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CAN COVERING.

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FIG. 1.

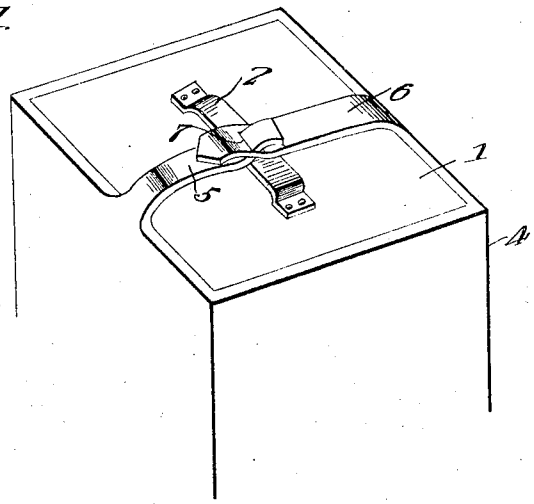


FIG. 2.

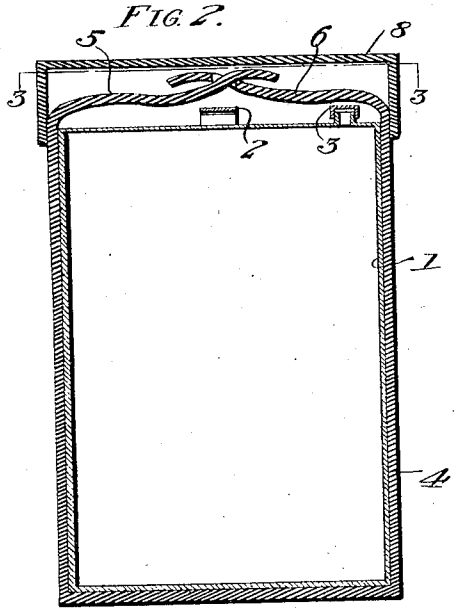
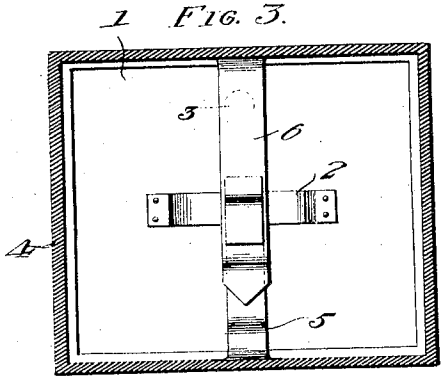


FIG. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH M. HATFIELD, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Independence, in the county of Montgomery and State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Can-Coverings, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improvement in can coverings, and has for its object to provide a device of the character specified especially adapted for inclosing cans of nitroglycerin and other explosives, wherein a relatively soft flexible cushioning casing is provided for containing the can and for covering every part thereof, to prevent the possibility of frictional contact of the can with other objects.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the top of the covering;

Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section;

Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

The present embodiment of the invention is shown in connection with a can 1 for containing nitroglycerin or the like and of usual construction, the said can having the handle 2 and the filling opening closed by the screw cap 3. The improved covering comprises a casing 4 of rubber or the like, of a size to receive the can and shaped to fit the can, and two opposite side walls of the covering have extensions 5 and 6 forming straps adapted to be connected to hold the casing in place on the can. One of these straps, 6 in the present instance, has a transverse slot 7 near its free end through which is adapted to be passed the other strap 6, and the straps are connected over the handle 2. Preferably, a cap 8 fits over the straps 5 and 6 and over the top of the can, completely covering and inclosing the can so that every part thereof is protected.

Not only will the covering prevent contact of the can directly with other objects, but it will prevent leakage. Should the can leak the leakage will be held in the casing. With the improved covering the can is easily inserted and removed. To insert the can it is only necessary to remove the cover and swing the straps outwardly. The can is placed, after which the straps are connected, and the cover is placed over the straps.

I claim:

A protective device for cans holding explosives, comprising a casing of rubber of a size and shape to conformingly receive the can with the upper edges of the casing flush with the top of the can, the upper edges of opposite sides of the casing being formed with integral reduced strip-like extensions, one extension being provided with a transverse slot and being of greater width than the other extension and said other extension passing through said slot whereby to hold both extensions together, and a cap detachably engaged exteriorly upon said casing and covering the top of the can and said extensions.

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