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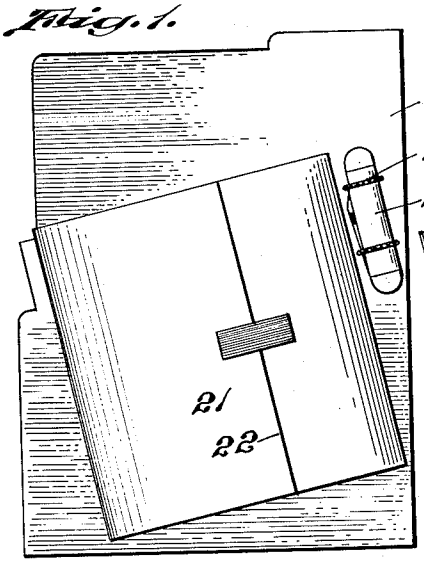


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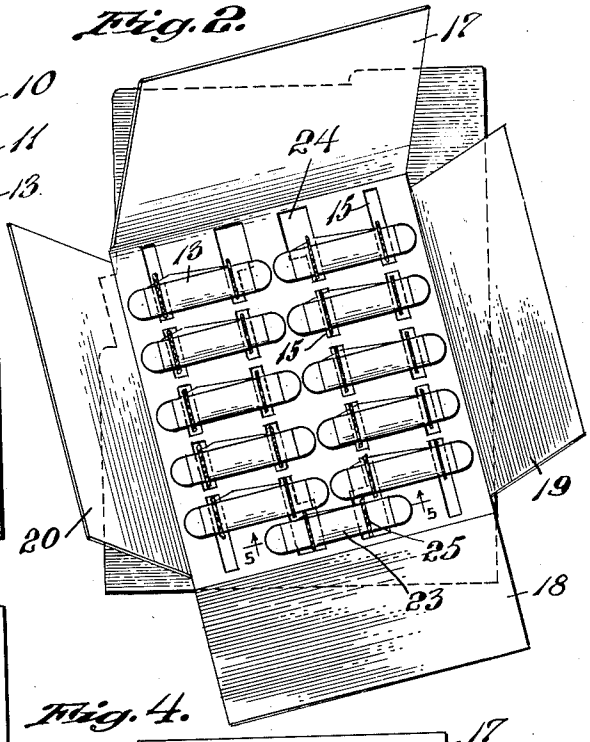


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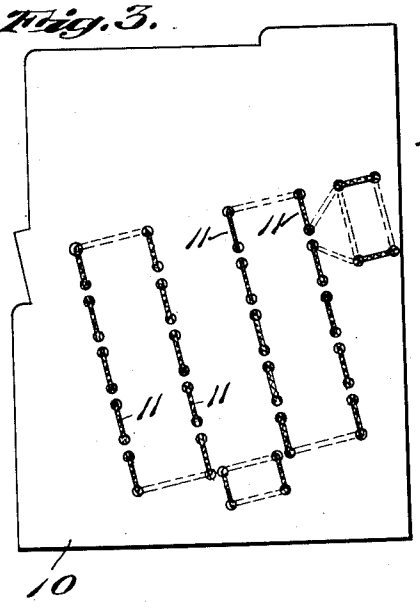


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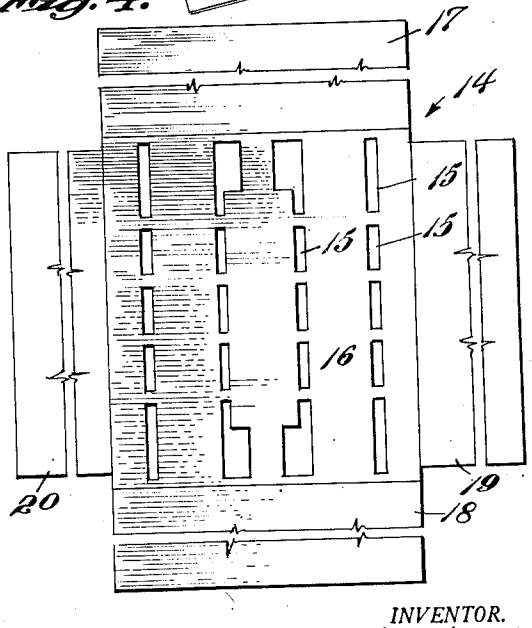


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This invention relates to a package, more particularly for pocket knives and in such form as to display these knives.

Heretofore in the marketing of pocket knives, it has been usual to mount the pocket knives upon a display card by means of elastic straps from which the knife may be easily removed. Frequently dust or some foreign matter collects upon the knives mounted in this display manner and it is very difficult to clean the display from such dust which may accumulate in shipment except by removing each of the knives from the mounting and wiping the card and each of the knives.

One of the objects of this invention is to provide a frangible type cover for the knives so that the same may be kept clean during shipment or until ready for use and then this cover may be easily torn from position to permit a fresh display of the knives.

Another object of this invention is to provide a cover for the knives which may be held in position by the assembly of the knives on the display card.

Another object of this invention is to provide a cover for the knives which may be very simply formed and effectively used.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, as will be more fully described and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

In the accompanying drawings:

Figure 1 is a top plan view of the package in one form which it may assume;

Figure 2 is a view similar to Figure 1 but showing the covering for the knives in partially open position;

Figure 3 is a face view of the card alone;

Figure 4 is a top plan view of the covering material prior to assembly upon the card or beneath the knives; and

Figure 5 is a section on line 5—5 of Figure 2.

In proceeding with this invention, I provide a sheet material which is to act as a cover and slot this material so that the slots will register with the usual elastic strap holding means for the knives and then lay this sheet material over the card upon which the knives are to be mounted so that the elastic strap protrudes through each of the openings. The knives are then assembled on the covering material in the usual manner and serve by means of their elastic straps to hold the covering sheet in place through contact and pressure of the knives therewith. The cover has extending flaps at each of the edges of the body portion which flaps may be folded inwardly to provide an envelope over the articles mounted on the card so as to protect them from accumulation of dirt or dust.

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With reference to the drawings, 10 designates a display card usually of cardboard upon which there is secured a plurality of elastic straps 11 located in such positions that knives 13 may be placed beneath two such straps and held on the card. The elastic strap 11 is usually of one continuous elastic cord which is woven in a suitable manner to provide the loops for holding the knives. This card may have an easel leg so that it may stand upon a counter as desired.

The cover which I provide is designated generally 14 and comprises a sheet of material which has a plurality of slots 15, 15 in pairs to register with each pair of loops of elastic material 11 which protrudes from the face of the card. In assembly after the elastic material is positioned on the card but before the knives are assembled thereon, the sheet material 14 is placed on the card with each of its pairs of openings 15, 15 registering with the straps 11. The knives are then placed in position in a usual way which serve to overlie the sheet of material in the portions 16 between the pairs of slots so as to hold this material against the card. Flaps 17 and 18 at the top and bottom of the slotted area may be folded inwardly, while additional flaps 19 and 20 at other opposite sides of the sheet 14 may also be folded inwardly, while a piece of adhesive material 21 may be used to secure the edges 22 in overlapped relation and the entire package assembled.

It will be noted that the assembly is such that one of the knives is left outside of the package which permits of the contents of the package being known without opening the package. In some cases the entire group might be covered by a transparent covering.

The arrangement of the knives as shown, positions one knife 23 across the end of two rows and here the end slot 24 of each inside row is enlarged to accommodate the strap 25 for this knife 23. The slots at both ends of the inside rows are enlarged in order that the cover may be symmetrically slotted and may fit the assembly when oriented through 180 degrees.

I claim:

A package comprising a display card, a plurality of article retaining means in spaced relation on the outer surface of said card, a frangible sheet over the outer surface of said card having a plurality of spaced elongated openings regis-

tering with said retaining means and through which said retaining means extend, articles engaging said sheet, said retaining means extending through the sheet and about the article to hold said sheet against said outer surface of said card, said frangible sheet having portions extending beyond the edges of said display card, said portions being folded at the edges of said display card to cover the outer surface of said articles.

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