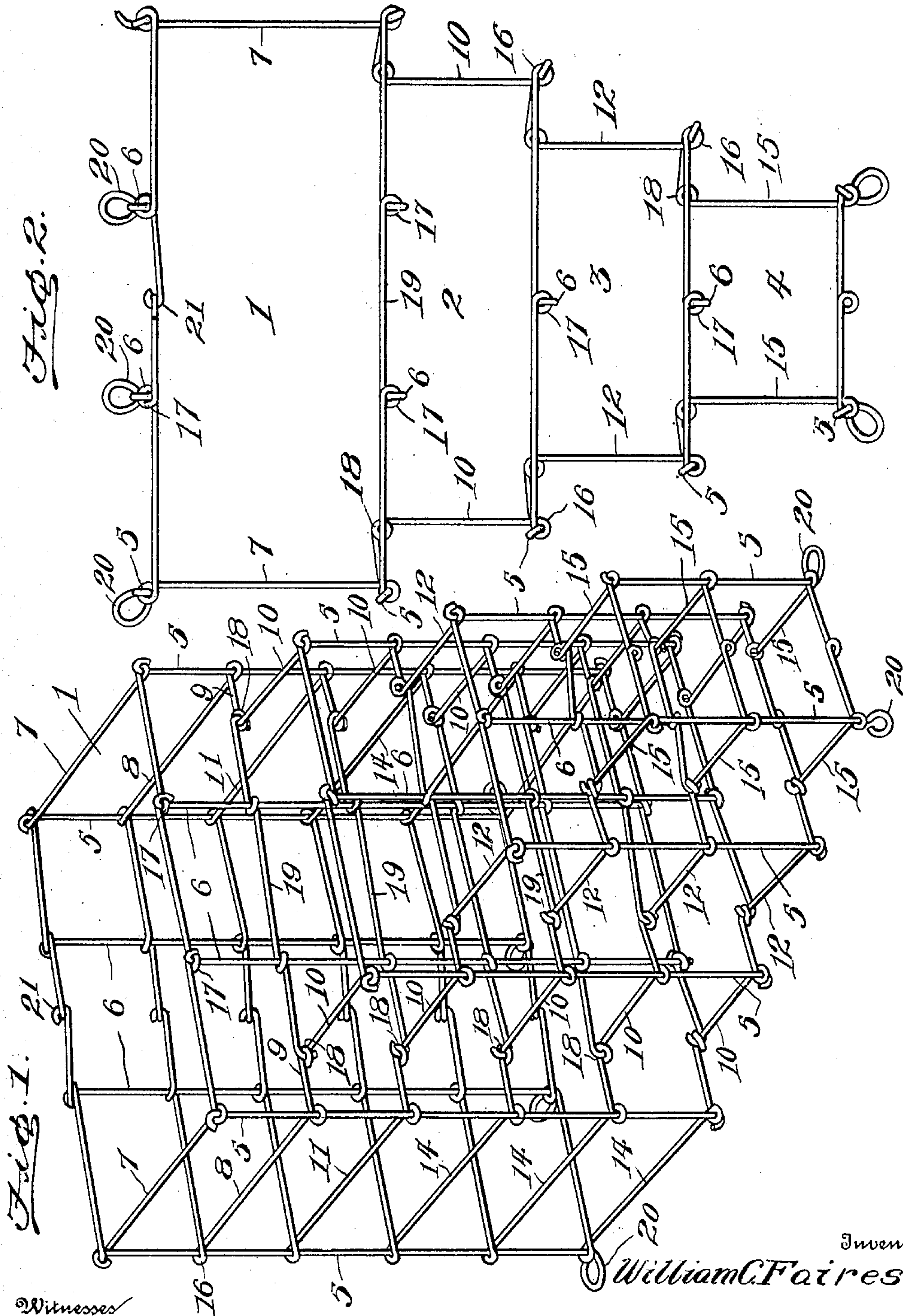


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM C. FAIRES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Jacksonville, in the county of Athens and State of Ohio, have invented new and useful Improvements in Sack-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a sack holding device of that type adapted to be mounted on a counter or arranged in any other suitable place in a store for holding paper sacks of various sizes.

The invention has for one of its objects to provide a device of this character which is of comparatively simple and inexpensive construction, and convenient in use.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a bag or sack holder comprising a structure made entirely of wire and of durable and substantial design.

With these objects in view and others, as will appear as the description proceeds, the invention comprises the various novel features of construction and arrangement of parts which will be more fully described hereinafter and set forth with particularity in the claims appended hereto.

In the accompanying drawing, which illustrates one of the embodiments of the invention, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device. Fig. 2 is a plan view thereof.

Referring to the drawing, 1, 2, 3 and 4 designate the various compartments for receiving the bags, and these compartments are arranged centrally in line with each other with their lower ends open so that the counter on which the device is placed will retain the bags in the compartments. The structure comprises a plurality of horizontal frames that are connected by corner uprights 5 and intermediate uprights 6. The upper horizontal frame 7 is of rectangular form, while the second frame 8 is of the same general shape but has its front bar 9 bent outwardly in stepped relation to form a rectangular offset 10. The third frame 11 is formed with a similar offset 10 and also with a smaller rectangular offset 12. The three lower frames 14 are provided with three successively smaller offset portions 10, 12 and 15, and these offset portions form the compartments 2, 3 and 4. At the various corners of the several frames are eyes 16 for receiving the corner uprights 5, while the intermediate uprights 6 pass through eyes 17 so that no fastenings are required for

connecting the uprights with the several frames. The corner 18 of each frame at the offset portions are connected by horizontal cross bars 19 which hold the frames in form. Certain of the uprights 5 have their lower ends bent into horizontal eyes 20 that form feet, and these eyes are adapted to receive screws or other fastenings whereby the bag-holding device can be securely held in position on a counter.

After the wire structure is completed, it is preferably dipped in a tin bath so that the eyes and joints of the wires will be soldered to adjacent parts, as will be readily understood. It will be noted that the frames are constructed of single pieces of wire with their ends hooked together at 21 at the back of the device. The device may be constructed with any desired number of compartments and for bags of any desired size, the compartments being of such depth that the upper ends of the bags will project slightly out of the compartments so as to be conveniently picked out when desired. Since the device is made of an openwork structure of wire, dust will not collect in the compartment and the device is of light and substantial construction.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, the advantages of the construction and of the method of operation will be readily apparent to those skilled in the art to which the invention appertains, and while I have described the principle of operation of the invention, together with the apparatus which I now consider to be the best embodiment thereof, I desire to have it understood that the apparatus shown is merely illustrative, and that such changes may be made when desired as are within the scope of the claims.

Having thus described the invention, what I claim is:—

1. A bag holding device comprising a plurality of horizontal frames disposed one above another and having forwardly extending offset portions increasing in number from the top downwardly to form a plurality of compartments of different depth and width, and uprights to which the frames are secured in spaced relation.

2. A bag holding device comprising an openwork wire structure composed of a plurality of spaced horizontal frames of single pieces of wire, the uppermost frame being

rectangular and the other frames having forwardly extending offset portions of increasing number and of decreasing width from the uppermost downwardly, corner uprights connected with the frames, cross pieces connecting the inner corners of the offset portions together, and intermediate uprights connected with the cross pieces, certain of the corner uprights having their lower ends

formed into eyes for receiving fasteners to 10 secure the device to a support.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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