

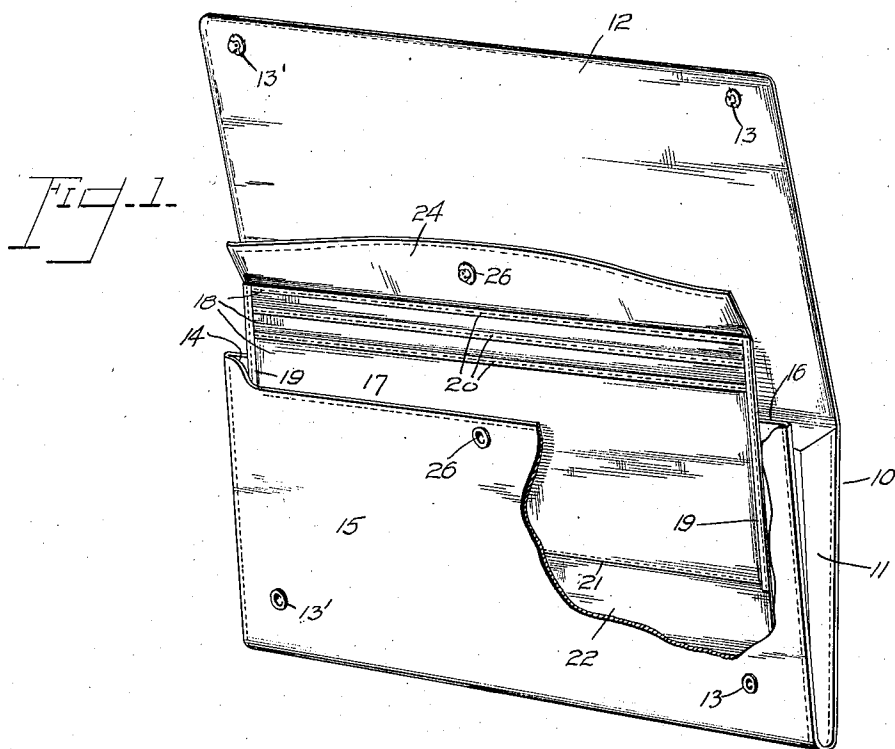
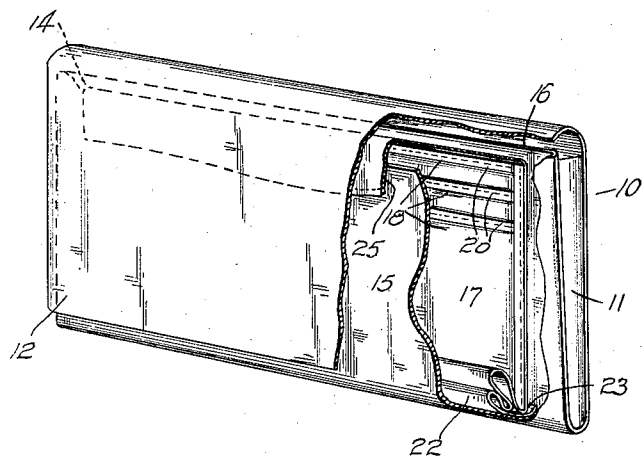
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM KULICK, citizen of the United States of America, residing at the city, county, and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Hand Bags, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to hand-bags and specifically to the type of bag usually carried and used by ladies.

Briefly the object of the invention is to provide a lady's hand-bag, or similar article, of otherwise usual construction, with a bill-folder, or similar compartment, which is so connected with the bag that it is normally inaccessible and completely enclosed and protected and yet easily withdrawable to accessible position without actual physical severance from the bag.

A further object consists in providing the bill folder with a series of compartments which are so arranged in connection with the rest of the construction that they will become successively accessible during the process of withdrawal.

These, and other features, are fully described in the following description, set forth in the appended claims, and illustratively exemplified in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the bag in open position, with a part broken away, and showing the bill folder in withdrawn position; and

Fig. 2 is a perspective view in closed position with parts broken away to disclose the bill folder in its normally nested position.

Referring to the drawings, 10 denotes a lady's hand bag of usual construction, comprising a body portion 11, which may be provided with the usual compartments or pockets, and a cover or flap 12 adapted to close over the body portion in a well-known manner as indicated in Fig. 2 and to be fastened in closed position by usual means such as snaps 13 and 13' (not shown in Fig. 2).

For the purposes of the invention, any of the usual compartments or pockets or merely one wall of the bag, may be used. I prefer to provide a pocket 14 which is formed by the front wall 15 of the bag and an inside partition or wall 16. Within this pocket I connect a bill-folder 17 in the following manner.

The bill folder or similar compartment is preferably substantially flat, rectangular

and envelope-shaped, and comprises a plurality of superposed walls 18 stitched or otherwise joined along three sides thereof, as at 19, to form a series of overlying compartments. The bill folder could equally well comprise only a single compartment, but I prefer a plurality thereof, in contemplation of using a separate compartment for each denomination of bills. Moreover, I prefer to make the walls 18 of varying depths so that the upper edges 20 thereof will be spaced from one another. The purpose of this construction is to allow the overlying compartments formed by these walls to become successively accessible as the bill folder is withdrawn. Along the edge 21 of the bill folder, opposite the openings of the compartments, is stitched or attached a connecting strip 22, preferably of flexible material, and preferably rectangular in shape, and the opposite edge thereof is suitably attached to the bag at some point within the pocket 14, and preferably at the base of the wall 15, as at 23. The strip 22 is normally folded upon itself in collapsed position as shown in Fig. 2, and its width is made sufficient to allow exposure of, and access to, the openings of the compartments as shown in Fig. 1, when the folder is withdrawn.

A particular feature of the invention lies in the provision of a flap 24 attached to the open end of the folder, which is adapted normally to overlie the front wall 15, as shown at 25, and to be fastened to the latter by suitable means such as a snap 26, when the folder is in its normal position within the bag substantially coincident with the wall 15. The flap 24 is made smaller than the main cover or flap 12, so that it may be completely covered by the latter when the bag is closed. The flap 24 keeps the folder normally adjacent to the wall 15 and prevents access to, and thus protects the contents of, the overlying compartments of the folder even after the outer or main flap 12 is opened. In order to gain access to the insides of the compartments, the flap 24 must be unfastened, and then by drawing the folder upwards by a sliding movement relative to the wall 15, the pockets or compartments of the folder become successively accessible as will be understood. When closed, the folder virtually constitutes one inside wall of the pocket 14, and I prefer to cover that side of the folder with the

same material used as lining for the rest of the pocket 14, whereby a neat and compact appearance is created when the main flap 12 is raised.

5 What I claim is:

1. In a bag of the character described, the combination of a withdrawable bill folder normally coincident with one entire wall of the bag, and a collapsible strip of flexible
10 material coincident in width with the folder for connecting the folder to the bag, said folder having separate compartments so arranged as to become successively accessible as the strip is uncollapsed.

15 2. In a bag of the character described, the combination of a withdrawable bill folder normally coincident with one entire wall of the bag and provided with a flap adapted to embrace the free edge of said
20 wall, means carried by said flap for detachably attaching said folder to said wall, and a collapsible strip of flexible material coincident in width with the folder for connecting the base of said folder with the base
25 of said wall to limit the extent of withdrawal of the folder when the flap is detached.

3. In a bag of the character described, the combination of a withdrawable bill folder normally coincident with one entire wall of the bag and provided with a flap adapted to embrace the free edge of said wall, means
30 carried by said flap for detachably attaching said folder to said wall, and a collapsible strip of flexible material coincident in width with the folder for connecting the base of said folder with the base of said wall to limit the extent of withdrawal of

the folder when the flap is detached, said folder being provided with separate compartments having openings normally covered by said wall and being arranged to become successively accessible as the folder is withdrawn.

4. In a bag of the character described, the combination of a withdrawable bill folder
45 normally adjacent a wall of the bag and having a plurality of overlying compartments whose openings are arranged so as to be normally covered by said wall and to become successively uncovered as the folder
50 is withdrawn, and a strip of flexible material attached to the edge of the folder opposite said openings and connecting said folder with the base of said wall, said strip having a width equal to that of the folder
55 and having an uncollapsed length just sufficient to allow exposure of all of said openings.

5. In a bag of the character described, the combination of a plurality of compartments, a withdrawable bill folder normally coincident with one entire wall of one of said compartments, means for normally retaining said folder in said coincidence, and collapsible means connecting said folder to the
60 base of said compartment, said last named means comprising a strip of flexible material of equal width with that of the compartment whereby access from the compartment past the folder to said wall is prevented.
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In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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