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Fig. 1.

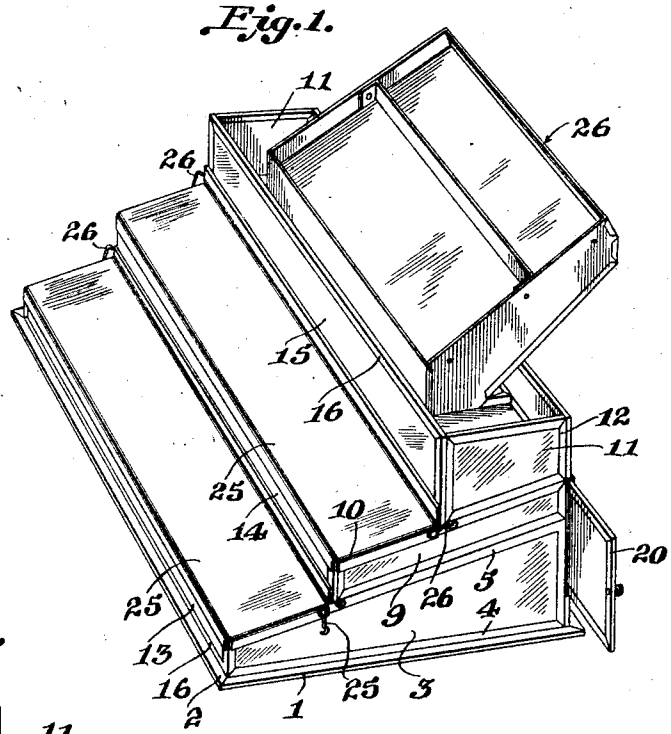


Fig. 3.

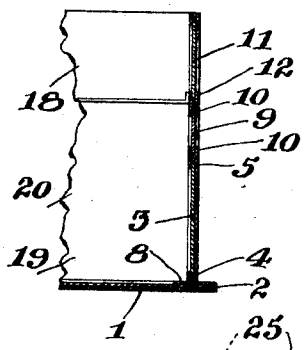


Fig. 2.

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This invention relates to improvements in display cases constructed in such a manner as to enable the same to be cheaply manufactured. The invention in the main comprises a plurality of superposed side walls of less length than the underlying side walls, the back ends of the side walls being in alignment whereby a display case having a step-like appearance as viewed from the front is obtained. The back of the display case is closed by a wall having a slidable member therein to permit access into the interior of the case. The step-like compartments are closed by closure members which may be readily removed. The invention also contemplates the provision of a display case of less length than the main case and mounted on top of the main case in the upper compartment thereof.

The various features of novelty and invention will appear from the detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying sheet of drawings forming part of the specification.

In the drawings, Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a display case made in accordance with my invention, the rear closure member being partially drawn out.

Fig. 2 is a transverse section taken through the main display case; and

Fig. 3 is a section taken on line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

The base of the case is indicated by numeral 1 and is preferably made of wood, the same being provided with a peripheral protecting member 2 of sheet metal. Mounted on the base 1 is a pair of side walls 3 of a height which varies from the front of the case toward the rear thereof, the highest portion of the walls being at the rear. The bottom edge of the walls 3 is received within a U-shaped metal protecting member 4 and the upper edge of said wall members is capped by a similar member 5. The top and bottom cap or saddle members 5 and 4, respectively, are preferably held in place by means of a metal strap 6 suitably secured thereto as by soldering. The ends of the walls are also preferably capped by U-shaped members 7. The member 2 which surrounds the peripheral edge of the base 1 is preferably U-shaped in form, and the upper leg thereof is sufficiently long to extend inwardly of the wall members 3 as indicated by numeral 8 in Fig. 3. By making the member 2 in this manner the walls 3 can be readily secured to the base 1 by soldering the bottom saddle member 4 of the walls to the upper leg 8 of the peripheral cap member 2 of the base 1.

Mounted on the side walls 3 is a pair of side walls 9 of uniform height but of less length than the side walls 3. The top and bottom edges as well as the ends of the side walls 3 are capped or protected by U-shaped metal members 10 the same as the underlying wall 3. Inasmuch as the top edge of the walls 3 is capped with metal and the bottom edge of the walls 9 is capped with metal the walls may be readily secured to each other as by soldering.

A third pair of walls 11 is provided, and these walls are similarly bounded or capped by metal members 12. The walls 11 are not of uniform height but decrease in height from the front to the rear of the case. The walls 11 are secured to the underlying wall 9 as by soldering the metal cap of the walls together.

The walls are so mounted as to have their rear ends in alignment. Closure members 13, 14, and 15 are provided at the front ends of the side wall members. The closure members are preferably peripherally bounded by a metal cap 16 to protect the same and to enable them to be more readily secured as by soldering the ends of the side wall members. Tie members 17 may also be provided to hold the top and bottom cap members on said closures in place.

The back of the case is closed by a wall preferably comprising sectional walls 18 and 19 between which is mounted a slidable closure member 20. The peripheral edges of the members 18, 19 and 20 are also preferably bounded or capped by U-shaped metal pieces.

Extending between the side walls 9 at the bottoms thereof is a tray 21 preferably of metal. This tray at its rear end is preferably supported or braced by a brace 22 extending upwardly from a point adjacent the bottom of the base 1. The metal tray 21 is preferably secured to the metal caps surrounding the said side walls.

Extending between the walls 11 is a tray 23 also of metal and secured by soldering to the metal caps of said side walls.

In dotted lines is shown an object 24 as resting on the respective trays 21 and 23.

The tops of the compartments formed by the step-like arrangement of the walls are closed by metal cover members 25 adapted to overlie the extending portions of the side walls and also the front closure members.

The covers 25 are conveniently held in place by hooks 26 engaging with eyes in the walls as will be readily understood.

As part of the display case above described there is provided another display case generally indicated by numeral 26. This second display case is of less length than the other case and is adapted to be received within the upper compartment. By providing a second or supplemental display case as stated utility of the main display case is greatly enhanced because it can be built up as it were.

What I claim is:

In a display case, a lower section having side walls of a height increasing from the front toward the rear of the case, an intermediate section having side walls of uniform height but of less length than the lower side walls, an upper section having side walls of a height decreasing from the front to the rear of the case, an upwardly extending section between the side walls of the upper section, the rear end of the walls being in alignment whereby the walls are in stepped relation at their front ends, a tray between the lower and intermediate sections, and between the intermediate and upper section.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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