

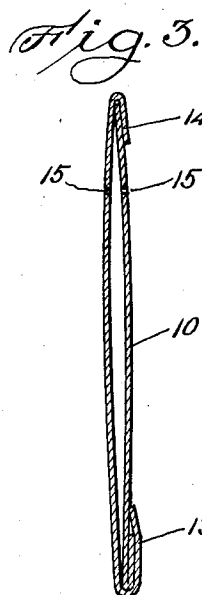
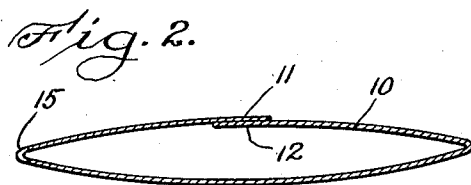
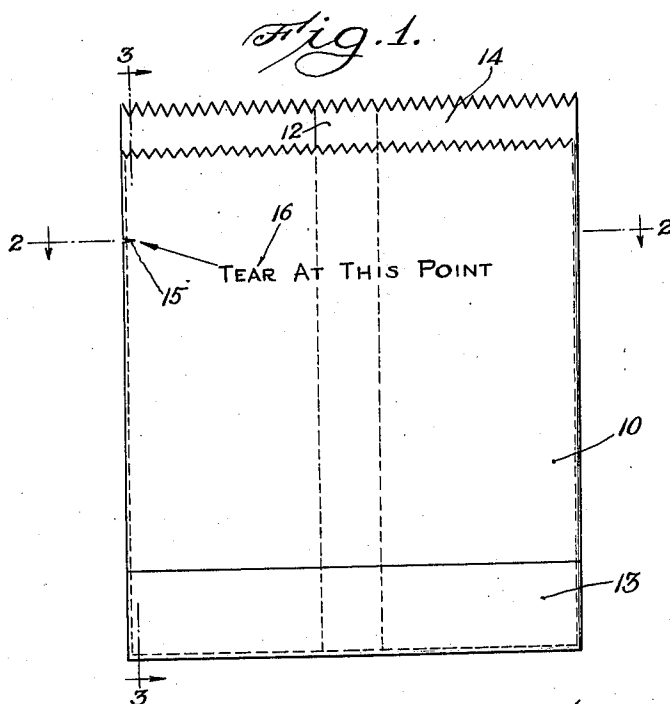
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The invention relates to bags or other bag-like containers for candy and similar articles and more particularly to such containers made of transparent flexible cellulose material such as "Cellophane."

Although bags of this type make durable and attractive containers for candy, salted nuts, and similar articles, those heretofore available have been found to be objectionable because of the difficulty in tearing the tough cellulose material to open the same.

The principal object of the invention is to provide a bag-like container for candy or the like comprising a flattened cylinder or tube formed from a tough flexible transparent sheet of cellulose material so constructed as to be readily torn at a desired point for opening the bag.

More specifically, it is an object of the invention to provide a bag-like container for candy or the like comprising a flattened cylinder or tube formed from a tough flexible transparent sheet of cellulose material having a weakened portion at one edge thereof to facilitate tearing the container for ready removal of its contents, and having a notation on the tube indicating the position of the weakened portion.

Further objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent as the following description proceeds and the features of novelty which characterize the invention are pointed out with particularity in the claims annexed to and forming a part of this specification.

For a better understanding of the invention, reference may be had to the accompanying drawing in which,

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a bag embodying the invention.

Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view along the line 2—2 of the bag shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view along the line 3—3 of the bag shown in Fig. 1 with the flap thereof shown in its closed position.

In the form shown in the drawing, the invention is embodied in a bag or container 10 for candy, salted nuts, or other small articles. The bag 10 is preferably made from a substantially rectangular sheet of tough flexible transparent cellulose material such as "Cellophane." The longitudinal edge portions 11 and 12 of the bag 10 are arranged in overlapping relation and secured together by a thin layer of transparent adhesive. The tube or cylinder thus formed is flattened as indicated in Fig. 2. The lower end portion of the flattened tube is doubled upon itself as indicated at 13 in Fig. 3 and secured in this position by a thin layer of transparent adhesive thus sealing the lower end of the bag.

The upper end portion 14 of the rear wall of the flattened cylinder preferably extends beyond the front wall thereof as best shown in Fig. 1 so

as to form a flap which may be bent over the front wall, as indicated in Fig. 3, and sealed or stapled in position, thus closing the bag after it has been filled.

In accordance with the invention, a small weakened portion is formed in one edge of the bag or container 10 adjacent the top thereof in order to facilitate opening of the same for removal of its contents. Preferably, this weakened portion is in the form of a minute notch or perforation 15 which has been somewhat exaggerated in the drawing in order to better illustrate the construction. This notch is preferably so small as to admit little if any air therethrough to the contents of the bag. In such case, it is not readily visible to the eye, especially because of the transparent nature of the material which forms the container 10. Consequently, a notation 16, which may be in the form of words "Tear at this point" with an arrow extending toward the notch 15, is printed on the container 10. The user is thus apprised of the proper point at which to tear the top of the container in order to remove the contents. It has been found that even though the cellulose material which forms the container is tough and not easily torn when unnotched or unperforated, it may be very readily torn if even a very small notch or perforation is formed therein.

Although a specific embodiment of the invention has been illustrated and described in detail, it should be understood that it is not intended to limit the invention to the particular construction shown but that, on the other hand, the appended claims are intended to cover all modifications within the spirit and scope of this invention.

I claim as my invention:

1. A bag-like container for candy or the like comprising a flattened cylinder or tube formed from a tough flexible transparent sheet of cellulose material, one end of said flattened tube being closed, said flattened tube having a small notch formed therein not readily visible to the eye and extending across a folded side edge thereof adjacent the other end of the tube, and a notation on said tube indicating the position of said small notch.

2. A bag-like container for candy or the like comprising a flattened cylinder or tube formed from a tough flexible transparent sheet of cellulose material, the lower end portion of said tube being doubled upon itself and secured in position to close such lower end, said flattened tube having a small weakened portion not readily visible to the eye at one edge thereof adjacent the opposite end portion to facilitate tearing the container for ready removal of its contents, and a notation on said tube indicating the position of said small weakened portion.

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