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Fig. 1.

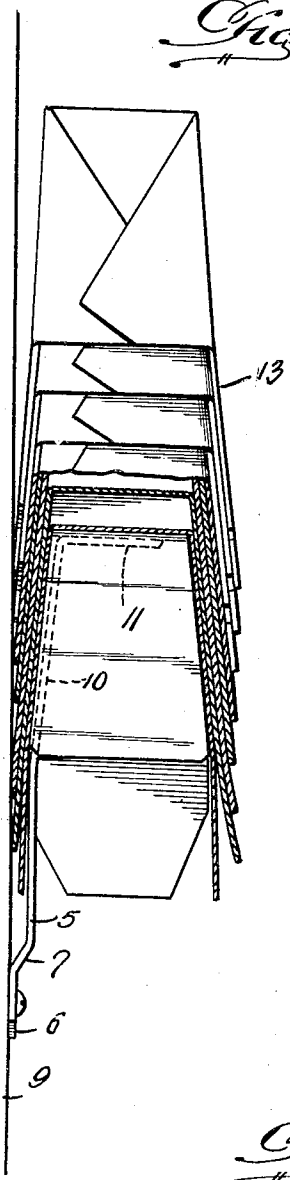


Fig. 2.

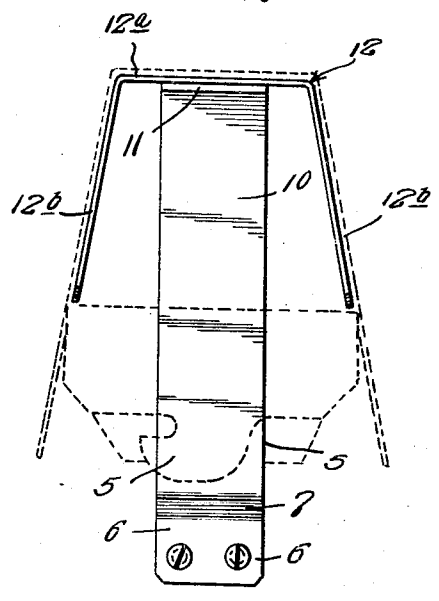
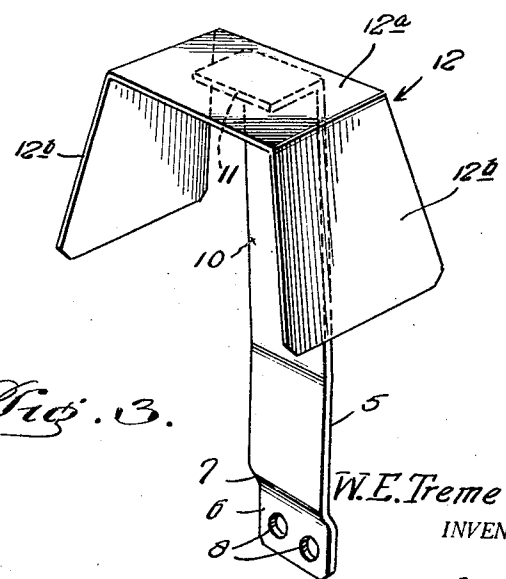


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to a novel device for holding or supporting a plurality of nested inverted receptacles, such as paste-board buckets or cartons, in position for ready access and removal one at a time when desired in the packaging and sale of goods in delicatessen stores and the like.

The primary object of the present invention is to provide a receptacle holder of the above kind which is efficient in use and extremely simple and durable in construction.

The invention consists in the novel form, combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter more fully described, shown in the accompanying drawings, and claimed.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a view, partly in side elevation and partly broken away and in section, of a holder embodying the present invention supporting a plurality of paste-board buckets.

Figure 2 is a front elevation of the holder with a single bucket shown in place thereon by dotted lines; and

Figure 3 is a perspective view of the holder.

Referring in detail to the drawings, 5 indicates a supporting standard whose lower end portion 6 is offset rearwardly as at 7 and perforated as at 8 for reception of nails or screws by means of which the standard is fastened to a wall or other support 9. The upper portion 10 of the standard is inclined forwardly and terminates in an integral horizontal forwardly projecting extension 11 on which is welded or otherwise suitably secured the flat intermediate portion of an inverted substantially U-shaped receptacle holding member 12. The intermediate portion 12a of the member 12 is of uniform width and of a size corresponding to that of the bottom walls of the receptacles 13 to be supported, while the legs 12b of the member 12 diverge and gradually increase in width downwardly to correspond with the inclination and taper of the side walls of the receptacles 13.

In use, the receptacles 13 are stacked in nested relation and inverted, the lowermost receptacle being placed over the member 12 so that its bottom rests flatly on the portion

12a of said member. When thus disposed, the legs 12b effectively hold the receptacles against any lateral movement, and the receptacles may be readily removed one by one from the top of the stack without disturbing the rest of the receptacles.

It is thus apparent that the invention provides a holder which is very efficient in use and extremely simple, neat and durable in construction. The member 12 may be readily varied in size to accord with the size of the receptacles to be held or supported in stacked relation.

What I claim as new is:

1. A device for holding a plurality of inverted receptacles stacked in nested relation, comprising a resilient sheet metal standard having a rearwardly offset lower end apertured for reception of fastening elements for securing the standard to a support, said standard having an integral forwardly projecting horizontal extension on its upper end, and an inverted substantially U-shaped receptacle holding member having its intermediate portion secured on said horizontal extension of the standard, said receptacle holding member being formed of a single piece of sheet metal and having a flat intermediate portion of uniform width and depending integral legs which diverge and gradually increase in width downwardly, said receptacle holding member serving to hold said receptacle in engagement with said support.

2. A device for holding a plurality of inverted receptacles stacked in nested relationship adjacent to, and in easily removable contact with a wall portion for holding the stack in an upright and accessible position at all times, comprising a resilient standard having means at one end for attachment to the wall, said standard extending upwardly and outwardly, and carrying receptacle engaging means at its free end for receiving and holding the receptacles in clamped and removable contact with the wall.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.
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