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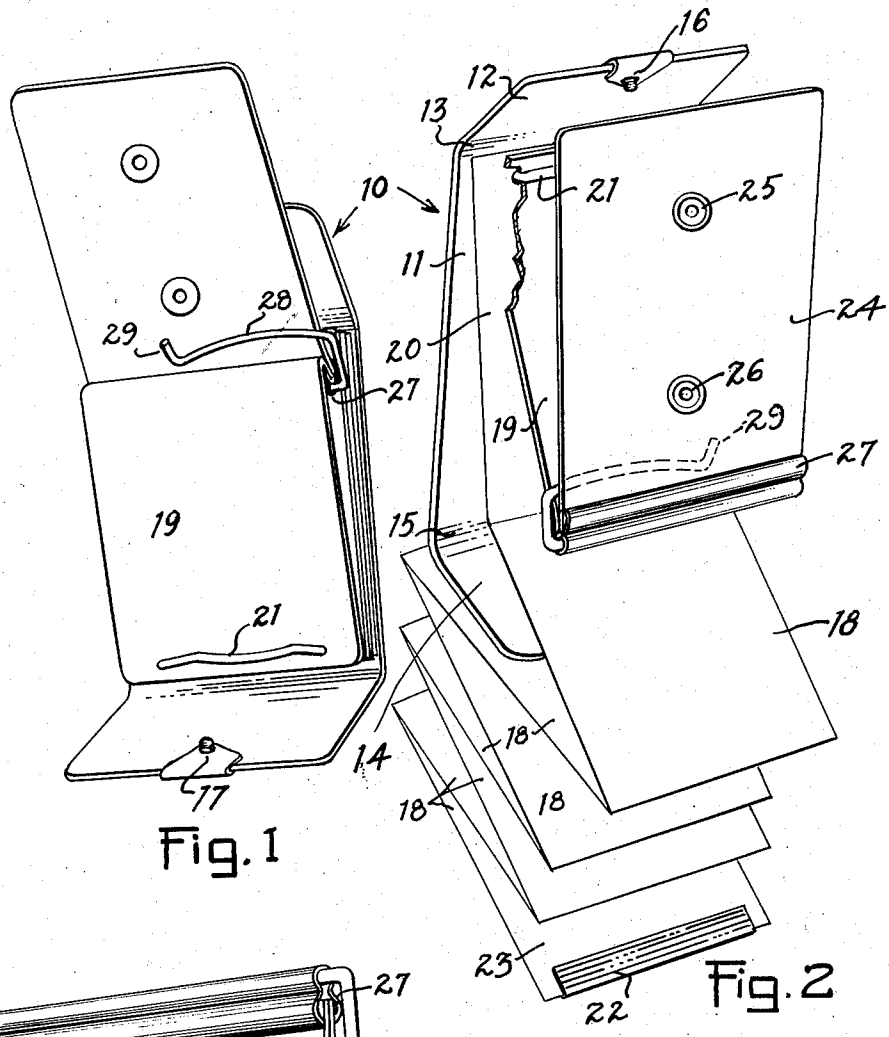


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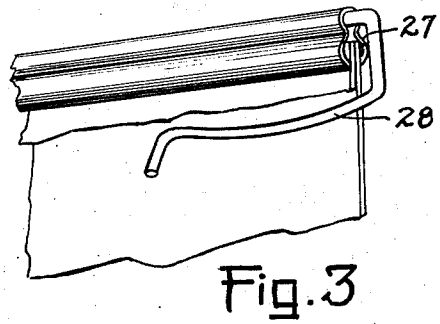


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This invention relates to a pass case for a wallet or the like which contains a number of novel constructional features.

The large number of identification and other pass-type cards carried by most individuals requires a structure to permit selective display thereof and proper safekeeping of the cards in the wallet. A number of such structures have been produced among them the type used in the instant invention

It is also necessary, in present day practice, to use a larger number of small paper bills than heretofore. The inflationary spiral has required the use of dollar bills where small change would heretofore serve.

Generally the owner of a wallet does not like to display his store of bills, particularly when those are of large denomination, since such display, if in a public place, is an open invitation to pickpockets or worse.

The pass case of this invention has for its principal object, the provision of a construction which will permit the selective removal of small bills from a wallet without the attendant display of the other bills of larger denomination contained therein.

The construction also provides means for selectively displaying a series of passes and provision for securing them within the case.

The invention also embodies means for selectively displaying the passes contained within the pass case or removing one or more bills of small denomination therefrom without display of any other bills of larger denomination which may be contained elsewhere within the wallet.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent from the detailed description thereof.

The invention may be briefly described as comprising a first flap, a second flap, and a third flap. Each of the flaps is secured to the adjacent flap at an end portion thereof. A series of laterally secured vertically aligned pass envelopes, which are foldable one upon another, are disposed in folded relationship between the first and second flaps.

The first envelope of the series of pass envelopes is operatively connected to the flaps between which it is disposed (by means of a holding member in the preferred modification).

A springable holding member adapted to support paper money is operatively connected to the second and third flaps and is disposed in extending relationship therebetween. Fastening means are provided upon the flaps which are adapted to removably secure the free ends of the flaps to one another and to permit selective exposure of the pass envelopes or the paper money holding member.

In the preferred modification of this invention as shown in the drawings herein and described in detail in this specification, a transverse holding member is provided across the bottom edge of the last pass envelope of the series. A transverse clip member is provided to hold

the second flap to the third flap and the paper money holding member is connected to the clip member.

The first flap is provided with integral longitudinal extensions which are laterally secured thereto, a snap fastener member is provided on each of the extensions, and additional complementary snap fastener members are disposed in spaced relationship upon the third flap.

The flaps themselves are made of flexible material preferably leather or plastic "leather-type" materials.

The invention will be further described by reference to the accompanying drawings which are made a part of this specification. The form shown in the drawings is the preferred manner in carrying out this invention.

Fig. 1 is a perspective view, with the flaps in open relationship, of the pass case of this invention showing the position of the parts and the money holding member therein.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the pass case of this invention, with the flaps in open relationship, and with the series of pass envelopes extending from said flaps in partially extended relationship.

Fig. 3 is a detail view of the money holding member and associated parts of this invention, showing the means used to join the second and third flaps to one another.

The invention will now be described in detail by reference to the specific form of the invention shown in the drawings.

The pass case **10** of this invention has a first flap **11**. An integral longitudinal extension **12** is laterally secured to an end portion thereof at **13**. A similar integral longitudinal extension **14** is laterally secured to an opposite end portion thereof at **15**. Extension **12** bears snap fastener member **16** and extension **14** bears snap fastener member **17**.

A series of laterally aligned transparent pass envelopes made up of envelopes **18** is disposed in folded relationship between first flap **11** and a second flap **19**. The envelopes **18** making up the series are foldable one upon another. The first envelope **20** of the series is secured between flaps **11** and **19** by holding member **21** which also serves to hold flaps **11** and **19** to one another.

An additional holding member **22** is disposed at the bottom edge of the last envelope **23** of the series.

A third flap **24** is also provided which bears spaced snap fastener members **25** and **26**. Members **25** and **26** are complementary to fastener members **16** and **17** respectively. Third flap **24** is joined to second flap **19** at an end portion of flap **19** opposite to that joined to flap **11**. The junction of flaps **19** and **24** is achieved by means of transverse clip **27**.

A flexible paper money holding member is secured to clip **27** and extends between flaps **19** and **24**. The money holding member is designated by reference character **28** and bears an offset portion **29** at its terminal end.

The operation of this invention will now be explained.

Before the pass case is used a number of passes are placed within pass envelopes **18** and paper money is slid between clip **28** and flaps **19** and **24**. When the case is to be closed extensions **12** and **14** are brought over flap **24** and fasteners **16—25** and **17—26** meshed.

When the user wishes to display pass envelopes he disengages fasteners **17—26** from one another, grasps holding member **22**, extends envelopes **18** from their folded position and displays the pass desired. After such display the envelopes **18** are again folded one upon another, disposed between flaps **11** and **19**, and fasteners **17—26** engaged.

When it is desired to remove paper money from holding member **28** fasteners **16—25** are disengaged from one another, the requisite bill or bills slid from between mem-

ber 28 and the flaps 19 and 24, and fasteners 16—25 re-engaged to close the case.

The foregoing specific embodiments of this invention as set forth in the specification herein are for illustrative purposes and for purposes of example only. Various changes and modification may obviously be made within the spirit and scope of this invention and would occur to those skilled in this art.

I claim:

1. A pass case comprising, in combination, a first flap having integral extensions laterally secured thereto at opposite ends thereof, a fastening member upon each of said extensions, a second flap pivotally and laterally secured to said first flap at an end portion thereof, a series of laterally secured vertically disposed transparent pass envelopes foldable one upon another disposed in folded relationship between said first and second flaps, the first envelope of said series being operatively connected to said last-named flaps, a third flap laterally and pivotally secured to said second flap, a springable paper money holding member operatively connected to said second and third flaps and extending therebetween adjacent to the junction between said second and third flaps, and complementary fastening members upon said third flap designed to mesh with said first-named fastening members.

2. A pass case comprising, in combination, a flexible first flap having integral longitudinal extensions laterally secured thereto at opposite end portions thereof, a snap fastening member upon each of said extensions, a flexible second flap, a first transverse holding member securing end portions of said first flap and said second flap to one another, a series of laterally secured vertically disposed transparent pass envelopes foldable one upon another disposed in folded relationship between said first and second flaps and extensible therefrom, the first envelope of said series being secured between said flaps by said first-named holding member, a second transverse holding member secured to the bottom edge of the last envelope of said series, a flexible third flap, a transverse clip member securing an opposite end portion of said second flap to an end portion of said third flap, a springable paper money holding member secured to said clip member and extending between said second flap and said third flap, and spaced complementary snap fastener members upon said third flap adapted to mate with the snap fastener members upon the longitudinal extensions of said first flap.

3. A pass case comprising, in combination, a flexible first flap having integral longitudinal extensions laterally secured thereto at opposite end portions thereof, a fastener member upon each of said extensions, a flexible second flap secured to said first flap at an end portion thereof, a pass envelope disposed between said first and second flaps and secured thereto, a flexible third flap secured at one of its end portions to an opposite end portion of said second flap, a springable paper money holder in operative connection with said second and third flaps and disposed therebetween adjacent to the junction between said second and third flaps, and spaced complementary fastener members upon said third flap adapted to mate with the fastener members upon the longitudinal extensions of the first flap.

4. A pass case comprising, in combination, a first flap, a second flap in adjacent relationship with said first flap, and a third flap in adjacent relationship with said second flap, wherein the opposite end portions of said second flap are secured respectively to said first and third flaps, a series of laterally secured vertically aligned transparent pass envelopes foldable one upon another disposed in folded relationship between said first and second flaps, the first envelope of said series being operatively connected to said first and second flaps, a springable holding member adapted to support paper money operatively connected to said second and third flaps and extending therebetween adjacent to the junction between said second and third flaps, fastening means upon said first flap and complementary fastening means upon said third flap adapted to secure said first and third flaps removably to one another.

5. A pass case comprising, in combination, a first flap, a second flap adjacent to said first flap, and a third flap in adjacent relationship with said second flap, wherein the opposite end portions of said second flap are secured respectively to said first and third flaps, a series of laterally secured vertically aligned pass envelopes foldable one upon another disposed in folded relationship between said first and second flaps, the first envelope of said series being operatively connected to said first and second flaps, a transverse holding member secured to the bottom edge of the last envelope of said series, a springable holding member adapted to support paper money operatively connected to said second and third flaps and extending therebetween adjacent to the junction between said second and third flaps, fastening means upon said first flap and complementary fastening means upon said third flap adapted to secure said first and third flaps removably to one another.

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