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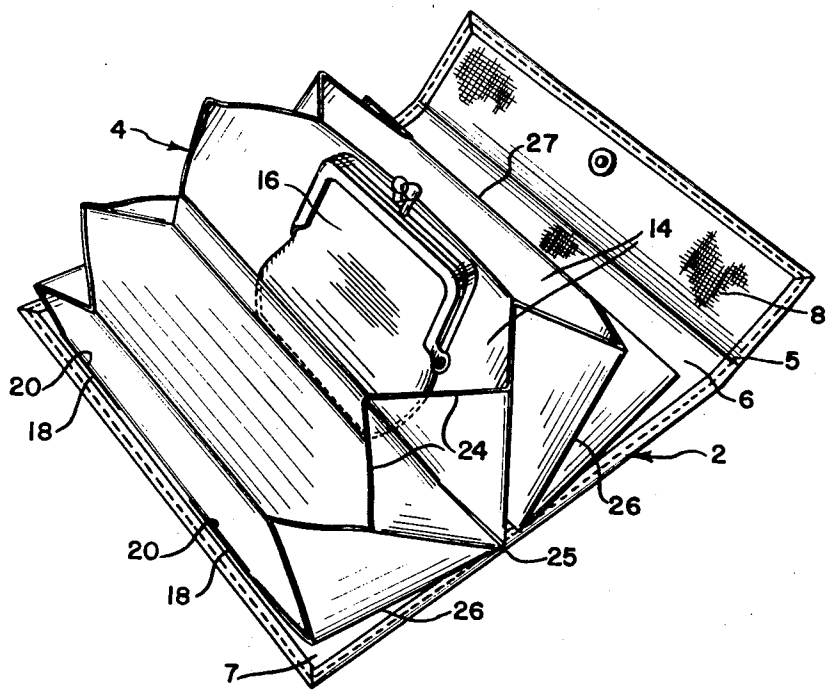
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ABSTRACT: There is disclosed a pocketbook including a bellows-type multiple pocket insert together with a coin purse or money clip, all removably affixable in a cover.



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FIG. 1

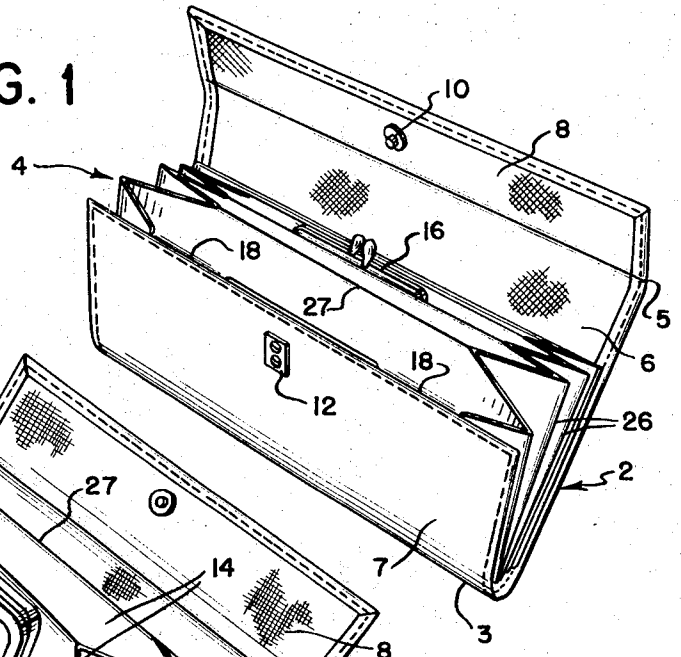


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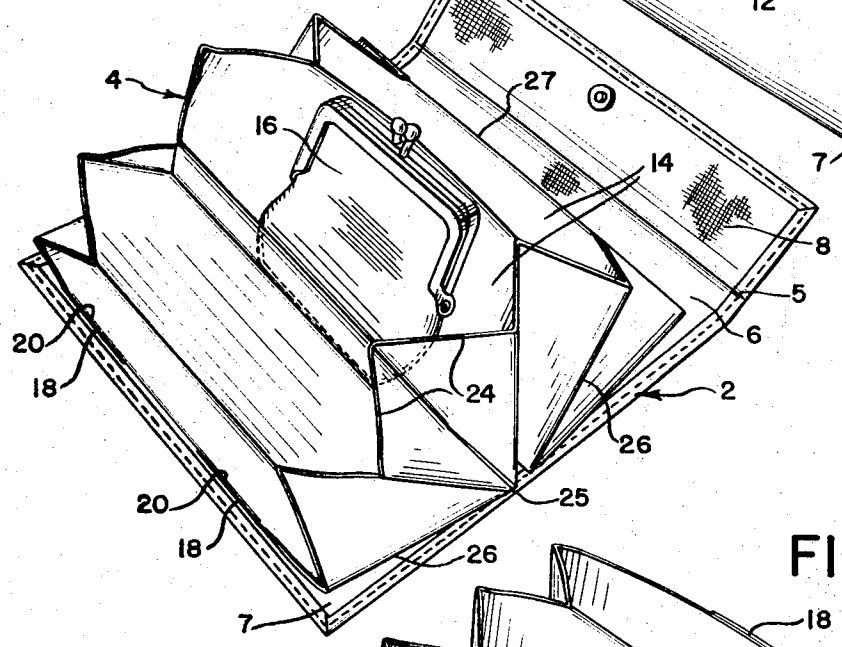
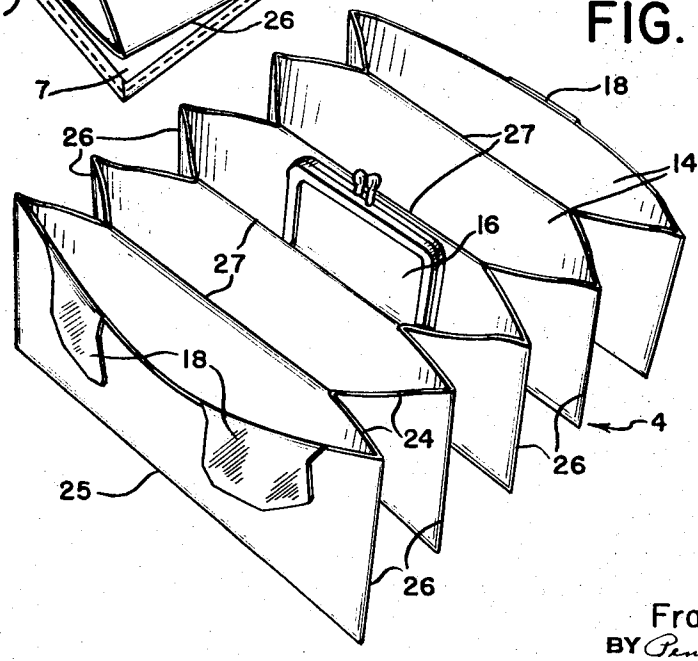
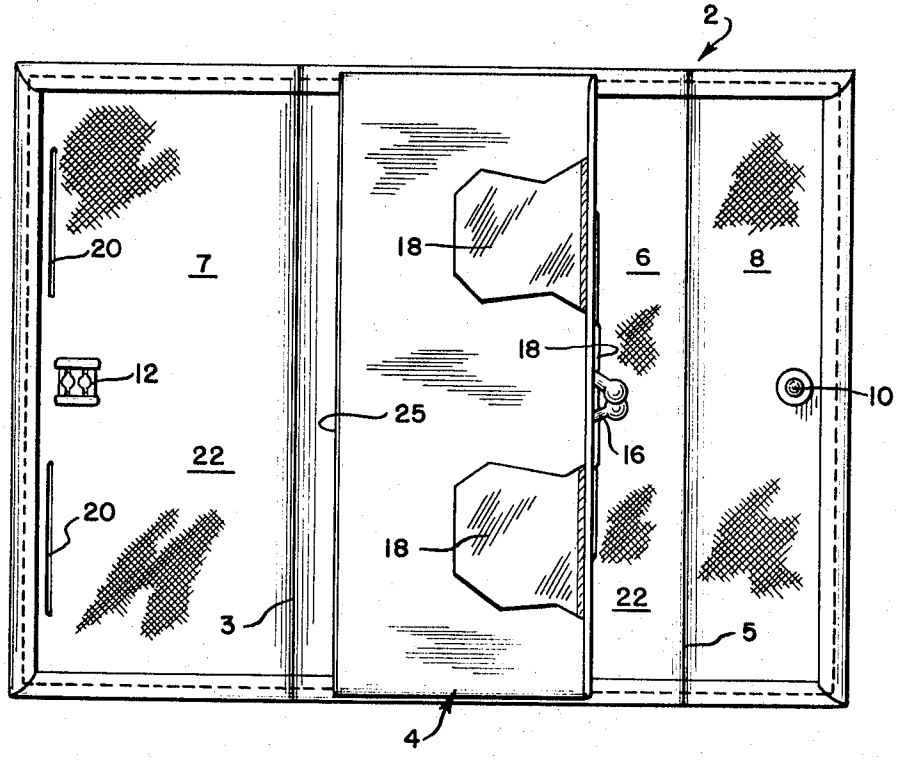


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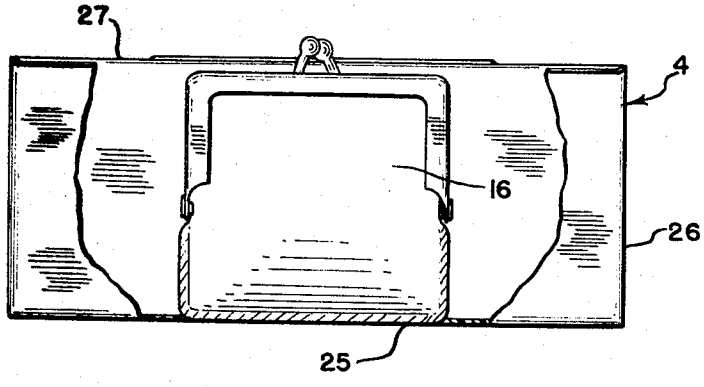


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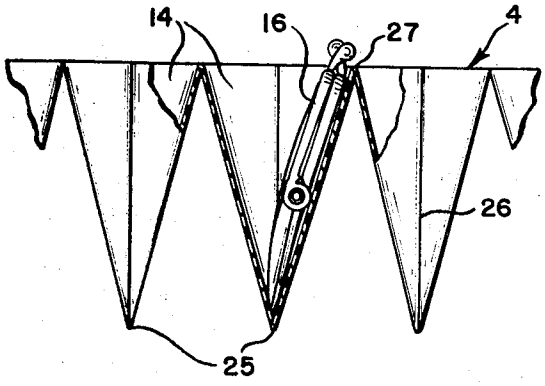


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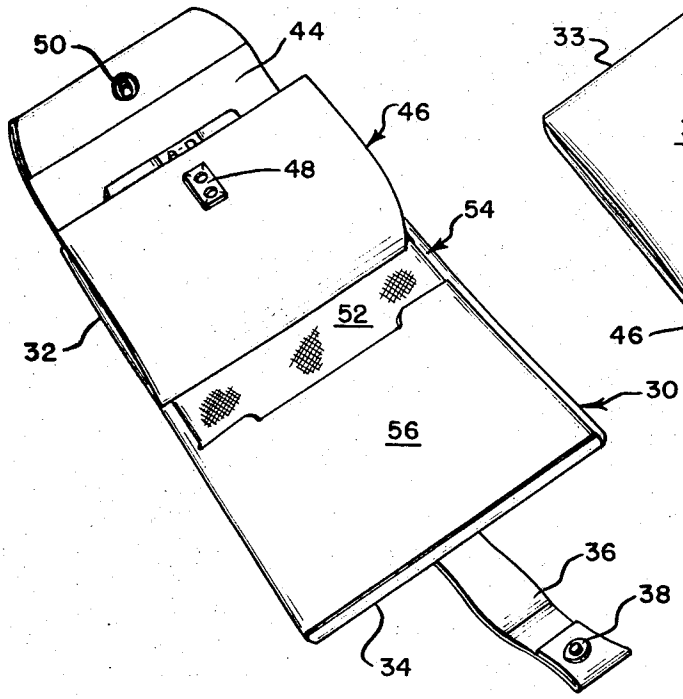


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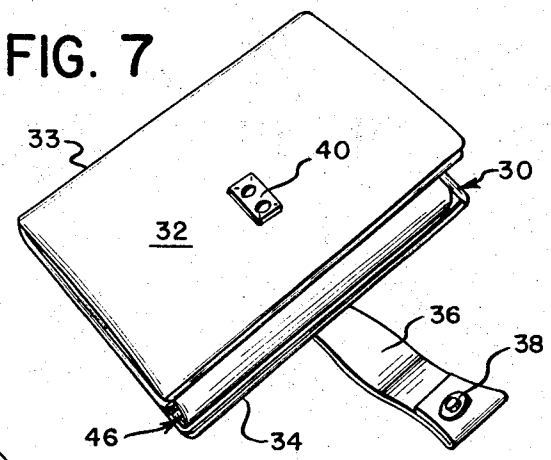


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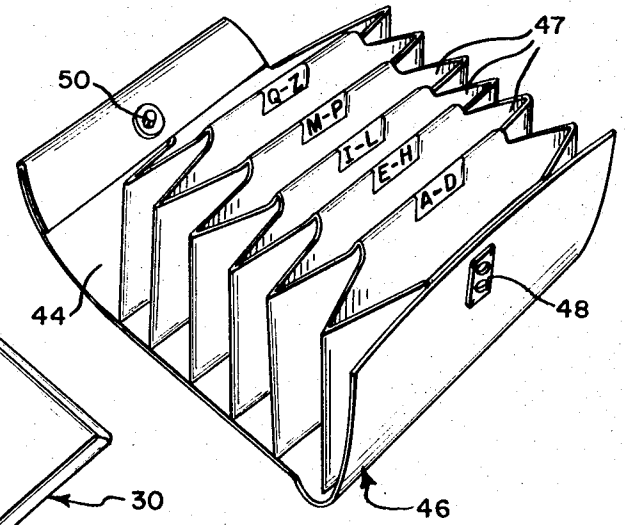
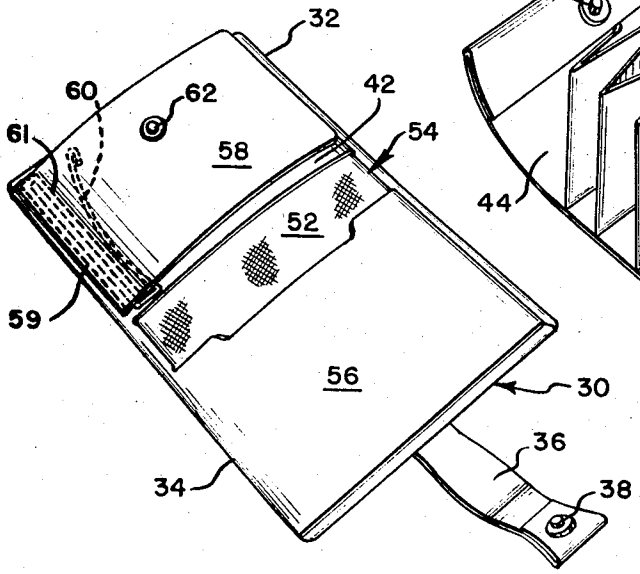


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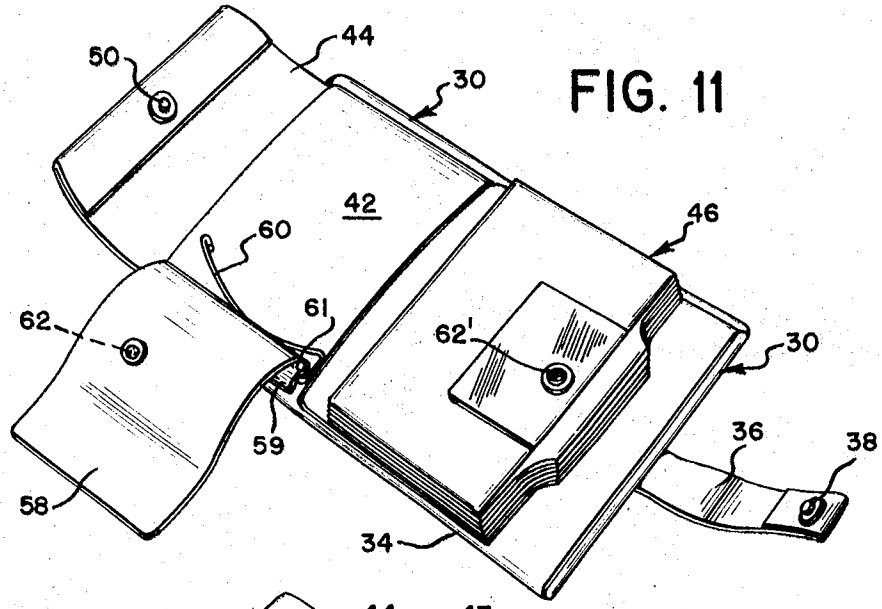


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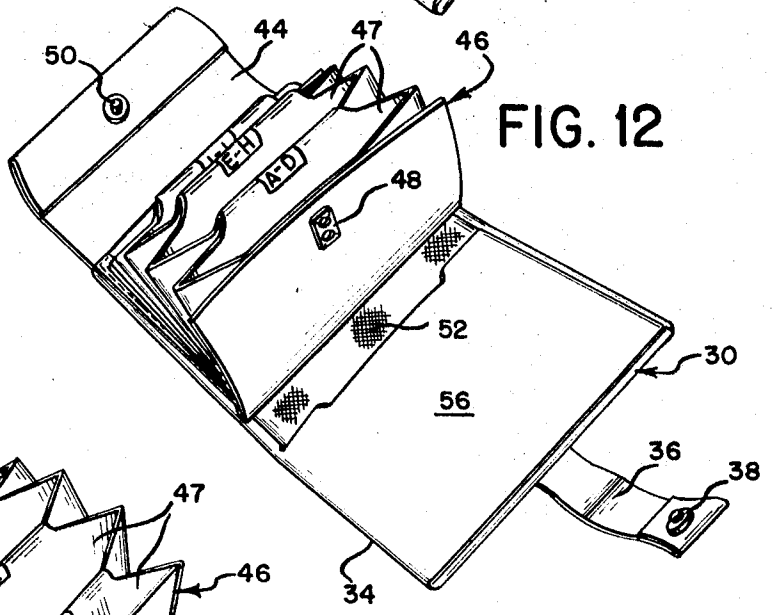
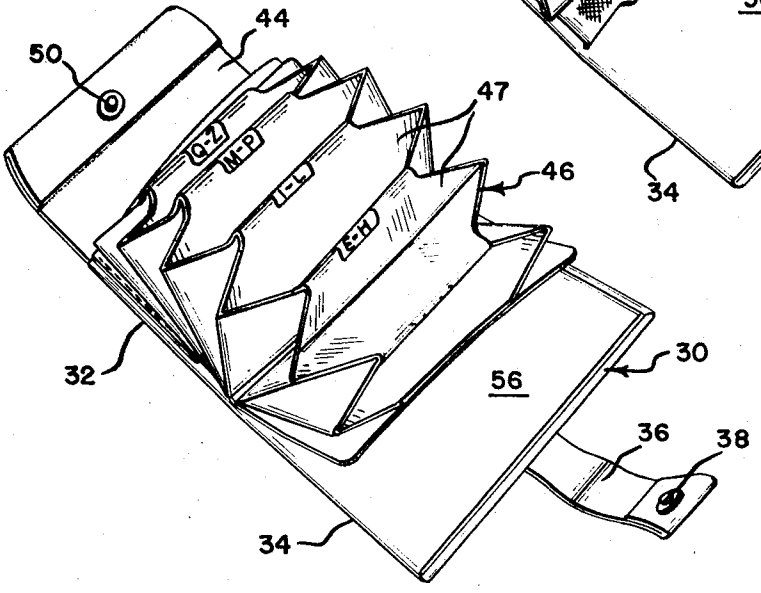


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POCKETBOOK

The present invention relates to pocketbooks for carrying bank notes, papers, business cards and the like. The invention provides a pocketbook of this kind including not only a plurality of pockets of bellows-type but also a supplementary storage means. The pocketbook of the invention will be described in terms of two nonlimitative embodiments thereof with reference to the accompanying drawings.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

In the accompanying drawings FIGS. **1** to **6** illustrate one embodiment of the invention while FIGS. **7** to **13** illustrate a second embodiment. More particularly,

FIG. **1** is a view of a first pocketbook according to the invention;

FIG. **2** is a further view of the pocketbook of FIG. **1**, shown partly opened;

FIG. **3** is a view of the bellows-type multipocket insert in the pocketbook of FIG. **1**;

FIG. **4** is a view of the pocketbook of FIG. **1** in partly-assembled condition;

FIG. **5** is an end view of the insert to the pocketbook of FIG. **1**, partly cut away to show the coin purse therein;

FIG. **6** is a side view of the insert of the pocketbook of FIG. **1**, again partly cut away to show the coin purse therein;

FIG. **7** is a view of a second form of pocketbook according to the invention in closed condition;

FIG. **8** is a further view of the pocketbook of FIG. **7** partly open;

FIG. **9** is a view of the pocketbook of FIG. **7** with the multipocket insert thereof removed;

FIG. **10** is a view of the multipocket insert of the pocketbook of FIG. **7**;

FIG. **11** is a further view of the pocketbook of FIG. **7** in partly assembled condition; and

FIGS. **12** and **13** are two views of the pocketbook of FIG. **7** with the multiple pocket insert thereof, shown in different degrees of opening.

Referring to FIGS. **1** to **6**, a first form of pocketbook according to the invention includes a cover generally indicated at **2**, and a removable, expansible, bellows-type multipocket insert generally indicated at **4**, which is removably affixable to the cover. The cover has the shape of an envelope open at the sides, with folds at **3** and **5** defining a back portion **6**, a lower flap **7**, and an upper flap **8**. The upper flap **8** carries on its inner surface one-half **10** of a snap fastener the other half **12** of which is on the exterior of the lower flap **7**.

The insert **4** includes a plurality of separate pockets **14** (FIG. **3**), a coin purse **16**, and flaps **18** which are engageable in slits formed in a lining **22** of the cover for removably securing the insert to the cover. Two of these flaps are shown in full in FIG. **3**, at one end of the insert, while the upper edge of a flap **18** can also be seen in FIG. **3** at the right-hand end of the insert, as seen in FIG. **3**. The two slits **20** for reception of the flaps **18** at the left end of the insert (as seen in FIG. **3**) are shown in FIG. **4**, where the insert **4** is also seen. A similar slit is provided in the lining **22**, adjacent the fold **5**, to receive the flap **18** which is at the right in FIG. **3**.

The insert **4** may be made of a single sheet of fabric or plastic, suitably slitted as indicated at **24** in FIG. **3**, folded as at **25** and **27**, and heat-sealed at edges **26** to make up a plurality of connected pockets **14**. The tabs or flaps **18** are affixed to the end pockets and a coin purse **16** is affixed to one of the intermediate pockets, preferably by heat-sealing along the bottom edge **25** thereof (FIGS. **5** and **6**).

In the embodiment of FIGS. **7** to **13**, a cover **30** includes upper and lower back portions **32** and **34** joined along a fold **33** (FIG. **7**). For closure a tongue **36** having one-half **38** of a two-part fastener extends from the lower back portion **34**. The other half **40** of this fastener is disposed on the exterior surface of the upper back portion **32**.

The cover **30** has affixed to the inner surface thereof, along three sides, a lining **52** to form a side pocket indicated at **54** for the reception of bank notes or the like. Thus the embodiment of FIGS. **7** to **13** includes a billfold of generally customary type. It includes in addition a loop **42** affixed to the opposite edges of the lining **52**, under which is passed the backing strip **44** of a removable bellows-type multipocket insert generally indicated at **46** in FIGS. **7**, **8**, and **11** to **13**, also forming part of the pocketbook of FIG. **7**.

A flap **56** corresponding to the loop **42** may be provided across the lower half of the lining, as indicated in FIG. **9**, secured however along three sides of the lining to form a pocket. The loop **42** and the flap **56** may be integral with the cover **30**, being folded and being glued or otherwise fastened to the lining in a manner known in the art of wallet construction.

The insert **46** includes a bellows-type group of pockets **47** which may be similar in construction to the insert **4** described in connection with FIGS. **1** to **6**. The group of pockets **47** is affixed at one end to the backing strip **44**, as illustrated in FIG. **10**. For this purpose there may be employed one-half **48** of a two-part detachable fastener, the other half **50** of which is affixed to the opposite end of the backing strip **44**. The backing strip can then be closed upon itself to make of the insert **46** a self-contained purse, whether as part of the complete pocketbook of FIGS. **7** and **8** (i.e. with the backing strip **44** passed under the loop **42**), or with the insert detached from the cover **30** as it appears in FIG. **10** of the drawings.

Over the loop **42** there is provided a flap **58**, fastened at one side, as by stitching **59**, to the loop **42**. A money clip **60** in the form of a wire bow fits at one end into a narrow slot formed between the flap **58** and loop **42** by means of the stitches **59** and a second row of stitches **61**. The free end of the bow extends between the loop **42** and the free portion of the flap **58**, as illustrated in phantom in FIG. **9** and as further illustrated in FIG. **11**, to serve as a clip for bank notes.

The flap **58** bears one-half **62** of a two-part fastening means, the other half **62'** of which is provided on the end of the bellows **47** opposite that which is affixed at **48** to the back strip **44**. See FIGS. **10** and **11**. Accordingly, the bellows may be fastened at one end to the flap **58**, so that its other end may be pulled open in accordion fashion as illustrated in FIGS. **12** and **13**.

The invention thus provides a pocketbook comprising a cover, a bellows-type multiple pocket, and supplementary storage means—a coin purse in the embodiment of FIGS. **1** to **6** and a money clip in the embodiment of FIGS. **7** to **13**. The invention further provides in the embodiment of FIGS. **7** to **13** a pocketbook comprising a side opening billfold, a detachable multiple pocket purse, and a money clip.

While the invention has been described hereinabove in terms of two presently preferred embodiments, the invention itself is not limited thereto. Thus for example referring to FIGS. **1** to **6**, the insert **4** may be affixed to the cover by any suitable means of which the flaps **18** and slits **20** are only exemplary. More generally, the invention comprehends all modifications on and departures from the embodiments hereinabove described properly falling within the spirit and scope of the appended claims.

I Claim:

1. A pocketbook comprising a cover divided by at least two parallel folds into at least three parts, means to fasten the inner surface of an end one of said parts to the exterior surface of the other end one of said parts, a lining attached to the cover, said lining being slotted on said other end one of said parts, a plurality of expansible bellows-type pockets integrally connected one to the other, a tongue affixed to one of said pockets for engagement between the cover and lining where the lining is slotted, and a coin purse affixed to one of said pockets.