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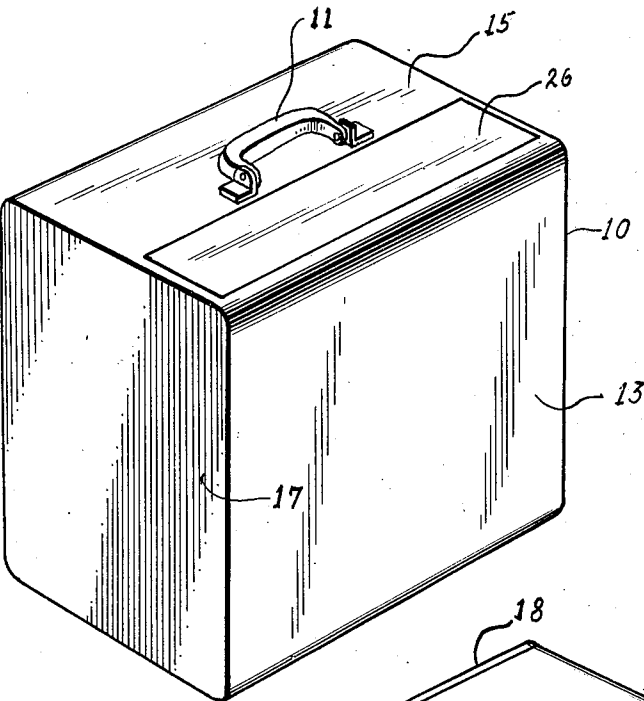


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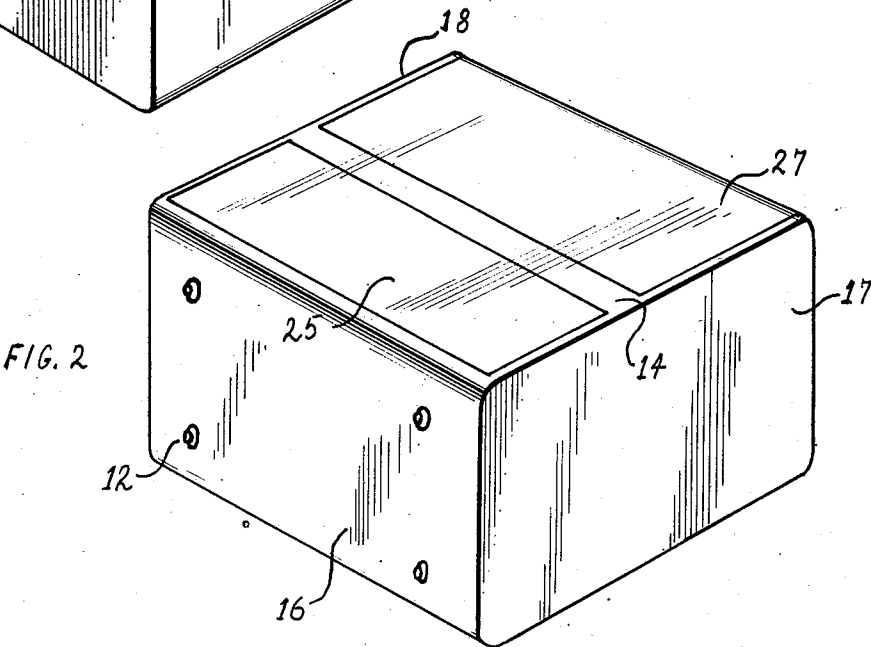


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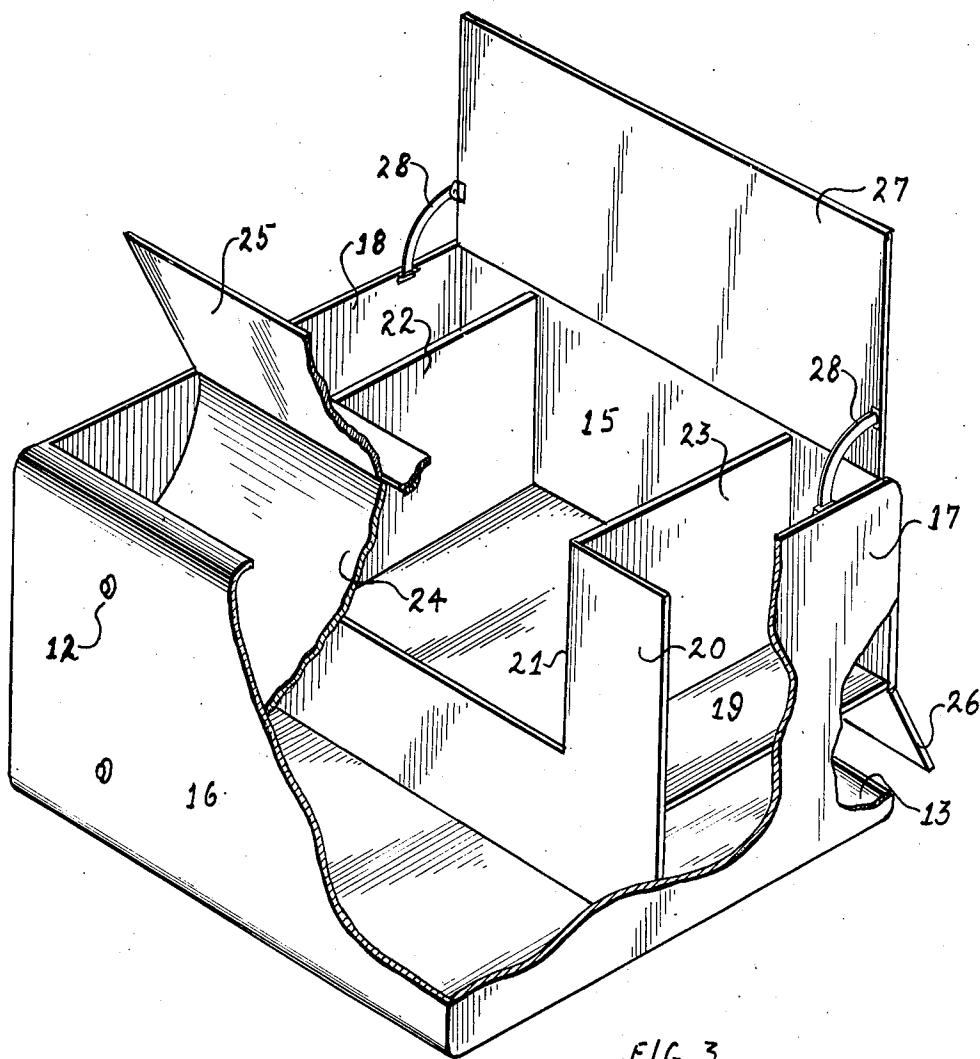
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This invention relates to traveling bags having a plurality of separate compartments therein.

The principal object of the present invention is to provide a traveling bag having a compartment therein having a portion adapted to form a seat and another portion communicating therewith adapted to receive the feet of the occupant of the seat.

Another object of the invention is to provide a traveling bag having a seat therein and a plurality of separate compartments adjacent the seat for the reception of articles of apparel and the like.

These objects will more fully appear in the following specification when read in connection with the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a traveling bag embodying the present invention;

Figure 2 is another perspective view taken from a different angle of the traveling bag embodying the invention; and

Figure 3 is another perspective view similar to Figure 2 but with the various compartment closures in open position and with parts of the walls of the bag broken away to show the interior construction thereof.

The drawings illustrate a traveling bag 10 in the form of a generally rectangular box-shaped receptacle. It comprises a plurality of relatively rigid walls rigidly fastened together. Openings are formed in certain of the walls to provide access to the interior thereof and these openings are closed by hinged closures which can be latched in closed position.

The traveling bag is adapted to be carried in an upright position, as shown in Figure 1, by means of a conventional handle 11. The wall opposite the handle end is provided with a plurality of metal buttons 12 to protect it when the bag rests on the ground in the position shown in Figure 1. Normally this last named wall is the bottom wall, but throughout this specification the wall 13 (see Figures 1 and 3) will be designated as the bottom wall and the opposite wall 14 will be designated as the top wall. This terminology is used because when the bag is used as a seat it will be placed with the wall 13 in the bottom position.

In addition to the top and bottom walls mentioned, the bag is provided with a rear wall 15, a front wall 16, and side walls 17 and 18.

Intermediate the top and bottom walls and extending from side to side of the traveling bag is a partition 19. The rear edge of the partition abuts the rear wall 15 and is securely fastened

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thereto. The front edge of the partition 19 is spaced from the front wall 16 a substantial distance, as shown in Figure 3. A vertical partition 20 abuts the front edge of partition 19 and extends from side to side and top to bottom of the traveling bag. The central portion of the partition 20 is cut out as at 21 and the lower edge of the cut out portion is flush with the front edge of the partition 19. A pair of vertical partitions 22 and 23 extend between the rear wall 15 and the upright edges of the cut out portion 21 and between the partition 19 and the top wall 14. Thus, the partition 19 between the partitions 22 and 23, the partitions 22 and 23, and the rear wall 15 form a seat for a small child.

The space between the front wall 16 and the partition 20 is in open communication with the seat portion and forms a compartment to receive the feet and legs of an occupant of the seat. A piece of flexible fabric, such as rubberized canvas 24 is attached to the top wall 14 above the front edge of the seat and extends downwardly and forwardly to the front wall 16 where it is firmly attached. The fabric 24 thus forms a receptacle located above the foot compartment. Access to the compartment above the fabric 24 is obtained through a rectangular opening in the top wall 14. This opening is closed by means of a closure 25 hinged to the top wall, as indicated in Figures 2 and 3.

The space between the bottom wall 13 and partition 19 rearwardly of partition 20 forms another storage compartment. Access to this compartment is obtained through an opening in the rear wall 15 which is closed by a hinged closure 26.

The spaces between the end walls 17 and 18 and the corresponding vertical partitions 23 and 22 form further storage compartments. These compartments are reached through another opening in the top wall 14 which is normally closed by a closure 27. This closure 27 also forms a lid for the seat compartment. The closure is hinged at the top edge of the rear wall 15 to swing to a vertical position, as shown in Figure 3. A pair of stops 28 are provided to hold the closure in its raised position and the closure when thus raised forms a back rest for the seat.

From the foregoing it will be seen that the present invention provides a novel traveling bag having a plurality of separate compartments for the reception of clothing and other articles, access to all of which can be readily had through suitable closures provided therefor. The entire bag may, of course, be used to carry loose articles or only the compartments beneath the seat, above

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the fabric 24, and at the sides of the seat, while the seat itself may be employed to hold a small child. On the other hand, if desired, the seat portion itself can be used as a receptacle for articles carried in the traveling bag. When the bag is used as a seat the feet of the occupant are entirely enclosed within the walls of the bag.

The scope of the invention is indicated in the appended claims.

I claim:

1. A combined traveling bag and seat comprising a receptacle having top and bottom walls, said top wall having an opening therein adjacent an edge thereof, a partition spaced from said bottom and top walls and parallel thereto, said partition being of substantially less area than the area of the top wall and adapted to form a seat, and a closure for said opening pivotally connected to a wall of said receptacle at one side of said opening, said receptacle having a compartment adjacent said seat and in open communication with the space within the receptacle between the top wall and the partition and entirely enclosed within said receptacle, said compartment being adapted to receive the feet of an occupant of said seat.

2. A combined traveling bag and seat comprising a receptacle having spaced apart parallel top and bottom walls, said top wall having an opening therein adjacent an edge thereof of substantially less area than the area of said top wall, a partition spaced from said bottom and top walls and parallel thereto, said partition being adapted

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to form a seat bottom, a closure for said opening pivotally connected to a wall of said receptacle at one side of said opening and adapted when raised to form a seat back, said receptacle having a compartment adjacent said seat and in open communication with the space within the receptacle between the top wall and the partition, said compartment being adapted to receive the feet of the occupant of said seat.

3. A combined traveling bag and seat as defined in claim 2 wherein said closure is provided with means for holding the same in raised position.

4. A combined traveling bag and seat as defined in claim 2 wherein an opening is provided in a wall of said bag affording access to the space between said bottom wall and said partition, and said opening is provided with a hinged closure.

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