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RACK

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1 Claim. (Cl. 206—73)

The present invention is designed to provide a tray which is convenient for use in posting slips, such, for instance, as telephone slips, arranging them so that they may be readily manipulated for posting, and separating them into a number of leaf bodies, thus facilitating the finding of different slips and exposing certain parts of the slips so that they will be readily observed by the operator. Features and details of the invention will appear from the specification and claim.

A preferred embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing as follows:—

- Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the tray.
- Fig. 2 a top view of the tray.
- Fig. 3 a side elevation with the view at an angle to the face of the base.

1 marks the base. This has its bottom preferably covered by a corduroy covering 2.

A series of leaf supports 3 are mounted on the base. These supports are parallel and are off-set relatively to each other. A bottom support 4 extends forward from the bottom of each leaf support and extends at an angle to the base and has a slight forward projection by means of which the leaf supports may be secured to the base. A side guide 6 is provided for one edge, or side of the leaf supports 3 and preferably the upper ends of the leaf supports are extended by wire bails 7 which form a preferable top edge over which the operator may work. The upper corner at one side of the bail is bent inwardly forming in

effect a cut-away corner 8 which will expose some of the leaves directly to the rear of the leaf support and will permit of a more ready handling of the leaves in front of the cut-away portion.

Leaf bodies 9 are arranged against the leaf supports 3 and rest on the bottom supports 4 so that the edge of the forward leaf is slightly off-set with relation to the next leaf and this facilitates the separation of this leaf from the succeeding leaf. It will be noticed also that the leaf bodies are off-set relatively to each other so that a number 10 along the edge of the leaf body is exposed. This usually has the data which the operator is particularly interested in observing. To this extent also the cut-away portion 8 exposes the part 11 which is also, with most of such slips, desirable. A front plate 12 is arranged in front of the series and forms a front guard for the front forward leaf body.

In operation the leaf bodies are placed in the different supports and are operated and posted on from these supports, the off-setting facilitating both the observation of the leaves and also the handling of the leaves.

What I claim as new is:—

In a rack, the combination of a base; and a series of upwardly extending supports inclined to the base, said supports being in skewed relation to the base and having their side edges off-set whereby leaf bodies on the supports have one edge of each body exposed.

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