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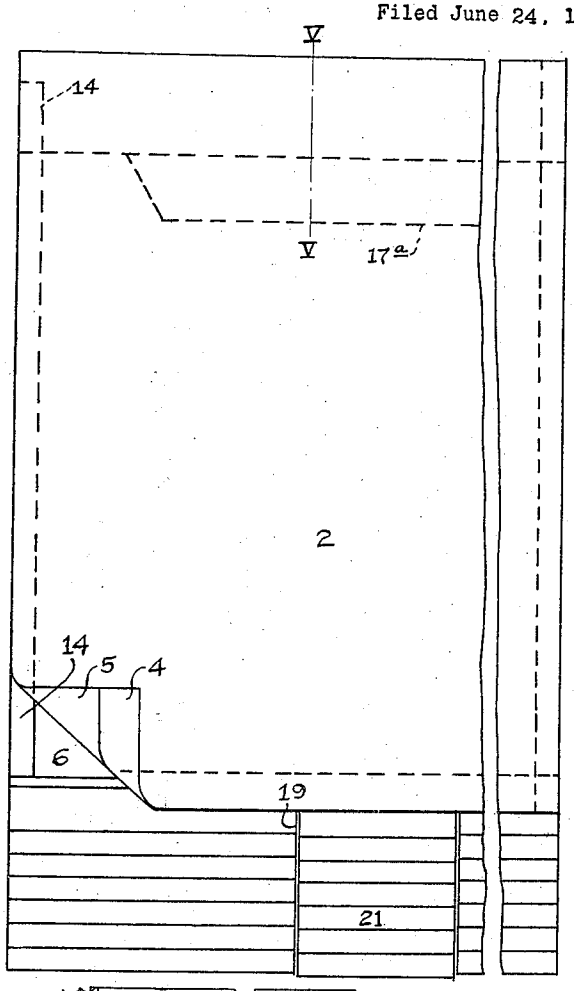


Fig. 1

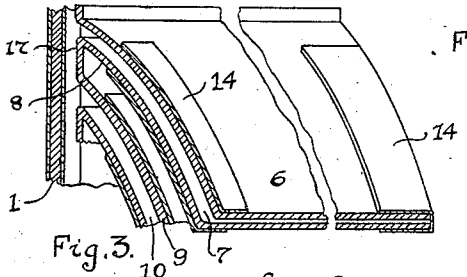


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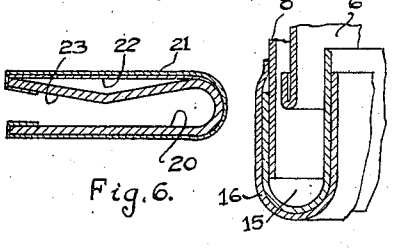


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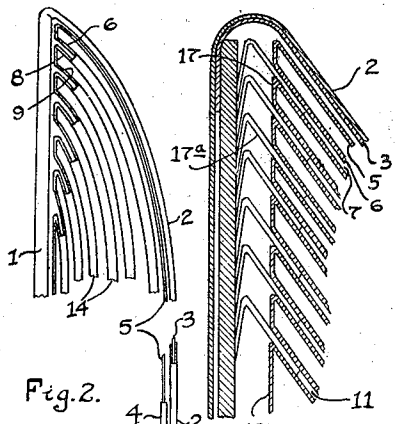


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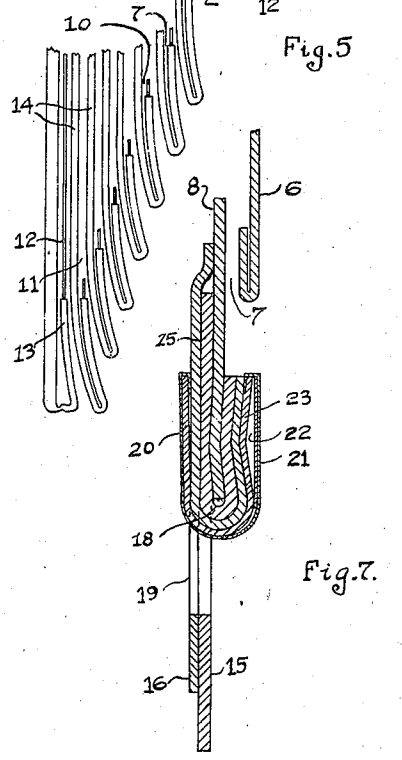


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES C. CASEY, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Detroit, in the county of Wayne and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Phonograph-Record Holders and Albums, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to a phonographic record holder or album and my invention aims to provide a simple, durable and inexpensive multi-pocket container or holder in which records may be easily and quickly placed and maintained in filing order, without any danger of one record being scratched or injured by an adjacent record.

My invention further aims to provide a holder or album with stepped pockets having exposed outer ends provided with name plates and finger pieces so that a desired record may be selected and removed from the holder or album without materially interfering with other records in the holder.

My invention further aims to provide a multi-pocket file in which letters, papers and other matters may be placed and the file carried without any danger of the contents thereof becoming accidentally displaced.

The construction of the holder or album will be hereinafter described and then claimed, and reference will now be had to the drawing, wherein

Figure 1 is a plan of the holder or album partly broken away;

Fig. 2 is an enlarged edge view of the same;

Fig. 3 is an enlarged perspective view of a portion of the holder or album, showing edges thereof in section;

Fig. 4 is an enlarged cross sectional view, partly in perspective of the open end of a pocket;

Fig. 5 is an enlarged detail sectional view of the holder taken on the line V—V of Fig. 1;

Fig. 6 is an enlarged cross sectional view of a combined finger piece and card holder, and

Fig. 7 is another view of the same, as applied to the holder.

The holder or album comprises a stiff or rigid back board 1 and a flexible cover leaf 2, said stiff back board being made of cardboard or a rigid material and said cover leaf 2 of leather or other flexible material which is carried on to the rear face of the back board 1 and secured thereto by glue or any suitable adhesive, which is used throughout the construction of the holder to effect a connection between flaps, linings and adjacent parts. The cover leaf 2 is of less length than the back board 1, but the same width, and said cover leaf may be provided with a filler 3 onto which may be turned and secured the side edges of the cover leaf. The end of the cover leaf is inturned, as at 4 and secured to a lining 5, said lining forming one end of a strip of material, as heavy paper which forms the front wall 6 of the first or uppermost pocket 7 within the holder. Cooperating with the front wall 6 is a rear wall 8 representing the end of a strip of material which is folded on itself to form the front wall 9 of another pocket 10, and additional strips of material are so folded to provide other pockets. The strip of material which forms the rear wall of the inner or lowermost pocket 11 is carried on to the back board 1 to form a lining 12 for said back board and the extreme end of the cover leaf 2 which is secured to the back board 1, is inturned and connected to the lining, as at 13.

To complete the formation of the various pockets, the side edges of the front and rear walls of each pocket are connected together by binding strips 14, preferably of the same material as the cover leaf 2, and the rear wall of each pocket is of greater length than the front wall so that a flap piece 15 may be connected thereto and bound by a binding 16 of the same material as the cover leaf 2. The flap piece 15 is foldable at the extreme end of each rear wall 8 so that the flap piece can extend on to or overlap the front wall 6 and thus close the open end of the pocket 7 and retain a record or other matter within the pocket.

In folding the strips of paper or other material to form the front and rear walls of the pockets and the linings for the cover leaf 2 and the back board 1, the strips of material receive a double fold, as at 17, so that the rear wall 8 of one pocket will be in spaced relation to the front wall of an adjacent pocket. This will afford sufficient material at the inner closed ends of the pockets to permit of the pockets separating sufficiently to compensate for the thicknesses of records or other matter placed in the pock-

ets. Furthermore, the double fold at the inner ends of the pockets cause the outer open ends thereof to assume a stepped formation, as best shown in Fig. 2, and to hold the inner closed ends of the pockets relative to the back board 1, angle strips 17ª are secured to the back board 1 with each strip extending between and secured to the front and rear walls of one of the pockets, as shown in Fig. 5. The angle strips 17ª are of less width than the back board 1 and the cover 2 and there will be freedom of action at the inner ends of the pockets to permit of superposed pockets being swung open like the leaves of a pamphlet.

The pockets are all of the same size and consequently the inner or lowermost pocket has its closed end in spaced relation to the inner or upper end of the back board 1, this being brought about by the stepped relation of the pockets.

Each flap piece, intermediate its edges, has a tongue cut and stamped out and bent around onto the front side of the rear wall of the pocket, as at 18, thus leaving a windowdow 19 in each flap piece.

Embracing this flap of the binder 16 at the window 19 is a combined finger piece and card holder which is included in the subject matter of a companion application filed July 1, 1921, Ser. No. 481,897, said finger piece comprising a channel member 20, a transparent casing 21 and a card 22. The channel member 20 is made of metal and provided with an inbent wall 23 to frictionally grip the cut-out portion of the flap against the rear wall 8 of a pocket, and the casing 21 is made of celluloid to expose the card 22 on which is placed the name of the record number or indicia relating to the record within the pocket with which the combined finger piece and card holder is associated.

Since the pockets of the record holder are superposed and the flap pieces 15 inturned the open ends of the pockets will be closed, thus permitting of the record holder being carried in an upright position without any danger of the records slipping out of the lower open ends of the pockets.

What I claim is:—

1. A holder of the type described comprising a back board, a cover, stepped pockets between said back board and cover and having lower open ends, and means closing the lower open ends of said pockets.

2. A holder as in claim 1, characterized by said means including an inturned flap piece which is overlapped by an adjacent pocket.

3. A holder of the type described comprising a back board, a cover, pockets between said cover and back board, said pockets having inner closed ends and outer open ends, and angle strips connecting the closed ends of said pockets to said back board.

4. A holder as in claim 3, and a flap carried by each pocket and adapted to close the open end thereof.

5. A holder of the type described comprising pockets, one above another with open ends in stepped relation, each two adjacent pockets having a rear wall and a front wall made of a piece of material doubled on itself, and a binding on the side edges of the pockets.

6. A holder as in claim 5, wherein the rear wall of each pocket affords a closure for the open end of the pocket.

7. A phonograph record holder having pockets for records, flaps adapted to close the respective holder pockets, and a finger piece attached to each holder pocket, each flap having a window providing clearance for the finger piece of the pocket.

8. A record holder as in claim 7, wherein the pockets of the holder are in superposed relation with the flaps maintained closed by adjacent pockets.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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