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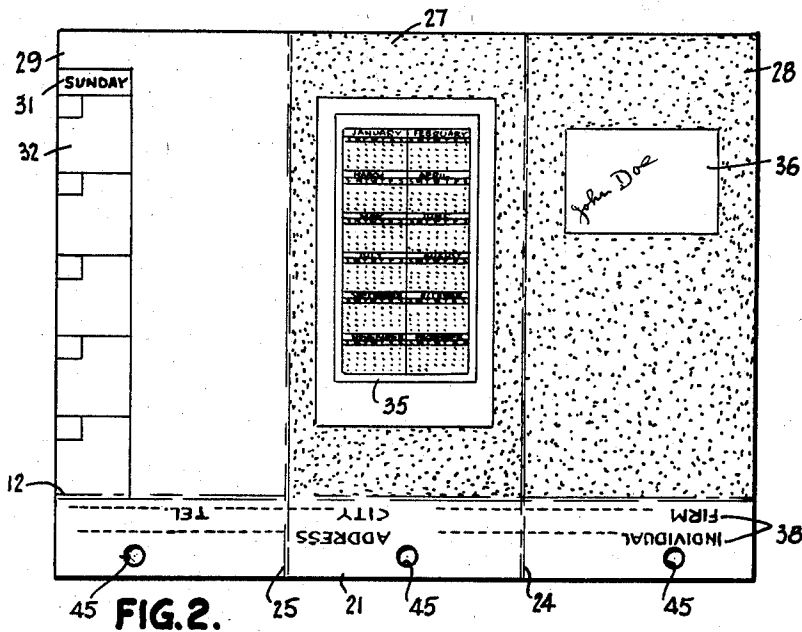
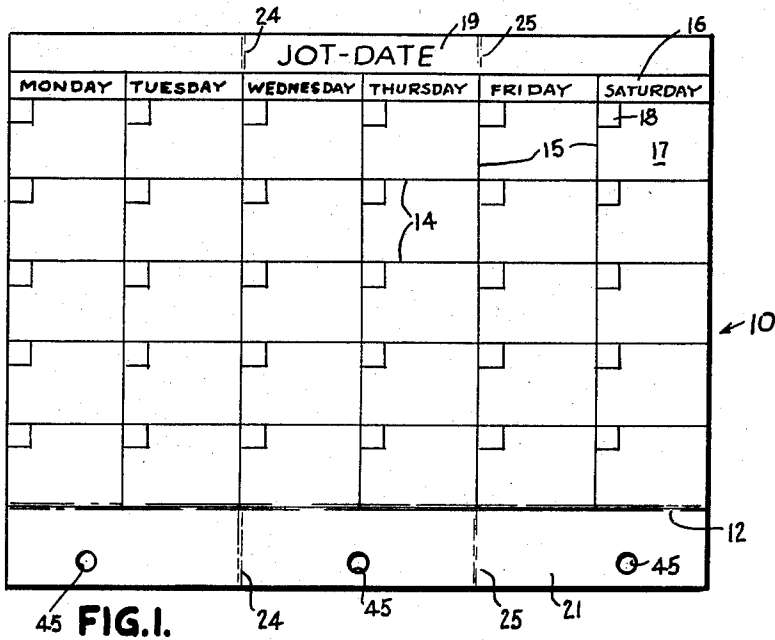
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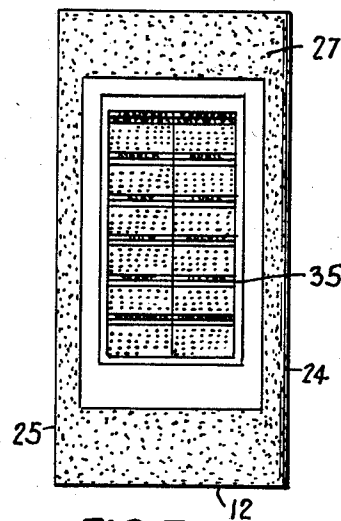
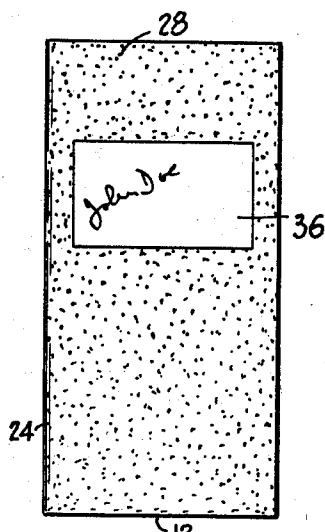
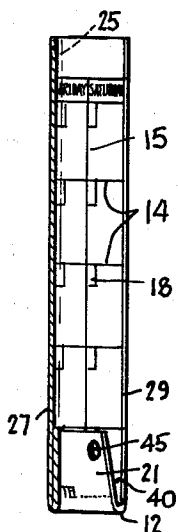
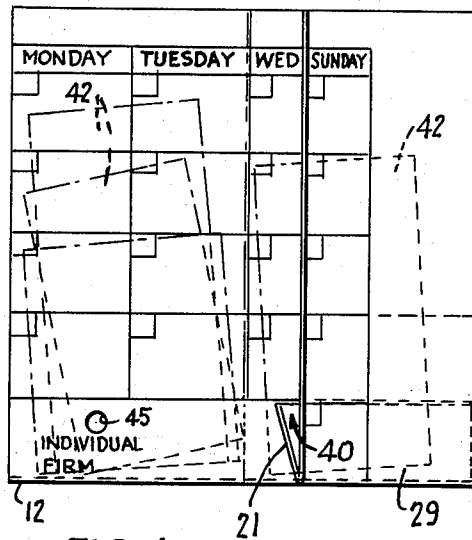
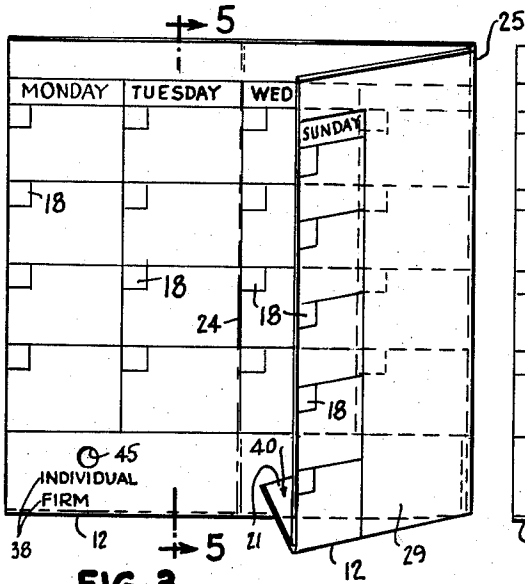
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This invention relates to wallets and, more particularly, to wallets of the pocket secretary type.

One of the main purposes of the pocket secretary type of wallet is to provide a convenient means for recording important events, noting appointments, and in other ways relieving the memory of the individual owner. Of course, these wallets are also used to retain currency notes, business cards, and other important papers in a flat unfolded condition. In other words, such pocket secretary types of wallets are a time-saving and efficient accessory for all busy individuals who require a systematic and handy means for expediting their daily activities.

In many cases, however, such wallets are unduly bulky and cumbersome even before any material is inserted therein, whereby they often cause the pockets to bulge and become uncomfortable to the individual. Furthermore, because of the heavy use to which these wallets are put, they often become worn and shabby so that they must be frequently replaced. It is, therefore, an object of the present invention to provide a pocket wallet which is of extremely simple construction, is systematically arranged, which will accomplish all of the foregoing purposes, and which will overcome the stated disadvantages.

Another object of the present invention is to provide a basically simple combined wallet and pocket secretary that includes a minimum number of parts, that may be manufactured in large quantities at relatively low cost, and which may be readily personalized for the particular individual by whom it is to be used.

A further object of the present invention is to provide a pocket secretary type of wallet having an integrally formed diary which may be used to provide a permanent record of various notes and appointments contained therein, certain parts of the wallet having self-contained filing means for effectively storing the entire diary in a readily visible and convenient manner.

Still another object of the present invention is to provide a pocket wallet of the above type that can be constructed from any one of a variety of materials both expensive and inexpensive, whereby such wallets can be effectively used as gifts, premiums, and advertising specialties and promotional items for mass distribution in various types of professional and business organizations.

Still further object of the present invention is to provide a wallet of the above type that requires a minimum number of steps for its manufacture and which can be mass produced at relatively low cost.

All of the foregoing and still further objects and advantages of this invention will become apparent from a study of the following specification, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, wherein:

Fig. 1 is a plan view of the interior surface of a wallet made in accordance with the present invention, in a completely open position.

Fig. 2 is a view similar to Fig. 1, showing the exterior surface of the wallet.

Fig. 3 is a front view of the wallet shown in Fig. 1, in a partially folded condition.

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Fig. 4 is a view similar to Fig. 3, showing the manner in which various papers are inserted into the wallet.

Fig. 5 is a transverse cross-sectional view taken along line 5—5 of Fig. 3.

Fig. 6 is a front plan view of the wallet in a completely folded position.

Fig. 7 is a rear elevational view of the opposite side of the wallet shown in Fig. 6.

Referring now to the drawing, and more particularly to Fig. 1, thereof, a wallet made in accordance with the present invention is shown to include a blank 10 which is preferably made of an expendable material, such as a heavy paper or light-weight paperboard, plastic, or the like. This blank is provided with a longitudinal fold line 12 which is adjacent to the lower edge of the blank and which extends longitudinally from end to end thereof. This fold line 12 effectively divides the blank 10 into a calendar section and a tab portion 21. The calendar portion is divided by spaced parallel lines 15 into six columns 16 each representing one of the six business days of the week. These columns are further divided by laterally spaced longitudinally extending lines 14 into individual sections 17 representing different business days in each week of a single month. Each individual section 17 is further provided with a small rectangular box 18 into which any particular date may be inserted. The upper edge of the inside of the blank is provided with a blank space 19 which may be used to imprint the particular month for which the calendar is used.

A pair of transversely extending fold lines 24, 25 divide the blank 10 into three panels of substantially equal size. The center panel 27, the front panel 28 and the back panel 29 each having an inside surface which is provided with two of the six columns described. The exterior surface of at least the central panel 27 and one of the end panels 28 is preferably decorated in any suitable manner to provide an attractive exterior appearance when the wallet is folded for use, as shown in Figs. 6 and 7. The exterior surface of the other end panel 29 is provided with an additional single column 31 that is divided into individual section 32 for recording important events for the remaining day of the week, Sunday, which is only occasionally referred to for business purposes. The remaining exterior surface of the second end panel 29 is blank so that any other important notes can be recorded.

The exterior surface of the central panel 27 is provided with a calendar 35 for handy reference, while the exterior surface of the one end panel 28 is provided with a name plate 36 which can be readily personalized for the particular individual by whom the wallet is to be used. Full and complete identification information can be provided upon the exterior surface of the tab portion 21 in the spaces 38 provided therefor.

In normal use, the tab portion 21 is folded upwardly, as shown in Figs. 3 to 5, so as to form a pocket 40 with the adjacent inside surface of the calendar portion of the blank. This pocket 40 provides a convenient storage means for various types of flat articles such as currency, business cards, and the like 42 which may be readily inserted therein when the ends of the wallet are in an open position. When folded, the ends of the wallet effectively retain such inserted articles 42 in place so they are not lost or otherwise misplaced. After the wallet has served its usefulness, it may be permanently filed by opening the tab portion 21 and inserting the flat diary into a file or upon a binder, through the cooperation of the punched holes 45 provided therein. Since these wallets can be readily constructed of a heavy paper or a light weight paperboard, such filing provides an inexpensive and permanent record for all important activities noted by the individual. On the other hand, the inside surface of the

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wallet may be processed so that written notes may be readily erased when desired, for either making corrections or re-using the wallet through a continuous period of different months.

It will now be recognized that this wallet can be manufactured in a very simple and efficient manner, since there are no permanent pockets which require stitching or sealing, and the wallet can be virtually constructed of a single ply of material.

While this invention has been described with particular reference to the construction shown in the drawing, it is to be understood that such is not to be construed as imparting limitations upon the invention, which is best defined by the claim appended hereto.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

A pocket wallet comprising, in combination, a substantially rectangular sheet having a bottom edge, a top edge and two side edges, a transverse fold line extending from side edge to side edge parallel to and adjacent said bottom edge dividing said sheet into a main portion and a narrow tab portion, said tab portion being selectively movable between an open position coplanar with said

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main portion and a folded position overlying an adjacent part of said main portion to define a pocket therewith, and a pair of vertically extending spaced apart crease lines extending entirely across said main portion and said foldable tab portion to define three panels of substantially equal size.

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