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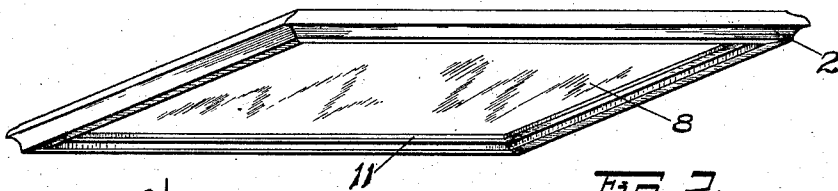


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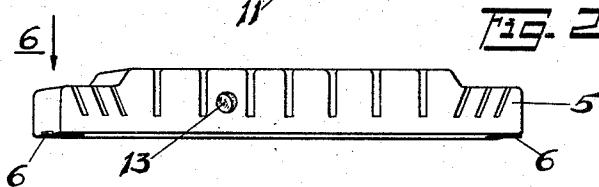


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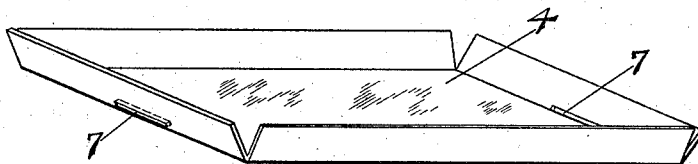


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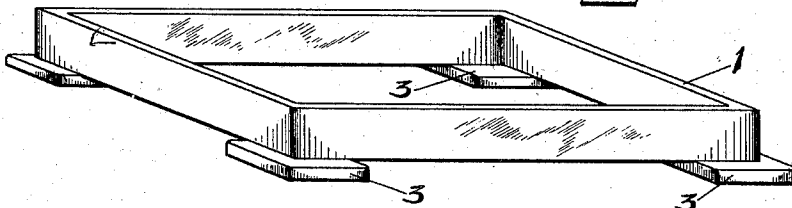


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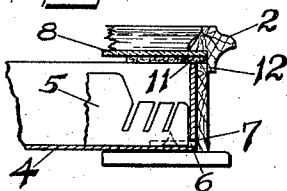


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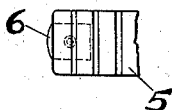
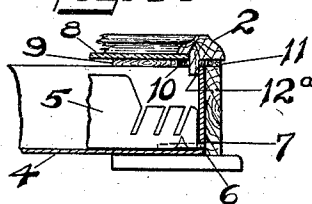


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This invention relates to improvements in receptacles for the storage and display of flat tableware articles, it being the object of the invention to provide a receptacle for these purposes including a body portion, a removable article carrier and a glass-paneled cover which will protect the articles from the dust and other foreign matter in the atmosphere and through which the articles in the receptacle may, at the same time, be conveniently viewed.

In the accompanying drawings—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the receptacle cover;

Figure 2 is a perspective view of a rack for the articles to be stored and displayed;

Figure 3 is a perspective view of an inner member or tray on which the article rack is supported;

Figure 4 is a perspective view of the body of the receptacle;

Figure 5 is a partial vertical section of the receptacle with the parts shown in Figures 1-4 assembled;

Figure 6 is a plan view of one end of the rack illustrating a detail which will be referred to later; and

Figure 7 is a view similar to Figure 5 illustrating a modification which will be later referred to.

Referring to Figures 1 to 6, 1 represents the body of the receptacle and 2 its cover. The body 1 has no bottom but is provided with four inwardly and outwardly projecting corner pieces or blocks 3 which act as supports or stops for an inner tray member 4, which in turn provides a bottom for the receptacle when in place therein.

The tray member 4 is preferably removable from the body 1 and made from a sheet of cardboard or other suitably stiff material shaped and folded to provide upwardly extending end and side walls or flanges, which may be connected or unconnected at their contiguous ends, as desired.

In addition to these three members there is also provided a preferably removable rack 5 for receiving and retaining the articles to be stored and displayed, this rack being held in tray 4 either by frictional contact

between its ends and opposed walls or flanges of the receptacle or by means of projection 6 on the ends of rack 5 entering slits 7 in said walls or flanges (see Fig. 5) or in both of these ways.

The cover consists of a frame enclosing a pane of glass 8 which is held therein by strips 9, 10 (see Figure 7) or, as in Figure 5, by cushioning strips 11 of soft material, said strips 11 in either case forming contact with the upper ends of the walls of the body 1 of the receptacle.

The receptacle is preferably provided with a recess 13 in rack 5 for the reception of camphor, for example, for assisting in the protection of silverware articles in said rack.

The construction shown in Figure 7 is the same as that illustrated in Figures 1 to 6, except that the cover frame, instead of being provided with depending flanges 12 engaging the outer faces of the walls of the body 1, is provided with flanges 12^a which engage the inner faces of the upwardly extending end and side walls of tray member 4.

What I claim is:

1. A receptacle for the storage and display of flat tableware articles, comprising a body member in the form of an open rigid frame, a removable tray member of comparatively flexible material comprising a bottom and upwardly extending sides, a removable rack carried by said removable member for the articles to be displayed, a removable glazed cover for the receptacle and corner blocks on the body member and projecting inwardly from each corner thereof for engaging and supporting the removable member.

2. A receptacle for the storage and display of flat tableware articles comprising a bottomless body member, a removable member therein comprising a bottom and upwardly extending sides, a rack in said removable member for the articles, and a removable glazed cover for the receptacle, said body member being provided with inwardly projecting means for engaging and supporting the removable member.

3. A receptacle for the storage and display of flat tableware articles, comprising

a body open at its top and bottom and provided at its bottom with inwardly projecting stops, a removable tray member seated within the body and resting upon the stops, a rack in said removable member for the articles to be displayed, means on the rack for cooperation with means on the tray for holding the rack in position, a transparent cover for the open end of the body and packing means between the cover and the body.

4. In a receptacle for the storage and display of flat tableware articles and the like, a body member comprising an open frame having side and end walls and provided at its bottom with inwardly projecting stops serving as feet upon which the body member is supported, a removable tray member seated within the body and resting upon the inwardly projecting stops, said tray member having side and end walls engaging the side and end walls of the body member, a rack in said tray member for the articles to be displayed, said rack extending across the tray, means on the rack for cooperation with means on the tray for securing the rack in position, a transparent cover for the open end of the body member and packing carried by the cover for engagement with the upper edges of the side and end walls of the body member and tray to prevent the entrance of dust and the like.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand.

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