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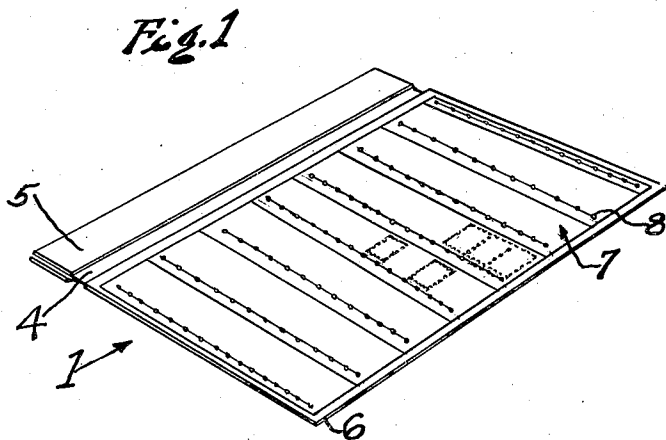


Fig. 4

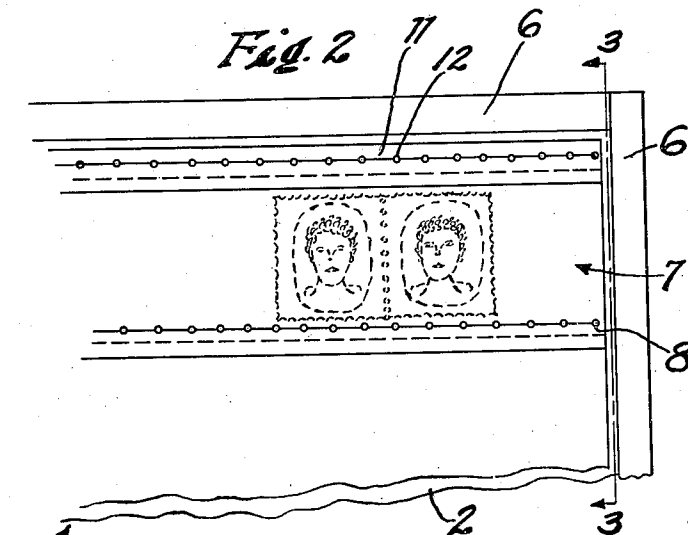
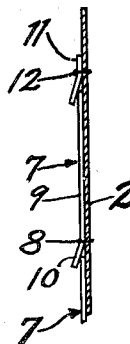


Fig. 3

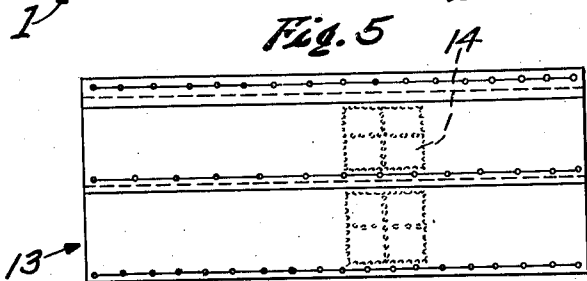
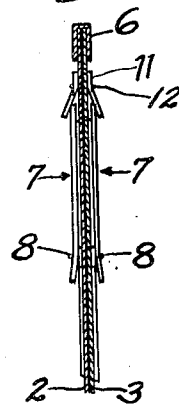
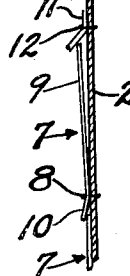


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1 Claim. (Cl. 129—20)

An object of the invention is to provide a device to display stamp collectors' postage stamps and to protect them from deterioration.

Heretofore, in mounting stamps it has been done by means of gummed hinges and stamps displayed in this manner are exposed to damage by dirt and varying changes of humidity, they are subject to impairment by careless handling and are also liable to be lost by peeling of the hinges.

The principal object of this invention is to provide complete protection of valuable postage stamps by preserving them from the deteriorating influences of long exposure to air and humidity variations by making the loss of stamps difficult by locking them securely into position.

Another object of the invention is to provide a device which shall be of simple construction and therefore of inexpensive manufacture, and yet which will prove thoroughly practical and efficient in use.

A feature of the invention is the novel construction and arrangement of horizontal strips of transparent material, which may be cellulose acetate or any other practical translucent substance of varying lengths and varying widths, stitched upon cards of various sizes and upon the pages of loose-leaf albums.

This invention may have a variety of applications and certain of the features of construction may be embodied in a variety of structures.

Other objects, advantages and features of the invention may appear from the accompanying drawing, the subjoined detailed description and the appended claim.

The accompanying drawing illustrates the invention.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the invention.

Fig. 2 is an enlarged fragmental detail face view showing the construction of the loose leaf display leaf with several stamps shown therein.

Fig. 3 is a section on line 3—3, Fig. 2 showing how the invention is constructed and also shows how the stamps are held in position.

Fig. 4 is a fragmental and elevational detail view partly in section showing how the horizontal transparent strips are fixed to the leaf backing.

Fig. 5 is a front elevation on a small scale of the invention as applied to a display card with some stamps shown in place therein.

Fig. 6 is a view analogous to Fig. 4 showing the strips slightly open.

In this invention while these display leaves and cards are intended primarily for the protec-

tion and display of postage stamps, the inventor anticipates that his invention may eventually be used for the protection and display of other things than postage stamps, and intends that the invention shall cover all forms of display which employ the method of inter-locking strips of transparent material shown in the accompanying drawing.

The invention as shown in the drawing consists of the loose-leaf 1 which is provided with sheets 2 and 3 and that are made of cardboard or the like which as usual has pasted to each sheet at one of its longitudinal edges a piece of canvas 4 or the like, to which in turn is pasted a narrow strip 5 of cardboard or the like, which serving as a binding element is adapted to be fastened to a loose leaf album or the like.

These sheets 2 and 3 are bound together at the edges by a binder 6 which is of canvas or the like to form the leaf 1.

I provide each sheet with a plurality of parallel pockets by attaching thereto strips 7 of substantially uniform width so as to partially overlap one another. These strips 7 are of transparent material and are stitched as at 8 to the sheets 2 and 3 and form a hinge permitting a section 9 to swing outwardly and the narrow section 10 overlaps the underneath or lower strip 7 to swing outwardly when inserting the stamps.

At the top of the sheet is a narrow strip 11 that overlaps the lower strip 7 and is stitched at 12 that forms a hinge permitting the strip 11 to be swung outwardly allowing the lower strip to be also swung outwardly to permit the stamps to be inserted and held in position as shown in the drawing.

Fig. 5 shows the strips as applied to a card 13 which shows how blocks of stamps 14 may be put upon display.

I claim:

In a device of the character set forth, a backing with its face being provided with interlocking transparent strips running parallel with each other and being of uniform width to permit each strip partially overlapping the next adjacent lower strip to form pockets for stamps and each strip being stitched to said backing to hold said strip to said backing and to form a hinge for said strip and said stitching dividing the strip into two sections to permit said strip to be swung outwardly from the backing to insert and remove the postage stamps.

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