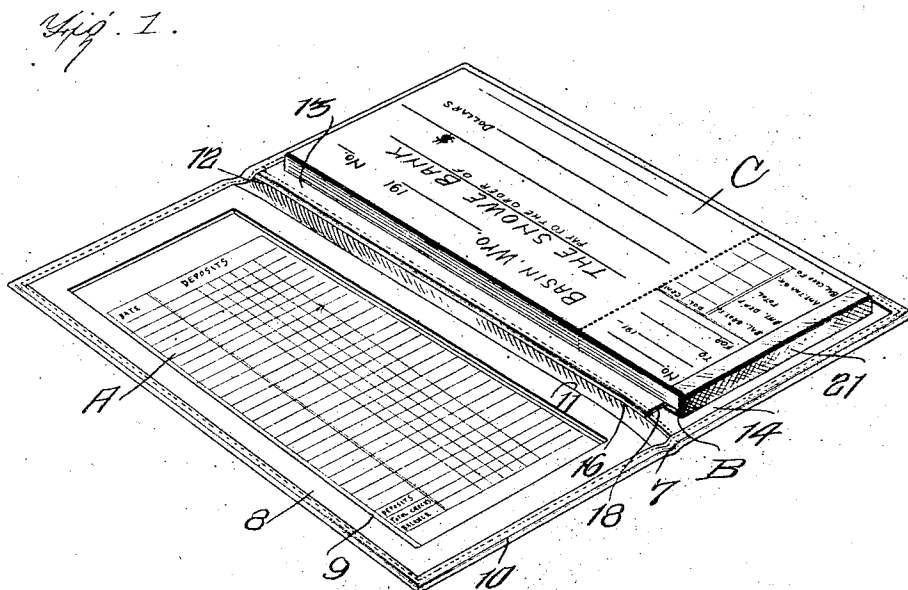
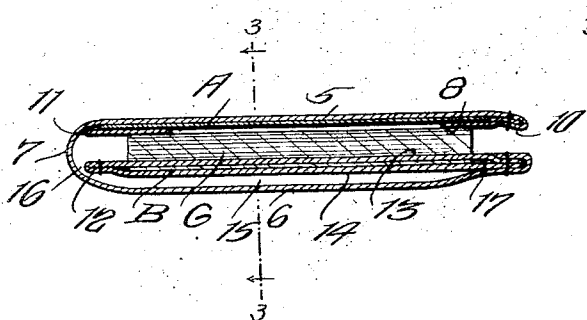
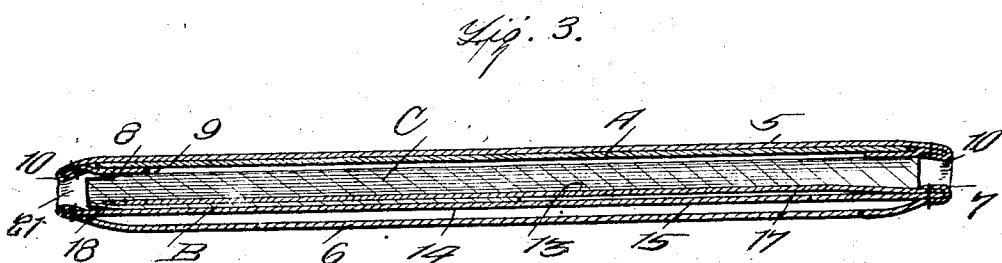


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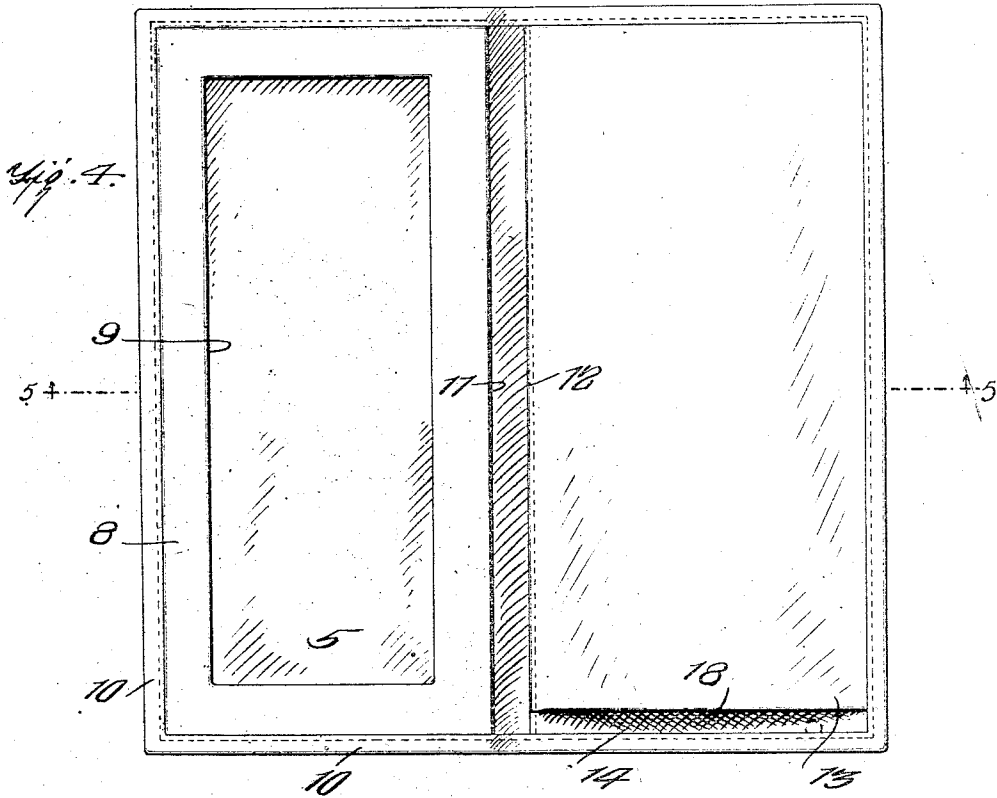
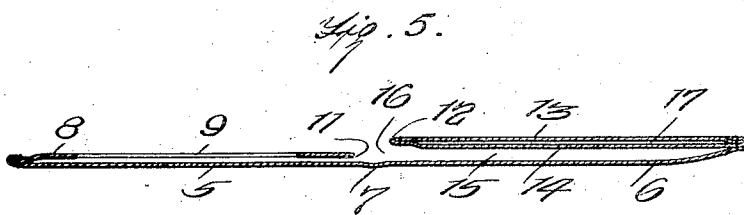
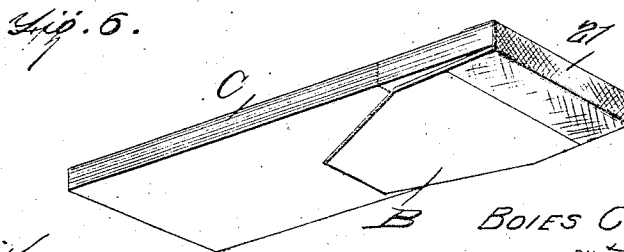
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BOIES C. HART, a citizen of the United States, residing at Basin, in the county of Bighorn and State of Wyoming, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Bill-Books, Check-Books, and Pass-Books, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improvement in combination bill, check and pass books.

One of the principal objects of the invention is to provide a combined bill, check and pass book having a pocket provided in one leaf of the cover, in the form of a frame for the reception of a deposit sheet to be inserted and used by the bank, in listing deposits made in the bank during the month.

Another object of the invention is to provide a book of the class described having a leaf provided with a pocket for the reception of bills and with a second pocket in which the tab of a check pad is adapted to be inserted, whereby the check pad may be carried by the pass book.

A further object of the invention is to provide a book of the class described having the inside dimensions of the deposit sheet frame smaller than the analogous dimensions of the check pad whereby the frame may engage the outer regions or edges of the pad when the book is in folded or closed position, to maintain the sheets of the check pad in closely packed relation, whereby to prevent creasing or folding of the sheets while the book is being carried about by its owner.

With these and other objects in view which will become apparent as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the construction, combination and arrangement of parts, hereinafter more fully described and claimed, and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which like characters of reference indicate like parts throughout the several figures, of which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a book constructed according to my invention, the same being shown in open or extended position. Fig. 2 represents a vertical transverse sectional view taken through the book, the latter being indicated in closed position. Fig. 3 represents a vertical longitudinal sectional view taken on the plane indicated by the line 3--3 of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 represents a plan view of the cover, showing the same in open position. Fig. 5 represents

a vertical transverse sectional view taken on the plane indicated by the line 5--5 of Fig. 4, and Fig. 6 represents a perspective view of the check pad looking toward the bottom thereof.

In carrying out my invention I provide a cover formed of any suitable material such as leather, and including a leaf 5 and a leaf 6 hingedly connected as at 7, whereby they may be folded upon each other. Upon leaf 5 a piece of material 8 having a relatively large central opening 9 is placed. Upon the ends and the outer lateral edge of piece 8, the adjacent edges of leaf 5 are turned and stitched as at 10, so that a pocket is formed, having an entrance as at 11 along the longitudinal edge of piece 8 adjacent the hinge 7. In this pocket the deposit sheet A is adapted to be inserted. Piece 8 thus forms a frame for the sheet, the latter being visible through the opening 9 provided in said piece.

Upon leaf 6, a piece of material which is doubled upon itself and stitched along the line 12 is positioned, the upper layer being indicated at 13 and the lower layer at 14. This doubled piece of material is secured to leaf 6 in a manner similar to that in which piece 8 is secured to leaf 5, so that the doubled edge 12 is adjacent hinge 7 and is free from leaf 6. In this manner a pocket 15 is formed between layer 14 and leaf 6, said pocket having an opening along its longitudinal edge adjacent hinge 7 and 16. Between layers 13 and 14 an upper or second pocket 17 is formed. Access to this pocket may be had through the opening or slit 18 at one lateral end of the pocket, this opening being formed by cutting away one end of the layer 13, so that when the device is finally assembled layer 13 is virtually shorter than layer 14.

The pocket 15 is designed for the reception of bills or notes or other papers, and the pocket 17 is designed for the reception of the tab B provided on the check pad C. Said pad is formed of a plurality of sheets of blank checks bound at the stub ends by a tape 21. To this tape the tab B at one end is connected. It will be understood that I do not desire to limit myself to this precise construction, but may utilize any suitable and desirable means for securing the tab to the check pad. The tab B is adapted to be inserted in pocket 13 through its opening 18 in the manner indicated in Fig. 1, for positioning the check pad on the book. The

length and width of the opening in the frame are less than the length and width respectively of the check pad. Thus when the covers are folded one upon the other said frame engages upon the check pad along and near the edges of the latter, whereby the leaves of the pad are maintained in close or compressed position and are prevented from being torn or folded or bent, while the book is being carried about upon the person of its owner.

The deposit sheet A is adapted to be inserted in the pocket formed between the frame and cover by the bank officials, and is designed for the use of the bank in entering deposits that are made from time to time in the bank during the month. At the end of the month the sheet is taken out and the checks of the customer cashed by the bank during the month are listed on the opposite side of the sheet. The sheet is then returned to the customer as a statement of his account, showing his balance. In this manner the customer's statements may be rendered at the end of each month with ease and despatch and without the usual duplication of work. The book combines this particular form of pass book with the check book, so that the two may be carried together at all times, and without the necessity of separate books, as is the ordinary custom. At the same time money which is to be deposited or which the user carries for running expenses, may be carried in the pocket designed for its reception, so that a very efficient type of combined check book, pass book and bill book is provided.

Although I have described the preferred embodiment of my invention, I may desire to make such changes in the construction, combination and arrangement of parts thereof as do not depart from the spirit of the invention and the scope of the appended claims.

I claim:—

1. A combined pass book, check book and bill book including a cover composed of a pair of leaves hingedly connected together, a piece of material disposed upon one of the leaves and provided with a central opening, said piece of material being connected to said one leaf along its lateral and one of its longitudinal edges, the longitudinal edge of said piece of material adjacent the hinge connection being unconnected with said one leaf, whereby a deposit sheet may be inserted between said piece of material and one leaf in order that the material may form a frame for the deposit sheet, a second piece

of material doubled along one edge and secured at its lateral and one longitudinal edge to the opposite leaf, the doubled edge of said second piece of material being disposed adjacent the hinged connection and being unconnected from said other leaf, whereby a pocket for the reception of bills is provided between the doubled piece of material and said opposite leaf, the upper layer of said doubled piece of material being cut away at one end to shorten the upper layer, and to provide means whereby a check pad tab may be inserted between the layers of the doubled piece of material for detachably connecting a check pad with the book.

2. A device of the class described comprising a cover including a pair of leaves hingedly connected together, a frame disposed upon one of said leaves and secured thereto along its transverse and one of its longitudinal edges, the longitudinal edge of the frame adjacent the hinged connection being unattached to said one leaf, whereby a deposit sheet may be inserted between said frame and the leaf to which it is connected, a doubled piece of material disposed upon the opposite leaf and secured thereto along its lateral and one of its longitudinal edges, the longitudinal edge of said doubled piece of material adjacent the hinged connection being detached from said opposite leaf, whereby a pocket is formed between said doubled piece of material and opposite leaf for the reception of bills, the outer layer of said doubled piece of material being cut away at one end whereby the tab of a check pad stub may be inserted between the layers of the doubled piece of material for detachably connecting the check pad with the cover.

3. A cover of the class described comprising a pair of leaves hingedly connected together, one leaf being provided with means for receiving a deposit sheet, a piece of material doubled along one edge and secured at its lateral edges and one longitudinal edge to the opposite leaf with the doubled edge arranged adjacent the hinged connection and being unconnected from said opposite leaf, the upper layer of the doubled piece of material being provided with a transverse slit whereby a check pad tab may be inserted between the layers of the doubled piece of material.

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