

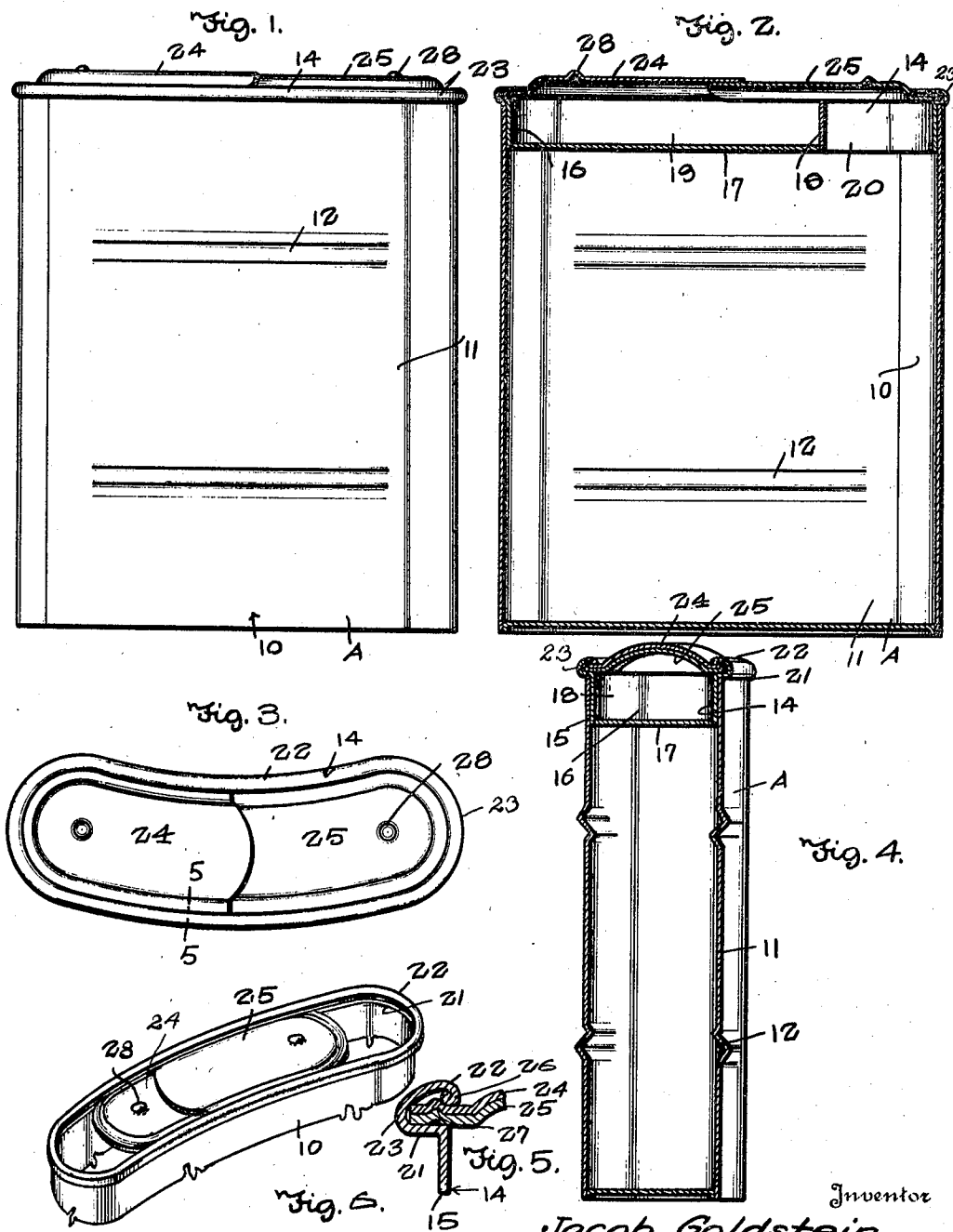
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This invention appertains to pocket receptacles which are particularly adapted as auxiliary containers for carbide, but which are susceptible for other uses, such as for the reception of tobacco and tobacco users' appliances.

The primary object of the present invention is to provide a container in which the collapsing thereof is precluded and in which a novel sliding cover is incorporated for facilitating the dispensing of the material contained therein, the cover being incorporated with the body of the container in such a manner that accidental displacement thereof is prevented.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a container having an open top for the reception of an auxiliary container which forms a brace for the upper end of the body to prevent collapsing thereof and novel overlapping sliding covers for the auxiliary container and the body of said container.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a novel container of the above character which will be durable and efficient in use, one that will be simple and easy to manufacture and one which can be placed upon the market at a reasonable cost.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists in the novel construction, arrangement and formation of parts, as will be hereinafter more specifically described, claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which drawings:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the improved container,

Figure 2 is a central vertical section through the same,

Figure 3 is a top plan view of the container illustrating the novel coverings,

Figure 4 is a vertical transverse section through the container,

Figure 5 is a detail section taken on the line 5—5 of Figure 3 illustrating the novel means of mounting the covers in place,

Figure 6 is a fragmentary perspective view illustrating a modified form of the novel container.

Referring to the drawings in detail, wherein similar reference characters designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, the letter A generally indicates the improved container, which comprises a body 10 formed of sheet metal. The body 10 can be formed in the conventional way and can

be of an arcuate shape in cross section in order to permit the convenient carrying of the container in the hip pocket of the user. However, the side walls 11 of the body 10 are provided with struck in ribs 12 as clearly shown in Figure 4 of the drawings in order to prevent the collapsing of the body.

The upper end of the body is left open and in accordance with this invention an auxiliary top 14 is slipped into said open end and frictionally held in place. This auxiliary top 14 is shaped to snugly fit within the upper end of the body 10 as heretofore stated and includes the side walls 15 and the end walls 16. The side walls 15 and one end wall 16 supports a false bottom 17. This wall 17 terminates short of one end wall 16 and supports a partition or auxiliary end wall 18. The bottom wall 17 and the partition or end wall 18 defines an auxiliary compartment 19 and an opening 20 which communicates with the interior of the body 10. It is preferred to construct the entire top 14 out of a single piece of sheet metal and press the same into the desired shape. The upper edge of the side and end walls 15 and 16 are bent at right angles to provide an outwardly extending flange 21 which is in turn bent upwardly to define an overhanging flange 22. These flanges 21 and 22 form a guide 23 entirely around the same for the reception of the overlapping slide covers 24 and 25. It is to be also noted at this point that the overhanging flange 22 has its inner edge rolled inwardly to provide a bead 26 in order to eliminate the extending of sharp edges and to provide a reinforcing and retaining member for the said top. It is obvious that when the top is in place that the collapsing of the upper end of the top is practically eliminated.

The covers 24 and 25 are adapted to slide one above the other and are of a concavo-convex shape in cross section and conform to the general configuration of the body. The edges of the said covers are provided with struck up intermeshing beads 27 and the bead 26 is adapted to engage the said beads 27 in order to prevent displacement of the said covers. Each of the covers adjacent to the outer end thereof can be provided with a struck up tit 28 to facilitate the manipulation or sliding thereof.

The cover 25 is provided for controlling the opening 20, while the cover 24 is provided for an auxiliary compartment 19. It

is obvious from the construction of the top, that the covers 24 and 25 are prevented from being displaced therefrom and that access can easily be gained to the auxiliary compartment and the main compartment by the shifting of either one of the covers. When it is desired to fill the body the entire top 14 can be removed, or the body can be filled by manipulating the cover 25.

10 When the container is being used as a tobacco user's appliance the main body can be filled with tobacco, while the auxiliary compartment 19 can be used for the reception of matches, pipe cleaners and the like.

15 When the container is being used as an accessory for miners, the main body can be used for the reception of carbide, as heretofore stated, and the compartment 19 for the reception of various parts of the carbide lamp, matches and the like.

20 If preferred the top 14 can be eliminated and the flanges 21 and 22 formed directly on the upper edge of the walls 11 of the body as clearly shown in Figure 6 of the drawings. In this instance the covers 24 and 25 are held in place in the same manner and are precluded from jumping out of place by the retaining bead 26 formed on the flange 22 and the struck up beads 27 on the covers 24 and 25.

25 From the foregoing description, it can be seen that a novel container has been provided of an exceptionally simple and durable character, which can be effectively used for the purpose intended.

30 Changes in details may be made without departing from the spirit or scope of this invention, but:

What I claim as new is:

40 1. In a device of the class described, a body, right angularly disposed flanges extending outwardly of the side walls of the body, overhanging flanges carried by the right angularly extending flanges in spaced relation thereto defining a guide way, a locking bead formed on the free edge of said overhanging flange, and a pair of independent slidable covers mounted in said guide-way in overlapping relation, and upstruck

interlocking beads formed on said covers adjacent to the outer edges thereof adapted to be engaged by said locking bead. 50

2. As a new article of manufacture, a top for pocket containers including a body adapted to snugly fit in the open end of a container including side and end walls, a bottom wall carried by the lower end of the body terminating short of one end thereof and a partition connected with the side walls and with the bottom wall defining an opening and a compartment, a guide carried by the margin of said top, and sliding covers mounted in said guide. 55

3. A pocket container for the purpose specified comprising a sheet metal body having an open end, a removable top slidably and snugly fitted within the open end of the container for preventing the collapsing thereof, the top being provided with an auxiliary compartment terminating short of one end thereof defining an opening for the body, a guideway formed around the upper edge of the top, and independent sliding covers arranged in overlapping relation carried by said guideway for the auxiliary compartment and said opening. 60 65 70 75

4. As a new article of manufacture, a top for pocket containers including a body adapted to snugly fit within the open end of a container including side and end walls, a bottom wall carried by the lower end of the body terminating short of one end thereof and a partition connected with the side walls and with the bottom wall defining an opening and a compartment, a right angularly extending outwardly disposed flange formed on the upper edge of the body, an overhanging flange carried by the right angularly extending flange having a reinforcing bead on the free edge thereof, and overlapping sliding covers mounted between the overhanging and the right angularly extending flange, the sliding covers having upstruck interlocking ribs formed thereon adapted to engage said bead. 80 85 90 95

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