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BRUSH CASE

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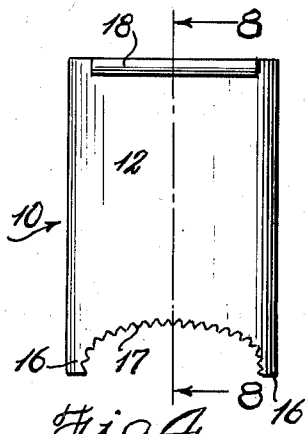


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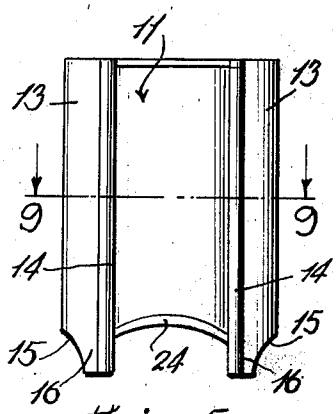


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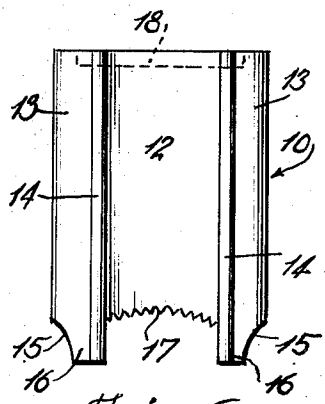


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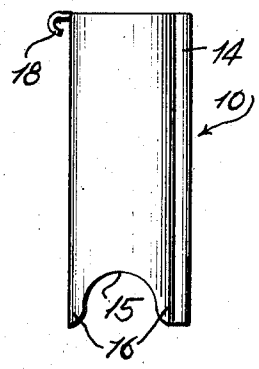


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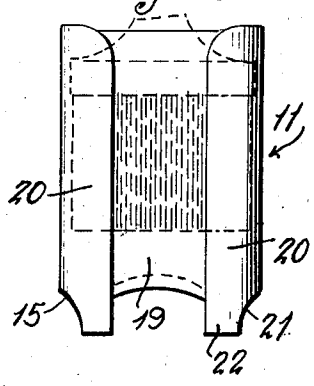


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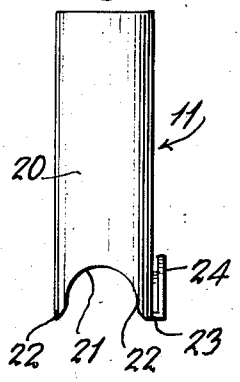


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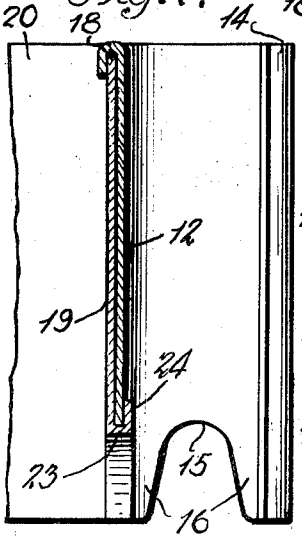


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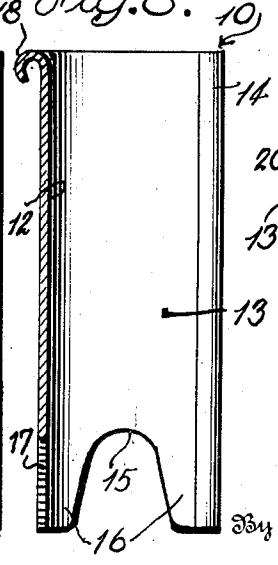
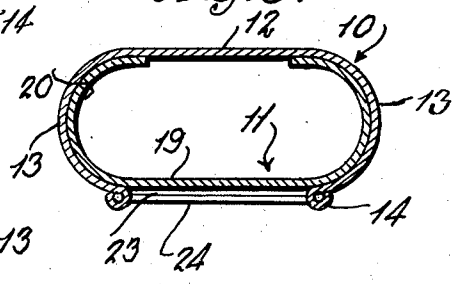


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BRUSH CASE

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This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in brush cases.

The primary object of the invention is to provide a case for brushes capable of use for displaying new brushes or for the holding of brushes after use thereof, especially paint brushes, wherein the case is formed of a pair of separably connected sections with the brush confined therein without gripping engagement with the bristles of the brush and wherein the sections of the case may be separated so that a brush may be mounted in each section or the sections connected together in a manner whereby a brush may be held in each section.

A further object of the invention is to provide a brush case of the foregoing character for holding paint brushes or the like in which the case is formed of two separably connected sections, one of the sections having a serrated or barbed arcuate edge to be used in the cleaning of the bristles of a used brush while one of the edges of the other section has a rolled arcuate edge that is employed in removing or squeezing excess paint from the bristles of a brush, the case being constructed to provide supporting feet at its lower end whereby a new brush may be displayed in the case in an upright position with a lip on the upper end of one section to facilitate suspension of the case on a cord, wire, hook or the like for display purposes.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a brush case of the same general cross-sectional configuration as the head stock of a paint brush, the case being open at its upper and lower ends so that the same may be engaged with the head stock to permit the bristles of the brush to extend into or below the case a desired distance for display or for immersion in a storage container having liquid therein and holding the head stock and handle of the brush upwardly of the upper level of the liquid so that the head, stock and handle remain in a clean and dry condition.

With the above and other objects in view that will become apparent as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in the novel form, combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter more fully described, shown in the accompanying drawing and claimed.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of a brush case constructed in accordance with the present invention;

Figure 2 is an opposite side elevational view showing the case as formed of inner and outer sections;

Figure 3 is a front elevational view of the outer section showing an open side, an arcuate lower end to a closed side with the arcuate end serrated;

Figure 4 is a side elevational view of the outer section of the case showing a rolled lip at the upper end of the closed side;

Figure 5 is a front elevational view of the inner section of the case with a paint brush illustrated by dotted lines as supported therein;

Figure 6 is a side elevational view of the inner case;

Figure 7 is a fragmentary vertical sectional view of the case sections arranged back to back and interfittingly engaged for the combined display of two brushes;

Figure 8 is a vertical cross-sectional view taken on line 8—8 of Figure 1, with the inner section of the case removed; and

Figure 9 is a horizontal sectional view taken on line 9—9 of Figure 2.

Referring more in detail to the accompanying drawing, there is illustrated a case, especially designed for paint brushes and is composed of outer and inner sections respectively designated in general by the reference characters 10 and 11, said sections in end elevation being of the general configuration of the head stock of a paint brush and being formed of any material, such as sheet metal, Celluloid or the like and are of resilient character for binding engagement with the head stock of a paint brush.

The outer section 10 comprises a substantially flat wall 12 which will be referred to as the back wall and carries arcuate side walls 13 extending a short distance over the back wall 12 with the free edges of the arcuate side walls 13 rolled to provide beads 14. The lower ends of the arcuate side walls 13 are cut away as at 15 to provide corner supporting feet 16 so that the outer section 12 may be safely placed in an upright position for the display of a brush. The lower edge of the back wall 12 is upwardly arched and serrated to provide bristle scraping teeth 17 while the upper edge of the back wall 12 carries an outwardly directed rolled lip 18 to provide a smooth edge or hand grip at the upper end of the outer section 10 when using the bristle cleaning teeth 17, the rolled edge 18 being employed for other purposes to be presently described.

The inner section 11 of the brush case is of the same general configuration as the outer sec-

tion 10 and includes a back wall 19 having arcuate side walls 20, the lower ends of the side walls being cut away as at 21 to provide supporting feet 22. The lower edge of the back wall 19 is upwardly arched as illustrated and the material of the back wall at the upwardly arched portion is bent outwardly as at 23 and then upwardly as at 24 to provide a lip, the arched portion 23 of the inner case section 11 being used as a squeegee for pressing excess paint from the bristles of a brush when cleaning the latter. The outer and inner casing sections 10 and 11 are dimensioned for the assembly of the sections as shown in Figures 2 and 9 with the arcuate side walls of the outer section 10 enclosing the arcuate side wall 20 of the inner section 11, the back wall 12 of the outer section 10 closing the open side of the inner section 11 while the wall 19 of the inner section 11 closes the open side of the outer section 10.

The case may be used for the display of new paint brushes when the two sections are assembled as illustrated in Figures 2 and 9, or the sections may be separated and each section employed for the display of a paint brush. It is also intended that the two sections be assembled as illustrated in Figure 7 by placing them in back to back engagement, the upper rolled edge on the outer section 10 being engaged with the upper edge of the wall 19 of the inner casing section while the lower arcuate toothed edge 17 of the back wall 12 of the outer case section is received inwardly of the up-turned lip 24 upon the lower arched end of the back wall 19 of the inner case section. The toothed or barbed lower edge 17 of the back wall of the outer case section 10 is employed for cleaning used paint brush bristles while the rolled edge 23 is employed as a squeegee. Either or both of the case sections engage the head stock of a paint brush with the bristles of the brush spaced from the case so that when the device is immersed in a vessel of liquid, the latter is permitted to thoroughly permeate all of the bristles of the brush and when such liquid is a solvent, the paint particles upon the bristles will be precipitated to the bottom of the vessel in which the brush is placed.

While there is herein shown and described the preferred embodiment of the invention, it is nevertheless to be understood that minor changes may be made therein without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

I claim:

1. In a brush case of the character described, a case formed of separable inner and outer sections of a configuration for snug contact with the head stock of a paint brush, each section having a back wall and interfitting arcuate side walls and the lower ends of the side walls being upwardly arched to provide supporting feet.

2. A brush case as set forth in claim 1, characterized by the lower edge of the back wall of the outer section being upwardly arched and serrated to provide bristle cleaning teeth.

3. A brush case as set forth in claim 1, characterized by the lower edge of the back wall of the inner section being upwardly arched and rolled outwardly and upwardly to provide a bristle squeegee.

4. A brush case as set forth in claim 1, characterized by the lower edge of the back wall of the outer section being upwardly arched and serrated to provide bristle cleaning teeth, the lower edge of the back wall of the inner section being upwardly arched and rolled outwardly and upwardly to provide a bristle squeegee.

5. A brush case as set forth in claim 1, characterized by the lower edge of the back wall of the outer section being upwardly arched and serrated to provide bristle cleaning teeth, and the upper edge thereof being rolled outwardly to provide a hand grip.

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