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CARD MOUNT

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Fig. 1.

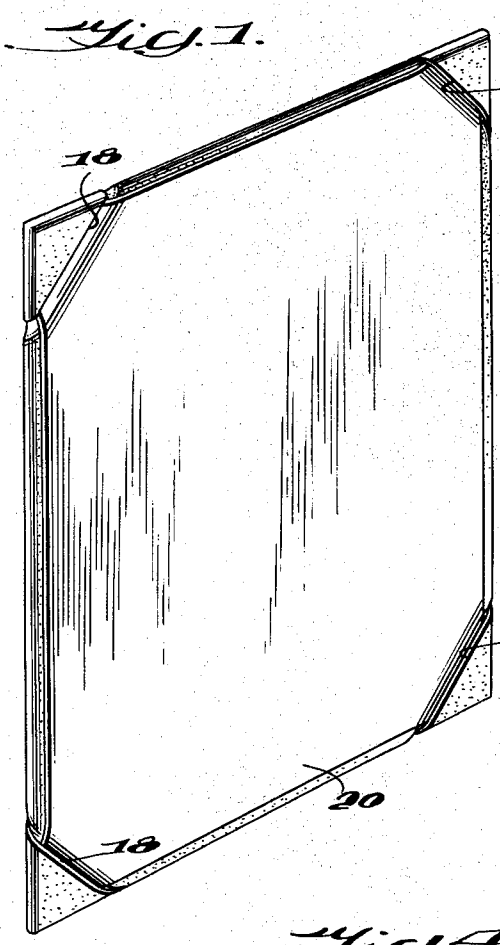


Fig. 2.

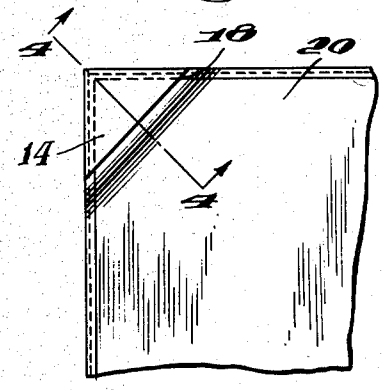


Fig. 3.

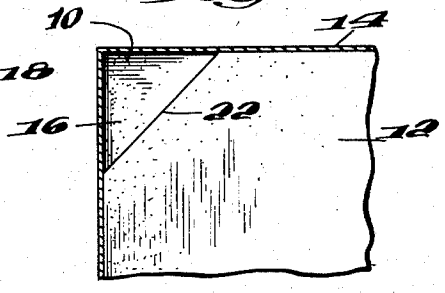
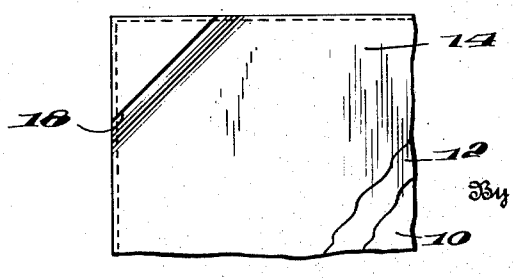


Fig. 4.



Fig. 5.



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This invention relates to card mounts, more particularly to mounts for supporting photographs and pictures in display position, and to the method for making such mounts.

Heretofore corner clips have been attached to display mount bodies to form corner pockets adapted to receive and hold the corners of the display material. These prior constructions involved additional parts and additional manufacturing operations in their fabrication. Furthermore, since the corner clips were superimposed elements, the mounts so constructed were not well adapted to stacking one on the other during storage or shipment.

It is, therefore, the purpose to provide herein a display mount which avoids the previous objections and to this end the invention provides a mount structure which has provided as an integral part thereof card mounting pockets together with card corner receiving slots, resulting in a simple structure of fewer parts and one capable of even stacking during storage and shipment.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will appear as this specification is read with reference to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this application and in which drawing:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a card mount made in accordance with the invention and having mounted on the face thereof a card in display position;

Fig. 2 is a plan view of one corner of the mount structure;

Fig. 3 is a plan view of one corner of the mount structure having the display card and facial covering material removed to show underlying structure;

Fig. 4 is a sectional view on line 4—4 of Fig. 2; and

Fig. 5 is a plan view of one corner of the mount structure as it appears before the mounting of display material thereon.

In its broadest aspect the physical elements of the mount herein include a base board 10, a facial board 12 overlying the base board 10, and a flexible covering material 14 fixed to and extending over the external surfaces of the boards 10 and 12. The face board 12 has a plurality of marginal cut away portions 16 at spaced points, these cut away portions forming pockets under the covering material 14. A slot 18 is formed in the covering material at a point overlying each of the cut away portions 16 for receiving the corners of a card to be mounted on the mount structure. A card 20 is illustrated in Fig. 1 as having its

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four corners mounted in the corner slots 18, the inwardly extending corners being received under the covering material 14 and within the respective mounting pockets 16.

The invention is embodied in a specific application in Figs. 1 through 5. As herein shown the base board 10 is illustrated as being of substantially rectangular outline. The facial board 12 is of substantially rectangular outline, and its marginal edges throughout a major portion of its circumference conform substantially to the marginal edges of the base board 10. The corner pockets herein are formed by cutting off the corners of the facial board 12 along a diagonal line 22 as best seen in Fig. 3. When the base board 10 and the facial board 12 are assembled in face-to-face relation and bound together into a unitary structure by means of the flexible binding material 14, there is formed at each corner a pocket 16 which is outlined by the corner edges of the base board 10 and the diagonal corner edge 22 of the facial board 12.

The flexible covering material 14 is preferably adhesively affixed to the external surfaces of the base board and the facial board and when this operation is performed by machine methods, the entire surface between the flexible covering material and the encased boards is subjected to the gluing operation. The corner slots 18 are most conveniently cut in the covering material 14 just prior to the cover material gluing operation, and it is desirable to form the slots in the covering material so that they will fall on a line somewhat outwardly of the diagonal corner line 22, thereby avoiding adhesion of the corner pocket slot area to the edge 22 of the facial board. Fig. 2 best illustrates the optimum position of the slots 18 under these conditions.

As best seen in Fig. 1, the mount is provided with corner pockets at each of its four corners and the slots 18 are in this form diagonally arranged thereby providing a slot and corner pocket for each of the four corners of a card to be mounted. It will be appreciated, however, that the structure is applicable to supports adapted to mount only two corners of a card, for example.

The method by which the mount herein is formed may be somewhat varied, but in the preferred practice a base board 10 and a facial board 12 are formed of substantially the same size and outline. Thereafter, the facial board 12 is cut away at spaced points along its margin, specifically herein shown as along the diagonal lines 22 at the corners thereof. Then the two boards

are assembled in face-to-face relationship. When the boards are thus assembled they are run through a wrapping machine which adhesively affixes the flexible covering material 14 about the entire external surface of the boards 10 and 12. Ordinarily, the entire surface of the covering material that lies in contact with the exposed board face is covered with adhesive, little effort being made to avoid the application of adhesive to the portions of the covering material that overlies the corners of the assembled boards. Before the covering material 14 has been attached as indicated, slots, herein specifically shown as the diagonal slots 18, are formed in the covering material at such predetermined positions that they will lie over the interstitial space formed by the cut off corners in the facial board thereby forming mounting pockets in the face of the mount. The practice of the method may also include a further processing step for finishing the mount as by subjecting the same to the pressure of a binder's wringer for smoothing out any wrinkles that may appear on the exposed surfaces. It is possible to vary the method by forming the corner slots 18 in the covering material 14 after the material is adhesively attached to the face of the boards 10 and 12 although in the preferred practice of the invention these slots are formed in the covering material before the covering material has been adhesively attached to the boards. Even though the slots are formed before the covering material is applied to the base boards, the covering material effectively traps a certain amount of air between its inner face and the back board at the point where the facial board has been cut away, thereby avoiding to a large measure the danger that the flexible covering material may collapse and be adhesively attached to the face of the back board in that area during the gluing operation.

The invention has been described herein with reference to one embodiment thereof, but it is apparent that changes may be made without departing from the spirit of the claims in which the invention is particularly defined.

I claim:

1. A card mount comprising a base board, a facial board overlying said base board, a flexible covering material fixed to and extending over the external surfaces of said boards, said facial board having a plurality of cut away marginal portions at spaced points thereby forming pockets under said covering material, and a slot in said covering material over each of said cut away portions adapted to receive the corners of a card to be mounted.

2. A card mount comprising a base board, a facial board overlying said base board, a flexible covering material fixed to and extending over the external surfaces of said boards, said facial board having four cut away portions at spaced points defining the corners of a substantially rectangular area and forming pockets under said covering material, and a slot in said covering material over each of said cut away portions adapted to receive the corners of a card to be mounted.

3. A picture mount comprising a substantially rectangular base board, a substantially rectangular facial board overlying said base board, a flexible covering material fixed to and extending over the external surfaces of said boards, said facial board having cut away portions at the four corners thereof thereby forming pockets under said covering material, and a slot in said covering material over each of said cut away portions adapted to receive the corners of a card to be mounted.

4. A card mount comprising a substantially rectangular base board, a substantially rectangular facial board overlying said base board, a flexible covering material fixed to and extending over the external surfaces of said boards, said facial board having the corners thereof cut away along a diagonal line thereby forming pockets under said covering material, and a diagonal slot in said covering material substantially parallel with each of said diagonally cut corner edges in said facial board adapted to receive the corners of a card to be mounted.

5. The method of making card mounts which comprises forming a base board and a facial board of substantially the same outline and size, cutting away marginal portions of the facial board at spaced points, assembling said boards in face-to-face relationship, forming slots in a flexible covering material at points therein corresponding to the cut away marginal portions of said facial board, adhesively affixing said flexible covering material about the entire external surface of said boards with the slots therein overlying said cut away marginal portions of said facial board, thereby forming mounting pockets in the face of said mount.

6. The method of making card mounts which comprises forming a rectangular base board and a facial board of substantially the same size and outline, cutting away the corners of the facial board, assembling said boards in face-to-face relationship, forming slots in a flexible covering material at points therein corresponding to the cut away corners of said facial board, adhesively affixing said flexible covering material about the entire external surfaces of said boards with the slots therein arranged along a line substantially parallel to the corner cuts of said facial board, thereby forming mounting pockets in the face of said mount.

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