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Fig. 1.

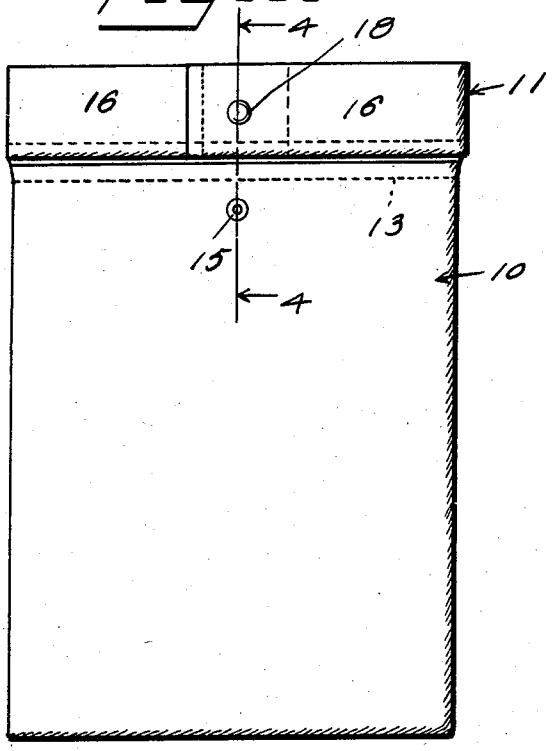
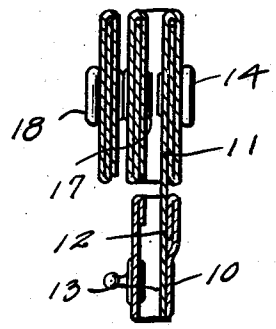


Fig. 4.



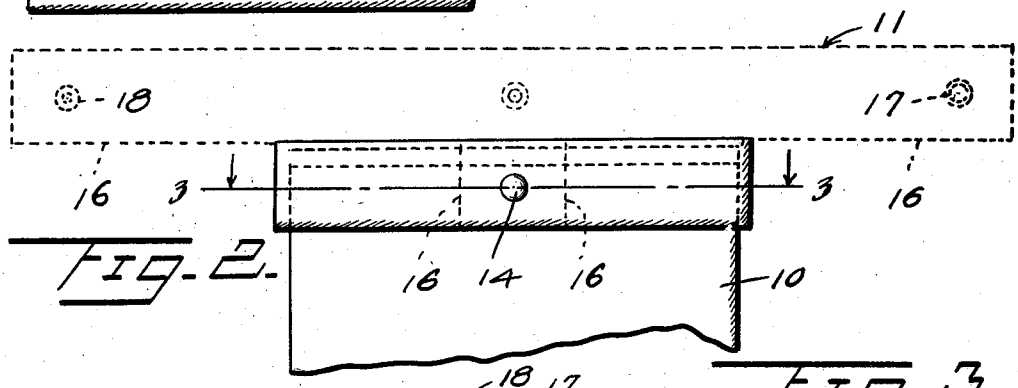
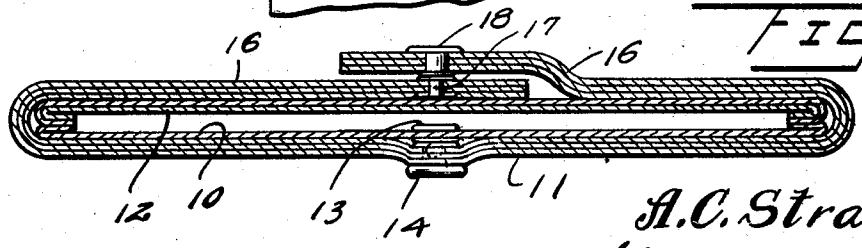


Fig. 2.

Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to bags and more particularly to a coin bag for use in making deposits in banks and otherwise transporting coins or a mixture of coins and currency.

An important object of the invention is to provide a bag of such construction that it may be very readily opened and closed and when closed, will provide a secure seal, preventing the escape of coins and the like from the mouth of the bag.

A further object of the invention is to provide a device of this character which is substantially free from metallic elements which will interfere with or render difficult handling thereof and which is so constructed that the closure flap may be secured either in its sealing position or in a second position where it in no way interferes with the insertion or removal of the contents of the bag.

These and other objects I attain by the construction shown in the accompanying drawing, wherein for the purpose of illustration is shown a preferred embodiment of my invention and wherein:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a bag constructed in accordance with my invention, illustrating the bag in the position which the flap occupies when the bag is being simply employed as a container;

Figure 2 is a similar view showing the flap in the position which it occupies in closing the mouth of the bag, the dotted lines indicating the flap in its extended condition;

Figure 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Figure 2;

Figure 4 is a section on the line 4—4 of Figure 1.

Referring now more particularly to the drawing, the numeral 10 generally indicates an open-topped bag which may be of any usual or preferred construction and is preferably of some heavy material, so that it will not be rapidly destroyed by friction of its contents. In accordance with my invention, I secure to the bag wall at the mouth a flap 11, which is preferably made of several thicknesses of material, as more clearly shown in Figure 4, so that it will be relatively stiff. This flap is preferably attached to the bag by providing the lower edge thereof with an integral and single ply extension 12 which is stitched to the bag wall at the interior thereof, as indicated at 13. This flap has at its center one element 14 of a snap fastener, the second element 15 of which is secured to the outer face of the wall of the bag opposite that to which the flap is secured, so that the flap may be folded over this wall and secured in its folded position. The flap has at its ends extensions 16 of a greater combined length than the width of the bag at the mouth, so that these extensions when folded upon the flap or upon the wall of the bag may be overlapped. Outer ends of these extensions bear the coacting elements of snap fasteners, indicated at 17 and 18 respectively.

When the bag is in use as a carrying receptacle for transporting money from place to place, the flap 11 is folded down and the snap fastener elements 15 and 16 engaged with one another. The extensions 16 of the flap are then folded upon the face of the bag or that face to which the flap is attached and the snap fastener elements 17 and 18 engaged with one another. These flap extensions act to hold the ends of the flap in close engagement to the bag wall, so that there is a complete seal of the mouth of the bag at the corners thereof and, at the same time, provide a handle, by means of which the bag may be transported. When not in use for transportation of coin, the flap may be swung to its open positions, the extensions 16 folded back thereagainst upon either face thereof and the snap fastener elements 17 and 18 engaged with one another. A handle is thus provided, by means of which the bag may be manipulated in moving the same from place to place upon a cashier's counter or in inserting the bag into or withdrawing the bag from a pocket or other receptacle. The connections provided are such that a few seconds are occupied in opening or closing the bag, thus materially facilitating the work of the cashier as compared with that necessitated by the present structures, which usually comprise either a bag provided with a draw string which is tight to seal the bag or a bag having a metallic flap closure.

I claim:—

1. In combination, a coin bag open at one end, a closure flap attached to the rear side of the bag, the flap being adapted to extend across the open end of the bag and overlie the front side thereof, means adapted to detachably connect the flap to the front side of the bag, the flap having extensions adapted to overlie the rear side of the bag with their ends in overlapped relation, and means free of engagement with the front and rear sides of the bag and adapted to detachably connect the overlapped ends of the extensions together, the extensions being adapted to be used as a handle for the bag when they are secured together and when the flap is secured to the front side of the bag.

2. In combination, a coin bag open at one end, a closure flap attached to the rear side of the bag, the flap being adapted to extend across the open end of the bag and overlie the front side thereof, that portion of the flap adapted to overlie the front side of the bag being reinforced and said reinforced portion being provided with extensions adapted to overlie the rear side of the bag with their ends in overlapped relation, means adapted to detachably connect the reinforced portion of the flap to the front side of the bag, and means adapted to detachably connect the overlapped ends of the reinforced extensions together.

3. In combination, a coin bag open at one end, a closure flap attached to the rear side of the bag, the flap being adapted to extend across the open end of the bag and overlie the front side thereof, that portion of the flap adapted to overlie the front side of the bag being reinforced and said reinforced portion being provided with extensions adapted to overlie the rear side of the bag with their ends in overlapped relation, means adapted to detachably connect the reinforced portion of the flap to the front side of the bag, and means free of engagement with the sides of the bag and adapted to detachably connect the overlapped ends of the reinforced extensions together, the extensions being adapted to be used as a handle for the bag when their ends are secured together and the flap is secured to the front side of the bag.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature.

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