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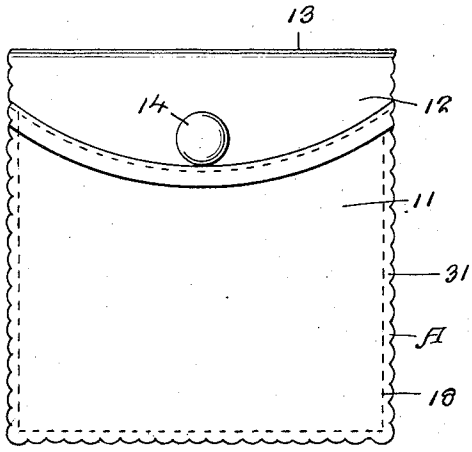


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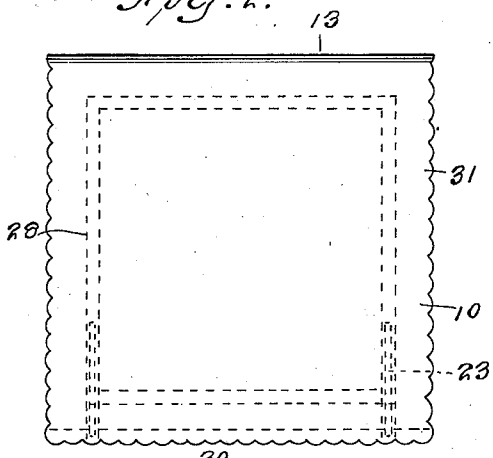
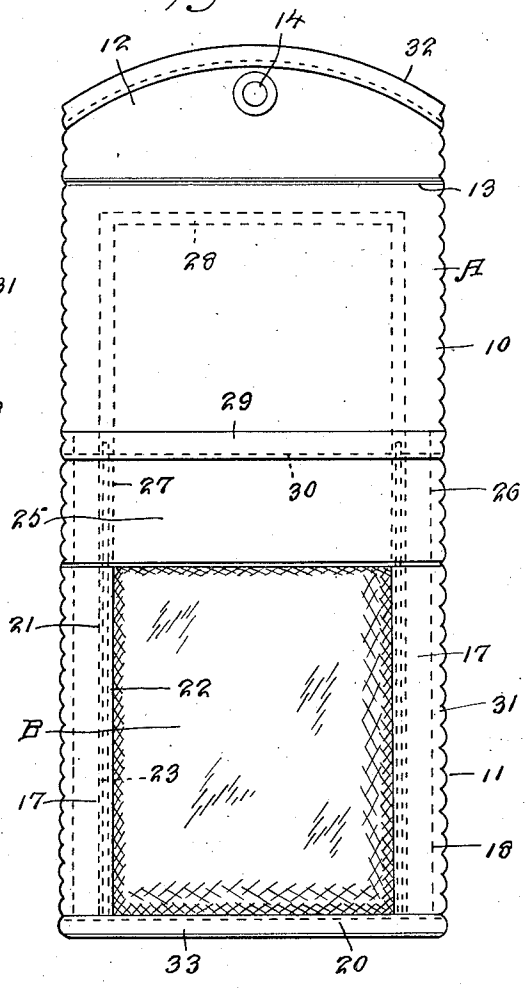


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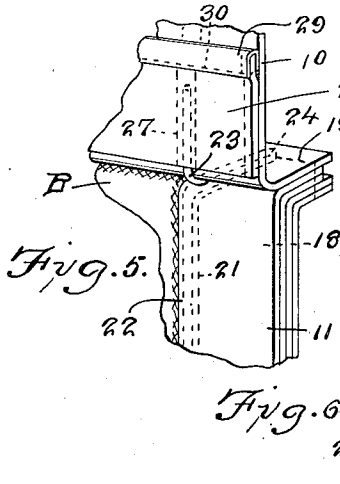


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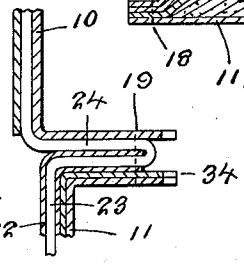
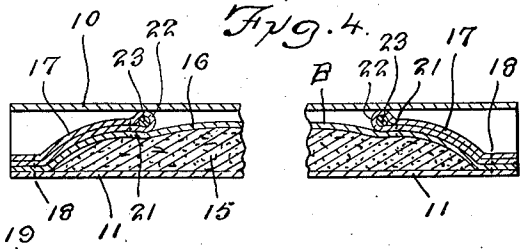


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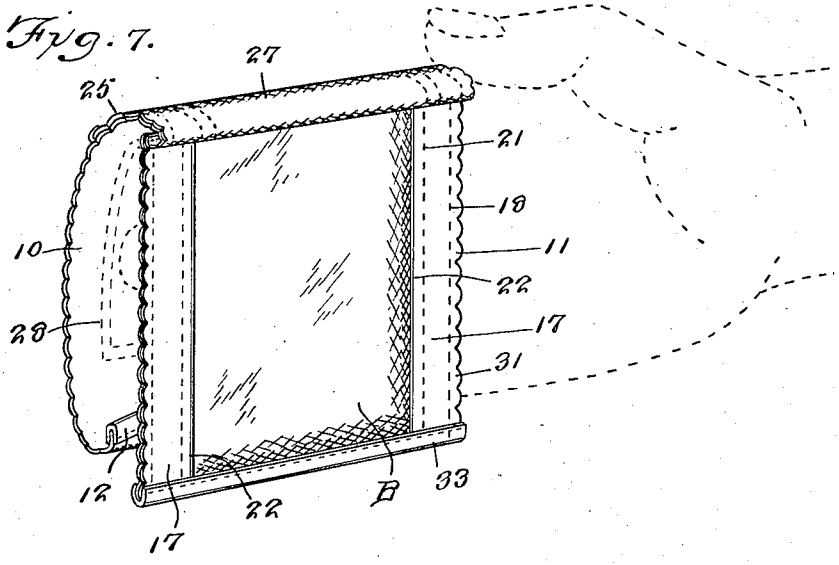
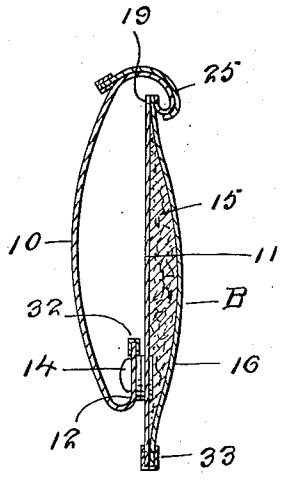


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The invention relates to a powder puff and more especially to a powder puff and case therefor.

The primary object of the invention is the provision of an article of this character, wherein the case containing the puff is of a special construction so that when the puff is not in use and placed within a pocketbook, the pocket of a garment or other place of deposit the powder will not sift therefrom, notwithstanding the fact that the case is open at opposite side edges and on the opening of the case the fingers of the hand of a user can be engaged therewith so that the puff can be conveniently used for powdering the face or body of such user.

Another object of the invention is the provision of an article of this character, wherein the puff is carried permanently on the body of a case therefor, it having a hinged closure piece, the hinge connection being strengthened through the medium of cords confined within casements arranged along the puff close to opposite side edges thereof and these corded casements functioning to prevent the escape of powder when the case has been closed about the puff, the article in its entirety being of novel construction.

A further object of the invention is the provision of an article of this character, wherein a holding strap is located interiorly of the case in a convenient position so as to enable the puff to be conveniently handled for the application of powder when in use.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of an article of this character, which is extremely simple in construction, thoroughly reliable and efficient in its purpose, strong, durable, handy for use, and inexpensive to manufacture.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists in the features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will be hereinafter more fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which disclose the preferred embodiment of the invention and pointed out in the claims hereunto appended.

In the accompanying drawings:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of an article constructed in accordance with the invention.

Figure 2 is a rear elevation thereof.

Figure 3 is a plan view showing the case open and the puff exposed.

Figure 4 is an enlarged transverse sectional view through the case and puff, the case being closed.

Figure 5 is a fragmentary perspective view showing in detail the reinforcement of the hinge created in the case.

Figure 6 is a fragmentary sectional view through the hinge showing in detail the cord reinforcement.

Figure 7 is a perspective view of the powder puff adapted for being worn on the hand for use.

Figure 8 is a vertical transverse sectional view thereof.

Similar reference characters indicate corresponding parts throughout the several views in the drawings.

Referring to the drawings in detail, the article comprises a case A, preferably made from fabric material, having the required inherent stiffness and including a back 10, front 11 and a fastening flap 12, respectively, the latter being a part of the back 10 and is foldable along a crease line 13 for fastening to the front 11, preferably through the medium of a snap fastener 14, the male part thereof being carried by the front 11 and the female part by said flap 12.

Arranged at the inner face of the front 11 is a powder puff B including a powder pack 15 enveloped by a covering piece 16, this permitting the sifting of powder therethrough to the outer or exposed side thereof. This piece 16 is carried to the opposite side and end edges of the front 11 and overhanging the said piece along opposite side edges of the front are guard strips 17, each being folded on itself and with the piece 16 are stitched at 18 to the said front 11. The front 11 and back 10 with the one end edge of the piece 16 therebetween are stitched together at 19 to effect a hinge connection between the front and back of the casing A. The remaining end edge of the piece 16 and the outer end edge of the front 11 are stitched at 20 together so that the powder puff as created by the pack 15 and piece 16 will be permanently united with the front at the inner side thereof.

The strips 17 are stitched at 21 to provide casements 22, these being located inwardly removed from opposite side edges of the front 11 and the stitches 21 are carried through the piece 16 while within the casements 22 are cords 23, these being carried between the front and back 11 and 10 in loop form as at 24 and thence between the back 10 and a holding strap 25 which is disposed crosswise of the back at the inner face thereof and made fast in close proximity to the hinge connection between the front and said back by stitches 26, the cords 23 being terminaled between the said back and holding strap 25 by double stitches 27 which also pass not only

through the strap 25 but through the back 10 and are continued in the back 10 as at 28 to give symmetrical configuration as is shown in Figures 2 and 3 of the drawings.

The strap 25 at the outside longer edge thereof has fastened thereto an edge binding 29, this being secured by stitches 30 engaging with said binding and said strap.

The side edges of the front and back 11 and 10 are preferably fluted at 31 to ornament these edges while the opposite ends of the case A carry edge bindings 32 and 33, respectively, the edges of the front and back 11 and 10 next to each other at the stitches 19 are fluted at 34 which harmonizes with the fluted side edges 31 when the case A is closed for the carriage of the article within a pocketbook, in the pocket of a garment or otherwise.

When the case A is closed it will be noted from Figure 4 of the drawings that the casements 22 may contact with the inner face of the back 10 to effect a seal at opposite sides of the powder puff to prevent the sifting of powder from the puff through the opposite sides of the case when in a closed condition and in this manner avoiding the wasting or loss of the powder as would otherwise result when carrying the article.

The corded casements 22 afford internal closure ribs within the case to avoid the dropping of powder therefrom when the said case is closed and particularly should the latter drop edgewise from the hand of the user onto a floor, table or the like.

The powder is dusted from the puff through the piece 16 by pat action upon the skin of a person.

In Figures 7 and 8 of the drawings the case A is shown open and the front 11 turned back with the fastening flap 12 folded inwardly and the fastener 14 engaged by having the male part fitted with the female part, the female part being upon the flap 12 and the male part upon the back 10 so that a hand loop is effected so that the puff can be worn by the latter when using the puff for powdering purposes. The pad which constitutes the puff B will be exposed completely on the side of the back 10 opposite that occupied by the front when fastened thereto. This renders the article handy for use and eliminates the necessity of the use of the holding strap 25, both being optional for use in the handling of the article.

What is claimed is:

1. An article of the kind described, comprising a case including a front, back and fastening flap, a powder puff at the inner face of the front, stitches hinging the front and back together and joining one edge of the puff therebetween, folded strips following opposite side edges of said puff, stitches joining the strips, puff and back together, casements formed in the strips removed inwardly from opposite side edges of the front, cords within said casements and looped between the front and back at the stitches hingedly joining the same together and a holding strap at the inner face of the back next to the puff and having the cords terminally secured between said strap and the back.

2. An article of the kind described, comprising a case including a front, back and fastening flap, a powder puff at the inner face of the front, stitches hinging the front and back together and joining one edge of the puff therebetween, folded strips following opposite side edges of said puff, stitches joining the strips, puff and back together, casements formed in the strips removed inwardly from opposite side edges of the front, cords within said casements and looped between the front and back at the stitches hingedly joining the same together, a holding strap at the inner face of the back next to the puff and having the cords terminally secured between said strap and the back and edge bindings at opposite ends of said case.

3. An article of the kind described, comprising a case including a front, back and fastening flap, a powder puff at the inner face of the front, stitches hinging the front and back together and joining one edge of the puff therebetween, folded strips following opposite side edges of said puff, stitches joining the strips, puff and back together, casements formed in the strips removed inwardly from opposite side edges of the front, cords within said casements and looped between the front and back at the stitches hingedly joining the same together, a holding strap at the inner face of the back next to the puff and having the cords terminally secured between said strap and the back, edge bindings at opposite ends of said case and edge binding on the strap at the outer longer side thereof.

4. An article of the kind described, comprising a case including a front, back and fastening flap, a powder puff at the inner face of the front, stitches hinging the front and back together and joining one edge of the puff therebetween, folded strips following opposite side edges of said puff, stitches joining the strips, puff and back together, casements formed in the strips removed inwardly from opposite side edges of the front, cords within said casements and looped between the front and back at the stitches hingedly joining the same together, a holding strap at the inner face of the back next to the puff and having the cords terminally secured between said strap and the back, edge bindings at opposite ends of said case, edge binding on the strap at the outer longer side thereof and stitches joining the strips, puff and front together.

5. An article of the kind described, comprising a case including a front, back and fastening flap, a powder puff at the inner face of the front, stitches hinging the front and back together and joining one edge of the puff therebetween, folded strips following opposite side edges of said puff, stitches joining the strips, puff and back together, casements formed in the strips removed inwardly from opposite side edges of the front, cords within said casements and looped between the front and back at the stitches hingedly joining the same together, a holding strap at the inner face of the back next to the puff and having the cords terminally secured between said strap and the back, edge bindings at opposite ends of said case, edge binding on the strap at the outer longer side thereof, stitches joining the strips, puff and front together and stitches securing terminally the cords between the strap and back.

6. An article of the kind described, comprising a case including a front, back and fastening flap, a powder puff at the inner face of the front, stitches hinging the front and back together and joining one edge of the puff therebetween, folded strips following opposite side edges of said puff, stitches joining the strips, puff and back together, casements formed in the strips removed inwardly from opposite side edges of the front, cords within said casements and looped between the front and back at the stitches hingedly joining the same together, a holding strap at the inner face of the back next to the puff and having a cords terminally secured between said strap and the

back, edge bindings at opposite ends of said case, edge binding on the strap at the outer longer side thereof, stitches joining the strips, puff and front together, stitches securing terminally the cords between the strap and back and means for separably fastening the flap when the case is closed.

7. An article of the kind described, comprising a case including a front, back and fastening flap, a powder puff at the inner face of the front, stitches hinging the front and back together and joining one edge of the puff therebetween, folded strips following opposite side edges of said puff, stitches joining the strips, puff and back together, casements formed in the strips removed inwardly from opposite side edges of the front, cords within said casements and looped between the front and back at the stitches hingedly joining the same together, a holding strap at the inner face of the back next to the puff and having the cords terminally secured between said strap and the back, edge bindings at opposite ends of said case, edge binding on the strap at the outer longer side thereof, stitches joining the strips, puff and front together, stitches securing terminally the cords between the strap and back and means for separably fastening the flap when the case is closed, the said strips being in overlapping relation to the puff at opposite side edges thereof.

8. An article of the kind described, comprising a case including a front, back and fastening flap, a powder puff at the inner face of the front, stitches hinging the front and back together and joining one edge of the puff therebetween, folded strips following opposite side edges of said puff, stitches joining the strips, puff and back together, casements formed in the strips removed inwardly from opposite side edges of the front, cords within said casements and looped between the front and back at the stitches hingedly joining the same together, a holding strap at the inner face of the back next to the puff and having the cords terminally secured between said strap and the back, edge bindings at opposite ends of said case, edge binding on the strap at the outer longer side thereof, stitches joining the strips, puff and front together, stitches securing terminally the cords between the strap and back, and means for separably fastening the flap when the case is closed, the said strips being in overlapping relation to the puff at opposite side edges thereof, the corded casements being adapted for contact with the inner face of the back when the case is closed and constituting side sealing mediums between said puff and back.

9. An article of the kind described, comprising a case including a front, back and fastening flap, a powder puff at the inner face of the front, stitches hinging the front and back together and joining one edge of the puff therebetween, folded strips following opposite side edges of said puff, stitches joining the strips, puff and back together, casements formed in the strips removed inwardly from opposite side edges of the front, cords within said casements and looped between the front and back at the stitches hingedly joining the same together and a holding strap at the inner face of the back next to the puff and having the cords terminally secured between said strap and the back, the back with the fastening flap being adapted to be swung backwardly and downwardly and then inwardly for securing to the back to form a hand loop in rear of the said back.

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