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Fig. 1

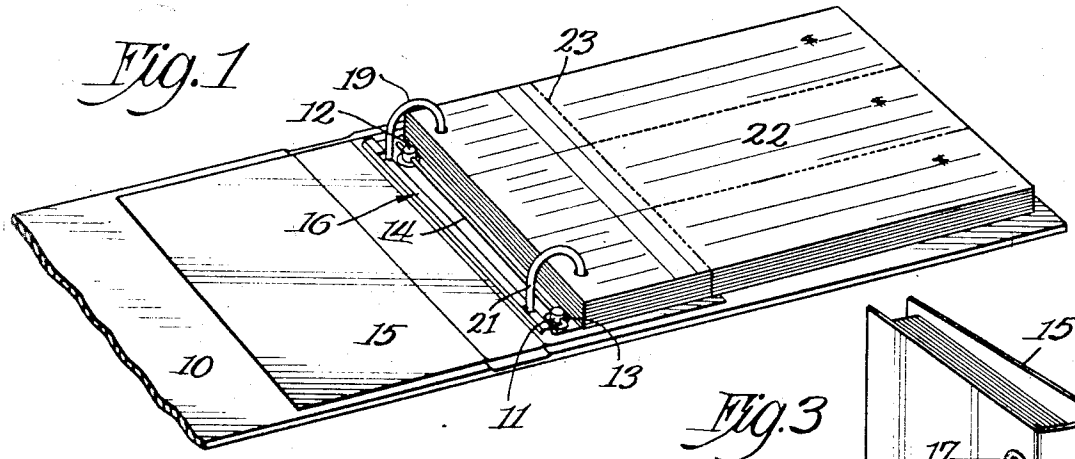


Fig. 3

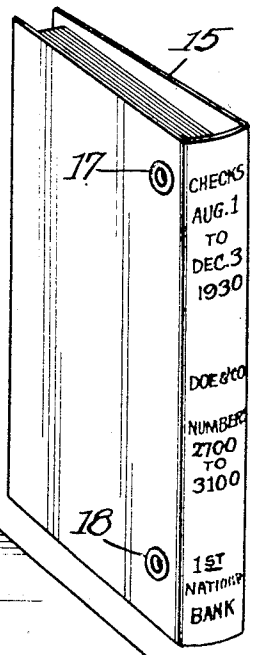


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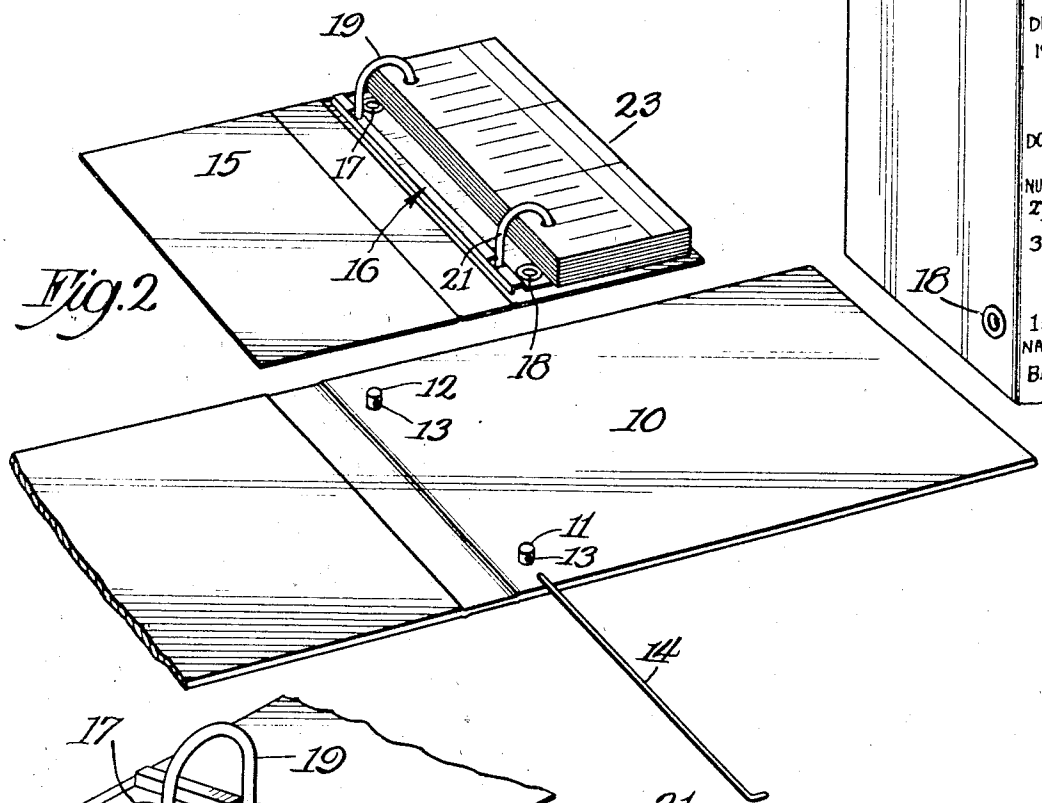
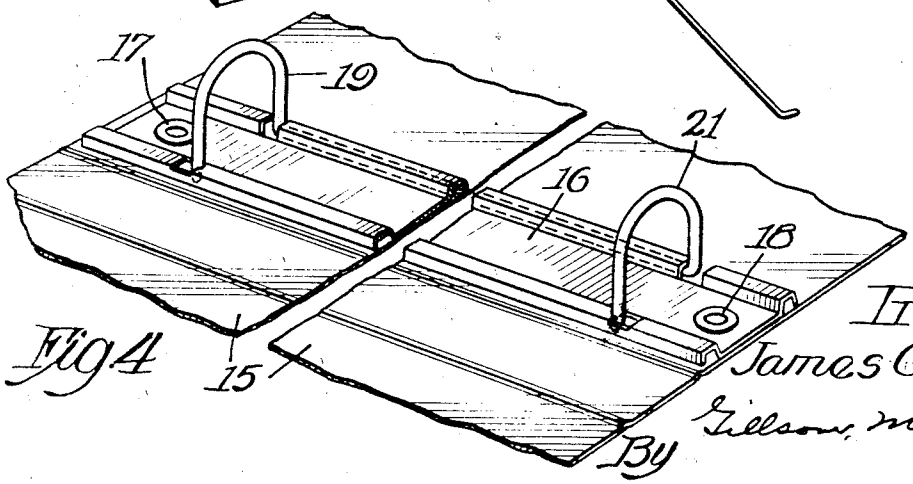


Fig 4



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The principal object of this invention is to provide a permanent binder for the check stubs which may be detached from a larger and more elaborate binder for the complete checks.

Other objects and advantages will become apparent as the description proceeds and the specification is read in conjunction with the accompanying drawing, in which

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of an opened check book;

Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing the opened stub binder and opened check book cover;

Fig. 3 is a back perspective view of the closed stub binder; and

Fig. 4 is a detail perspective view of the binder mechanism which I prefer to use with this device.

Neither this specific illustration, nor the correspondingly specific description, are to be taken in a limiting sense, for they are here used for the purpose of disclosure only.

It is a great convenience, in drawing checks, to have them bound in some sort of ring book mechanism, since in this case the stubs lie perfectly flat, and they may then be written on with ease. Previously when such books have been supplied the check book cover has been made as cheaply as possible, for it is cut off or destroyed when all of the checks in the book have been made out.

For many reasons, among which might be mentioned bank advertising, it is desirable that the check book cover be well made and substantial, but to supply such a cover with each book of checks has proved too expensive a practice.

The present invention furnishes a substantial check book cover and a simple and effective stub binder which may be easily detached therefrom, and which also may be used as the file binder for the stubs.

The check book cover, indicated by 10 in Fig. 1, comprises stiff cardboards covered with any suitable material. Adjacent its hinge it bears two inwardly directed posts 11 and 12, which are perforated at 13, 13, to receive a key or pin 14. The stub cover 15 preferably is composed of a creased sheet of flexible cardboard or fibre, folded into book form large enough to cover the check stubs. Adjacent its hinge it bears a loose leaf binder metal 16, which may be of any form desired, or, in its simplest embodiment, may be even two staples or rings which form a retainer for the punched check leaves.

The preferred embodiment which is here illustrated is attached to the stub binder by means of the eyelets 17 and 18, the internal diameter of which is sufficiently large to allow them to fit over the posts 11 and 12. The binding rings 19, 21, retain a block 22 of perforated checks, which may be torn from the stub along the parting line 23.

A depositor initially receives from the bank the cover 10 and a block of checks, 22, held in the stub binder assembly. This is placed in the cover over the posts 11 and 12, and locked in place by the key 14. When the checks are exhausted the key 14 is withdrawn. The proper notation for serial numbers or dates may be placed on the back of the stub binder, as indicated in Fig. 3, and the stubs then filed away. A new block of checks with a new stub binder is then received from the bank and inserted in the cover.

It is obvious that the stub binder may not necessarily take the form of a book. It may be simply a loose leaf binder metal adapted to fit over the posts 11 and 12, and the covers protecting the check stubs may be simply punched cards. I consider the form illustrated preferable, however, since otherwise no space is provided to describe the contents of the stub binder.

What I claim, therefore, is:

1. In a check book, a cover bearing a plurality of perforated posts, a stub cover, and a loose leaf binder metal attached to the stub cover by eyelets located and adapted to fit over said posts.

2. In a check book cover, a detachable element comprising a sheet of flexible material folded to form a cover adapted to contain check stubs, ring binding apparatus permanently affixed thereto, an intermediate section of the sheet when folded constituting the back of the stub-containing cover and being adapted to receive an identifying legend,

said detachable element being adapted to engage retaining means within the check book cover.

3. In a check book, a sheet of flexible material folded to form the sides and back of a book cover, a loose leaf binder metal permanently attached to one of the side sections of the cover, such side and metal being eyeleted, and an outer cover sheet provided with posts for entering the eyelets.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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