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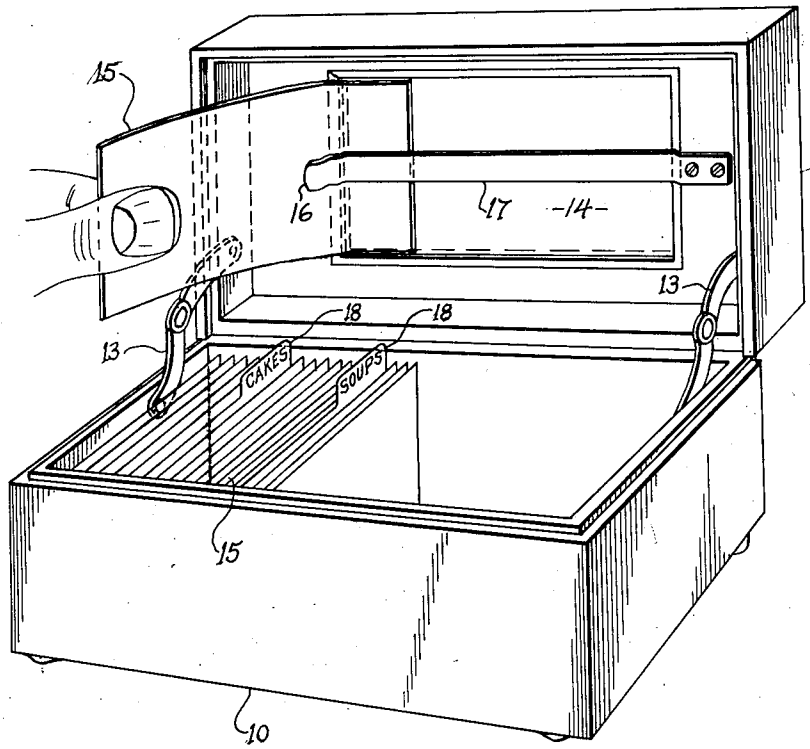


Fig. 1

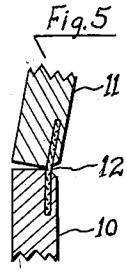
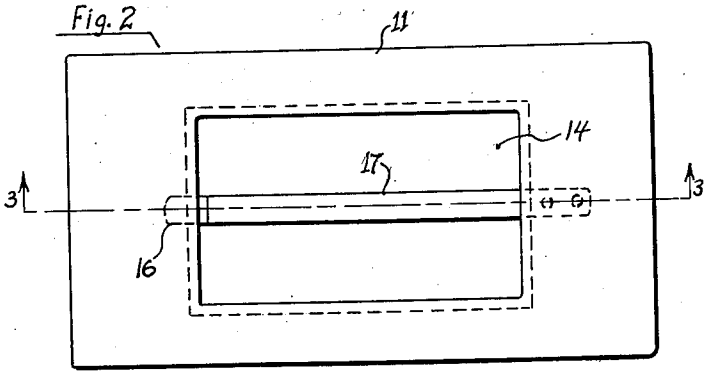


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Fig. 2



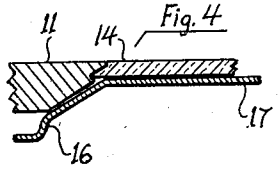
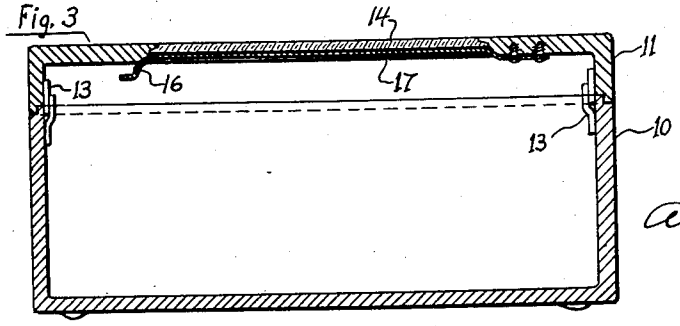


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Among the principal objects which the present invention has in view are: To provide means for displaying in any convenient position any particular card to be worked from; to furnish a receptacle or container adapted to receive cards or similar devices having imprinted or written thereon recipes of various kinds; and to furnish index members arranged with reference to classification of the subject to which the various recipes relate or are arranged.

Drawing:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a container constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention, the view showing the raised or opened top or cover of the container and the body of the container.

Figure 2 is a top plan view of the container.

Figure 3 is a vertical section, the section being taken on the line 3—3 in Figure 2.

Figure 4 is an enlarged detailed view showing a fragment of the cover and more particularly of the edge of the window-like opening and a fragment of transparent covering thereof and the card retainer.

Figure 5 is a detailed view on enlarged scale showing in section fragments of the body and hinge construction and union.

Description:

As seen in the drawing, the container consists primarily of a body portion 10 and a box-like cover 11, united therewith by a flexible hinge 12.

The body and cover are preferably constructed from any suitable molded material, the edges of the cover and body constructed therefrom being recessed and folded upon the hinge member 12, as shown best in Figure 5 of the drawing.

The cover and body portions are provided with pivotally connected links 13 arranged to position the cover 11 in proper elevation when opened so that the recipe held against the inner side of the transparent pane 14 may be most conveniently viewed by anyone using the container.

The recipes referred to are preferably printed or written on cards such as indicated by the numeral 15 in Figure 1 of the drawing. These cards when in use are slipped under the inclined end 16 of a spring retainer 17.

When not in use, the cards 15 are placed in the container and in proper relation to the follow board 18, which are suitably tabbed for index.

When in service, the card having the desired recipe is extracted from its position in the body portion 10 and is slipped under the retainer 17, the end 16 being elevated if needed to permit the introduction of the card 15. It may prove that it is unnecessary to lift the retainer 17 by engaging the free end 16. The card now being in place, the cover 11 is closed or inclined, as the case may be, so that the cook using the recipe can readily view the same.

It is obvious that when thus employed, the cards and the recipe imparted thereto is preserved from being soiled.

After the recipe has served its purpose, the card 15 may be removed from engagement by the retainer 17 and be restored to its out of service position in conjunction with one or other of the follow boards 18.

From the foregoing, it is obvious that a container thus constructed and equipped is preserved and maintains a clean and dignified appearance agreeable to the people using it.

Further, it is equally obvious that the cards 15 may be renewed and augmented by being added thereto as a part of the service to be established in connection with the use of the container. Such a service, for instance, as to adopt from leading chefs or dietitians outstanding recipes to be imprinted upon cards such as indicated by the numeral 15 and distributed by mail or otherwise to the owners of containers constructed and arranged as in accordance with the present invention, these cards to be placed by the owners in their respective classes as indicated by the follow boards 18 within the body of the container.

Claims:

1. A container as characterized comprising a box-like body portion, a cover therefor, said cover being provided with an opening therein of approximately the dimensions and shape of the cards to be carried by said box-like portion, a transparent filler for said opening, resilient means normally exerting a pressure against said transparent filler to permit the insertion of cards such as contained in said body portion to hold said cards in service to be exposed through said filler, and means for supporting the cover on said box in service relation for convenient presentation of said cards when in use, said means embodying a flexible hinge uniting said cover and body portion along one edge thereof, and brace members adjustably connecting said body portion and said cover.

2. A container as characterized comprising a

box-like body portion, a cover therefor, said cover being provided with an opening therein of approximately the dimensions and shape of the cards to be carried by said box-like portion, a transparent filler for said opening, resilient means normally exerting a pressure against said transparent filler to permit the insertion of cards such as contained in said body portion to hold said cards in service to be exposed through said filler, and means for supporting the cover on said box in service relation for convenient presentation of said cards when in use, said means embodying a flexible hinge uniting said cover and body portion along one edge thereof, and brace members adjustably connecting said body portion and said cover, said brace members embodying pivotally connected links, said links connecting said cover and body portion.

3. A container as characterized comprising a box-like body portion to receive cards therein, a cover therefor, said cover being provided with an opening therein of approximately the dimensions and shape of the cards carried by said box-like body portion, a transparent filler for said opening, resilient means rigidly secured at one end to the inside of the cover and adjacent said transparent filler, said resilient means comprising a flatwise spring retaining member for normally exerting a pressure against said transparent filler for retaining a card in service to be exposed through said filler, and said flatwise spring retainer at its free end being inclined away from the cover for easily sliding the card underneath the transparent filler.

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