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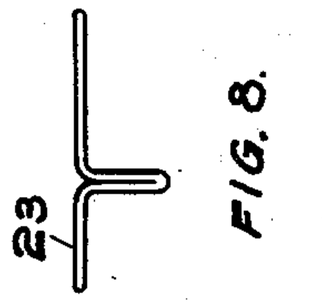


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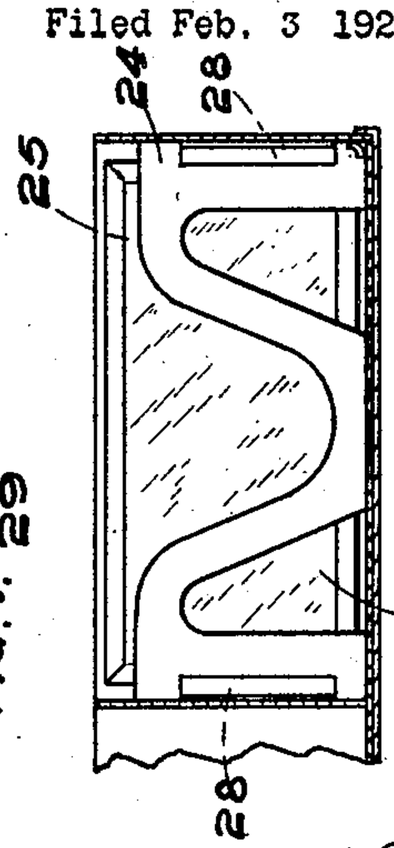


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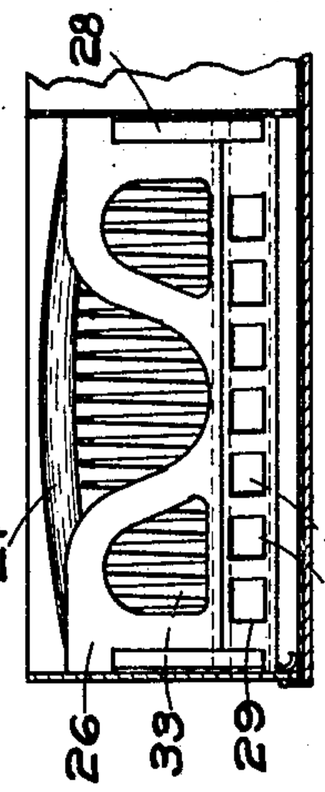


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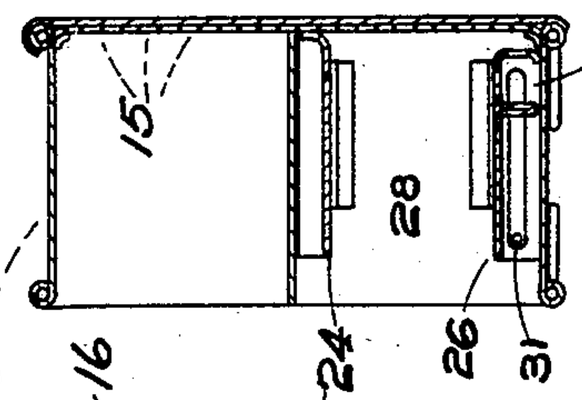


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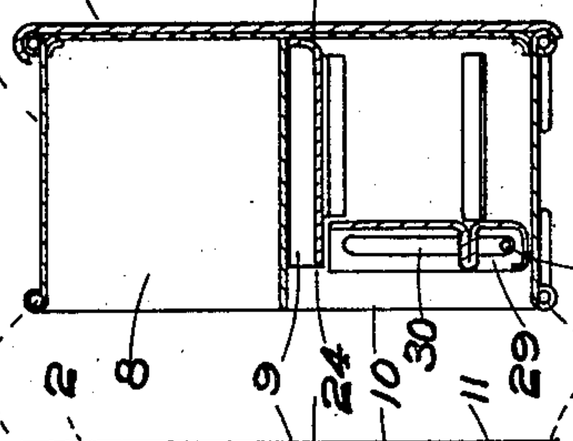


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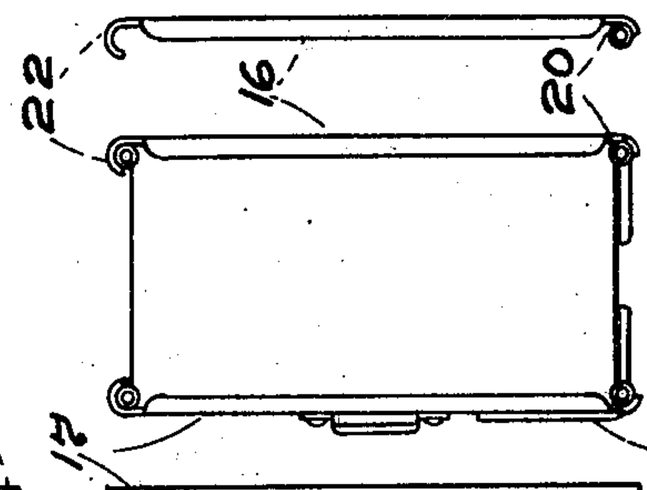


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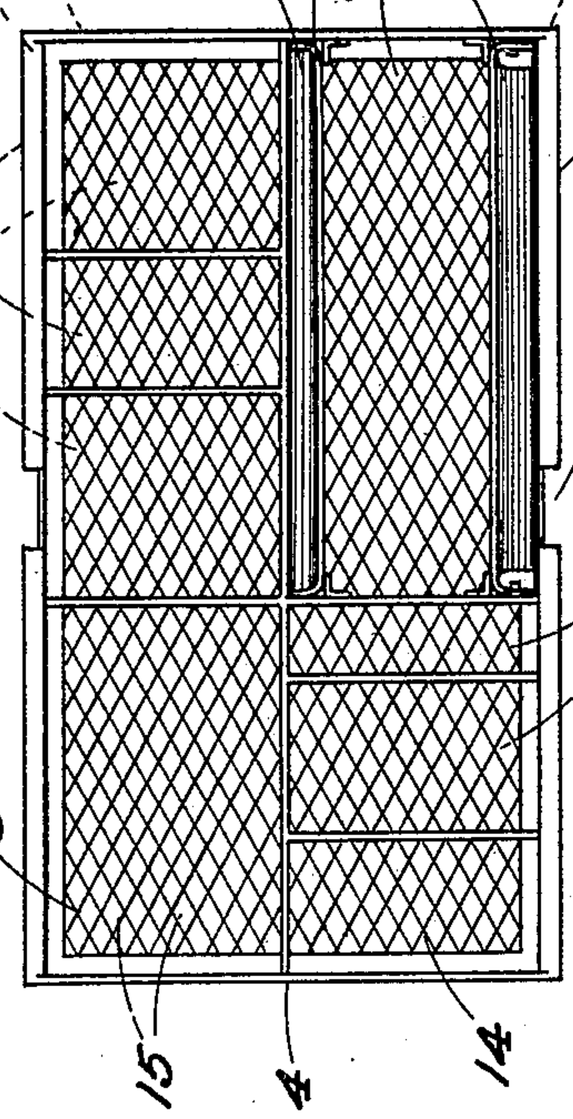


FIG. 1.

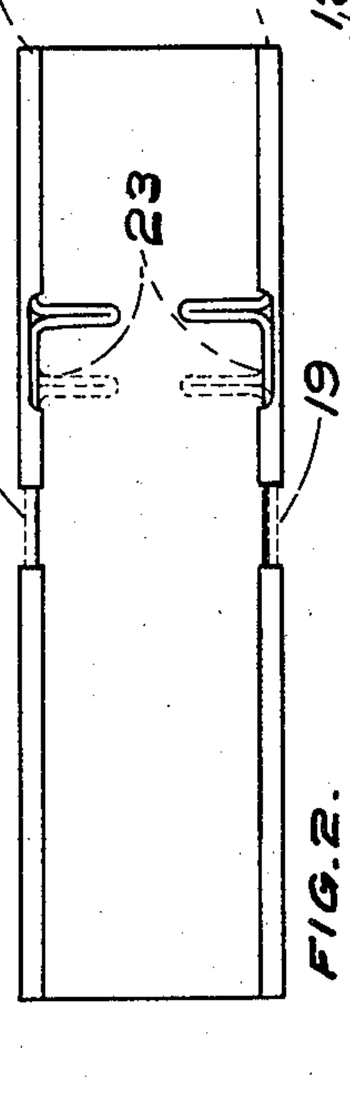


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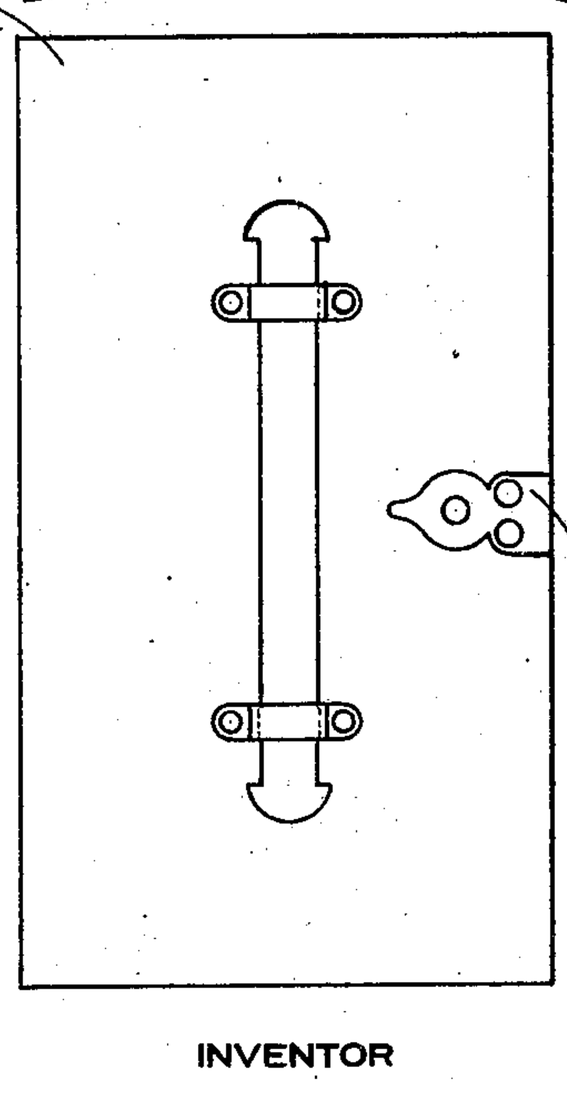


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BEAUTY CASE.

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The object of this invention is to provide a neat, compact and comparatively inexpensive beauty case, that is especially adapted for the use of business women and it is so proportioned, designed and constructed that it may be kept in convenient accessibility within a drawer of a desk, table or counter. Its interior is divided into a plurality of compartments of various suitable sizes for containing such beauty and toilet requisites as face powder and puff for applying same, cold cream, rouge, lip-stick, perfume, nail brush, pumice stone, soap, comb, mirror and other requisites.

Furthermore, one of the main advantages of my improved beauty case is to be found in the fact that any dust or particles of powder, etc., which may find their way to the bottom of the case, may be readily removed without disturbing or removing the articles from their various and respective compartments.

One form of construction whereby my inventive idea may be practically embodied is shown in the accompanying drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a plan view of the interior of the case, the cover being removed.

Fig. 2 is a side view with both the cover and the under-bottom removed.

Fig. 3 is a plan view of the top of the case, with the cover in position.

Fig. 4 is an end view of the case with both the cover and the under-bottom in position.

Fig. 5 is an end view of the under-bottom.

Figs. 6 and 7 are each a transverse section of the case taken through the adjacent end of Fig. 2.

Fig. 8 illustrates the lock used to secure the cover and the under-bottom in position on the case.

Fig. 9 is a face view of a compartment for a mirror.

Fig. 10 is a face view of a compartment for a comb and a nail file.

In detail the construction illustrated in said drawings is as follows:

The case proper is a rectangular structure consisting of the side walls 1, 2, 3, 4. The interior of said case is divided, as by means of partitions and walls, into compartments of various sizes as 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14.

Within the lower portion of said case is secured what I term an over-bottom, 15, which consists preferably of woven wire having a comparatively coarse mesh, preferably about 12 to the inch, although any other suitably perforated or foraminate material may be used. The particular purpose for which said over-bottom is provided will be presently set forth. In addition to said over-bottom, said case is provided with an under-bottom 16, shown especially in Fig. 5, which is readily detachable from said walls.

A cover 17—Figs. 3 and 4—is also provided for said case, the construction of which is substantially the same as said under-bottom, and it is likewise made detachable from said side walls.

A cheap and satisfactory way of providing for the attachment and removability of said under-bottom and said cover is shown in said drawings and consists in providing the upper and the lower edges of the walls 1 and 3 with a tubular roll 18, a portion of which roll is removed as at 19 upon the front side of the case, thus forming a seat for a hasp as 20 and 21, that is carried by said top and bottom members 16 and 17 respectively. The rear edge of both said top and bottom members 16 and 17 is formed into a hook or semi-roll 22, which is adapted to engage its respective roll 18 at the back of the case; when so engaged the hasps 20 and 21 are caused to occupy their respective seats and thus to register with said rolls 18; because of said registry, the locking pins 23—see Fig. 8—which are mounted in and slide longitudinally of said rolls 18 may be actuated to the position wherein they extend through said hasps, thus securing said cover and said under-bottom in position upon said side walls.

As shown in the drawings, all but two of the compartments of the case are formed by means of simple partitions, but in order to provide for accessibility to, and facilitate the removal of such articles as combs, mirrors and other comparatively thin articles, which, in order to conserve space, must be carried in the case in a vertical position, at least one wall of the compartment carrying them should be formed with open spaces to admit of ready contact of the fingers with the article therein, whereby its manipulation and convenient removal are facilitated.

Figs. 9 and 10 show such compartment walls; the wall 24 forms one of the walls of the compartment 9, which carries a mirror 25; the wall 26 forms one of the walls for the compartment 11, which is adapted to carry

a comb 27. By an inspection of said Figs. 9 and 10 it will be readily noted that both the mirror 25 and the comb 27 are freely accessible for removal.

Both the walls 24 and 26 are vertically movable and are retained in position by the cleats 28. One reason for such removability is to facilitate the removal of such small articles therefrom as pins, needles, nail sticks, etc., that may accidentally fall into said compartments 9 and 11. However, with respect to the wall 26, its lower portion is formed into a compartment 29, adapted to carry one or more nail files, and for the purpose of affording access to said compartment 29, said wall 26 is adapted to be raised vertically and then turned to the horizontal position shown in Fig. 6, thus affording ready access to said compartment 29. In order to prevent the detachment of said wall or member 26 from the case, said wall is provided at each end thereof with a vertically disposed slot 30 through which extends a pin 31, carried by an adjacent wall; while the vertical movement of said wall member 26 is thus provided for, it cannot be wholly detached from the case so as to become lost or mislaid.

The wall of the file compartment is perforated at 32, as is also the wall of the comb case at 33 and the wall of the mirror case at 34.

The particular reason for and advantages secured by the removability of the imperforate under-bottom, by the screen wire over-bottom, also by the perforations 32, 33 and 34 will now be set forth:

Certain of the materials used in this case, such as face powder, rouge, etc., are either originally in a powdered form or in solid form, and in their use these materials may become scattered in the bottom of their respective compartments. Furthermore it is desirable, if not essential, that a case of this kind should be so constructed throughout as to be easily cleaned. The case herein shown is constructed with special reference to the essentials just above enumerated. When it is desired to free the case from the loose materials mentioned, the under-bottom is loosened and said material falls through the perforated over-bottom thereinto, and may be be readily brushed or wiped off without the necessity of removing the content of the case, or in any way disturbing the various articles therein. The perforations in said walls 24 and 26 serve the same purpose of cleansing compartments 9 and 11 as does the over-bottom relative to the other compartments.

There is also a particular object for and advantage secured in the provision of the removable cover for the case, namely:

When said case is placed in a drawer or other similar compartment the case should be, and remain, open so as to afford free access to its contents; because of this, the cover should be, and is, adapted to be so disposed of as to occupy a minimum of space, hence its removability so that it may be placed beneath the case, or be otherwise disposed of as available space may admit.

I claim the following:

1. A beauty case composed of side walls forming a rectangle, a removable cover, a removable under-bottom, and an over-bottom consisting of perforated material attached to said side walls, positioned above and in contact with said under-bottom for the purpose specified.

2. A beauty case composed of side walls forming a rectangle the interior of which is divided into a plurality of compartments, a removable cover for said case, a removable under-bottom for said case, and an over-bottom consisting of perforated material attached to said side walls, positioned above and in contact with said under-bottom for the purpose set forth.

3. A beauty case composed of side walls forming a rectangle, the interior of which is divided into a plurality of compartments, a portion of the walls of which compartments are moveable, a removable cover for said case, a removable under-bottom for said case, and an over-bottom formed of wire netting attached to said side walls, positioned above and contiguous to said under-bottom for the purpose specified.

4. A beauty case composed of side walls forming a rectangle, the interior of which is divided into a plurality of compartments, one wall of a portion of which is moveable and provided with openings whereby accessibility to and removability of the article contained in the compartments having such walls is provided for, a removable cover for said case, a removable under-bottom for said case, and an over-bottom formed of wire netting attached to said side walls positioned above and contiguous to said under-bottom whereby cleansing of the interior of the case is facilitated.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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