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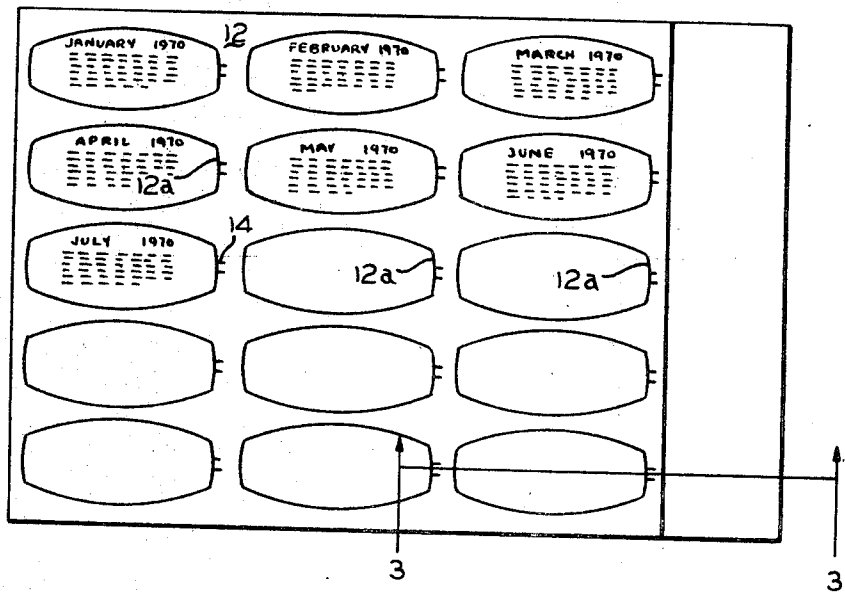
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ABSTRACT: A Multi-Calendar Combination includes plurality of calendars of different months removably attached to one planer surface and held in alignment therewith until selective removal is desired. The calendars are held by hinge means that can be severed easily.



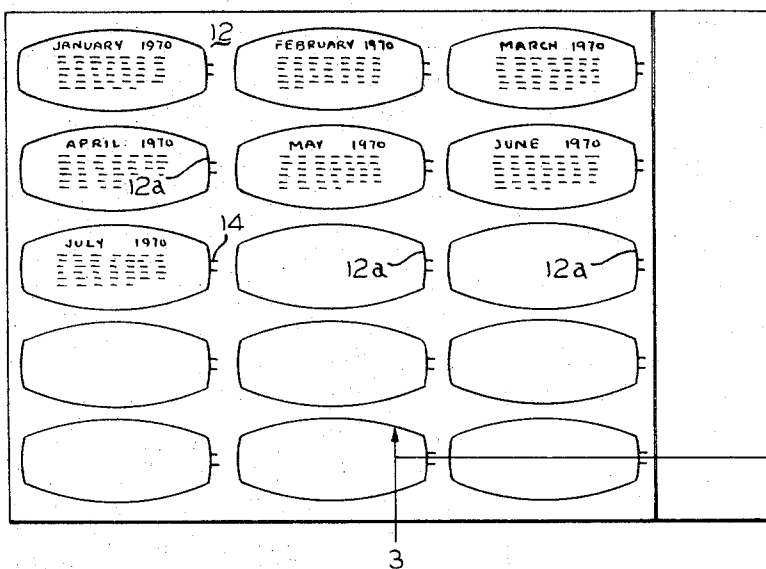


FIG. 1

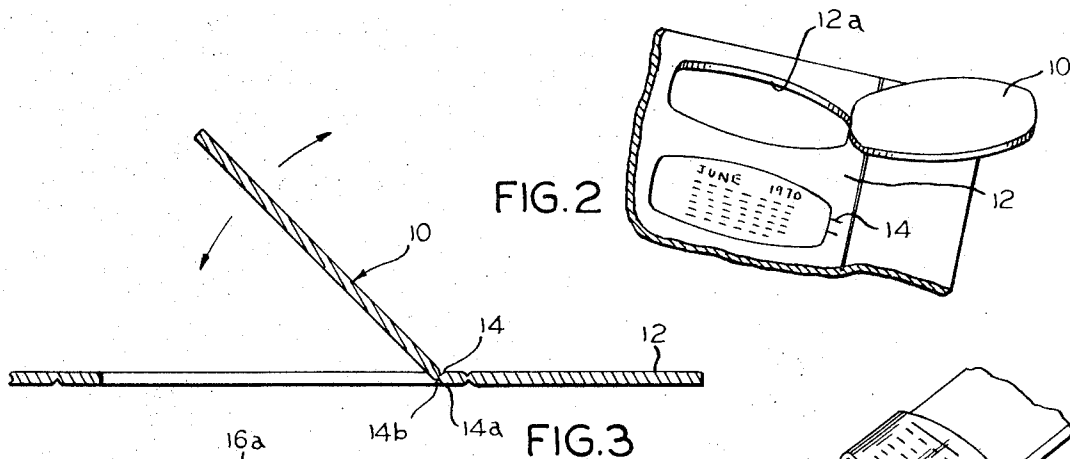


FIG. 2

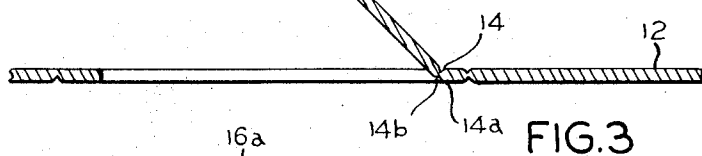


FIG. 3

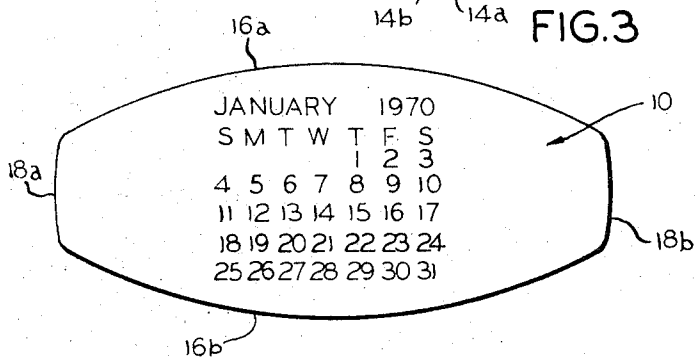


FIG. 4

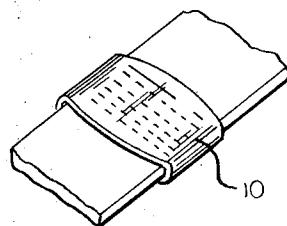


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MULTI-CALENDAR COMBINATION

This invention relates to an improved combination for shipping a plurality of calendars which are used for attachment of jewelry wristbands. Calendars of this type are usually made of thin metal material of different shapes and are bent and wrapped around a wristwatch band or the like. The packages for the calendars as well as the calendars themselves are quite frequently mailed to users and they usually bear advertising indicia. Also the calendars themselves are usually manufactured by making one month at a time. Therefore they must be sorted where packaging calendars for a certain period of time is desired. Also it is always of concern to have the calendars packaged in a manner which prevents deformation upon shipment and which enhances the advertising ability of the calendars rather than detracts from it.

This invention is made of thin metal such as the type used for calendars of this type as disclosed in U.S. Pat. Nos. 3,445,043 and 3,340,630. The calendars of this invention are in alignment with a planer backing which cooperates with the calendars by retaining them until it is desired to selectively remove them. The calendars are imprinted with a plurality of different months and therefore the invention not only reduces bending of the calendars upon shipment but also it eliminates the need for storing the calendars and someone is given a complete supply of the calendars for the next impending year or for whatever period is desired.

It is therefore a prime object of this invention to provide a new and improved device for transmitting calendars in a manner that eliminates sorting of the calendars as well as reduces damage to the calendars.

It is further an object of this invention to provide a new and improved combination that fulfills the objects above as well as provides the prime advertising objective of the calendars in addition to providing the receiver thereof with a complete supply of calendars for the next impending period.

Further, it is an object of this invention to provide a means of storing calendars of the type described which can have advertising indicia thereon so that the advertisements are referred to each time a calendar is needed.

Other and further objects of this invention will become more readily apparent from reading the following description in conjunction with the drawings, wherein;

FIG. 1 is a planer view of the combination which includes the invention;

FIG. 2 is a fragmentary pictorial view illustrating how one of the calendars is removed from the combination;

FIG. 3 is a fragmentary sectional view taken along a plane passing through the line 3-3 and looking in the direction of the arrows (the view illustrates one of the calendars being removed from the inventive combination);

FIG. 4 is an enlarged view of one of the calendars after it has been removed from the combination; and

FIG. 5 is a pictorial view of one of the calendars removably associated with a band such as a watchband.

Referring to the drawing wherein like characters of reference indicate corresponding parts throughout, a plurality of calendars 10 are removably associated with a planer backing 12. The calendars 10 are initially formed from the planer backing 12 by punching; however, they remain attached thereto by means of the hinge 14, that is formed from the planer backing and extends from along the lines defining the outline of the calendars toward the webbing 12a of the planer backing 12 so that with very little effort individual calendars 10 can be bent around the hinge and completely dismembered therefrom and applied to a wristband or the like as illustrated in FIGS. 3 and 5.

In the specific form shown, the calendars are preferably formed with top and bottom elliptical arcs 16a and 16b that

are connected with each other by means of the respective longitudinal ends 18a and 18b. While the calendars illustrated in connection with this invention are shown as having a completely solid surface without legs such as the type of calendars that are illustrated in U.S. Pat. Nos. 3,445,043 and 3,340,630 it should be understood that this invention is applicable to different shaped calendars of the same general type.

Thus, it will be noted that the objects of this invention have been fulfilled in a remarkably unexpected fashion. Not only is the planer backing of the inventive combination utilized for shipping a full supply of calendars to a customer, but also the planer backing of the combination has space available thereon for advertising indicia. Still even further, the calendars can be easily removed from the planer backing due to the novel hinge structure illustrated in the combination. Also a complete supply of calendars can be etched or imprinted in one operation thereby avoiding sorting of the calendars.

Although I have shown a specific construction of the various parts and features, I am fully cognizant of the fact that many changes may be made without effecting the operativeness of the device and I reserve the rights to make such changes without departing from the spirit of my invention or the scope of the appending claims.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent in the United States, is:

I claim:

1. A combination for shipping a plurality of calendars together so that the recipient thereof receives a full supply of calendars for a given period and they are not damaged in transmittal, comprising:

a plurality of calendars;

a planar surface that is made from the identical material that said calendars are made;

said planar surface having openings defined therein that are in conformity with the outline of said calendars;

a plurality of calendars integrally formed from and removably attached to said planar surface, in alignment with said planar surface and in registry with the openings formed therein;

at least one of said calendars having hinge portions that extend therefrom to said planar surface; and
said hinge portions being severable from said planar surface upon urging each of said individual calendars having hinged portions out of the plane of said planar surface.

2. A combination, as defined in claim 1, wherein:

said hinge portions extend from at least one end of said last calendars to said planar surface and are substantially integral therewith; and

whereby forcing the end of said calendars opposite said hinge portions out of the plane of said planar surface enables greater bending force to be applied to said hinge portions and thereby sever them.

3. A combination, as defined in claim 1, wherein:

said hinge portions have been transversely deformed along the outline of said last mentioned calendars to weaken said hinge portions; and

whereby said calendars are severed along the outlines thereof from said hinges upon urging of said calendars out of the plane of said planar surface.

4. A combination, as defined in claim 3, wherein:

a plurality of calendars having different months imprinted thereon are formed with hinges as defined in claim 3.

5. A combination, as defined in claim 4, wherein:

each of said calendars has opposing sides with elliptical arcs that are connected by opposing longitudinal ends which have the hinge portions formed thereon.