

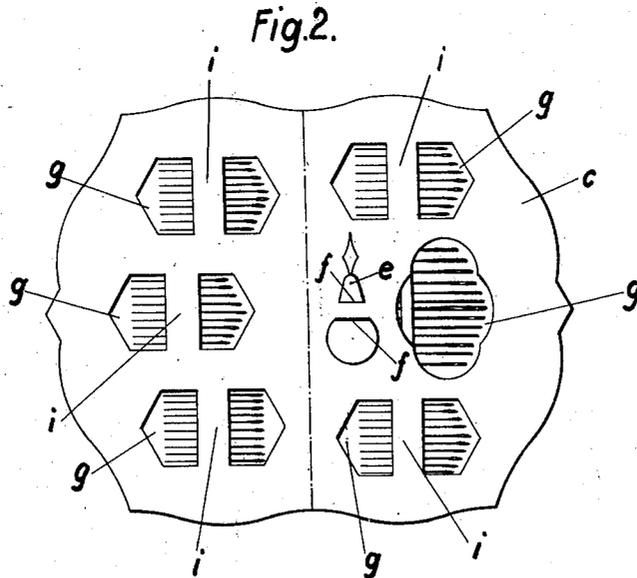
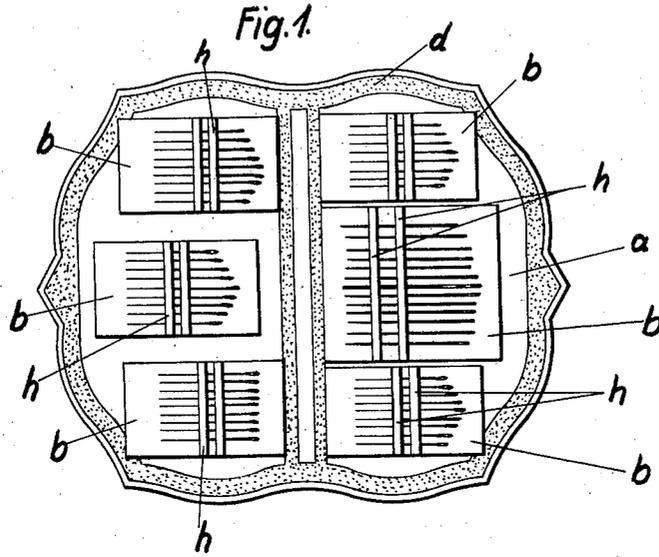
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This invention relates to a needle case with windows in which the different groups of needles are arranged according to size or purpose of use on strips or the like.

5 Needle packings in the form of needle books or cases are known, in which needle envelopes with or without gelatine windows are stuck, or in which the needles are pricked in groups into the paper. These needle packages are open to the objection
10 that the needle envelopes or other receptacles for the needles must be stuck on separately by hand. Moreover, it is impossible to see at a glance the size and kind of the needles in the different needle envelopes. The needles can only be removed
15 after inconvenient opening of the envelopes, and the envelopes must be carefully closed again, which wastes time. Other holding parts, such as paper strips, project from the inner surface, become detached from the support and catch
20 on the opposite strips of the case so that they are torn off when opening the case.

As compared with these known constructions the invention consists in that needle holding strips are provided which are connected on the rear side by stitching, pasting or the like with
25 the inner surface of the needle case and are covered on the front side by a cover sheet with window-like apertures forming a smooth surface. The window-like apertures in the cover sheet extend entirely or partially over the length and
30 width of the needle groups. The fixing of the needle strips and also of the cover sheet can be effected mechanically, so that such a packing is very cheap to produce. Moreover, as the inner
35 sides are lying with flat surfaces the one on the other no projecting parts exist.

An embodiment of the invention is illustrated by way of example in the accompanying drawing in which:

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Fig. 1 shows in top plan view the needle case in open condition and without cover sheet,

Fig. 2 is a similar view to Fig. 1, the cover sheet being pasted on.

On the inner side of a needle case *a* differently coloured needle strips are pasted or otherwise fixed by mechanical means. A cover sheet *c*, provided with window-like apertures *g*, is placed on the needle case *a* and fixed by gummed strips *d*. The needles are visible along their entire length
60 through the apertures *g* and can easily be removed. Holding ridges *h* provided on the needle strips *b* are covered by window straps *i* so that they do not project from the cover sheet. As the cover sheet *c* only bears at the pasted places, a
65 needle threader *e* can also be inserted through two slots *f* in the cover sheet.

I claim:—

1. A needle case, comprising in combination a backing, a plurality of paper sheets puckered
75 intermediate their length distributed over the surface of said backing, a group of needles in each of said puckered sheets and a cover stuck to said backing all round its edge and extending loosely over the remaining surface thereof, said
80 cover having a plurality of pairs of apertures with an intermediate strip of said cover and forming windows above said groups of needles and exposing the heads and points thereof, said intermediate strips covering the puckered portions of said
85 paper sheets.

2. A needle case as specified in claim 1 in which said backing and said cover sheets are foldable along their horizontal central line to form two halves of similar shape so that the needles lie
90 protected between the two halves of the case.

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