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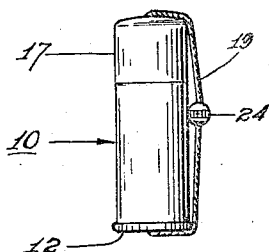


Fig. 1.

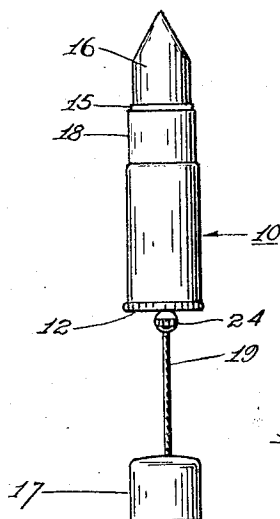


Fig. 2.

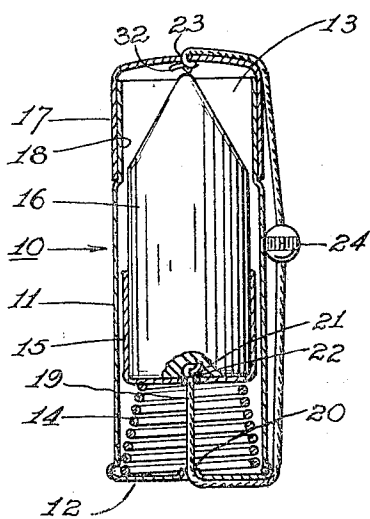


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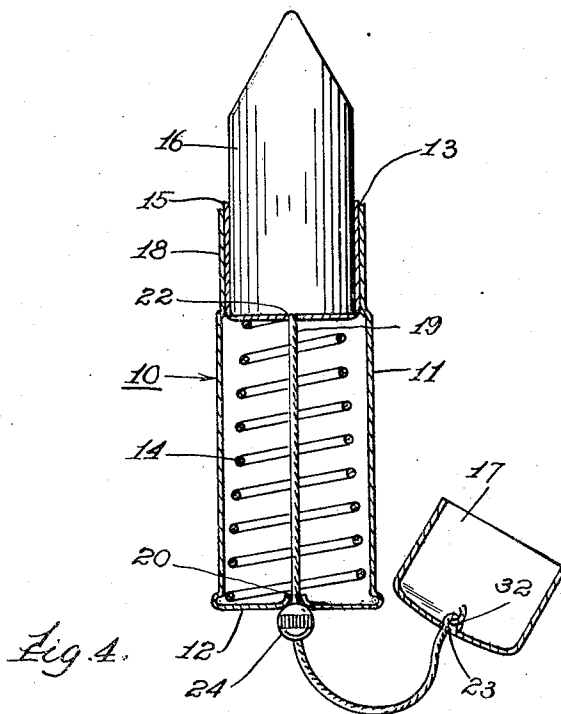


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1 Claim. (Cl. 206—56)

My invention relates to a case for holding lipstick, said case so constructed as to make the lipstick available for application by the user.

Among the objects of my invention is to create a simplified construction for the projection and retraction of a lipstick with relation to a case. To provide a construction which will project a lipstick so that the same may be applied by the user free from any obstructing mechanism adjacent the projected lipstick and such other objects, advantages and capabilities as will later more fully appear and which are inherently possessed by my invention.

While I have shown in the accompanying drawing preferred embodiments of my invention, yet I wish it understood that the same are susceptible of modification and change without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Referring to the drawing, Fig. 1 is an elevational view of my lipstick device in closed position; Fig. 2 is an elevational view of my lipstick device open for use; Fig. 3 is an enlarged longitudinal sectional view of Fig. 1; and Fig. 4 is an enlarged longitudinal sectional view of Fig. 2.

The embodiment selected to illustrate my invention comprises a hollow body member 10 having side walls 11, a closed bottom 12 and an open top 13. A spring 14 is positioned within said body member 10, with the bottom portion of the spring 14 engaging the interior of the closed bottom 12. The upper portion of said spring 14 engages the bottom of a holder or cup 15. The cup 15 is slightly smaller in its dimensions than the hollow interior of the body member 10, so as to permit vertical movement with respect thereto. Said cup 15 is adapted to hold a lipstick 16 or the like.

A cap or closure 17 for the open top 13 is provided, said cap adapted to be removably positioned by friction grip within depression 18 on the side walls 11 adjacent their upper ends.

A cord 19 is attached at or adjacent to its upper end to said cup 15 and extends downwardly through spring 14 and opening 20 in bottom 12, thence to cap 17 to which it is attached at or adjacent to its upper end.

In my preferred form cord 19 has a knot 21 positioned in cup 15 and of a larger size than opening 22 in cup 15 through which cord 19 below knot 21 passes. Cord 19 may also have a knot 25 positioned in cap 17 beyond opening 23 therein.

When the device is in closed position, with cap 17 covering the open top 13, cord 19 extends horizontally across the balance of the cap 17 to

one of the side walls 11 and then vertically along said side walls to the outside of bottom 12 where it extends horizontally until it enters opening 20 as shown in Figs. 1 and 3.

In use after the user removes cap 17 from open top 13, spring 14 exerts upward pressure on the bottom of cup 15 and projects lipstick 16 above the open top 13, as shown in Figs. 2 and 4. In this position the lipstick 16 is free from any obstruction by the cap 17 and may be used without interference. It will be noted that when the cap 17 is removed and released by the user that it will fall by gravity and the force of spring 14 away from any contact with open top 13 and the exposed lipstick 16. There are no complicated attachments or hinges between the cap 17 and the body member 10 adjacent the open top 13. The cap 17 being attached to the cord 19 is, of course, not lost when released by the user, but falls out of the way of the open top. The cap can be easily grasped at any time thereafter by the user for closing the device.

After use of the lipstick the user in moving the cap 17 to be placed on the open top 13 in closed position pulls the cord 19 so that the cup 15 is forced against the action of the spring 14 back into the interior of the body member 10.

A decorative ball 24 is attached to cord 19 at such a place on the cord that when the device is in open position, the ball being of larger diameter than opening 20 cannot enter there-through and bears against the exterior of bottom 12 and stops further movement of the cord. This prevents spring 14 from ejecting cup 15 beyond the point desirable for a proper exposure of lipstick 16. It is also within the contemplation of my invention that other stopping means may be employed.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:

1. A lipstick device comprising a hollow body member having side walls, a closed bottom and an open top, a holder adapted to hold lipstick movable within said body member, a spring positioned within said body member with its lower portion contacting said bottom and its upper portion contacting the bottom of said holder, a separate closure adapted to removably close said open top, said closed bottom having a small opening therethrough, a cord attached on one end to said holder and on the other end to said closure, said cord extending through said opening in said bottom, said spring adapted to exert upward pressure on said holder for projecting said lipstick above said open top when said closure is removed, said closure adapted upon removal from

said open top to fall by gravity completely away from said open top so that the user may grasp the side walls of the body member free from any obstruction by said closure for application of said lipstick by the user, said cord adapted upon pressure from the user on said closure to pull said holder with its lipstick against the action of said spring back into said hollow body member, said cord being of sufficient length to permit said closure to be removably positioned to cover said open top, and a ball of larger diameter than the opening in said bottom, said ball attached to

said cord below said bottom and positioned on said cord spaced from said closure, so that when said closure is removed from the open top of said body member and released from control by the user, said ball will engage the bottom of said body member and stop the upward movement of the spring from ejecting said holder and its lipstick out of said body member, said ball in engaging the bottom of said body member also preventing said closure from contacting the bottom of said body member.

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