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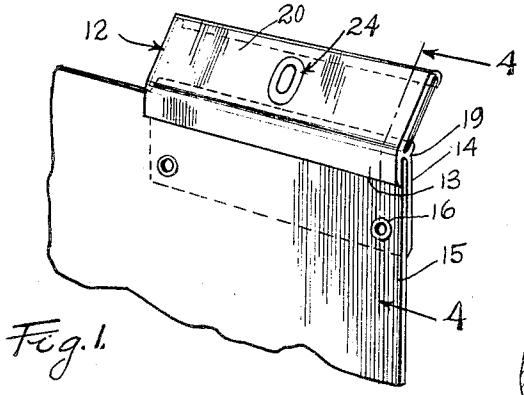


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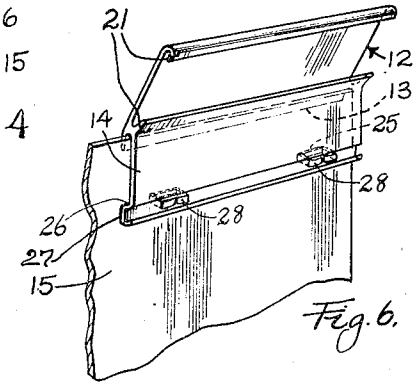


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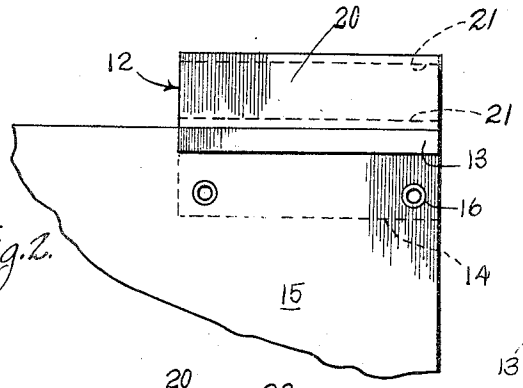


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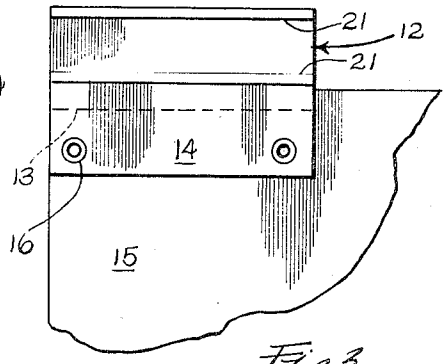


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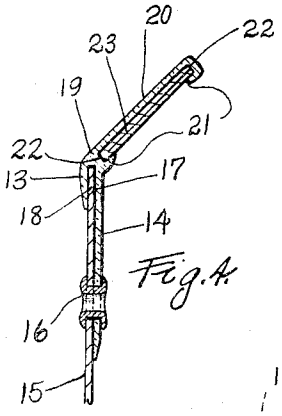


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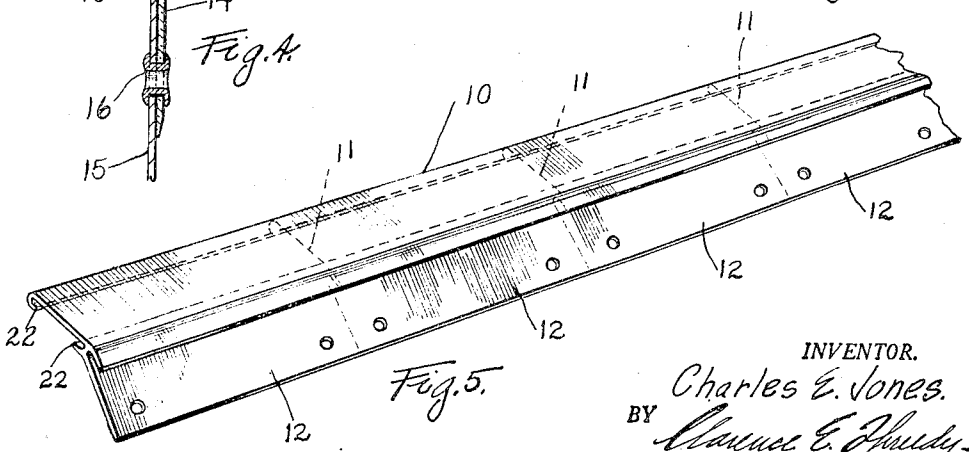


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This invention relates to index strip holders of the general class which are adapted to be fixed to a file card or the like to display an index strip on which is typed or otherwise printed certain identifying indicia or other information.

The invention is particularly concerned with the provision of an index holder formed of extruded cellulose acetate whereby an elongated strip thus formed may be separated in the direction of its length into a plurality of individual index strip holders.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of an index strip holder constructed in a manner which facilitates connection of the holder to the separating card and expedites the insertion and removal of the index strip.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

The invention consists in the novel combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter described and claimed.

The invention will be best understood by reference to the accompanying drawings showing the preferred form of construction, and in which:

Fig. 1 is a fragmentary perspective view of a separating card showing my improved index holder associated therewith;

Fig. 2 is a fragmentary face elevational view of the assembly shown in Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary rear face view of the assembly shown in Fig. 1;

Fig. 4 is a fragmentary sectional detail view taken substantially on line 4—4 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the extruded bar or strip ready to be separated into individual index card holders.

Fig. 6 shows a slightly modified form of construction.

In the drawings showing my preferred form of construction, an elongated strip of extruded material is indicated at 10 formed of such material as will best serve the purpose, such for example, as cellulose acetate. This strip is divided in the direction of its length as at 11 into a plurality of individual index strip holders 12. Each of these holders comprises integrally connected aprons 13 and 14 of different widths, with the apron 14 disposed to the rear of a separating card 15 and attached thereto by suitable staples or tubular rivets 16. These aprons 13 and 14 are spaced from each other to provide a groove 17 for the reception of the edge portion 18 of the card 15. At the junction 19 between these aprons 13 and 14 and extending rearwardly with respect to the card 15 is a face plate 20. The opposite edge portions 21 of this face plate 20 provide confronting grooves 22 adapted to slidably receive the edge portions of an index strip 23 having printed or otherwise appearing thereon identifying indicia 24.

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In Fig. 6 I have shown a slightly modified form of construction. In this form of construction it is proposed that the holder be attached to the card 15 by means of staples 25. To accomplish this the rear face of the apron 14 is provided with an elongated groove 26 to provide a relatively thin wall 27 through which the staples are driven by a stapling machine or the like. The turned end portions 28 of the staples are confined in the groove 26 in which position they cannot catch up filed papers or the like to the rear of the card 15. In this construction it requires but a simple operation to attach the holder to the card.

The holder which is formed of transparent material, is constructed in a manner such as permits insertion and removal of the index strip with the minimum degree of effort. The angular degree between the face plate and aprons, 13 and 14 may be varied as will best serve the intended purpose.

While I have illustrated and described the preferred form of construction for carrying my invention into effect, this is capable of variation and modification without departing from the spirit of the invention. I, therefore, do not wish to be limited to the precise details of construction set forth, but desire to avail myself of such variations and modifications as come within the scope of the appended claim.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

An index strip holder comprising parallelly extending aprons joined integrally together along their top longitudinal edges and spaced apart to provide a card-receiving groove adjacent said top longitudinal edges, said aprons being of different widths, with the wider of the aprons extending in facial abutment with respect to the rear surface of the card below the bottom long edge of the narrower of the aprons, a transparent substantially flat elongated face plate formed integrally with the aprons along said top longitudinal edges and extending upwardly and rearwardly with respect to said card, the opposite longitudinal edges of said plate at the rear side thereof providing parallelly extending confronting grooves to receive the longitudinal edges of an index strip arranged in flat facial abutment with respect to the rear surface of said plate

where said strip may be engaged by the finger of a hand to facilitate removal of said strip from the rear of said plate.

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