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WRITING KIT

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FIG. 1

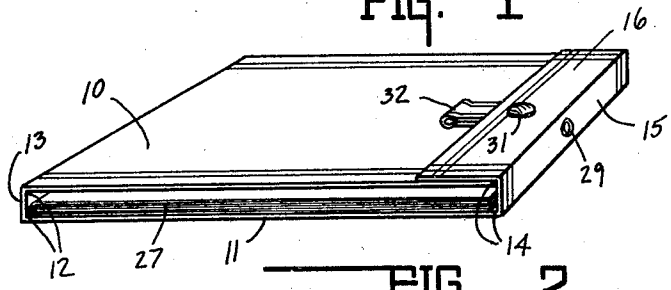


FIG. 2

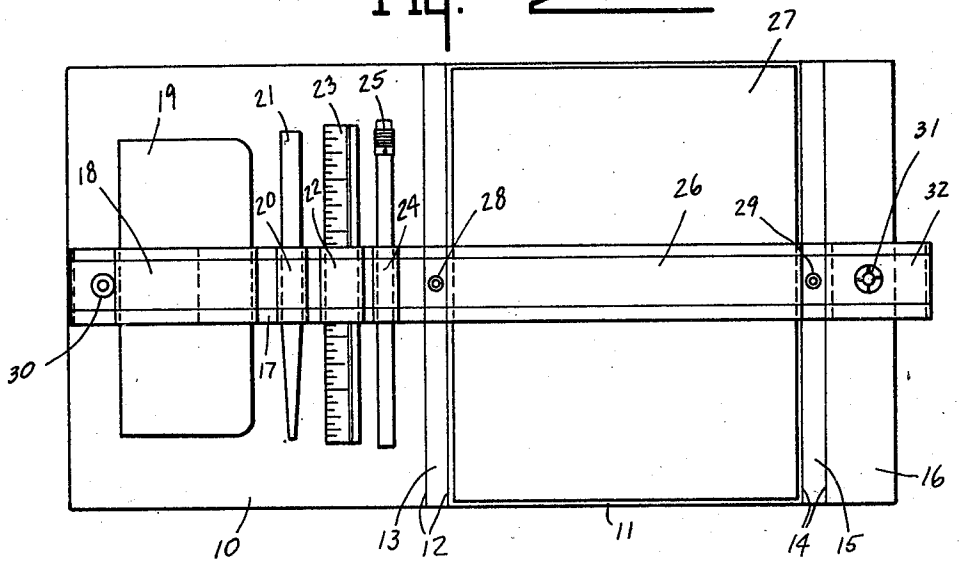
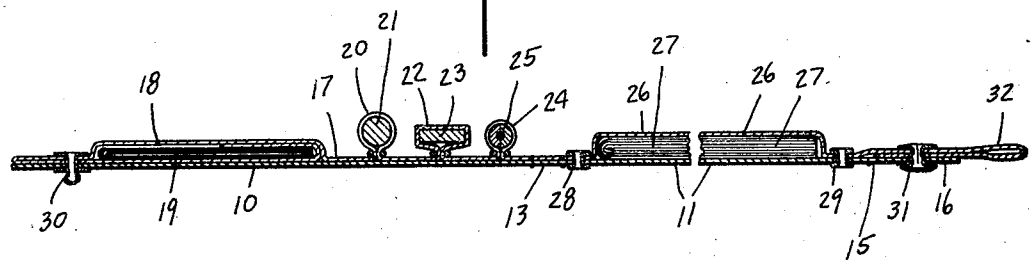


FIG. 3



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This invention relates to a writing kit, particularly applicable for school children which may be economically manufactured and sold at a low price.

The principal object of the invention is to provide a kit for juveniles of a pleasing appearance embodying a folder for retaining writing books, pads, memos or the like, pen, pencil, ruler or other similar equipment.

Another object of the invention is to provide a kit or retainer of a construction such as may be readily and economically formed of heavy paper or similar material, and by means of a strap secured across the surface thereof, will provide in conjunction therewith pockets for the reception of the various articles to be contained therein. Thus formed, the kit is given a finished and pleasing appearance, together with substantial strength.

The principal feature of the invention resides in the provision of a pocket-forming strap extending across the inner faces of the kit for holding the contents thereof in suitable pockets, thus providing a simple material-retaining structure.

Another feature of the invention resides in the arrangement of the securing devices for permanently attaching the strap to the cover of the kit in such manner as to strengthen the same, assist in the forming of the pockets, and eliminate any objectionable exposure thereof on the exterior.

The full nature of the invention will be understood from the accompanying drawings and the following description and claims:

In the drawings, Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the kit in folded position. Fig. 2 is a plan view thereof when opened up. Fig. 3 is an enlarged central section.

In the drawings there is shown a kit having cover portions 10 and 11 adapted to fold together about the hinge creases 12. Said creases are spaced apart to provide a back portion 13. Similar creases 14 are spaced apart adjacent one end to provide a front portion 15 separating the cover portions from the flap portion 16. By means of this arrangement, when the kit is folded, as shown in Fig. 1, the back and front portions 13 and 15 maintain the cover portions 10 and 11 in spaced relation for providing ample room to receive the contents. The flap portion 16 is adapted to fold over the cover portion 10 and secure the kit in closed position.

Secured across the inner surfaces of said portions substantially at the center thereof or midway between the upper and lower edges, there is a pocket-forming strap 17 adapted to form a pocket 18 for a note book 19, a pocket 20 for a pen holder 21, a pocket 22 for a ruler 23, and a pocket 24 for a pencil 25, all upon the cover portion 10. Upon the cover portion 11, said strap forms a pocket 26 for receiving a composition book 27.

Said pocket strap is riveted at 28 to the back portion 13 and at 29 to the front portion 15. Adjacent one end of the strap it is rigidly secured to the cover portion 10 by a male clasp member 30. Adjacent the other end, it is rigidly secured to the flap 16 by a female clasp member 31. By means of this arrangement, the clasp members 30 and 31 act to rigidly secure the strap adjacent the extreme ends thereof, while at the same time forming a suitable clasp for securing the kit in closed position. Said strap is also arranged to protrude beyond the clasp 16 to provide a finger portion 32 which is exposed when the kit is in closed position, and permit grasping for unlatching and opening the kit.

The pockets 20, 22 and 24 are formed by securing the strap in looped form by wire stitching or brads. To reinforce the ends of the strap, it is doubled back under the clasp members 30 and 31 so that double thickness is provided at these points. Intermediate the pockets 18, 20, 22 and 24, said strap is secured to the cover portions by adhesive or any other suitable material which will not protrude therethrough.

By means of this construction, it will be noted that the two rivets 28 and 29 firmly secure the strap in place without marring the outer appearance of the cover portions, and it is again firmly secured adjacent the ends in such manner as to form thereby a suitable clasp. This enables a construction to be provided which is rugged and strong, together

with an economical arrangement for production purposes.

The invention claimed is:

1. A writing kit of the character described for containing a plurality of writing articles, said kit being formed of a blank providing opposite cover portions, intermediate spacing portions and an overlapping flap portion for securing said cover portions in closed position, a strap secured across the inner faces of said portions to provide pockets for receiving and holding the various writing articles contained therein, and a plurality of rivets for rigidly securing said strap to said spacing portions and adjacent the ends thereof, said rivets adjacent the ends thereof being formed to provide a locking clasp between the flap portion and one of said cover portions.

2. A writing kit of the character described for containing a plurality of writing articles, said kit being formed of a blank providing opposite cover portions, a spacing portion for holding the cover portions apart when in folded position, an overlapping flap portion for securing said cover portions in closed position, a second spacing portion intermediate said flap portion and adjacent the cover portion for spacing the same apart when in closed position, a strap secured across the inner faces of said portions to provide pockets for receiving and holding the various writing articles contained therein, and locking members connecting the ends of said strap with said flap portion and one of said cover portions for securing the ends of said strap together to hold the flap portion and said last mentioned cover portions in closed position.

3. A writing kit of the character described for containing a plurality of writing articles, said kit being formed of a blank providing opposite cover portions, a spacing portion for holding the cover portions apart when in folded position, a strap secured across the inner faces of said portions to provide pockets for receiving and holding the various writing articles contained therein, and locking members connecting the ends of said strap with said flap portion and one of said cover portions for securing the ends of said strap together to hold the flap portion and said last mentioned cover portion in closed position.

4. A writing kit of the character described for containing a plurality of writing articles, said kit being formed of a blank providing opposite cover portions, a strap secured across the inner faces of said portions, said strap being spaced from one of said cover portions to permit reception of a writing article, eyelets for securing said strap and cover portion to each other adjacent said spaced portion whereby said strap will be secured in spaced position, an overlapping flap portion for securing said cover portions in closed position and locking members connecting the ends of the strap with said flap portion and one of said cover portions for securing the ends of said strap together to hold the flap portion and said last mentioned cover portion in closed position.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto affixed our signatures.

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