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Fig. 1

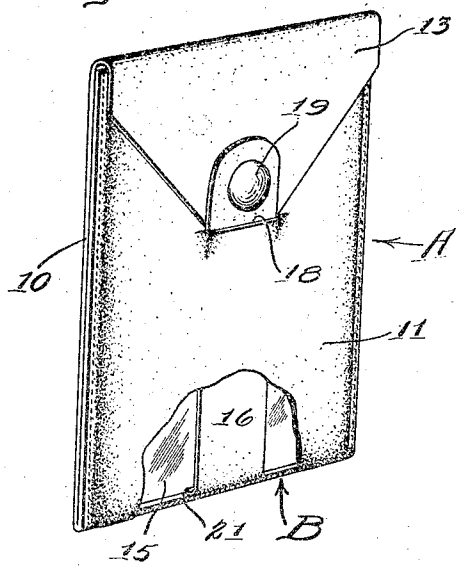


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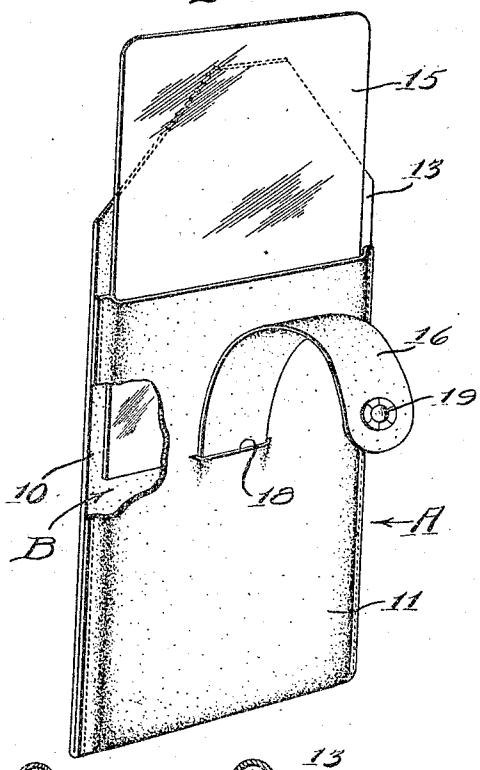


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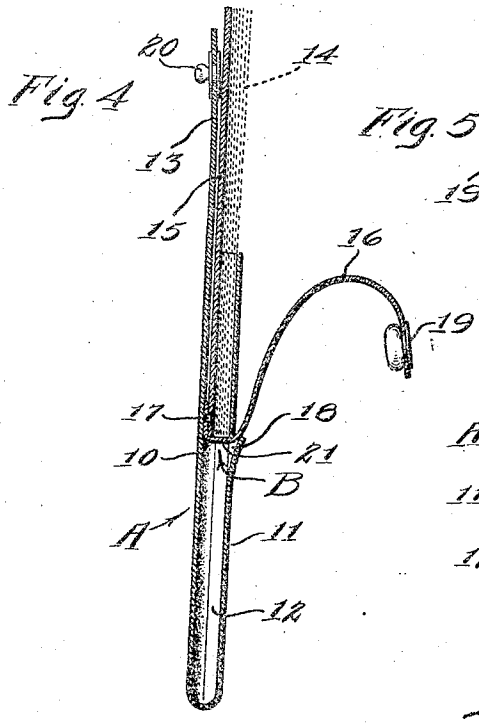


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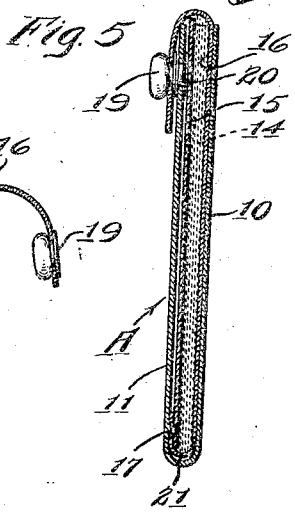
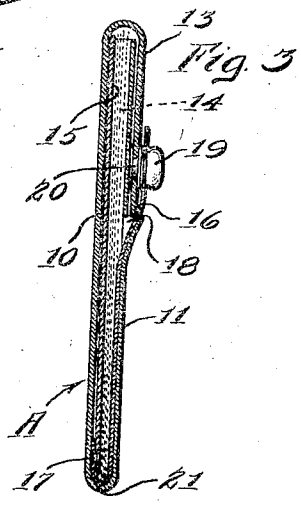


Fig. 3



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My invention relates to improvements in cases for cards and articles of like nature.

An object of my invention is to provide a compact, durable and inexpensive case for cards including simple and effective means for partially unsheathing cards from said case, whereby ready access to said cards may be had.

Another object is to provide an article, as above, wherein the case is supplied with a cover-flap and wherein the card unsheathing means serves not only to back the contained cards and stiffen the case, but to co-operate with the cover-flap and secure the same closed.

A further object of my invention is to provide an open topped case for cards having card unsheathing means free from sliding contact with the cards and designed for co-operation with the case to secure the cards therein.

In the drawings, Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a case embodying my invention, the same being closed and a portion at the lower front side thereof broken away to expose the lower part of the encased card unsheathing means; Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the case showing the case open and the card unsheathing means extended; Fig. 3 is a central longitudinal sectional view of the case with the parts in that relation shown in Fig. 1; Fig. 4 is a similar view of the case with the parts thereof in that relation shown in Fig. 2 and Fig. 5 is a central longitudinal sectional view of an alternate form of card case.

Referring to the drawings, it will be observed that the form of my invention shown in Figs. 1–4 includes a shell or casing A, which may be constructed of leather or other suitable material, said casing comprising a back 10 and front member 11 stitched thereto to form a pocket 12. The back 10 is extended to form a cover-flap 13 adapted to be turned over the front of the casing to close the pocket 12.

Within the casing A is a carrier B for cards 14, the same constituting means for partially unsheathing the cards from said casing. This carrier B includes a relatively stiff insert 15 slidable in the casing A, also a pull-strap 16 secured at one end thereof as by means of a rivet 17 to the lower portion of said insert. The free end of the pull-strap 16 is rendered accessible for manipulation by passing the same outwardly through a slit 18 in the front 11 of the casing A. On the free end of the pull-strap 16 is a fastener member 19, which complements a fastener member 20 on the cover-flap 13 of said casing A. When the insert 15 is depressed into fully sheathed position within the pocket 12, the cover-flap 13 may be closed over the upper edge thereof and the fastener member 20 joined with its companion fastener member 19 on the pull-strap 16, as shown in Figs. 1 and 3. Cards placed in the casing A between the insert 15 and pull-strap 16 are backed by said insert 15, which also stiffens the casing A and said cards have for their seat, the stirrup 21 formed by the strap 16 at its junction with the bottom of said insert. The insert 15, aside from stiffening the casing A and backing the cards carried therein, also co-operates with the casing through the cover flap 13 and pull-strap 16, to keep itself and associated cards closed within said casing. In this connection and with reference to Fig. 3, it will be seen that the cover-flap 13 is held closed by the pull-strap 16 and secure against being opened by the insert 15 and cards 14.

Separating the fastener members 19, 20 and subsequently pulling upon the strap 16, results in lifting the cards and insert 15 in the casing A. The cover-flap 13 being free to open is turned back from covering position by the insert 15. The cards thus brought from their sheathed position within the casing into position partially unsheathed are readily accessible to the user. By reason of the fact that the insert 15 and pull-strap 16 slide within the casing A as a unit, it will be understood that there is no wear upon the cards at the stirrup 21 as would be occasioned were the strap to be rubbed along the bottom of the cards as the latter are lifted and lowered in the case.

In the form of card case shown in Fig. 5, the cover-flap 13 is omitted and the fastener member 20 secured to the casing proper rather than to an extension thereof. The pull-strap 16 is made slightly longer than in the form where a cover-flap is employed, said strap being led out of the casing A all the way along one side thereof rather than part way along said side and thence out through a slit therein as in the arrangement previously described. Said strap 16 may be substantially as wide as the pocket, if desired, and in folded position over the insert

15 will serve as a cover-flap. With the fastener member 19 on the pull-strap 16 secured to the companion fastener member 20 on the casing A, the insert 15 and cards 14 are held by the strap in the casing. After freeing the fastener member 19 from the fastener member 20 and pulling upon the strap 16, the card carrier is projected from the casing, the cards 14 supported in the stirrup 21 at the junction of insert 15 and pull-strap 16 being lifted into partially unsheathed position wherein they are readily accessible to the user.

Changes in the specific form of my invention, as herein disclosed, may be made within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Having described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

1. In an article of the class described, a casing open at the top thereof and formed with a transverse slit in its front side, a cover-flap for the casing comprising an extension of the back of said casing, a card carrier within the casing serving to partially unsheath cards therefrom, said carrier including a relatively stiff insert slidable in the casing and a pull-strap passing through said slit, the end of said strap within the casing being joined to the lower end of said insert and providing a seat for the bottom of cards and the like carried within said casing, a fastener member on the cover-flap and a companion fastener member at the outer end of the strap, said strap being adapted, through the medium of said fastener members, to secure said cover-flap closed over the sheathed insert.

2. In an article of the class described, a casing open at the top thereof and formed with a transverse slit in its front side, a cover-flap on the casing, a stiff insert slidable in the casing and against which said cover flap closes, a pull strap threaded through said slit into the casing, said insert co-operating with the pull-strap and adapted to be unsheathed from the casing together with other contents thereof by said pull-strap and further adapted, upon being sheathed within said casing, to retract the pull-strap, and means for releasably securing the outer end of said pull-strap to said cover-flap to secure the cover-flap closed against the sheathed insert through the medium of said pull-strap.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification.

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