

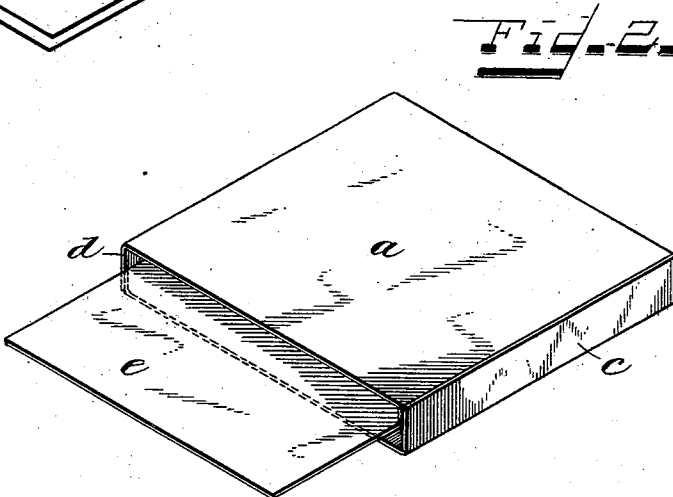
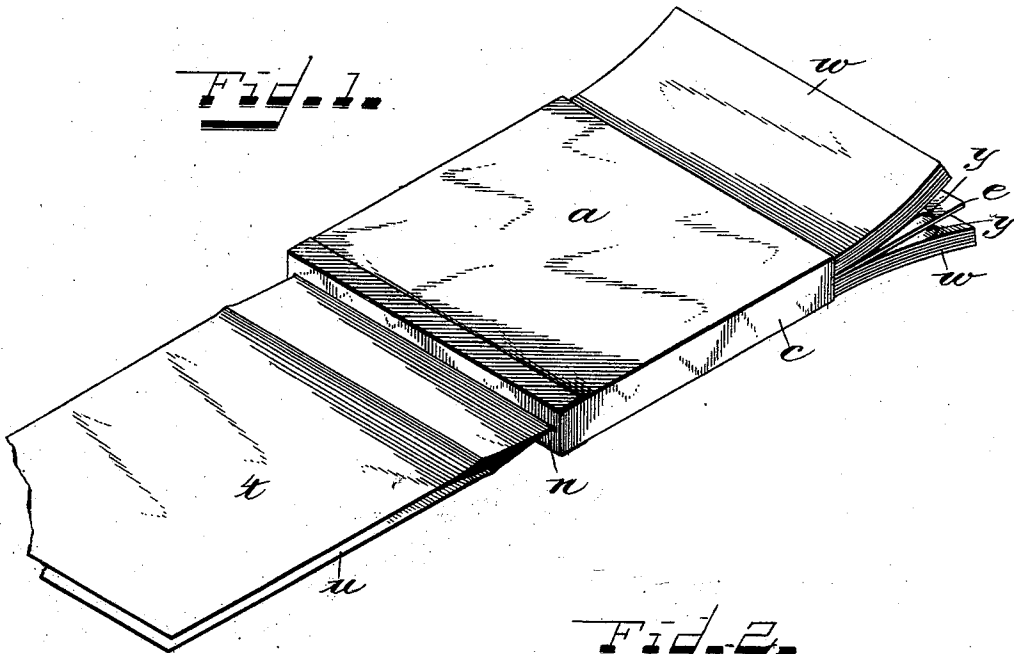
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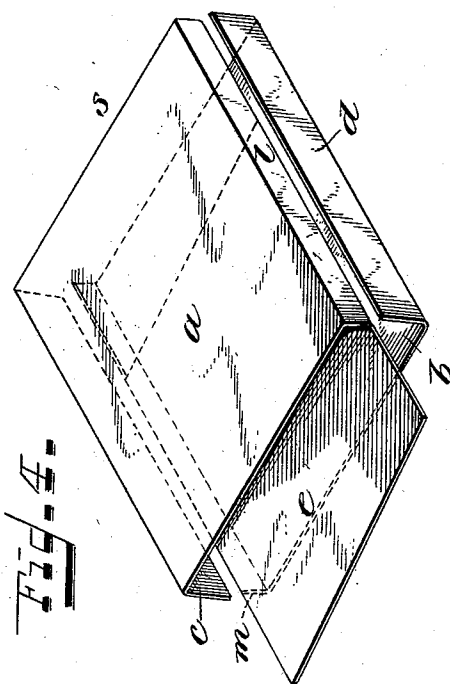
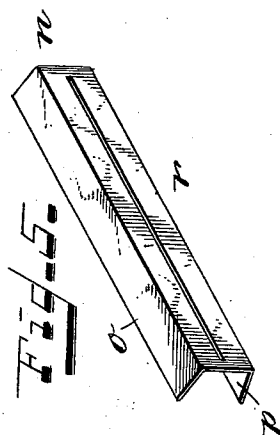
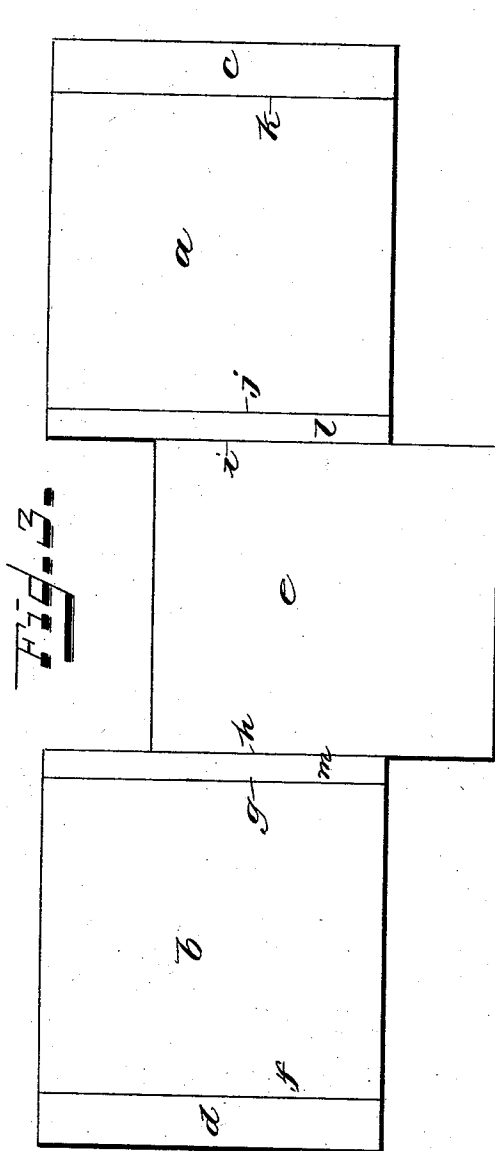
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILL M. KINNARD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Dayton, county of Montgomery, and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Memorandum Sales-Slip Packages, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

Machines and devices for holding two or more strips of paper and provided with a writing tablet over which the paper strips are fed with carbon material between the strips on the writing tablet, so that a duplicate is made of the original writing, have been long employed in stores for the use of salesmen in recording sales, in order that a duplicate of the sales slip may be made at the same time with the original.

One disadvantage in the use of such machines and devices has been the difficulty of properly "loading" the device with the paper slips. The salesmen who are expected to use these devices have ordinarily not been accustomed to the use of mechanical devices, and consequently are very apt to experience difficulty in "loading" or supplying with paper these cases. It is to overcome these disadvantages in the employment of such devices, and to furnish the memorandum slips of paper so folded and packed, that the most inexperienced salesman can not fail to properly supply the holder with paper without a moment's delay, that my invention is in part directed.

My invention has particular relation to those devices in which the memorandum sales slips are folded in bellows-folds. When the paper is so supplied, the two strips one for the original and the other for the duplicate writing, have usually been interfolded, and when thus furnished, the salesman is apt if the arrangement is such that the paper strips should be fed from the top, to "load" the supply compartment so that the slips feed from the bottom, and the salesman will not discover his mistake until he comes to use the device, when considerable time will be lost in remedying the mistake. In addition to this liability of mistake, it is considerably more ex-

pensive and more difficult for the manufacturer to interfold the original and duplicate strips of paper. In folding these strips together as has heretofore been done, inasmuch as the strips are first printed and then folded, the strips have to be very accurately folded together, and in thus folding, one of the strips is very apt to gain on the other and difficulty is experienced in controlling the inner fold and in preventing it from "cockling." In order therefore to cheapen the manufacture and to render mistakes on the part of salesmen in "loading" the device impossible, I fold my two strips of paper for the original and duplicate writing separately, and arrange them in a suitable binder with the delivery ends of the strips feeding from the center and extending slightly without the package, so that it will be impossible for the merest novice to improperly "load" the device. The paper strips are intended to be furnished by the manufacturer ready for use, properly folded and contained in a binder, so that the user has absolutely nothing to do but place the package in a holder and all the difficulties heretofore experienced and the time wasted in "loading" the devices, are overcome and saved. In our larger commercial houses where many hundreds of these sales slip packages are used every day, each package preferably containing fifty or a hundred original and duplicate slips, the matter of time and ease with which the packages of slips may be "loaded" into the machine, is a feature of considerable importance, as will be readily understood.

Heretofore paper strips for use in devices of the kind under consideration, have either been mounted in rolls or the two strips have been folded together in bellows folds. When the paper is furnished in rolls and the slips are severed from the roll, they are apt to curl up and tend to take the position they occupied in the roll. Especially is this true in smaller and pocket carrying devices, in which the roll has necessarily to be quite small. When the paper is furnished in zig-zag or bellows folds, the expense is greater by reason of the fact that heretofore as above set forth, these sheets have always been interfolded. Broadly considered I believe I

am the first to arrange said package of strips, each strip folded separately and adapted to be placed in a holder or case for same with each duplicate slip arranged to receive the memoranda from its corresponding sales slip.

In addition to this my invention also relates to the form of binder I have shown, which, together with the separately folded strips, makes up my improved form of package.

In the drawings:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved package of sales slips. Fig. 2, is a perspective view of the binder for holding the slips. Fig. 3, is a view of the blank from which the binder is formed. Fig. 4, is a perspective view of the binder showing the method of folding same. Fig. 5, is a perspective view of the end piece through which the paper strips are fed.

The binder for holding the strips of paper is preferably formed out of a single blank cut and folded in the proper manner.

a, is the top; *b*, the bottom; *c*, one of the sides, and *d* the other side; while *e* is the central partition which separates the paper strips. The blank is cut out of a sheet of card board in the shape shown in Fig. 3, and then scored so that it will readily fold at the lines *f*, *g*, *h*, *i*, *j*, and *k*, the distance between the creases *g*, *h*, and *i*, *j*, being just half of the distance of the creases *f* and *k* from the edges of the sides. The blank is then folded as shown in Fig. 4. The narrow portion of the blank *l* is folded at right angles to the central partition *e*, and the narrow portion *m* also at right angles to the central partition *e*, in the opposite direction. The top *a* and bottom *b* are then folded at right angles to the side portions *l* and *m* and the sides *c* and *d*, glued or otherwise secured to the side portions *l* and *m*, when the case will appear as shown in Fig. 2, the partition *e* dividing the package centrally into two compartments. A strip of card board *n* provided with the side wings *o* and *p*, and having a slit *r* cut therein, is then secured at the open end *s* of the binder, the side wings *o* and *p* being pasted or otherwise secured to the top *a* and bottom *b* of the binder, and the binder is then ready for the sales strips.

t and *u* are the two strips of paper, one for the original and the other for the duplicate writing. These strips are folded in bellows-folds as shown in Fig. 1 and then placed within the binder, so that the outer or delivery ends of the strips are at the center lying against and on each side of the partition *e*. The outer ends are then passed through the slit *r* and the package is ready for use. Of course very many ways for inclosing the end *s* of the binder may be devised, as for example the strip of card board *n* may be cut as a part of the single blank and afterward turned up and properly secured in place; or the slit *r* may be formed by two strips, one attached to the top *a* and the other to the bottom *b*, or very many other ways of inclosing the end

may be employed. It is necessary to inclose this end of the package however, in order that the paper strips may have something to pull against, although it is not essential that the entire end should be closed. Means however must be provided to serve as a butt for the paper strips, as without such butt, the entire strip is apt to pull out from the binder.

The strips *t* and *u* are preferably folded so as to form a hundred or fifty sales slips the original strip *t*, being numbered consecutively, each fold forming a sales slip, and the duplicate strip *u* being similarly folded and numbered. The package of memorandum sales slips being furnished in this way, the user has nothing to do, except to place the package in the device or holder, and to draw out a sufficient length of the two strips to come down over the writing tablet and allow the sheet of carbon paper to be placed between them.

Inasmuch as the paper is fed from the center, it makes no difference which side of the package is uppermost and the user cannot "load" the machine improperly.

It will be noticed that the partition *e* does not extend the full length of the binder, but that a space is left at the delivery end of the package for the two strips of paper to come together. This portion of the partition is cut away in order to allow a free delivery of the strips, as I have found, if the partition is extended to the end *e*, the strips will bind and will not deliver as freely as with the partition cut away.

When it is intended to use the binder to be inserted with its paper strips in the proper machine or case, the partition *e* is extended beyond the inclosed part of the receptacle, or rather the top and bottom of the binder are cut away to allow play for the folded ends *w*, *w*, of the two strips as the paper is being fed from the package. As the paper is drawn out, it will form loops *y*, *y*, as shown in Fig. 1 and for that reason I prefer to cut away the lower portion of the receptacle so as to allow the folded ends *w*, *w*, to bend outward.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A sales slip package consisting of a strip of paper folded in bellows folds to form a series of sales checks, and a paper strip similarly folded to form a series of duplicate slips, each of said strips being folded separately and arranged with their outer or delivery ends inside, with partition to separate the two strips, and binder for holding same together, substantially as shown and described.

2. A package for use in sales slip cases consisting of a sales strip of paper folded in bellows-folds, and a duplicate strip similarly folded, each strip folded separately, with a binder for said strips forming a receptacle therefor and provided with an end to serve as a butt, having a central longitudinal slit through which said strips are fed, substantially as shown and described.

3. A package for use in sales slip cases, consisting of a sales strip of paper folded in bellows-folds and a duplicate strip similarly folded, each strip folded separately, with a binder for said strips provided with a central partition to separate the same said partition being cut away at its inner end to allow the strips to be fed from the package, substantially as shown and described.
- 10 4. A package for use in sales slip cases consisting of a sales strip of paper folded in bellows-folds and a duplicate strip similarly folded, each strip folded separately, with a binder for said strips provided with a central partition to separate the strips and an end having a central longitudinal slit therein through which said strips are fed, substantially as shown and described.
- 15 5. A package for use in sales slip cases, consisting of a sales strip of paper and a duplicate strip each folded separately in bellows-folds and a binder for the same provided with a central partition cut away at its inner end to separate the strips and an end having a central longitudinal slit therein, through which the strips are fed, substantially as shown and described.
- 20 6. A package for use in sales slip cases consisting of a sales strip of paper and a duplicate strip, each folded separately in bellows-folds and a binder for the same provided with a central partition cut away at its inner end and extending outside of the receptacle and an end having a central longitudinal slit therein, through which the strips are fed, substantially as shown and described.
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