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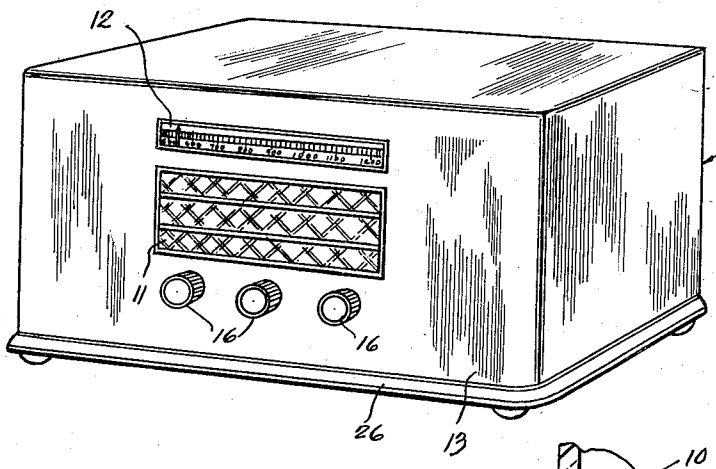


Fig. 1

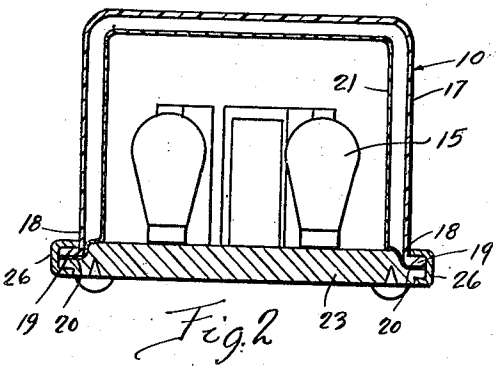


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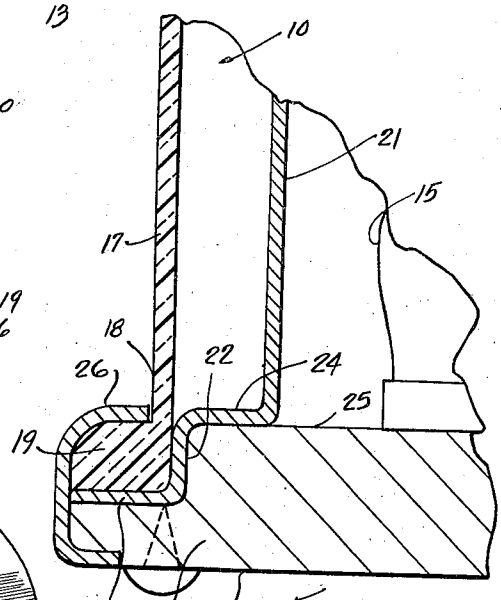


Fig. 3

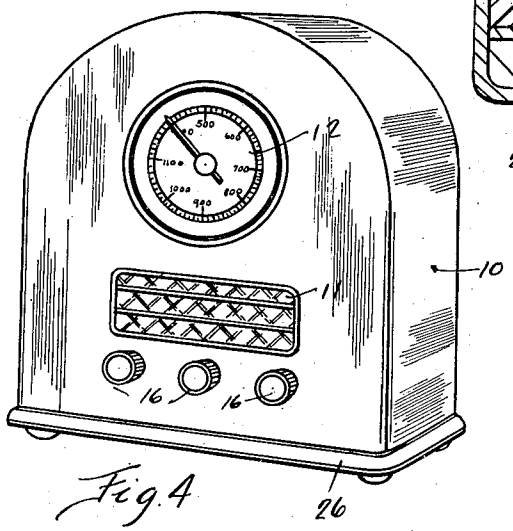


Fig. 4

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This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in cabinets. More particularly, the invention relates to a radio cabinet. As such the invention has as its principal object the provision of a transparent outer enclosure within which is arranged an opaque enclosure and in which the opaque enclosure may be of any suitable color or combination of colors and designs, which when reflected through the transparent enclosure will present a pleasing and appealing effect to the eye.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a radio cabinet comprising an inner and outer enclosure, with the enclosures so related with respect to each other as to allow removal thereof to permit substitution for the inner enclosure, which inner enclosure is of a colored opaque material, designed to be reflected through the outer enclosure which is preferably of transparent material.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of a radio cabinet having an inner and outer enclosure connected together by a means which, by a simple operation, may be removed to permit removal of the inner and outer enclosures.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

The invention consists in the novel combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter described and claimed.

The invention will be best understood by reference to the accompanying drawings showing the preferred form of construction, and in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a radio cabinet embodying my invention;

Fig. 2 is a cross sectional detail view of the same;

Fig. 3 is an enlarged fragmentary sectional detail view showing the manner of connecting the inner and outer enclosures of the cabinet together; and

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a radio cabinet of a design different from that shown in Fig. 1 and with which my invention may be associated.

Referring more particularly to the drawings in which the preferred form of construction of my invention is illustrated and by which the several objects of the invention are accomplished, a radio cabinet is indicated at 10. This cabinet includes the usual speaker opening 11 and a dial-viewing opening 12, preferably formed in the front wall 13 thereof or in such other place in the cabinet as will best serve the purpose. Within the radio cabinet 10 is a mounting base 14 upon which the radio apparatuses 15 are mounted

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and which apparatuses include the usual tuning and switch dials 16. To this base 14 is detachably connected my improved radio cabinet.

This radio cabinet 10 includes an outer enclosure 17 preferably formed as a complete unit and of transparent material and having its longitudinal edges 18 provided with an enlarged bead 19. This bead 19 is adapted to bear upon a flange 20 formed as an integral part of an inner enclosure, 21. This flange 20 preferably sits in a recess 22 formed in the edge portion 23 of the mounting base 14. This inner enclosure is preferably formed of opaque material and is of a color or combination of colors or designs so that when viewed through the transparent outer enclosure 17, a pleasing effect will be conveyed to the eye of the observer.

Inwardly of the flange 20 is a horizontal flange 24 provided by the inner enclosure 21, and this flange 24 rests upon the top surface 25 of the mounting base 14.

The bead 19 and flange 20 are connected to the marginal edge 23 of the base 14 in the manner shown in Fig. 3 by a spring strip 26 which extends completely around the base 14 and serves, in addition to attaching the inner and outer enclosures to the base 14, as an ornamental strip.

In the drawings I have shown in Figs. 1 and 4 two forms of radio cabinet. It is to be understood that these cabinets may vary in shape and design, as the essential feature in the present invention is the provision of inner and outer enclosures, the outer enclosure being of transparent material and the inner enclosure of an opaque material having a color or combination of colors or designs.

By constructing the radio cabinet in the manner hereinbefore set forth, it is manifest that by a simple operation the spring strip 26 may be removed and the radio enclosures 17 and 21 removed and, if desired, an inner enclosure of a different color or combination of colors or designs may be substituted for the enclosure 21, without any change in construction or manner of attaching the enclosures to the base 14.

In employing a radio cabinet constructed in accordance with the foregoing description, it is clear that in manufacturing there may be any number of inner enclosures similar to 21, each varying in color or combination of colors and designs, so that the purchaser may from time to time by simply removing the resilient attaching strip 26, change the inner enclosure so as to give the radio cabinet a different color effect. In this manner the appeal of the radio is greatly in-

creased and the monotony of having a radio cabinet of a uniform color is eliminated.

While I have illustrated and described the preferred form of construction for carrying my invention into effect, this is capable of variation and modification without departing from the spirit of the invention. I, therefore, do not wish to be limited to the precise details of construction set forth, but desire to avail myself of such variations and modifications as come within the scope of the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

1. A cabinet of the class described including a mounting base, an outer enclosure formed of transparent material, an inner enclosure within said outer enclosure and formed of colored opaque material, and means for connecting said outer and inner enclosures to said mounting base, said means including a resilient connecting strip embracing the peripheral edges of said inner and outer enclosures and said mounting base.

2. A radio cabinet including a mounting base having a rabbeted edge, an inner enclosure having a flange seated on said edge and formed of opaque material, an outer enclosure having a peripheral edge including a bead mounted on said outer enclosure and said outer enclosure having its walls spaced from said inner enclosure, and a resilient strip mounted upon said bead and said mounting base for removably connecting said inner and outer enclosures to said mounting base.

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