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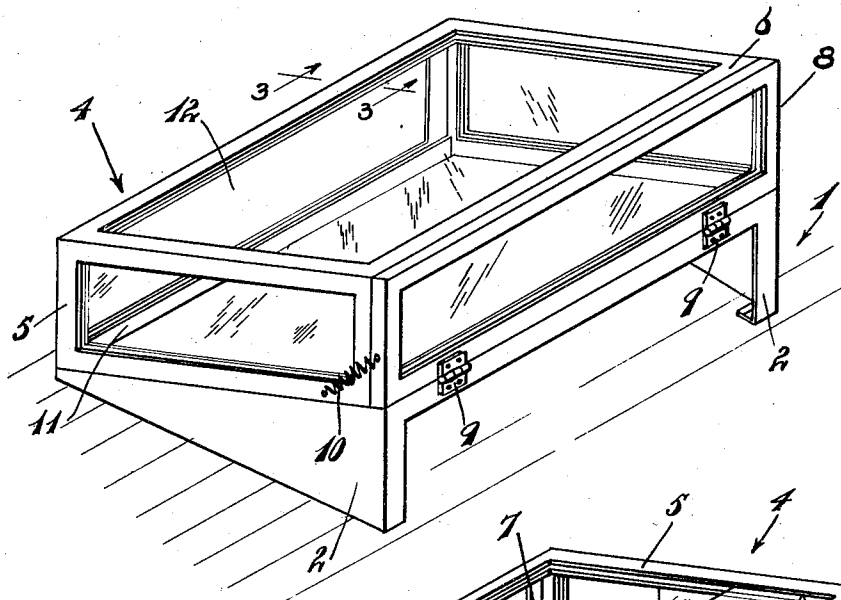


Fig 1.

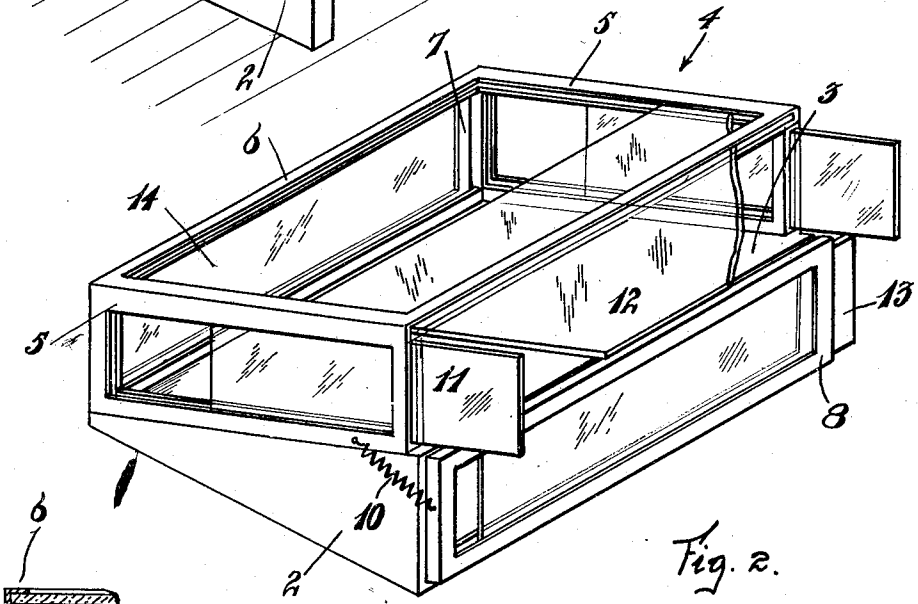


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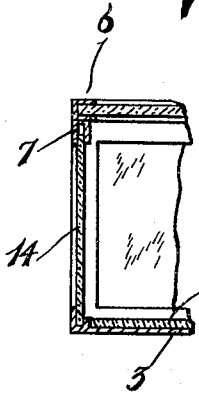


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This invention relates to a display case preferably for eatables, such as, cookies, cakes, candies, or the like.

An object of our invention is to provide a case having glass panels and these panels being so mounted that each one can be quickly and easily removed and replaced without disturbing any of the others.

Another object is to so mount the door of the case that it will be held in either an open or closed position by a spring or springs.

Still another object is to provide a case which is simple in construction and effective in use.

Other objects, advantages, and features of invention may appear from the accompanying drawing, the subjoined detailed description, and the appended claim.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of our case.

Figure 2 is a perspective view of the case with the door open and various panels pulled out part way from their mountings.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary, sectional view taken on line 3, 3 of Figure 1.

Referring more particularly to the drawing, the numeral 1 indicates the base of our case which comprises a pair of legs or supports 2, 2 at the sides thereof. These legs are substantially triangular in shape so that the case is held at a slight angle the better to display the goods therein. The top plate 3 of the base 1 forms the bottom of the enclosure 4 and a glass panel 3′ rests on the top plate and forms the bottom of the case. The enclosure 4 comprises side frames 5, 5, a top frame 6, an end frame 7, and a door frame 8. These frames are preferably formed of metal and are formed of channels, the ends of which are suitably secured together such as by welding, or the like, thus forming the complete enclosure.

The door frame 8 is hingedly secured at the bottom thereof to the base 1 by means of hinges 9. A spring 10 is secured to one end of the door frame 8 and to the side frame 5 and this frame is so arranged that the door is held either in open or closed position. Thus it is not necessary for the clerk to hold the door open while taking things from the case.

The rear ends of the frames 5 and 6 are open so that the glass panels 11, 12 can readily be slipped into or out of said frames. The door frame 8 is open at one end so that the glass panel 13 can be fitted therein. The glass panel 14 for the end frame 7 is fitted into place by first inserting the upper edge thereof and then permitting it to drop into place in the bottom of the frame, as shown in Figure 3. The panel 14 is somewhat narrower than the frame 7 so that sufficient space is provided to permit the insertion of the panel as stated above. The inner leg of the bottom channel of the frame 7 is short so that the bottom of the panel 14 will slide over it and rest in the frame, and the top of the panel will still be within the upper channel of the frame.

It will be evident from the foregoing description that any of the glass panels can be readily removed if broken without disassembling the case and the arrangement of metal frames is simple and inexpensive to manufacture and still provides a case which is pleasing in appearance and is effective in use.

Having described our invention, we claim:

A display case comprising a base, legs on the base, said legs being substantially triangular in shape whereby the case is positioned at an angle, an inclosure mounted on the base, said inclosure comprising a pair of side frames, a top and an end frame, all of said frames being formed of metal channels, a glass panel fitted into each of said frames, said side and top frames being open at the rear thereof to permit the panels to be inserted or removed, a glass panel in the end frame, said last named panel being nar-

rower than the end frame, the inner leg of the lower channel of the end frame being shortened so that the last named panel can slide thereover when inserted or removed, a door frame hingedly mounted on the case, said door frame being formed of metal channels and said door frame being open at one end thereof, a glass panel fitted into the door frame and a spring secured to the door frame whereby the door is held in either open or closed position.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures.

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