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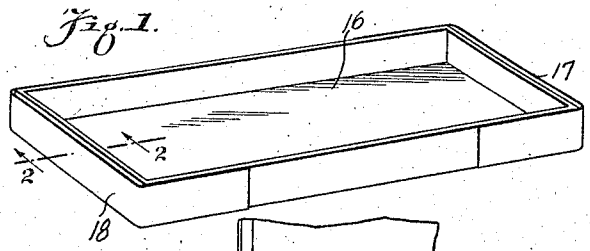


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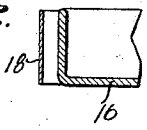


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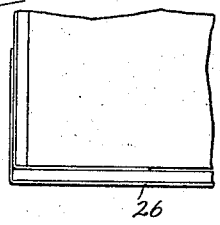


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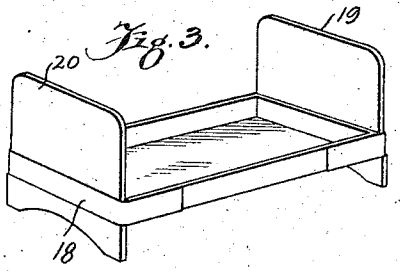


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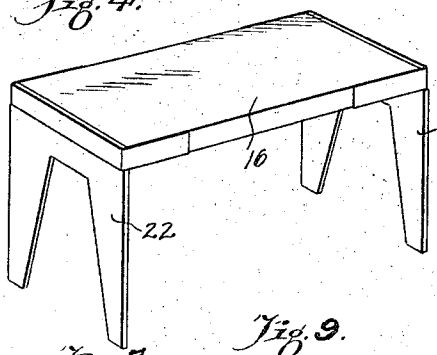


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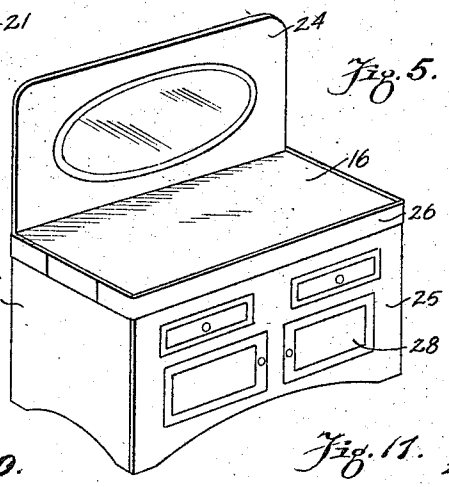


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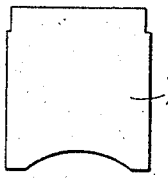


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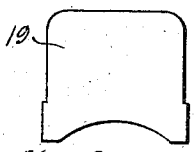


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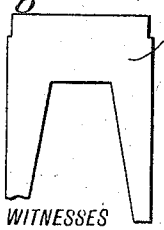


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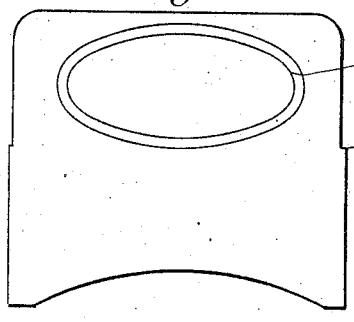
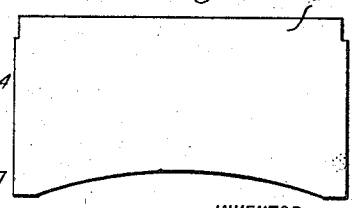


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUST F. WEGENER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Ridgewood, in the county of Bergen and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Toy for Containers, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to toy furniture, such as beds, tables and bureaus, which can be assembled by a child and which are placed in this assembled condition in candy containers and the like.

An object of the invention is to stimulate the incentive of a child in buying candy boxes in which toys are found.

Another object of the invention is to provide readily assembled furniture toys which can be placed in containers, which containers may be decorated interiorly and exteriorly to represent a house in which the child may place the said toy furniture after he assembles the same.

In the accompanying drawings:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a tray embodying certain features of the invention.

Figure 2 is a detail fragmentary sectional view through Figure 1 on line 5—5, the same being on a slightly enlarged scale.

Figure 3 is a perspective view of the tray shown in Figure 1 with end pieces fitted therein, the same illustrating a bed.

Figure 4 is a perspective view of the tray shown in Figure 1, in an inverted position, with a pair of legs fitted therein whereby the same may act as a table.

Figure 5 is a perspective view of the tray shown in Figure 1, inverted and associated with supporting fittings whereby a bureau effect is produced.

Figure 6 is a fragmentary top plan view showing one corner of the structure illustrated in Figure 5, and illustrating how the various supporting members are connected to the tray.

Figure 7 is a plan view showing a supporting member similar to that used in Figure 3.

Figure 8 is a plan view showing one of the supporting leg structures illustrated in Figure 4.

Figure 9 is a plan view of a support used as one end of the bureau illustrated in Figure 5.

Figure 10 is a supporting structure used as the back of the bureau illustrated in Figure 5.

Figure 11 is a plan view of a support illustrating the front support of the bureau shown in Figure 5.

The numeral 16 indicates a tray which may be made of any desired material, as for instance pasteboard, and is provided at the ends with straps 17 and 18, which are pasted or secured in any suitable manner to the sides of the tray adjacent the ends whereby they will be end guides or clamps for receiving the supports 19 and 20 as illustrated in Figure 6, or the supporting legs 21 and 22 as shown in Figure 7. When the supports 23, 24 and 25 are supplied the tray 16 is provided with side straps 26 which overlap the end straps 17 and 18 and are secured thereto as shown in Figure 6, whereby there are presented two side retaining members on the tray. When the supports 19 and 20 are used with the tray facing upwardly a bed structure is presented, which may receive a filling of any kind as a mattress whereby a complete bed is presented designed to be used in connection with the container 1. In some instances the tray 16 is made square and suitable supports similar to supports 19 and 20 are provided whereby a chair structure may be presented to co-act with the table structure shown in Figure 4. When the tray 16 is provided with the side straps 26 as well as the end straps a suitable number of supports 23, 24 and 25 are provided for forming the bureau illustrated in Figure 5. It will be understood that these supports are merely slid into position until the various shoulders 27 engage the retaining strips 17, 18 and 26. If desired the front support 25 could be provided with illustrations 28 indicating drawers.

The drawings merely illustrate some furniture which the parts shown may be assembled into, and the same in their disassembled form may be placed in a container such as is used for candies and crackers as a division member or the like. The container may preferably be painted or decorated both at its interior and at its exterior so as to represent a toy house, and a child after emptying the contents in the container may place the assembled furniture therein to give him the impression of a furnished house.

What I claim is:—

In a combined container and toy, a tray

provided with a bottom, and upstanding side and end walls, straps arranged at certain opposite walls of the tray and spaced a short distance outwardly therefrom, said straps including legs extending an appreciable distance along other walls of the tray and secured thereon, and other straps arranged at certain other opposite walls and spaced outwardly therefrom, the ends of these straps overlapping the first mentioned straps and secured thereto, said straps serving to retain supports for the tray when acting as a bed, table, chair, bureau or sideboard, and a plurality of such supports, said supports having a reduced section adapted to be inserted into the space between the straps and the tray walls, and cause the same to represent a bed, table, chair, bureau or sideboard according to which spaces or sets of spaces are used.

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