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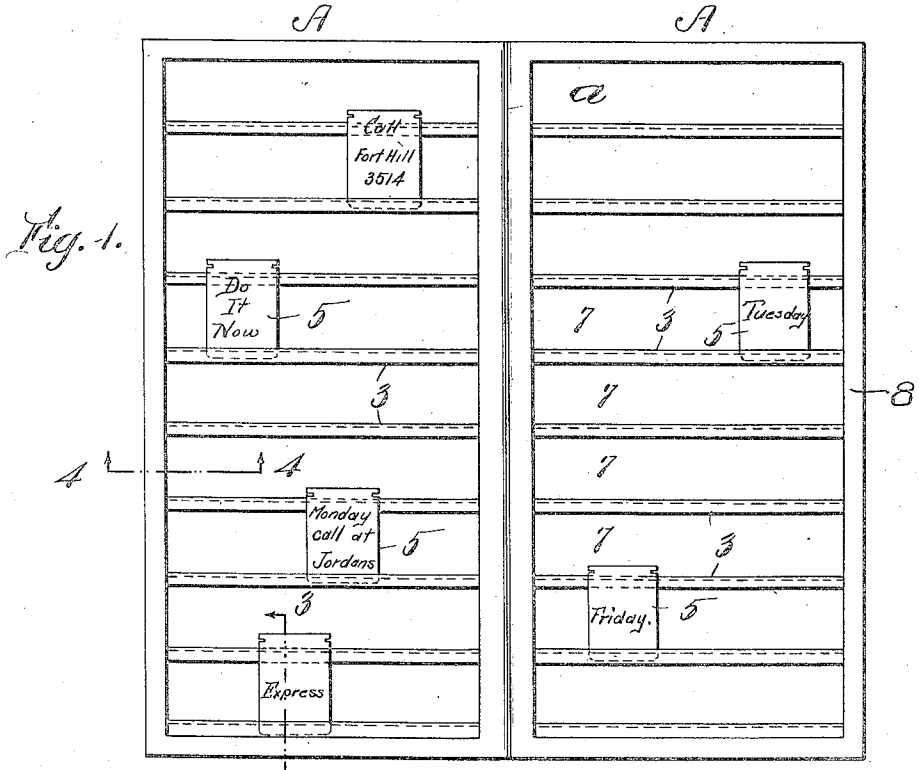


Fig. 1.



Fig. 3.

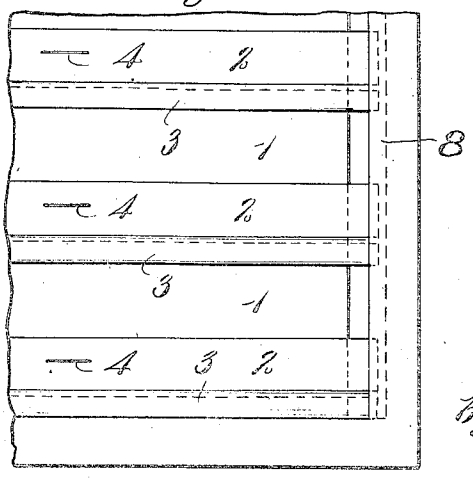


Fig. 2.

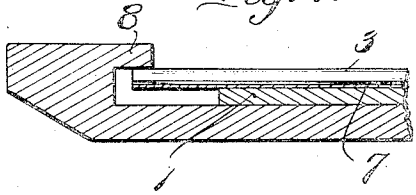


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES H. RAND, citizen of the United States of America, and resident of North Tonawanda, in the county of Niagara and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Memorandum Devices, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a memorandum device, or bulletin displaying device, and although capable of various uses is particularly intended for a desk appliance for removably receiving and displaying memorandum slips, and serving as a "memory tickler." The invention consists in the structural features hereinafter described and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings which illustrate the invention,

Figure 1 is a face view of the device;

Figure 2 is a fragmentary front view of the device on an enlarged scale with the cover sheets removed;

Figure 3 is a section, on an enlarged scale, on line 3—3 of Fig. 1; and

Figure 4 is a section on an enlarged scale, on line 4—4 of Fig. 1.

In the embodiment herein illustrated the device is made up of two similar leaves A, A, hinged together at *a*, each leaf comprising all the elements of the invention. The outside of the leaves may be handsomely covered or bound, and when the leaves are closed or folded together the article is not only a compact, attractive desk appliance, but the interior is protected against dust, and the contents against disarrangement.

1 represents a back, which may be a panel or sheet of fiber board, wood, or other suitable material. Fastened to the back 1 are a series of folded strips of sheet material arranged one above another, each consisting of a rear fold 2 and a front fold 3. The rear fold, which is preferably substantially wider than the front fold, is fastened to the back 1 in any suitable way, as by staples or fasteners 4. The front fold 3 forms a lip adapted to retain a memorandum slip 5, the edge of which may easily be inserted under the lip. The folded strips from which the retaining lips 3 are made are preferably of sheet celluloid, which is resilient and so holds the slips in place with a gentle pinching action. Sheet celluloid is also very durable, light and clean. The free edges of the retaining lips are preferably rolled or bent inwardly as shown at 6 to produce a handsome finish and to insure a smooth easy entrance for the slips into the trough formed by the lips.

The spaces between the successive lips are covered by cover sheets 7 of paper, cardboard, or other suitable sheet material. One edge of each cover sheet extends into and to the bottom of the trough behind one of the retaining lips 3, and the opposite edge extends to and a little beyond the fold of the next strip behind which it is tucked, (see Fig. 3) thus overlying the whole area between the folds of two successive lips, covering the back 1, the rear fold 2, and the fasteners 4 and presenting to the eye the appearance of a continuous background crossed by the retaining lips 3 at spaced intervals. The cover sheets are held in position without other fastening means than the lips 3 and the folded edges of the strips. Not only do the cover sheets cover the unsightly structural details (appearing in Fig. 2) but they afford a smooth surface to facilitate the insertion of the memorandum slips 5 whose edges might otherwise catch on the rear folds 2.

The assembled structure is mounted within a marginal frame 8 made with inwardly extending side flanges which overlap the ends of the retaining lips 3, and the ends of the cover sheets 7.

The uses of the device for keeping notes of engagements and other memoranda in view are obvious. The slips 5 may be leaves from a memorandum book or pad, and when they have served their purpose they are simply pulled out and thrown away.

I claim:

1. A device of the character described comprising a back, and a plurality of folded strips of sheet material arranged one above another on the back, the rear folds of said strips being attached to the back and the front folds of said strips forming spaced slip retaining lips, and cover sheets covering the spaces between successive folds, one edge of each cover sheet being lodged within the fold of one of the lips and the other edge being tucked behind the fold of the next strip.

2. A device of the character described comprising a back, and a plurality of folded strips of sheet material arranged one above another on the back, the rear folds of said strips being attached to the back and the

front folds of said strips forming spaced slip retaining lips, and cover sheets covering the spaces between successive folds, one edge of each cover sheet being lodged within the fold of one of the lips and the other edge being tucked behind the fold of the next strip, and a marginal frame having inwardly extending side flanges overlapping the ends of the slip retaining lips and of the cover sheets.

Signed by me at North Tonawanda, N. Y., this 26th day of June, 1919.

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