

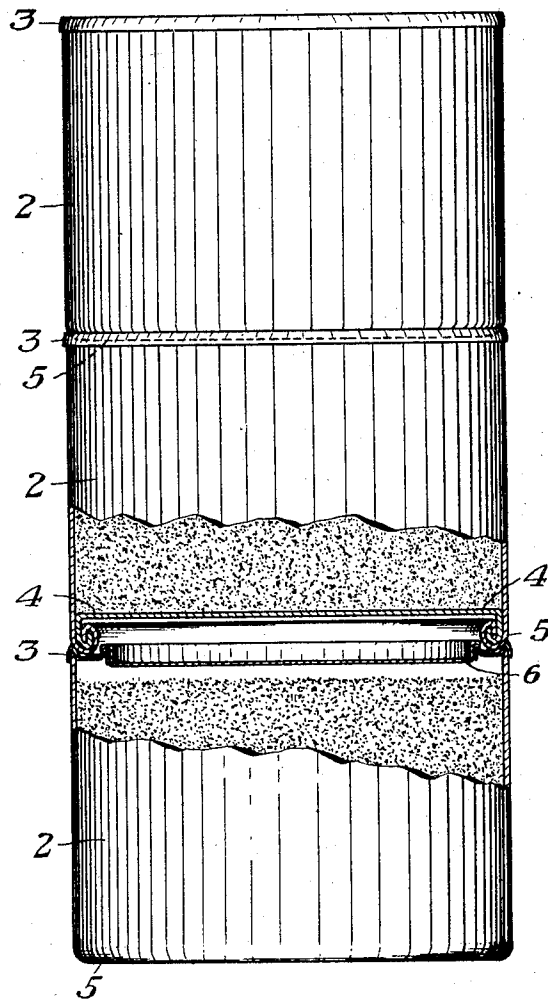
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CONTAINER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEWIS C. BROOKS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee and State of Wisconsin, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Containers, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to containers, and particularly containers of uniform size, and is directed toward forming such containers in such manner as to readily adapt them for stacking.

In a stack of containers on shelves, considerable difficulty is encountered from the tendency of such containers to shift side-wise in the stack, with the possibility of toppling over and destroying the containers. This is particularly true where the containers and their contents are very light, as, for example, paper or fiber containers with a light material therein.

I provide a container having faces adapted to cooperate with adjacent faces of other containers in the stack to prevent sidewise movement of any of the containers in the stack.

The accompanying drawing illustrates, in elevation, partly broken away, a series of containers embodying my invention.

In the illustrated embodiment of my invention, I have shown a number of fibrous containers 2 having metal tops 3. The containers 2 are cylindrical and the top is secured thereto in any desired manner, while a bottom 4 is held in place by rolling the lower portion of the container wall inwardly. This results in an in-turned ridge 5 at the bottom of the container.

The top 3 is flared outwardly at the edge, as shown, and in this embodiment forms a retainer for a friction cover 6. The ridge 5 is adapted to fit inside the ridge of the

cover 3 on an adjacent container. This results in a neat and secure stack, the containers being fixed against relative side-wise movement.

The containers may be similarly stacked in boxes for shipping, and my invention is also valuable for this purpose, since it prevents relative movement in the packing case and serves to protect the containers against injury.

While I have illustrated my invention as applied to a fibrous container with a metal top, it will be understood that it is not limited to this form, but may be otherwise embodied within the scope of the following claims.

I claim:

1. A container adapted to be stacked with similar containers of the same size, having one face provided with a closure retainer and an opposite face provided with a ridge adapted to lie in the closure retainer of an adjacent container, substantially as described.

2. A fiber container adapted to be stacked with similar containers of the same size, having a cylindrical body, a rolled base, and a recessed metal top adapted to form a closure retainer, the recessed top being adapted to receive the rolled base of an adjacent container, substantially as described.

3. A container adapted to be stacked with similar containers of the same size, having a cylindrical body, an inwardly rolled closure seam on one face, and an outwardly flared ridge on an opposite face, the ridge being adapted to receive the closure seam of an adjacent container, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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