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BREAD AND CAKE RECEPTACLE.

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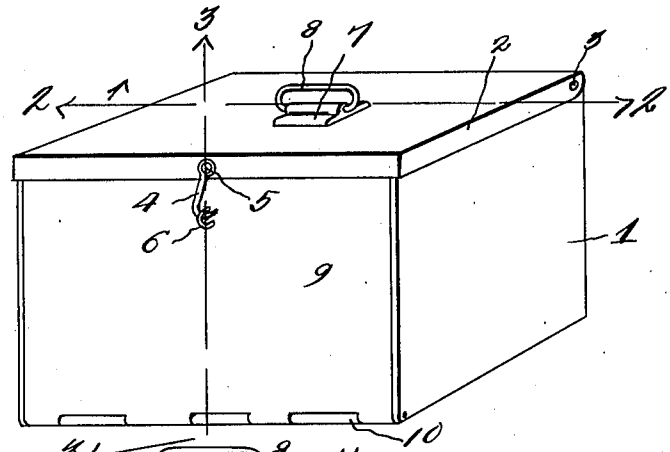


Fig. 1.

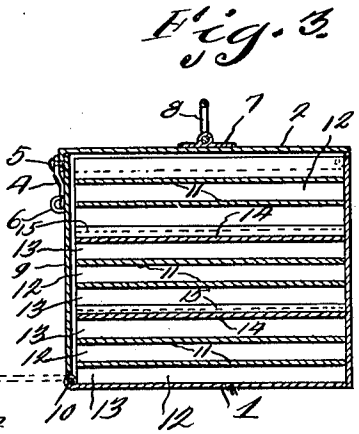


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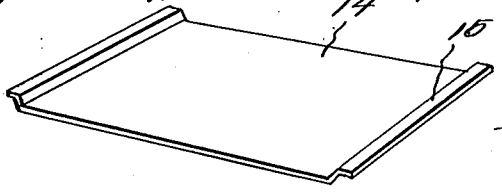


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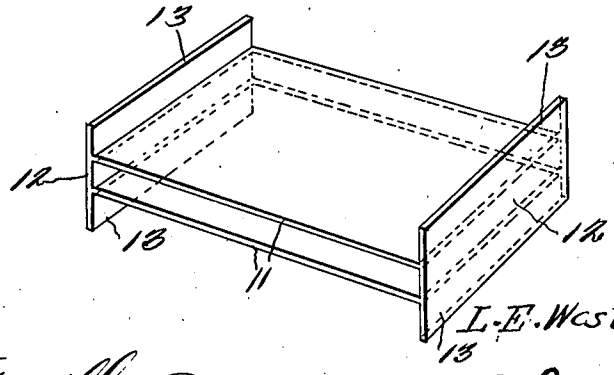


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEANDER E. WESTBROOK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sanford, in the county of Conejos, State of Colorado, have invented a new and useful Bread and Cake Receptacle; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to an improved receptacle or box, for the reception of bread, cake and the like, and an object of the invention is to provide means consisting of a series of shelves, some spaced at regular intervals, others at irregular intervals, whereby bread, cake and pies, which are of different thicknesses, may be supported upon the shelves.

A further object of the invention is to provide a plurality of shelves, which may be withdrawn from between the end parts of some of the shelves, and one placed in the bottom of the box, and another near the top, thereby enlarging the spaces between some of the shelves.

A further object of the invention is to provide a plurality of shelves which may be entirely removed, so that the box or receptacle may be employed mainly for receiving loaves of bread.

In practical fields the details of construction may necessitate alterations falling within the scope of what is claimed.

The invention comprises further features and combination of parts, as hereinafter set forth, shown in the drawings and claimed.

In the drawings:—

Figure 1 is a view in perspective of the improved combined bread, cake and pie receptacle or box.

Fig. 2 is a sectional view on line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a sectional view on line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 4 is a detail perspective view of one of the single shelves.

Fig. 5 is a detail perspective view of two shelves, the ends of which are integrally connected by end pieces.

Referring more especially to the drawings 1 designates a receptacle or box, which may be any suitable shape or configuration and constructed of any suitable material, and is provided with a suitable flanged cover 2, which is hinged to the box or receptacle by the pins 3. The forward flange of the cover has a hook 4 connected thereto by means of the pivot pin 5. The hook 4 engages a staple 6, for holding the cover closed. Secured in any suitable manner to the upper face of the cover is a plate 7, which pivotally carries a suitable handle 8, by which the cover may be opened, or by which the box or receptacle may be carried from one place to another. The front piece 9 of the box or receptacle is connected to the bottom of the box by means of a suitable hinge 10, whereby the front piece may be thrown downwardly. Removably arranged in the box or receptacle is a plurality of series of shelves 11. The shelves 11 of each series have their opposite ends integrally connected by the end pieces 12, which extend upwardly and downwardly, thereby affording flanges 13. The flanges 13 of the end pieces 12 of each series may, as may be readily understood rest upon the corresponding flanges of the end pieces of an adjacent series. However, additional shelves 14 are provided, the opposite ends of each of which have L-shaped flanges 15. As will be noted the flanges 15 of each of the shelves 14 engage between the flanges 13 of the adjacent end pieces 12 of the series of shelves. By means of the particular construction of the L-shaped flanges 15, the space between each shelf 14 and an adjacent shelf 11 above the shelf 14 is greater than the spaces between the adjacent shelves 11. By inverting a shelf 14, the space between it and a shelf 11 below may be increased. Moreover one of the shelves 14, may if so desired, be removed, inverted, and then placed adjacent the bottom of the receptacle or box, thereby increasing the space between two adjacent shelves 11 substantially twice a space between any other two shelves. If desired the other shelf 14 may be removed from between the flanges 13 and inserted in the box or receptacle so as to rest upon the top edges of the flanges 13 of the uppermost series of shelves 11, thereby providing a second space, that is substantially twice the space between any two shelves 11. When a shelf 14 is arranged adjacent the bottom, the space between it and the bottom of the receptacle or box may receive paper napkins or the like, or knives or forks and the like. By the foregoing construction the receptacle

or box may be utilized either as a bread, cake or pie receptacle, or as a lunch pail or box.

The invention having been set forth what is claimed as new and useful is:—

In divisional means for a bread receptacle, the combination with a casing, of a plurality of partitions consisting of double shelves, end pieces integrally connecting said double shelves and having upwardly and downwardly extending flanges, whereby said double shelved partitions may be superimposed, a second plurality of partitions each consisting of a single shelf, the opposite ends of which having L-shaped flanges, said L-shaped flanges at both ends of the single shelf extending from the same face of the shelf, and having their horizontal portions offset in oposite directions and in corresponding planes, whereby said horizontal portions are interposed between the adjacent edges of the flanges of the double shelves whereby the single shelved partitions may extend either upwardly or downwardly between the double shelved partitions, so that the spaces either above or below the single shelf partitions may be increased or decreased.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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