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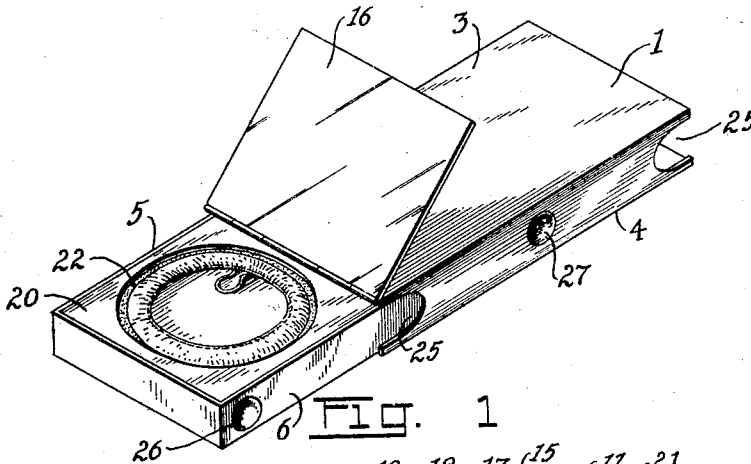
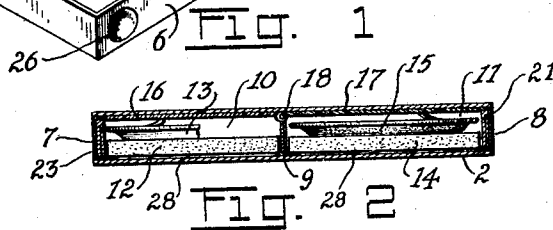
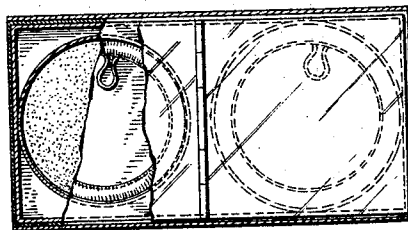


FIG. 3

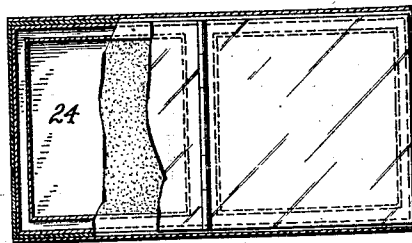


FIG. 4

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This invention relates to certain improvements in small boxes or cases for holding cosmetics commonly known as vanity cases. These cases are frequently carried by the user in a handbag or the like and preferably should be as small and as light as possible. Furthermore, such cases should be of attractive appearance without projecting parts which are liable to catch other articles with which the case may be carried.

These boxes are furthermore preferably capacitated to carry two compacts, that is, a compact of rouge and a compact of powder and should also be provided with a mirror so arranged that such mirror may be used with either of the compacts. The boxes also should be provided with an applicator, usually in the form of a puff.

It is one object of the present invention to produce an improved vanity box or case that is capacitated to carry two compacts which shall be thin and light and in which the compacts are carried in a member which has a sliding movement in a case or shell, so that hinges and locking devices, etc. usually present in these boxes are eliminated, thus providing a simpler and more attractive box.

A further object of the invention is to provide with such a sliding compact carrier, mirrors so associated with the sliding carrier that upon the carrier being moved to open position, the mirrors will automatically move to position of use, these mirror members also acting as covers for the compacts and as puff holding or puff securing means.

It is a further object of the invention to provide an improved arrangement whereby the compacts may be readily removed from the carrier for renewal or replacement.

With these and other objects not specifically referred to, the invention consists in certain novel parts, arrangements and combinations which will be described in connection with the accompanying drawings and the novel features pointed out in the claims hereunto appended.

Referring to these drawings:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved box shown partly open;

Figure 2 is a central section on a small scale, of the box shown in Figure 1;

Figure 3 is a top view of the construction shown in Figure 2 partly broken away and partly in section, the outer casing of the shell being removed and

Figure 4 is a view similar to Figure 3 showing a modification which may be employed if desired.

Referring now to these drawings in detail, the vanity case selected to illustrate the invention includes an outer frame or shell having a top 1, a bottom 2, and side walls 3, 4, the shell or casing being open at each end and being preferably made of a suitable light metal. Cooperating with this casing is a compact carrier in the form of a tray or drawer having a snug fit in the frame and arranged to have a sliding movement therein in either direction so as to expose either end of the carrier or tray for use. This tray includes side walls 5, 6 and end walls 7, 8 and is divided by a central partition 9 into two compartments 10, 11. One of the compartments, as 10, is slightly smaller than the other compartment and is adapted to carry a rouge compact 12, a space being left above the rouge cake for the reception of an applicator, as a puff 13. The compartment 11 is capacitated to receive a powder compact 14, a space being left above the compact for an applicator, as a puff 15. Cooperating with the carrier is a cover for each of the compartments, this cover being so arranged as to automatically lift up as the case is open, and in the particular construction illustrated, there are provided a pair of covers 16, 17, pivoted on a spring pintle 18 secured between the side walls 5, 6 of the carrier before referred to, these covers opening in opposite directions. In the boxes embodying the invention in its best form, these covers will also be mirrors, and as shown, are made of polished metal. It will be observed that as the carrier or tray is moved toward the right from the position shown in Figure 1, this movement will act to force down the cover to the position shown in Figure 2 and upon opening the box, the cover will rise to the position shown in Figure 1 through the action of the spring

hinge on which the covers are pivoted. It will further be observed that when in the position shown in Figure 2, the covers act to hold the applicators in place as the box is closed.

Compacts may be held in the box in any suitable way and may be of any suitable shape. In the particular construction shown, referring first to Figures 1 to 3, circular compacts are employed and where this is done, fitments 20, 21 are provided in the compartments, each of which is provided with a well or opening 22 surrounded by depending flange 23. If desired, a square compact 24, such as shown in Figure 4 may be employed. It will be understood, of course, that the fitments may be omitted and the compacts held in the compartments in any other suitable or desired manner.

In the best construction, to aid in effecting a sliding movement of the tray or carrier, the ends of the frame are cut out as indicated at 25 in Figure 1, and the ends of the tray are provided with depressions 26 which may be readily grasped by the fingers through the cut-outs 25, so that the user may obtain a firm hold on the tray. If desired, means may be provided for stopping the tray after it has been moved, to expose either of the compartments and such means may be conveniently provided by forming the walls of the frame with a depression 27, which will engage with the depressions 26 in the tray and hold the parts in open position and prevent the accidental displacement of the tray entirely from the frame.

To facilitate the removal of the compacts from the tray or from the fitments, the bottoms of the tray compartments may be provided with openings 28 through which the compacts may be reached and readily pushed out of the tray or fitments.

While the invention has been shown and described in its preferred form, it will be understood that various changes may be made in the particular construction and arrangement of the box and parts shown and described without departing from the invention as defined in the appended claims.

What I claim is:

1. In a vanity case, a frame having top, bottom and sides and open at each end, a tray having a sliding engagement within the frame and movable in either direction to expose either end of the tray for use, a partition in the tray forming compartments lying in the same plane for powder compacts, means for stopping the tray in either direction, and spring covers over the compartments closed by the action of sliding the tray into the frame, the bottoms of the trays being provided with apertures through which a compact can be forced outwardly from the tray.

2. In a vanity case, a frame having top,

bottom and sides and open at each end, a tray having a sliding engagement within the frame and movable in either direction to expose either end of the tray for use, a partition in the tray forming compartments lying in the same plane for powder compacts, and oppositely opening spring mirrors acting to cover the compartments and closed by the action of sliding the tray into the frame, the bottoms of the trays being provided with apertures through which a compact can be forced outwardly from the tray.

3. In a vanity case, a frame having top, bottom and sides and open at each end, a tray having a sliding engagement within the frame and removable in either direction to expose either end of the tray for use, a partition in the tray forming compartments for powder compacts, a cutout in the ends of the frame to permit the tray to be readily grasped, a stop for stopping the tray in each direction of movement, and spring covers over the compartments closed by the action of sliding the tray into the frame.

4. A vanity case comprising a thin open-ended shell, a two compartment tray in which the compartments are in the same plane having a frictional sliding engagement in the shell, and a pair of mirror covers carried by the tray and opening in opposite directions, one of the covers being held closed when the other is open.

5. A vanity case comprising a thin open-ended frame, a two compartment tray in which the compartments are in the same horizontal plane having a frictional sliding engagement in the frame, a pair of mirror covers, and a common pintle on which the covers are hinged to open in opposite directions.

6. A vanity case having a body member with top, bottom, and side walls, a drawer member slidably mounted between said walls, a lid hinged to said drawer intermediate its ends, and having a mirror on its under surface, a stop for arresting the opening movement of the drawer in the body when the hinging point of the lid is exposed beyond the forward edge of the top wall of the body, means for opening said lid against the edge of said body, said edge forming a stop to limit the opening movement of the lid.

7. A vanity case having a body member with top, bottom, and side walls, a drawer member slidably mounted between said walls, a lid hinged to said drawer intermediate its ends, and having a mirror on its under surface, a stop for arresting the opening movement of the drawer in the body when the hinging point of the lid is exposed beyond the forward edge of the top wall of the body, means for opening said lid against the forward edge of said body, said edge forming a stop for the opening movement of the lid, and said edge also being arranged to act upon

and cause the lid to close upon forcing the drawer back into the body member.

8. A vanity case having a body member with top, bottom, and side walls, a drawer member slidably mounted between said walls, a lid hinged to said drawer intermediate its ends, and having a mirror on its under surface, a stop for arresting the opening movement of said drawer in said body when the hinging point of the lid is beyond the forward edge of the top wall of the body leaving one end of the drawer extending into the body member a substantial distance to support the drawer in substantial alignment with the body when in extreme extended position, and means for opening said lid to be supported against the edge of said body wall.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand.

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