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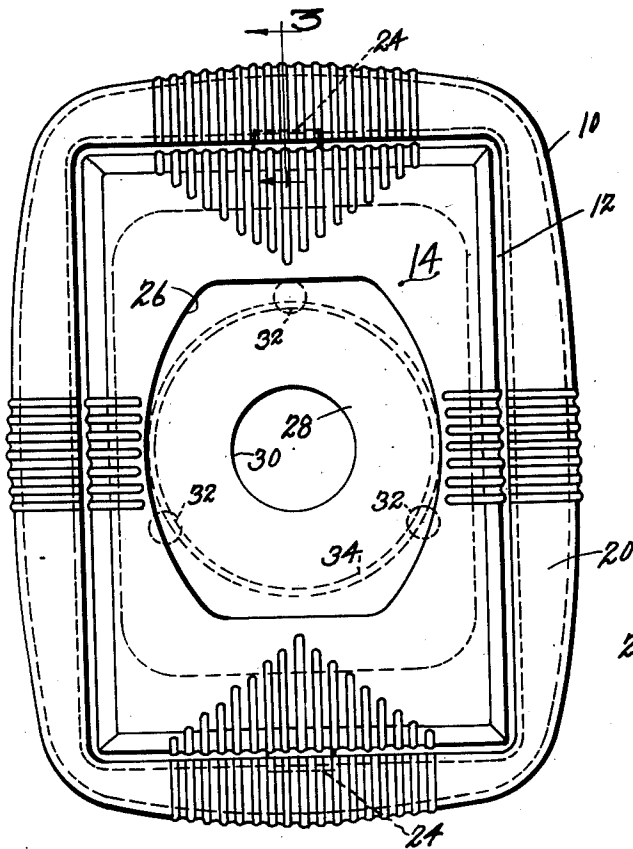


Fig. 1.

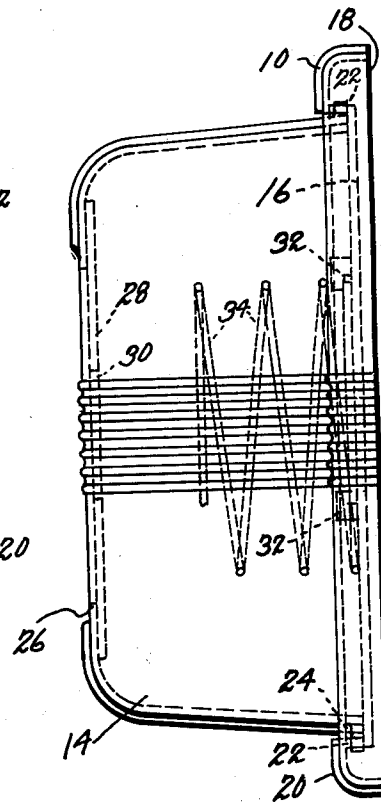


Fig. 2.

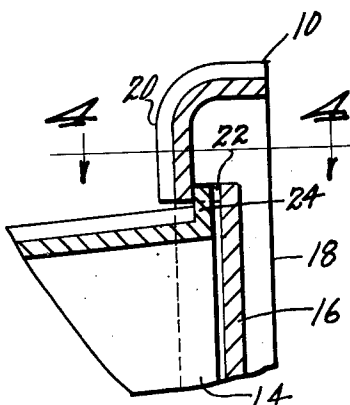


Fig. 3.

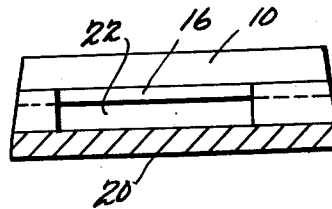


Fig. 4.

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This invention relates to improvements in dispensers and the principal object of the invention resides in the provision of a container or the like which is easily disposed either on a wall or flat surface, such as a table or bureau, said container comprising two main parts, one of which is a base and the other of which is the container proper having a resilient snap connection with the base and containing the material to be dispensed, said member having an opening in the front face thereof for extracting material to be dispensed, such as cotton or paper cleaning tissues or the like.

A further object of the invention resides in the provision of a dispenser comprising a base member adapted to be attached to a wall or to be merely set down on a table and having a rim facing inwardly with apertures at two opposite sides of said rim for the resilient reception of projections on a container, said container being completely open at one side, said projections being at said side for resilient reception in the slots and said container having an opening at the opposite side for dispensing the contents.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will appear hereinafter.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings in which

Fig. 1 is a view in front elevation of a device according to the invention;

Fig. 2 is a view in side elevation;

Fig. 3 is an enlarged section on line 3-3 of Fig. 1; and

Fig. 4 is an enlarged section on line 4-4 of Fig. 3.

In carrying out the present invention, there is provided a base indicated at 10. This base may be ornamental in appearance as is clearly shown in Fig. 1, wherein it is illustrated as being rectangular with curved sides. However, this base may be round, square, triangular or any other shape desired.

The base in reality comprises an upstanding rim as is clearly seen in Figs. 2 and 3, and this rim defines a large central opening 12 for the reception of a container 14 holding material to be dispensed.

The rim of the base 10 is provided with a continuous floor indicated at 16, this floor being in a plane parallel to but spaced from the supporting plane of the base at 18 and lies spaced from the top edge of the rim indicated at 20.

There is an upstanding wall completely around

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the floor 16 connecting the same and the rim of the base 10; and this wall is interrupted by slots 22 for the reception of outstanding projections 24 appearing at one side of the container 14.

The container 14 is completely open at the side on which the projections 24 are located, so that the floor 16 forms a bottom for the container.

The front face of the container 14 is open as indicated at 26 so that the same may be used as a container for such things as paper tissues, which are easily extracted. However, the same container may be used as a cotton dispenser by the use of an auxiliary plate 28, having a central hole 30 therein through which the cotton may be plucked outwardly. The floor 16 is provided with a series of lugs 32 containing the end run of a spring 34 and bearing against the plate 28 holding it outwardly to cover the opening 26 regardless of the state of the contents of the container.

The base 10 may be secured by any appropriate means to a wall as by key hole slots, screws, etc., or it may simply be placed upon a table or bureau. The container itself may be grasped at its ends between the index finger and thumb and squeezed slightly to disengage one of the projections 24 from its holding slot 22, whereupon the container 14 is easily separated from the base 10 and being completely open at its underside can be refilled and snapped back into position very easily and quickly.

Having thus described my invention and the advantages thereof, I do not wish to be limited to the details herein disclosed otherwise than as set forth in the claims, but what I claim is:

1. A dispenser of the class described comprising a base, an upstanding double walled rim thereabout forming inner and outer continuous walls, the inner wall having a pair of opposed slots facing each other across the base, a deep container having an open side defined by a continuous edge, a pair of opposite projections on the container at the edge and arranged to fit the slots, so that the container is held to the base in outwardly projecting condition.

2. A dispenser of the class described comprising a base, an upstanding double walled rim thereabout forming inner and outer continuous walls, the inner wall having a pair of opposed slots facing each other across the base, a deep container having an open side defined by a continuous edge, a pair of opposite projections on the container at the edge and arranged to fit the

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slots, so that the container is held to the base in outwardly projecting condition, the container itself being slightly resilient so that the same may be manually squeezed to release the projections from the slots.

3. A dispenser of the class described comprising a base, an upstanding double walled rim thereabout forming inner and outer continuous walls, the inner wall having a pair of opposed slots facing each other across the base, a deep container having an open side defined by a continuous edge, a pair of opposite projections on the container at the edge and arranged to fit the slots, so that the container is held to the base in outwardly projecting condition, the container itself being slightly resilient so that the same may be manually squeezed to release the projections from the slots, a floor on the base

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closing the container, a spring secured to the floor and extending to the opposite side of the container, an extraction aperture in the container, and a plate pressed by the spring against the aperture, said spring tending to resiliently hold the container outwardly from the base thereby pressing the container projections against the rim at the slots.

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