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Fig. 1.

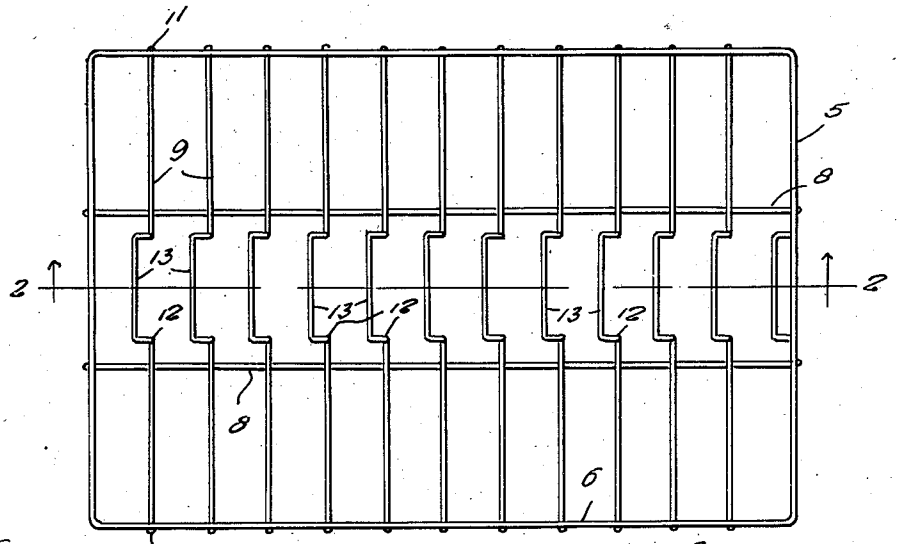


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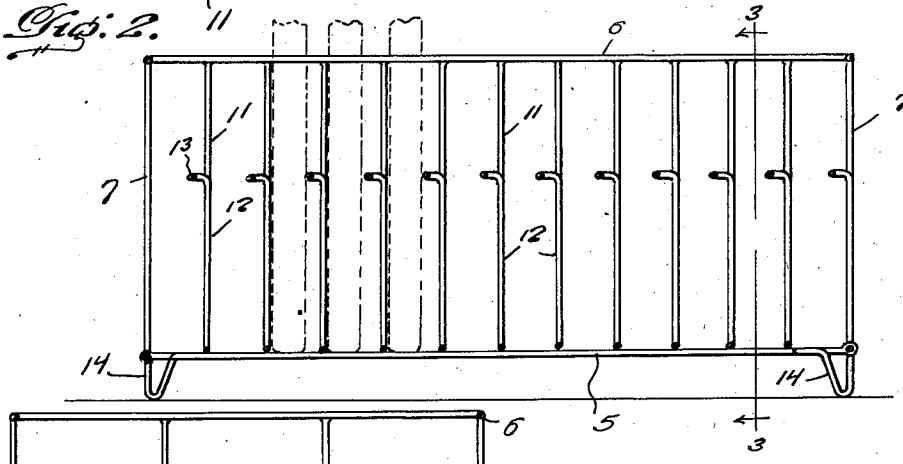
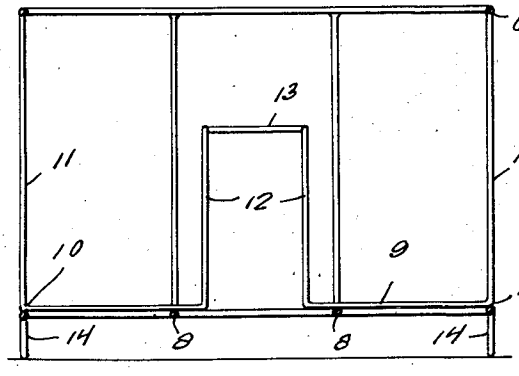


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in racks for holding foodstuffs, the principal object being to provide a rack especially adapted for holding waffles and like shaped food articles, to the end that the same may be safely supported while being warmed in an oven or elsewhere.

Another important object of the invention is to provide a rack for supporting waffles or similar shaped food articles in an upright position so that they are uniformly warmed without any portion thereof being more subjected to heat than other portions.

Still another important object of the invention is to provide a rack, preferably constructed of wire, and of such simple construction as to permit its manufacture at a very low cost.

These and other important objects and advantages of the invention shall become apparent to the reader of the following description.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a top plan view of the rack.

Figure 2 is a longitudinal sectional view through the rack taken on the line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a transverse sectional view through the rack taken on the line 3—3 of Figure 2.

Referring to the drawings wherein like numerals designate like parts, it can be seen that the rack is made up of a rectangular-shaped base frame 5 of wire and an upper rectangular-shaped frame 6, also of wire, supported by corner posts 7 of wire.

Waffle supporting runners 8, 8 extend from one end of the frame 5 to the other end in substantially close spaced relation.

Equal spaced cross members 9 are disposed over the runners 8, 8 and at the side portions of the frame 5 are bent upwardly as at 10 to form upstanding side posts 11, which at their upper ends are welded or otherwise secured as by soldering to the side portions of the upper frame 6 (see Figure 3).

The intermediate portion of each cross member 9 has an upwardly disposed waffle rest 12 of inverted U-shape, the upper bight portion of which is offset in a longitudinal direction as at 13.

From the foregoing, it can be seen that the entire rack is constructed of small gauge wire material and the corners of the lower frame 5 may be formed with downwardly disposed feet defining portions 14 for supporting the rack.

Waffles are set in an upright position between the rests 12 in the manner shown in broken lines in Figure 2. The lower portions of the waffles are spaced upwardly from any heat surface upon

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which the rack may be supported and the waffles, by the offsets 13, are held in horizontal spaced relation so that heat can rise between the waffles and maintain the same warm.

It is further to be understood, that this rack may be built into a cabinet heated by gas, electricity or any other means.

While the foregoing description sets forth the invention in specific terms, it is to be understood that numerous changes in the shape, size and materials may be resorted to without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed hereinafter.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

A rack for foodstuffs comprising a rectangular wire base frame including integral downwardly bent portions near the corners of said frame, said portions serving as feet, wire corner posts, each rising from a corner of said frame, an upper rectangular wire frame supported in parallelism to said base frame by said posts, a plurality of runners extending between and supported by opposite sides of said base frame, a plurality of spaced cross members supported at intermediate points by said runners and having intermediate portions each shaped like an inverted U, said cross members being supported at their ends by the remaining opposite sides of said base frame, and a plurality of side posts each integral at its lower end with an end of said cross members and secured at its upper end to the upper frame.

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