POCKET TOILET SET CONTAINER

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This invention relates to a container for toilet set articles, and has as its primary object the provision of a container for a toilet set that may be conveniently carried in the pocket and which is so formed as to readily accommodate manicure shears, nail file, comb, mirror, and, in a fashion to render the articles readily accessible.

Another object is to provide a container of the above character embodying hingedly connected leaf members adapted to be folded in overlying relation to each other in which the leaf members are formed of rigid or stiff sheet material so formed as to provide an effective holder for toilet articles and in a fashion to permit ready removal and replacement thereof endwise of the container.

A further object is to provide a construction in one of the leaf members affording a rigid support for a mirror and yet provide pocket space rearward of the mirror for the reception of a booklet of sheet materials, such as books of postage stamps and the like.

With the foregoing objects in view, together with such other objects and advantages as may subsequently appear, the invention is carried into effect as illustrated by way of example in the accompanying drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the container showing it in an open position with portions broken away;

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the container as seen in its closed position;

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the container as seen from the side thereof opposite that shown in Fig. 2 and showing the book receiving receptacle in its open position;

Fig. 4 is a detail in vertical section taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 2 as seen in the direction indicated by the arrows;

Fig. 5 is a detail in horizontal section taken on the line 5—5 of Fig. 2.

Referring to the drawing more specifically A and B indicate a pair of leaf members that are hingedly connected together by a hinged joint C so as to have swinging movement relative to each other and whereby the leaf members A and B may be disposed in overlapping relation to each other as shown in Figs. 2 to 5 inclusive or may be disposed in outwardly diverging relation to each other as shown in Fig. 1.

In carrying out the invention the leaf member A is formed with a back wall 6, side flanges 7 and 8, and an end flange 9 each of which flanges is formed with an inturned margin a. The flanges 7 and 8 terminate at the end of the leaf opposite the end flange 9 to afford an end opening 10 in the leaf. A web 11 extends between the margins of the lower portions of the side flanges 7 and 8 and connects with the end flange 9 to form a pocket D as particularly shown in Figs. 4 and 5 and which pocket may be divided by a partition 12 as shown in Fig. 5 to form the pocket D into a pair of compartments, one of which is adapted to receive a comb E and the other of which is adapted to receive a pair of manicure shears F and a nail file G as shown in Fig. 1; the web 11 being spaced from the back wall 6 and having its exposed margin spaced from the open end 10 of the leaf A whereby the articles contained in the pockets may be removed and replaced in the direction of the length of the leaf.

The inner faces of the back wall and web 11 are coated with a covering 13 of a soft fabric to afford a cushion and a friction grip for the articles contained in the pockets.

The leaf B is formed of a length exceeding that of the leaf A and embodies a back wall 14, side flanges 15 and 16, and end flanges 17 and 18; the flanges 15, 16 and 17 being formed with inturned margins b disposed to overlie and seat on the inturned margins a of the flanges 7, 8 and 9 of the leaf A.

The leaf B is formed of a length exceeding that of the leaf A and the end flange 18 thereof is formed of a width exceeding the width of the flanges 16 and 17 and such that its outer margin will extend substantially flush with the outer face of the back wall 6 of the leaf A when the latter is closed relative to leaf B and extended in parallel relation thereto. The outer margin of the flange 18 terminates in an inturned wall 19 arranged to overlie the opening 10 to form the sole closure therefor when the leaves A and B are in their closed overlying position and to act as a stop to prevent the outer ends of articles carried in the pocket D from advancing beyond the end of the leaf A when the container is closed.

Carried on the inturned margin b of the flanges 15, 16 and 17 and on the inner end of the wall 19 is a frame 20 in which is supported a plate 21 constituting a mirror and which plate is spaced from the back wall 6 of the leaf B which latter is recessed rearwardly of the plate 21 to provide a pocket G' for the reception of a book H of postage stamps or the like; the recess G' is fitted with a cover 22 connected by a hinge 23 to the lower margin of the pocket. The side margins of the cover 22 are formed with inturned flanges 24 providing opposed grooves 25 adapted
to receive the margin of the back portion 28 of
the book H as particularly shown in Fig. 3.

The leaf members A and B are fitted with the
cooperating parts of a snap catch I, as shown in
Fig. 5, whereby the leaf members A and B may be
detachably connected together in their closed or
folded position.

The operation of the invention is apparent
from the foregoing; it being obvious that articles
such as a comb K, shears F, and file G, may be
readily inserted in, and removed from the pocket
in the direction of the length of the leaf member
A, when the container is in its open position,
and that when the latter is open the mirror 21
may be utilized in a fashion common in toilet
article containers embodying mirrors on the lid
thereof. When the person carrying the device
desires to use only the mirror 21, the flanged top
portion 18 of the device forms a secure finger-
hold not only for withdrawing the device from
the pocket but as a handle means therefor while
looking into said mirror.

By forming the leaf A with the open end por-
tion 10 the container may be formed of a length
slightly more than sufficient to accommodate
the articles contained in the pocket D and the
latter may be formed with rigid walls from which
the articles may be readily withdrawn in the
direction of the length of the leaf A and without
distorting the walls of the pocket. Owing to
the fact that the flange 18 forms the sole closure
element for the opening 10 through which ac-
cess is had to the pocket when the leaves A and
B are swung apart, it is unnecessary to provide
the device with any special element to close the
said pocket D (see Fig. 4). The simplified struc-
ture residing in this idea of means is an impor-
tant feature of the invention.

By constructing the container as set forth it
may be made in most part of rigid sheet ma-
terial and of such length, breadth and thickness
as to admit of its being readily carried in a pocket
like a flat note book and the like. In other
words the container may be made exceed-
ingly compact and yet accommodate the severa-
lot toilet articles essential for use in the ordinary
care of the hair and nails.

While I have shown and described a specific
embodiment of my invention I do not limit my-
self to the exact details of construction shown
but may employ such changes and modifications
as occasion may require and coming within the
meaning and scope of the appended claims.

I claim:

1. In a container for toilet articles, a pair of
hingedly connected leaves each of which em-
obody a rigid back wall having side flanges
and an end flange; the side flanges and end flange of
one of the leaf members formed to overlie the
side flanges and end flange of the other leaf
when said leaves are arranged in their closed
overlying relation; one of said leaf members be-
ing formed of a greater length than the other
and having an end flange arranged to overlie
an end of the other leaf member to close a space
extending between the ends of the side flanges
thereof, and a pocket on said last named leaf
member opening toward said space, the swinging
apart of said leaf members on their hinge con-
nection affording manual access to the open end
of said pocket.

2. In a toilet article container, a pair of hing-
edly connected leaf members one of which em-
obody a rigid back wall formed with side flanges
and an end flange at one end thereof and being
open at the end thereof opposite said last named
flange; the other of said leaf members em-
bodying a rigid back wall having side flanges and
an end flange formed to overlie the flanges on the
other leaf member when said leaf members are
arranged in closed overlapping relation to each
other, and an end flange on the last named leaf
member projecting over the open end of the other
leaf member when the leaves are in their closed
position, and a pocket interiorly of the open
ended leaf member opening to the open end
thereof, the swinging apart of said leaf members
on their hinge connection affording manual ac-
cess to the open end of said pocket.

3. In a toilet article container, a pair of hing-
edly connected leaf members one of which em-
obody a rigid back wall formed with side
flanges and an end flange at one end thereof
and being open at the end thereof opposite said last
named flange; the other of said leaf members
embodying a rigid back wall having side flanges
and an end flange formed to overlie the flanges on
the other leaf member when said leaf mem-
bers are arranged in closed overlapping rela-
tion to each other, and an end flange on the last
named leaf member projecting over the open
end of the other leaf member when the leaves
are in their closed position, and a pocket interior-
ly of the open ended leaf member opening to the
open end thereof, said pocket being formed of
a rigid wall extending between the side flanges
of the first named leaf member and having a
margin arranged in spaced relation to the open
end of the latter, whereby articles of a less length
than the container may be supported in said
pocket with their upper end portions projecting
above said pocket margin in a position for con-
venient manual withdrawal from said pocket.

4. In a toilet article container, a pair of hing-
edly connected leaf members one of which em-
obody a rigid back wall formed with side flanges
and an end flange at one end thereof and being
open at the end thereof opposite said last named
flange; the other of said leaf members em-
bodying a rigid back wall having side flanges and
an end flange formed to overlie the flanges on
the other leaf member when said leaf members are
arranged in closed overlapping relation to each
other, there being a top end flange on the last
named leaf member projecting over the open
end of the other leaf member when the leaves are
in their closed position, a pocket interiorly of
the open ended leaf member opening to the
open end thereof, the leaf member having said
top end flange being also provided with an
externally accessible pocket in its back portion.

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