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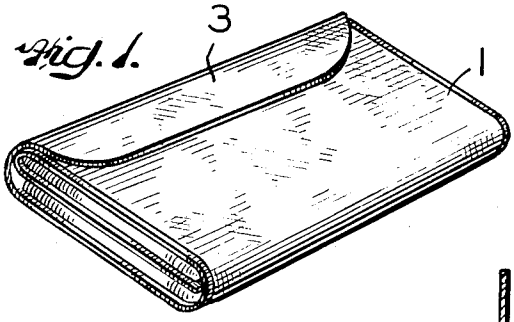


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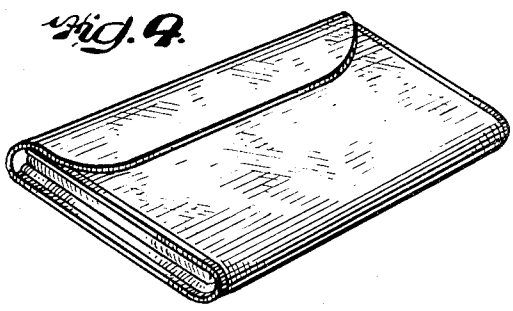


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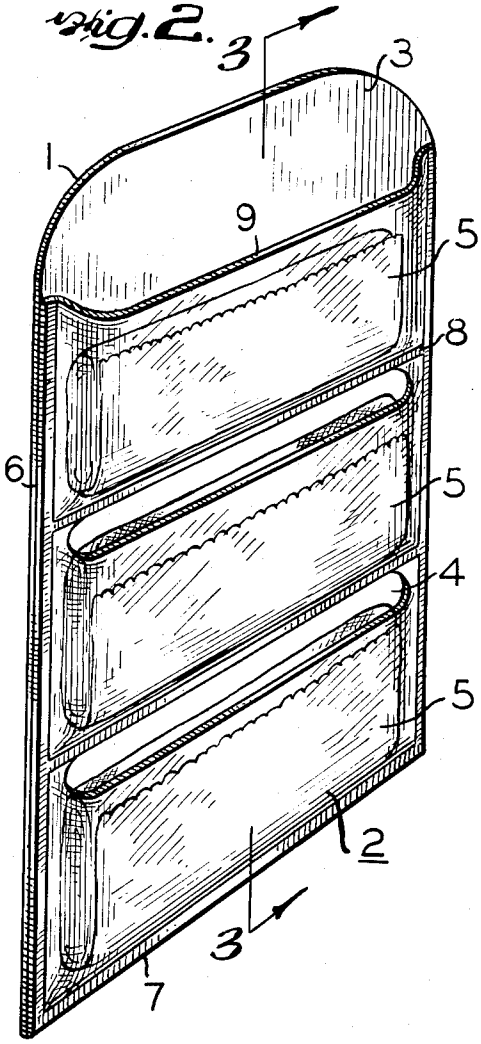
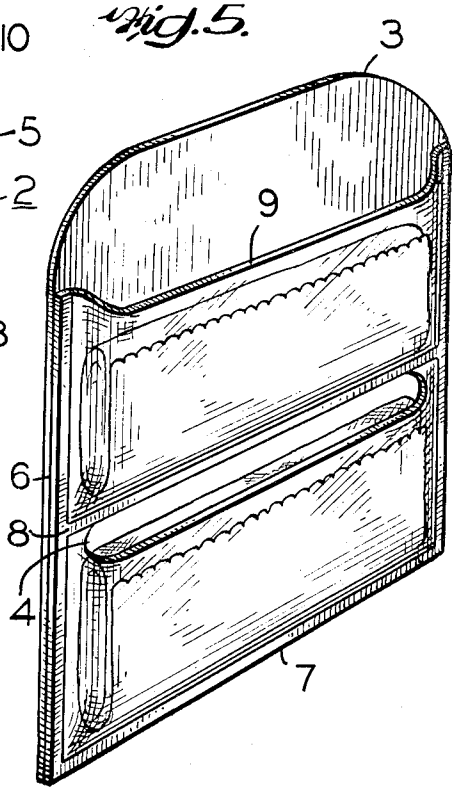


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My invention relates to improvements in the packaging and storage of ladies sheer stockings.

My invention is a hosiery purse designed to enhance the saleability of and afford protection to ladies stockings without appreciably increasing the normal cost of packaging and which is of adequate durability for long continued use as a protective container into which individual pairs may be readily inserted and from which they may be readily selected and removed.

My improved package or purse is formed from laminated sheets of inexpensive, flexible material bonded together to form adjacent pockets for the reception of two or more pairs of hosiery. The purse may contain such number of pockets as may be convenient and each pocket has a translucent or transparent wall and a mouth or opening through which the pocket may be filled or emptied without disturbing the stockings contained in an adjacent pocket or pockets. One sheet is longer than the other and forms, at one end of the purse, a flap for closing the mouth of the end pocket, and the mouth or mouths of the other pocket or pockets are closed by the bight between the pockets when the purse is folded.

A principal object of my invention is to provide a neat appearing, flexible package wherein a plurality of pairs of stockings may be kept free of dust and dirt and displayed without the necessity of removing the stockings from the package.

A further object of my invention is the provision of a durable package in which stockings may be inexpensively merchandised, and which can be reused indefinitely by the purchaser for storing stockings and keeping them clean and free from snagging and from which a pair of desired color may be selected by viewing them through its translucent or transparent wall section.

The principles and characteristic features of my invention and the manner of making, constructing and using my hosiery purse will further appear from the accompanying drawings and the following description explaining the best modes in which I have contemplated using such principles.

In the drawings:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a hosiery purse, embodying my invention and having three pockets, in folded position;

Fig. 2 is a perspective drawing of the purse in open position;

Fig. 3 is a cross-sectional view taken along the line 3—3 of Fig. 2 showing my three-pocket purse in open, upright position;

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a modified hosiery purse embodying my invention and having two pockets and a flap in folded position;

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the purse shown in Fig. 4 in unfolded position.

My hosiery purse is composed of a backing sheet 1 and an inner sheet 2 positioned on the sheet 1 so as to leave an end flap 3 on the body of the backing. The inner sheet 2 contains one or more transverse slots 4 affording ingress to an egress from the respective pockets 5 formed between the sheets 1 and 2.

The sheets 1 and 2 preferably consist of light, flexible, durable plastic material such as vinyl resins, which are sufficiently thermoplastic to permit bonding thereof together along their side edges 6, bottom edges 7 and along a transverse line 8 adjacent to the top of each slot 4. The bonds along the lines 8 provide bottoms for those pockets 5 above the lowermost pocket, and access to such pockets and to the lowermost pocket may be had through slots 4 or through the mouth between the top edge 9 of the sheet 2 and the sheet 1. The bonding is preferably effected entirely by heat but bonding by an adhesive or stitching may be used.

The backing 1 is preferably opaque or sufficiently impervious to light to exclude deleterious light rays, whereas the sheet 2 is preferably transparent or at least sufficiently pervious to light to permit determination therethrough of the colors or shades of stockings in the respective pockets 5.

Transversely folded stockings 10 may be readily inserted in the respective pockets and the purse then folded along the lines 8 and closed by the flap 3. The bonding lines 8 and adjacent slots 4 provide natural folding lines for folding one pocket over on another to close the apertures 4 between pockets 5 and the folding of the flap 3 closes the uppermost pocket 5.

Having described my invention, I claim:

1. A foldable hosiery purse comprising a substantially rectangular backing sheet and an inner sheet containing slots, said inner sheet being somewhat shorter than said backing sheet, said inner sheet being thermally bonded to said backing sheet along the bottom and side edges of said sheets and along the longitudinal upper edge of each of said slots, each of said slots having its lower longitudinal edge unsecured, said inner sheet and backing sheet forming pockets and being foldable so as to overlay said pockets on one another and the uppermost pocket being covered by the extension of the backing sheet beyond said inner sheet, said slots and the bonded edges thereof forming a natural folding line between said pockets.

2. A foldable purse comprising a rectangular backing sheet having an opaque body portion and a flap portion, an inner transparent plastic sheet having a length and breadth approximately equal to the body portion of said backing sheet, said inner sheet having slots therein, said inner sheet being bonded to said backing sheet along its side edges and bottom edge and along the upper edge of each of said slots, the other edge of each slot being left unsecured, and said bonded edges and slots forming natural folding lines extending transversely of the length of said body portion.

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