

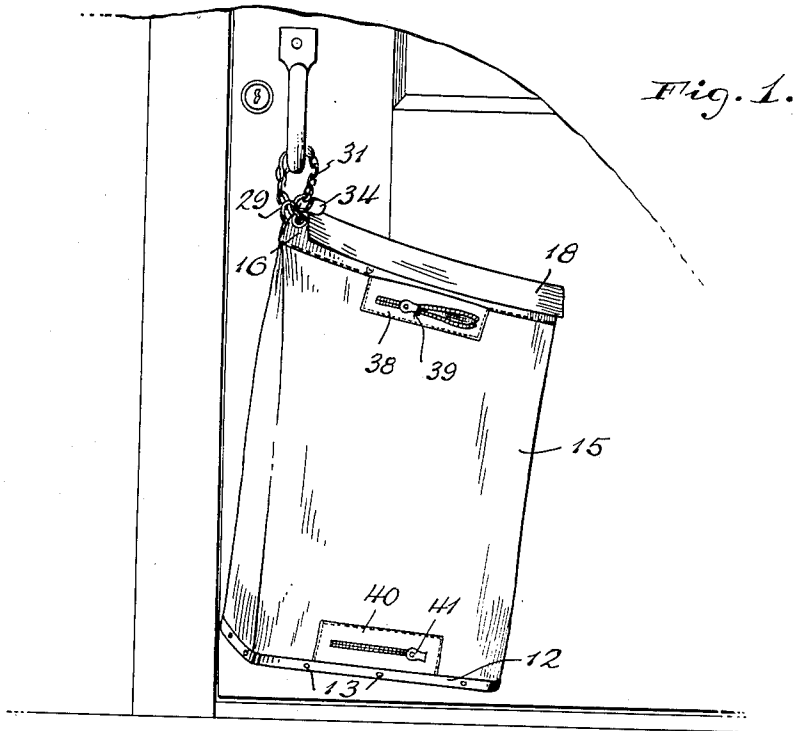
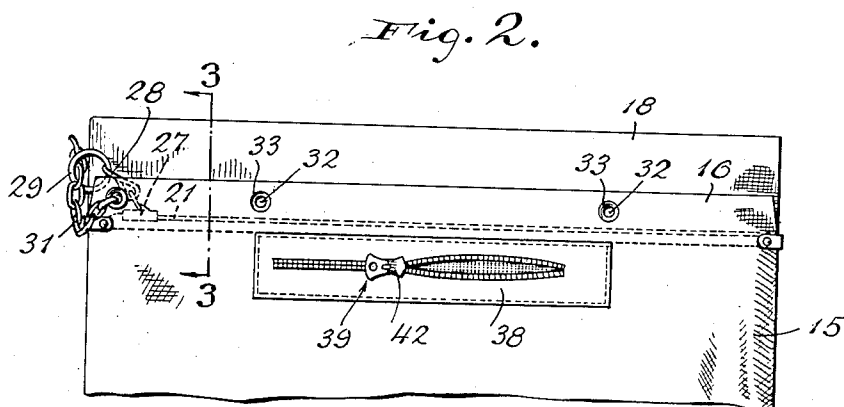
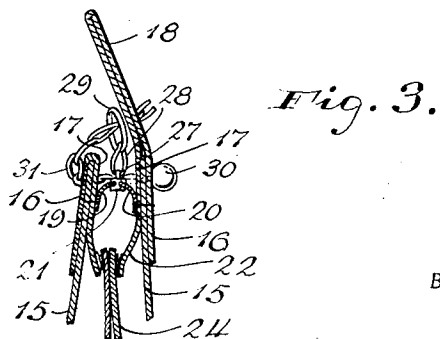
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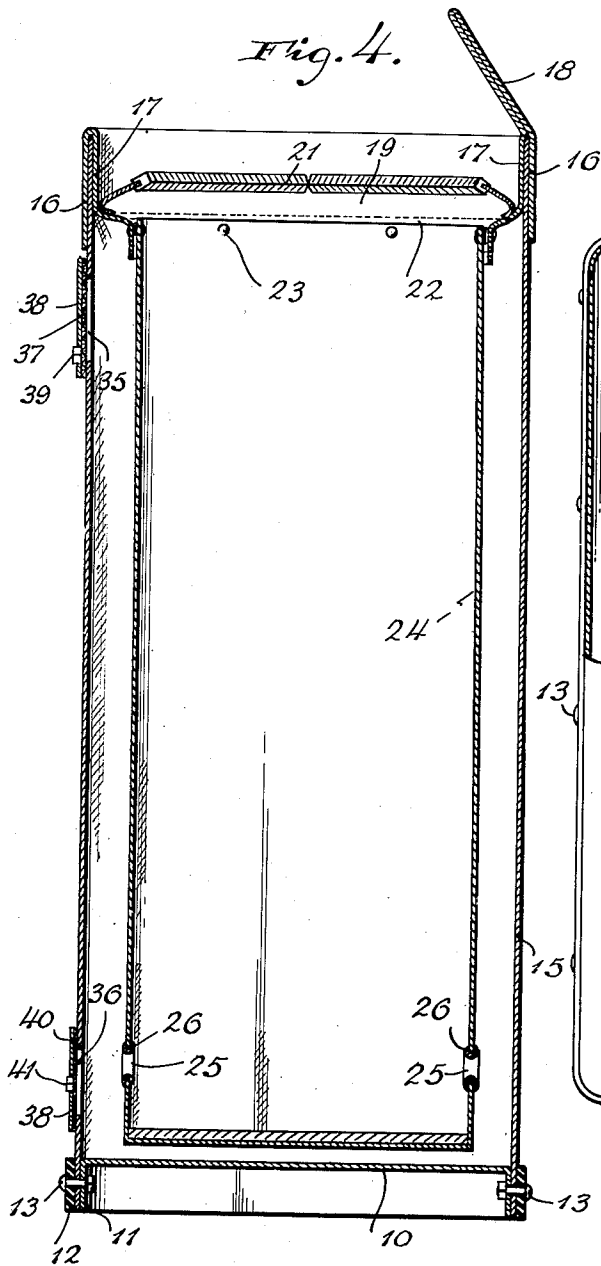
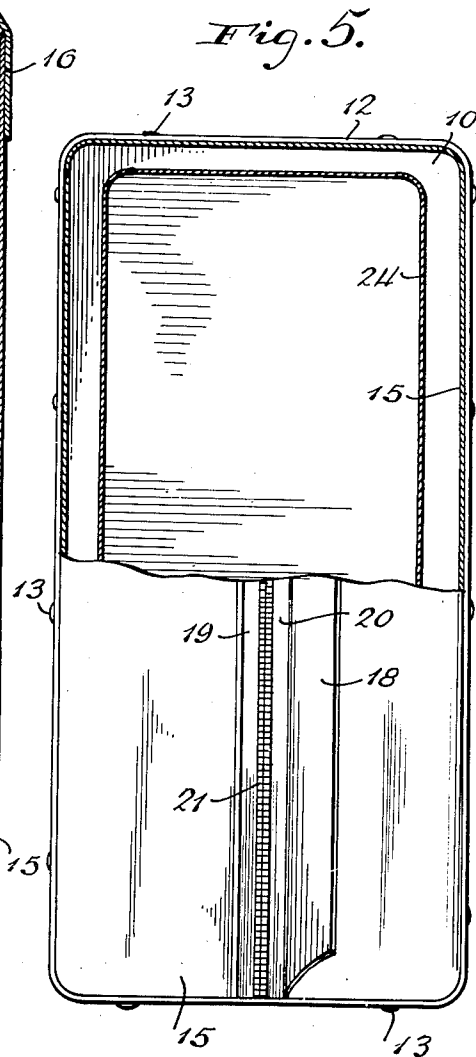
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This invention relates to containers, and refers more particularly to containers for foodstuffs, such as bread, rolls, and other bakery products.

In our U. S. Letters Patent No. 2,042,288 of May 26th, 1936, we have described a container for foodstuffs comprising an inner bag situated within an outer bag, which is provided with a metallic frame having adjustable ventilating openings.

We have found that such bags are rather expensive to manufacture and that equally good or even better results may be attained by providing ventilating means upon the textile covering of which the outer bag is composed.

An object of the present invention is the provision of a container for foodstuffs and the like which is inexpensive to manufacture and which is provided with ventilating means capable of being adjusted in accordance with varying weather conditions.

Another object is the provision of a container adapted for use by larger baking concerns when supplying bakery products to retail stores, said container being sturdy in construction and at the same time inexpensive to manufacture.

The above and other objects of the present invention may be realized through the provision of a container which is preferably made of moisture-proof textile material having ventilating openings, the operative width of which may be adjusted depending upon weather conditions prevailing at the time of delivery.

The invention will appear more clearly from the following detailed description when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings showing a preferred embodiment of the inventive idea.

In the drawings:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a container attached to a door knob;

Figure 2 shows the top portion of a container in side elevation;

Figure 3 is a section along the line 3—3 of Figure 2;

Figure 4 is a vertical section through the container;

Figure 5 is partly a top view of the container and partly a horizontal section therethrough.

The container comprises a bottom 10 preferably made of metal and provided with downwardly-extending flanges 11. An annular member 12, preferably made of rubber, surrounds the flanges 11 and is firmly connected therewith by the bolts 13. The outer bag 15 of the container is preferably made of heavy water-proof fabric,

the lower edges of which are situated between the rubber ring 12 and the flanges 11 and are firmly clamped by means of the bolts 13.

The upper portion of the bag 15 is reinforced by layers of outer fabric 16 and inner fabric 17. An upper flap 18 may be sewn to the layers of fabric 16 and the upper edge of the bag 15 or may constitute an integral part of the fabric 16.

Flaps 19 and 20 are sewn to the inner fabric 17 and are situated one opposite the other, so that they form a closure for the bag 15. A "zipper" 21 interconnects the adjacent edges of the flaps 19 and 20.

The flap 22 may be an integral part of the inner fabric 17; it extends around the inner surfaces of the bag 15 and carries a large number of eyes adapted to receive snap fasteners 23 which are sewn to the upper portion of an inner bag 24.

The bag 24 which may be removed and replaced whenever necessary, is made of any suitable, preferably washable, textile fabric and may be provided with a number of openings 25 surrounded by grommets 26.

As shown more clearly in Figures 2 and 3, the runner 27 of the "zipper" 21 comprises a connecting link 28 which carries a ring 29.

The upper edges of the outer bag 15 support a knob 30 which constitutes one end of a chain 31.

A large number of openings 32 enclosed by grommets 33 are provided upon the upper edge of the outer bag 15. The chain 31 may extend through one of the openings 32 and may then be passed through the ring 29 and locked by means of a lock 34, as shown in Figures 1 and 2 of the drawings.

The interior of the outer bag 15 is ventilated by means of two comparatively large openings 35 and 36. Sheets 37 and 38, made of gauze, mesh or the like, are preferably, situated within the openings 35 and 36, respectively.

The sheet 37 is covered by a piece of fabric 38 which is sewn to the edges of the opening 35 and which is provided with a slit, the length of which may be varied at will by means of the "zipper" 39. Similarly, the opening 36 is covered by a fabric 40 carrying a zipper 41.

In the position shown in Figures 1 and 2, the runner 42 of the "zipper" 39 is situated substantially in the middle of the slit provided in the fabric 38. In that position about one-half of the opening 35 is uncovered so that a certain amount of fresh air will penetrate the interior of the bag 15.

In the position shown in Figure 1 the lower "zipper" 41 is closed.

The two fabrics 38 and 40 are preferably impregnated to prevent a free flow of air into the interior of the bag 15 when the "zippers" 39 and 41 are closed.

The container manufactured in accordance with the principles of the present invention may be used for delivering bakery products early in the morning, the containers being left in front of a locked store. The truckmen delivering the container may wind the chain 31 extending through the ring 29, around the door knob of the locked store and then lock the chain by means of the lock 34, thereby preventing an unauthorized person not possessing a key to the lock 34 from opening the container.

The foodstuffs may be kept fresh within the containers by the adjustment of the zippers 39 and 41. In rainy weather the two "zippers" 39 and 41 will remain closed, thereby preventing rain or moisture from penetrating the interior of the bag 15. In very hot weather the two "zippers" 39 and 41 will remain completely open, thereby allowing full circulation of air throughout the interior of the container. The delivery man or the factory supplying the foodstuffs packed in containers will be able to provide any desired degree of ventilation by varying the positions of the "zipper" runners.

Obviously, various changes may be made in the described construction within the scope of the appended claims. For example, the bottom

of the bag may be made of a textile material and the number, size and position of the ventilating openings may be varied at will.

The inner bag may be made of a light gauze member may be locked while suspended from ventilating openings.

What is claimed is:

1. A container for foodstuffs and the like, comprising a bag-shaped member having an opening formed therein for the insertion and removal of foodstuffs, a "zipper" carried by said bag-shaped member for closing said opening, a ring carried by said "zipper," a chain having one end firmly connected to said bag-shaped member adjacent said "zipper", and flaps extending on both sides of said opening, said flaps having at least one opening through which said chain may be passed, said chain being adapted to pass through said ring, whereby said bag-shaped member may be locked while suspended from said chain.

2. In combination with an outer bag and an inner bag situated within said outer bag and adapted to carry foodstuffs and the like, said outer bag having an opening formed therein for the insertion into and removal of foodstuffs from said inner bag, an annular flap attached to said outer bag and situated within the interior thereof, and means carried by said inner bag and said flap for suspending said inner bag from said flap.

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