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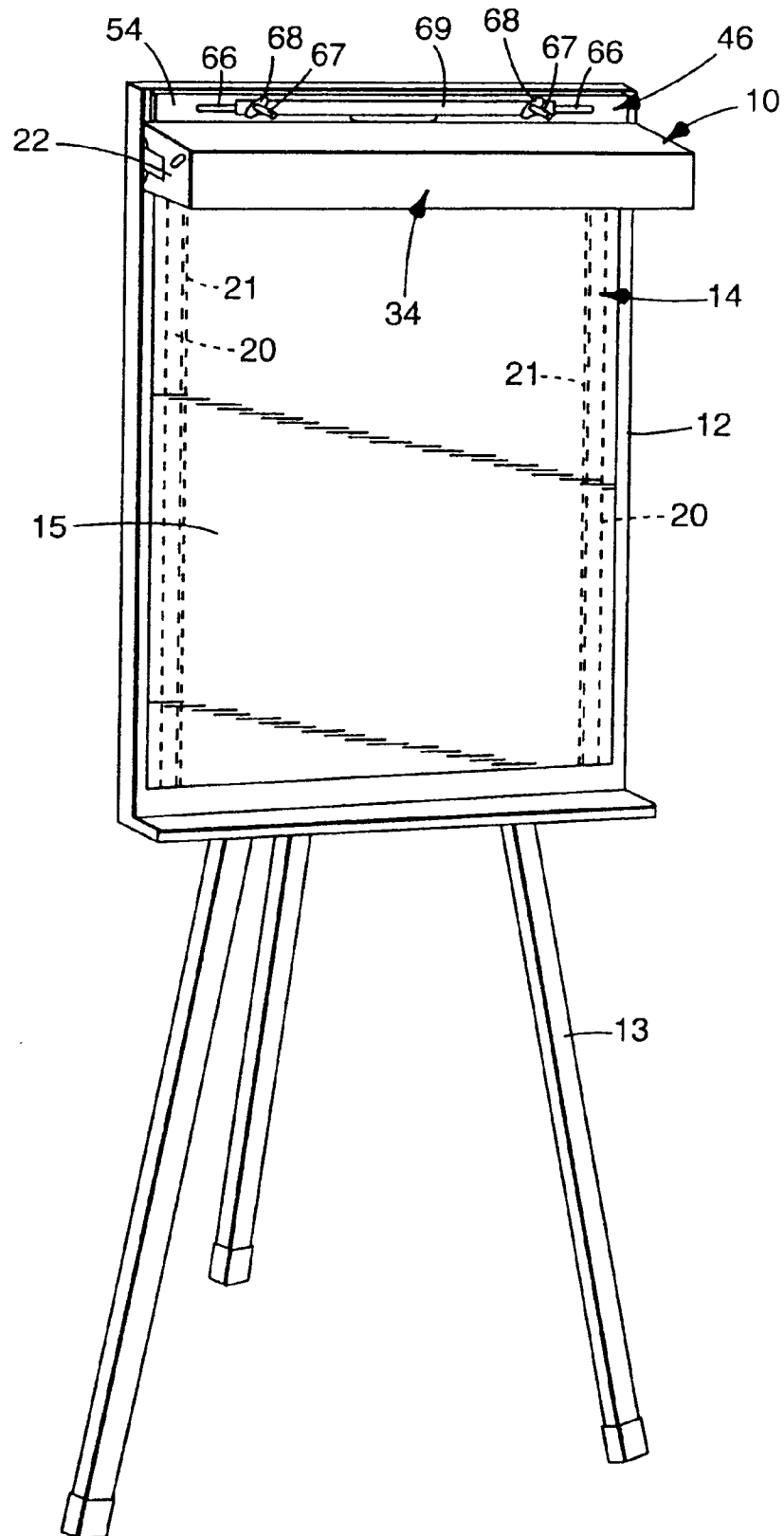
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**Dispensing assembly.**

A dispensing assembly (10) adapted to be mounted on a backboard (12) of the type that can be supported on an easel (13) or other support structure for dispensing lengths of sheet material (14,94,104)(e.g., paper) from a roll (18,98,108) of sheet material included in the dispensing assembly (10). The sheet material (14,94,104) has strips of repositionable pressure sensitive adhesive (20,99,109) coated on its rear

surface (16) by which the dispensed sheet material (14,94,104) can, for example, first be removably adhered to the backboard (12) adjacent the dispensing assembly (10) while still attached to the sheet material on the roll (18,98,108) to afford writing on the dispensed sheet material (14,94,104), and may subsequently be separated from the sheet material on the roll (18,98,108), removed from the backboard (12), and removably adhered to another support surface to display the written material.

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**Fig. 1**



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1. Claims 1-29: Dispensing assembly for roll of sheet material with strips of repositionable adhesive
2. Claims 30-34: Roll of coated sheet material with strips of repositionable adhesive