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Fig. 1.

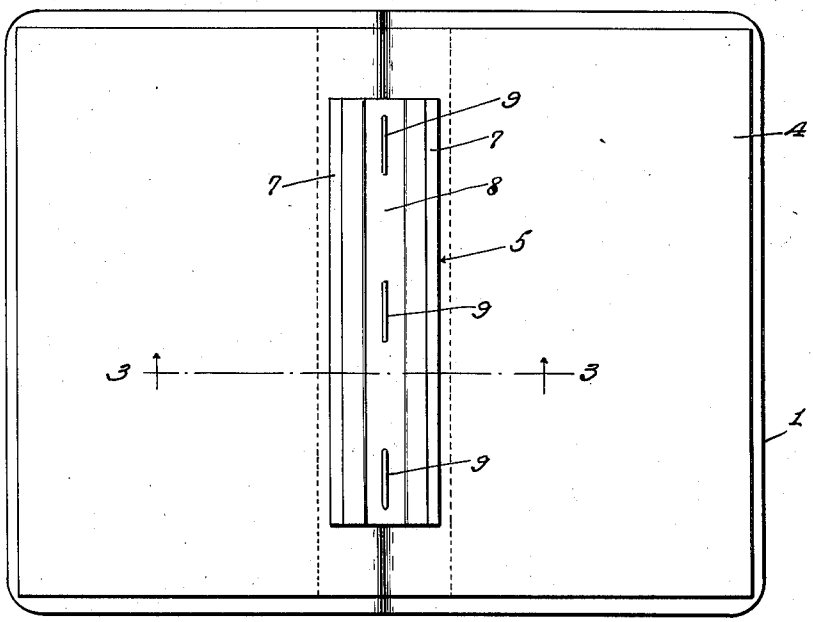


Fig. 2.



Fig. 3.

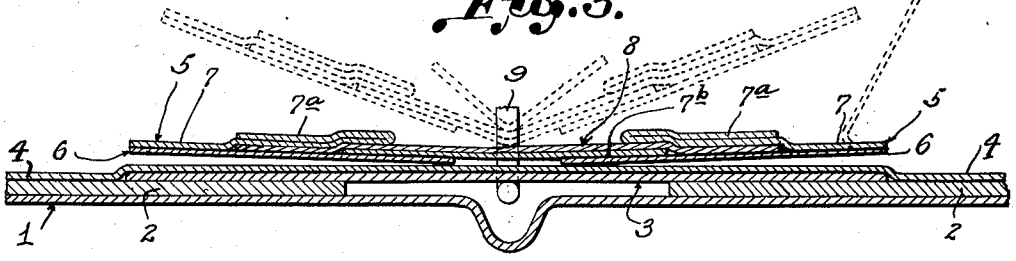
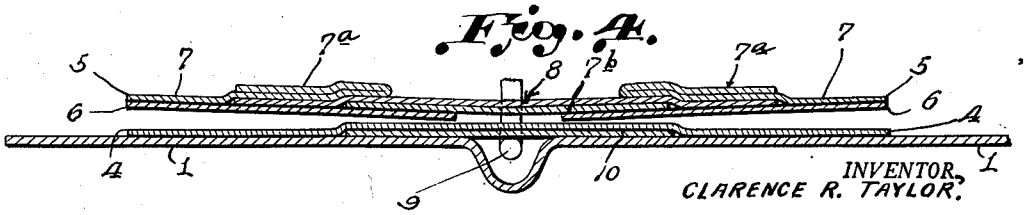


Fig. 4.



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The card and photograph booklet disclosed in this application is a valuable improvement on existing types of patented card and photograph holders and is designed basically for simplicity of manufacture and maximum utility and also to overcome defects inherent in existing types of card and photograph holders.

In order to fully explain the advantages of this invention it is necessary to point out the bad features inherent in the existing types of such holders. First, and mainly, they tend to be bulky regardless of whether they are separate holders or whether they are included in billfolds. As a result it is hard to make them fit neatly into the pocket. Second, and mainly, because of their design, they provide a dirt trap and by doing so do not protect the cards, photographs or folded papers they contain from becoming dirty and unsightly. Third, the existing types of holders make it necessary in a big majority of cases to cut and trim the cards or photographs in order to insert them. This is not only troublesome but also often results in the removal of necessary data or background. Fourth, although existing types of holders will retain folded papers, they do not provide an easy means of reviewing these papers without removing them completely. Fifth, in many of the existing types of holders, parts of the cards or photographs are hidden by the enclosed structure, thus causing an inconvenience. Sixth, in the existing types of holders, it is very often not possible to show both sides of a card or photograph at the same time, thus making it necessary to remove same for inspection purposes when required.

Therefore, an object of this invention is to eliminate the listed defects inherent in most existing types of holders.

Another object of this invention is to avoid bulk in the finished product; all but essential material necessary to hold cards, photographs or folded papers is eliminated, with the result that such papers are simply held together and provided with a suitable cover, producing a neat, thin, pocket-fitting product.

Another object of this invention is to protect the contents of the booklet from becoming soiled and dirty. It does this in a negative manner simply by not providing a natural dirt trap over the surface of the enclosed contents and thereby not permitting dirt particles to accumulate and mar the surface of said contents. Any dirt particles which might come against the surface of the cards, photographs, etc. simply drop out

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when the booklet is opened, since no dirt trap is provided to retain them.

A still further object of this invention is to eliminate completely the necessity of cutting or fitting cards and photographs in order to include them in the booklet.

Another object of this invention is to permit the inclusion of folded papers into the booklet in such a way that these folded papers can be easily and quickly opened for review purposes.

Another object is to produce a booklet having no part of the attached cards, photographs or papers hidden from view at any time, even where fastened, and no part removed by any trimming and fitting process.

A still further object of this invention is to have both sides of attached cards and photographs open to view at all times, it being impossible to cover one up by another.

Another object is to produce a handsome, convenient, economical, neat and pocket-fitting product, provided for securing and holding cards, photographs and folded papers.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a plan view of an open device constructed in accordance with the present invention, while

Figure 2 is an elevated end view thereof.

Figure 3 is an enlarged, vertical, sectional view, taken on line 3—3, Fig. 1, and looking in the direction of the arrows.

Figure 4 is an enlarged sectional view, similar to Fig. 3, showing another embodiment of this invention.

Referring to the drawings, in which the preferred embodiment of this invention is illustrated in Figures 1 to 3, 1 designates a booklet cover, or any suitable means, performing the function of a cover or a holder. Two cardboard stiffeners 2 engage the inner face of the cover 1. A reinforcing tape 3 is gummed on its upper or outer face and acts as a bridging means, between the inner edges of the cardboard stiffeners 2. A backing 4 is laid over the reinforcing tape 3 and the carboard stiffeners 2. The cardboard stiffeners 2 and reinforcing tape 3 are held in an assembled position with the backing 4 by suitable adhesive material.

Any number of tapes or attaching sections 5 may be employed. Each attaching section 5 comprises two gummed sections 6; these sections 6 are gummed on their inner or upper sides. An auxiliary bridging section 7b is fastened by adhesive material to the inner portions of the two sections 6. A primary bridging section 8 is placed

on the auxiliary bridging section 7*b* and part of the two gummed sections 6, as clearly shown in Fig. 3. Each attaching tape or section 5 is also provided with two stripping tabs 7. Each stripping tab 7 extends from the outer edge of the section 6 inward, over the outer end of the primary bridging section 8, and is then folded back at 7*a* upon a portion of itself, as shown in Fig. 3. When it is desired to attach a card or picture, or the like, to the attaching section 5, the operator removes the stripping tab 7 by grasping the folded section 7*a* and pulling it away from the gummed section 6, as shown by dotted lines C thus exposing the gummed surface of the section 6 and to which the card etc. is fastened, whereby the object is secured against accidental displacement in the booklet or holder.

The attaching sections will be secured at 9 within the booklet or holder by any suitable means, such as staples or thread.

In the embodiment illustrated in Fig. 4, the attaching section 5 is the same as the attaching section shown in Fig. 3. The ordinary booklet or holder 1 in this embodiment has an ungummed bridging section 10 under the backing 4. The means 9 for attaching the tape or attaching sections 5 extends through a portion of the backing 4 and bridging section 10. The advantage of the ungummed bridging section 10 is that it insures free book action.

The folding back portion 7*a* of each stripping tab 7 is desirable as furnishing an easy way of being able to grasp the stripping section 7 in order to pull and remove it from the gummed surface of section 6.

The advantages and the efficiency of this invention are set forth in the objects forming part of this specification.

While I have described the preferred embodiment of my invention and illustrated the same in the accompanying drawings, certain minor changes or alterations may appear to one skilled in the art to which this invention relates during the extensive manufacture of the same, and I, therefore, reserve the right to make such changes or alterations as shall fairly fall within the scope of the appended claims.

What I claim is:

1. In a device of the kind described, a rectangular cover sheet having two side portions and a flexible central portion, rectangular cardboard stiffener sheets fixed on said side portions adjacent the side edges thereof, a reinforcing tape having side portions overlapping the proximal portions of the stiffener sheets and adhesively fixed thereon, said tape having a width between the stiffener sheet edge less than the width of the cover sheet between said stiffener sheet edges, a backing sheet extending over said stiffener sheets from one remote edge to the other and adhesively fixed on the said tape and the stiffener sheets, a plurality of card attaching devices, each including a pair of laterally spaced sections gummed on their upper sides, an auxiliary bridging member having its sides overlapping the laterally spaced sections and adherent thereon, a primary bridging member extending over the secondary bridging member and adherent thereto and to the adjacent portions of the spaced sections, and securing means extending through said tape and backing and through the said primary and secondary members of each attaching section.

2. In a device of the kind described, a rectangular cover sheet having two side portions and a flexible central portion, rectangular cardboard stiffener sheets fixed on said side portions adjacent the side edges thereof, a reinforcing tape having side portions overlapping the proximal portions of the stiffener sheets and adhesively fixed thereon, said tape having a width between the stiffener sheet edge less than the width of the cover sheet between said stiffener sheet edges, a backing sheet extending over said stiffener sheets from one remote edge to the other and adhesively fixed on the said tape and the stiffener sheets, a plurality of card attaching devices, each including a pair of laterally spaced sections gummed on their upper sides, an auxiliary bridging member having its sides overlapping the laterally spaced sections and adherent thereon, a primary bridging member extending over the secondary bridging member and adherent thereto and to the adjacent portions of the spaced sections, securing means extending through said tape and backing and through the said primary and secondary members of each attaching section, and a plurality of removable strips mounted on and protecting the exposed gummed surfaces of the laterally spaced members.

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