been amply demonstrated in actual practice and found to be very successful and efficient.

It will of course be understood that various changes may be made in the form, details, arrangement and proportions of the parts, without departing from the scope of applicant's inven-

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tion, which generally stated, consists in a device capable of carrying out the objects above set forth, in the parts and combinations of parts disclosed and defined in the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. A container of substantially parallelopiped form having its larger opposite sides of rectangular form and made of sheet material, the same being adapted to contain sheets of soft paper, said container having an opening in one of said sides of rectangular form for removal of said sheets, said container having a separate layer of sheet material partially covering the other of said rectangular sides, the same having an edge extending from a point at one side thereof spaced a distance from one end of said container to a point on the opposite side spaced a much lesser distance from said end so that said edge extends at an angle to the long edges of said other side, said layer having portions secured to the adjacent side and end of said container, the portion of said layer overlying said other rectangular side being separate from said other rectangular side whereby a pocket is formed between said rectangular side and said layer, said pocket being adapted to receive a portion of a rigid rectangular member overlying said rectangular side whereby said container may be supported.

2. A container of substantially parallelopiped form and of less depth than width and much greater length than width whereby the same has opposite sides of rectangular shape, the same being made of cardboard, being adapted to contain sheets of soft paper and having an opening at one of said rectangular sides through which the contents may be removed, a sheet of material extending over, free from, and partially covering the opposite large side and having its edge extending in an inclined direction across said larger side whereby a plate-like member of rectangular form can be inserted under said sheet and against said rectangular side to support said container.

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