

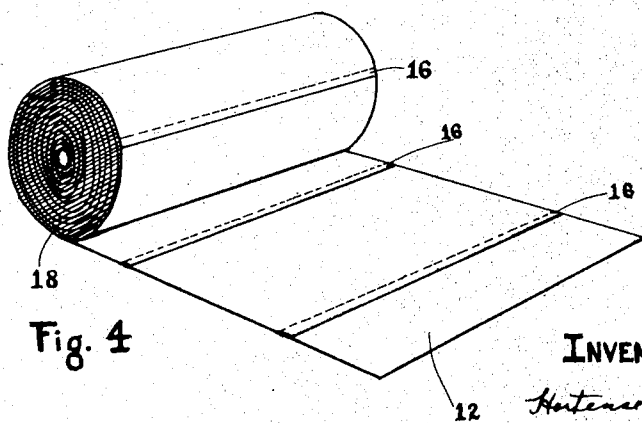
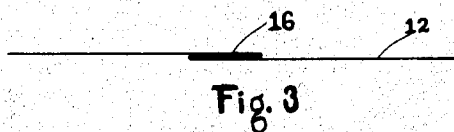
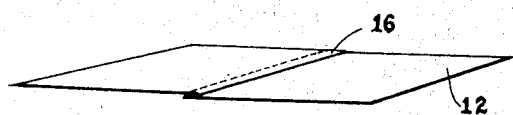
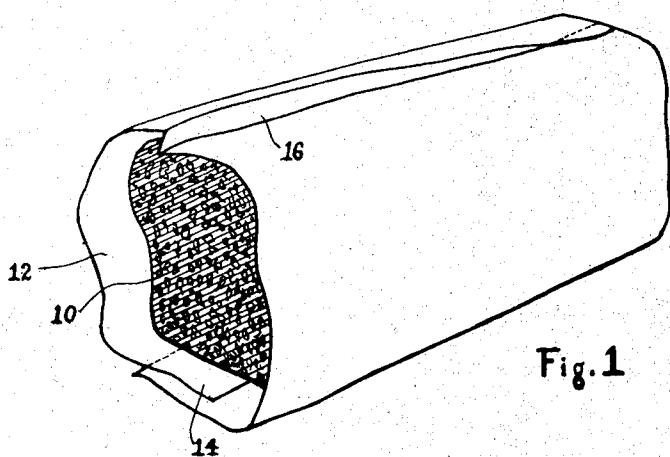
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This invention relates particularly to wrappers of the kind employed in wrapping bread and similar products, although it will be readily adapted to the wrapping of many other articles. Among the objects of my invention are the provision of a wrapper which will allow the wrapped article to be repeatedly withdrawn and replaced and thus better preserve the contents after it has been opened. Still another object of the invention is to provide a roll of improved wrapping material from which individual wrappers may be formed. Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the specification and drawings.

Referring to the drawings which form a part of this specification and illustrate a preferred form of my invention;

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a loaf of bread wrapped in accordance with my invention, the wrapper having been expanded for a portion of its length to allow withdrawal of the loaf.

Figure 2 is a perspective view of a single wrapper.

Figure 3 is an end view of the sheet shown in Figure 2.

Figure 4 is a perspective view of a roll of wrapping material embodying my invention and from which the single wrapper shown in Figure 2 might be formed.

The wrapper 12, preferably of the usual waxed paper is wrapped around the loaf 10, its ends being held in sealed relation at 14. A pleat is formed in the sheet 12, the folds of the pleat being held temporarily together by solidified wax or other suitable adhesive. The adhesion of the folds may be obtained in any suitable manner, but a simple and expedient manner of accomplishing this consists in melting the wax at the fold and allowing the wax to solidify while the paper is held folded.

The pleat formed in the wrapper is preferably positioned longitudinally of and at the top of the loaf as shown in Figure 1, after which the wrapper is formed about the loaf of bread and sealed together in the usual manner.

The form in which the wrappers would

ordinarily be sold is shown by Figure 4, where a roll of wrapping material 12 is formed with a plurality of spaced apart pleats 16, the distance between adjacent pleats being not greater than the length of the individual wrappers to be formed from the web. For use with certain types of wrapping machines however, it would be more desirable to form the pleats in the web or sheet immediately before the wrapping operation, using for this purpose suitable folding mechanism which might be incorporated in the wrapping machine.

In use, one end only of the wrapper will be undone in the usual manner and the pleat may be unfolded or expanded by exerting a slight tension on the paper lying on each side of the pleat. This will sufficiently enlarge the wrapper for the loaf to be readily removed from the wrapper without tearing the wrapper or unsealing the sealed portion 14. After cutting the desired quantity of bread the loaf may be replaced and the unsealed end either refolded or crumpled to again render the wrapper air-tight and moisture retaining.

It will be seen that my invention provides a wrapper which will allow bread or other wrapped articles to be repeatedly withdrawn without destroying the value of the wrapper in keeping its contents clean and fresh, and that such a wrapper when refolded will be practically as air-tight and moisture-retaining after having been unsealed as originally.

While I have described my invention with particular reference to waxed paper, it will be readily apparent that it might be carried out with any kind of paper or other material from which wrappers might be formed, and that other suitable adhesives might replace the wax to hold the pleat in folded relation, and although the pleat is the preferable form of extensible portion, other extensible means might be found equally as useful.

The wrapper will also be found useful for wrapping many other objects besides bread, cake, etc., and can easily be adapted to the wrapping of any article which it might be advantageous to remove from and replace in its original wrapping. I therefore do not

wish to be limited to the exact form shown and described, but only by the following claims.

What I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A wrapper comprising a sheet of relatively impervious material adapted to be wrapped around a prismoidal object, said wrapper being provided substantially intermediate its ends with an extensible portion extending longitudinally of the object to be wrapped, and releasably held against extension by an adhesive whereby the object can be readily removed from and replaced within the wrapper when extended without destroying the continuity of the wrapper.

2. A wrapped article comprising a prismoidal object enveloped by a substantially air-tight wrapper, said wrapper having an extensible portion releasably held against extension and extending longitudinally of the wrapped object, whereby the girth of the wrapper can be increased to loosen the wrapper without destroying the continuity of the wrapper, thereby allowing the body to be readily removed from and reinserted within the extended wrapper.

3. A wrapper for perishable articles including a sheet of substantially impervious material only slightly longer than the girth of the article to be wrapped, an extensible portion intermediate the ends of the sheet, means for temporarily and adhesively securing the extensible portion of the wrapper in unextended condition, whereby the wrapper after being tightly enveloped around the body to be wrapped can be increased in girth without destroying the continuity of the wrapper as wrapped for the repeated removal from and reinsertion of the body within the expanded wrapper.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature.

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