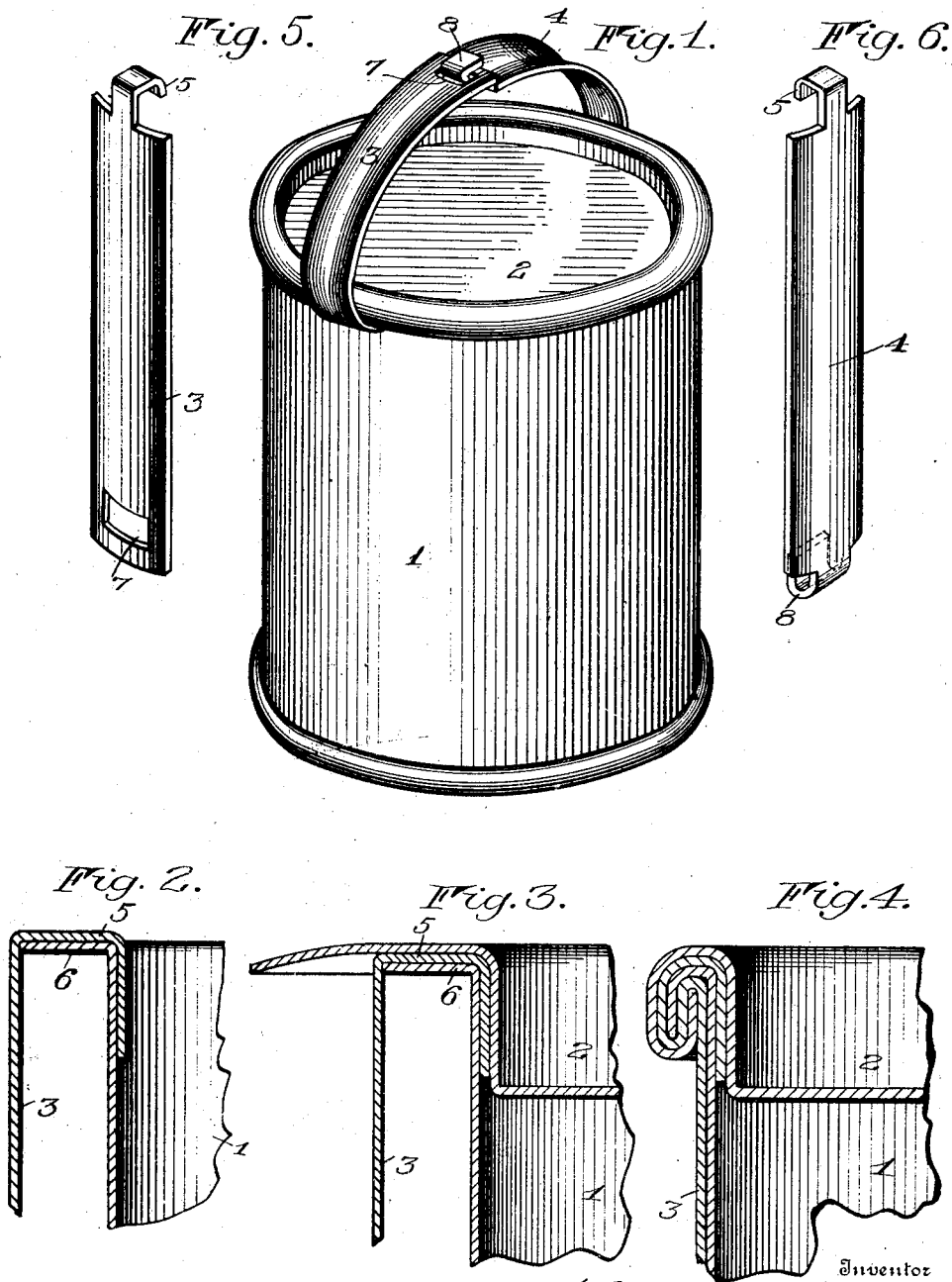


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRED WEGNER, of Fairport, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Receptacles with Handles; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and to the reference-numerals marked thereon.

The present invention relates to receptacles with handles, and it has for an object to provide a construction in which the handle will not interfere with the packing of the receptacle and which will be inexpensive to manufacture.

To these and other ends the invention consists in certain improvements and combinations of parts all as will be hereinafter more fully described, the novel features being pointed out in the claims at the end of the specification.

In the drawings: Figure 1 is a perspective view of a receptacle embodying my invention; Figs. 2, 3 and 4 are sectional views showing successive steps employed in securing the handle to the receptacle; and Figs. 5 and 6 are perspective views of the two members forming the handle.

The invention is herein shown embodied in a can 1 which has a head 2 seamed thereto. Combined with this can is a handle which comprises two members 3 and 4 preferably formed of two strips of metal or other suitable flexible material. These members, which are preferably curved transversely, are each at one end secured to the receptacle or can as by being rolled into the seam between the body 1 and the head 2. For this purpose each handle member may be first provided with a hook 5 which is of less width than its member and is seated as shown in Fig. 2 on the outwardly turned flange 6 of the can body. The can head 2 with a depressed central portion is then fitted in the can body as shown in Fig. 3 and the flange on the head and the flange on the body are rolled into a seam as shown in Fig. 4. By this means a portion of the hook lies between the depressed center of the can head and the inner wall of the can while the other portion lies in contact with

both faces of the can body flange and between the latter and the can head flange. This causes the handle to be thrown into contact with the outside of the can body and to tightly hug the latter on account of the transverse curvature.

The receptacle is shipped in this condition and when it is desired to employ the handle, the two members are bent in the manner shown in Fig. 1 so that their ends may be interlocked. Any suitable interlocking means may be employed but an effective and inexpensive one is herein shown and comprises a device at the end of each member, in this instance, an opening 7 at the free end of one of the members and a hook 8 on the free end of the other handle member, the hook being introduced into the opening as shown and holding the two handle members together.

This invention provides an inexpensive handle for paint cans and other receptacles which are shipped with material in them. It enables the purchaser to carry the receptacle and its contents with ease and does not interfere with the packing of the goods. The transverse curvature of the handle member not only permits the members to snugly hug the receptacle but it conforms to the hand of one by whom the receptacle is carried.

What I claim is:

1. The combination with a receptacle having a seamed head, of a handle comprising two members of sheet material, each rolled at one end into the seam and having interlocking devices at their free ends.

2. The combination with a receptacle and a head seamed thereto, of a handle formed from two strips of sheet material curved transversely, secured each at one end in the seam and having interlocking devices at their free ends.

3. The combination with a metallic receptacle having a seamed head, of a flexible handle forming member formed from a strip of sheet metal curved transversely to lie snugly against the wall of the receptacle and secured at one end within the seam.

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