

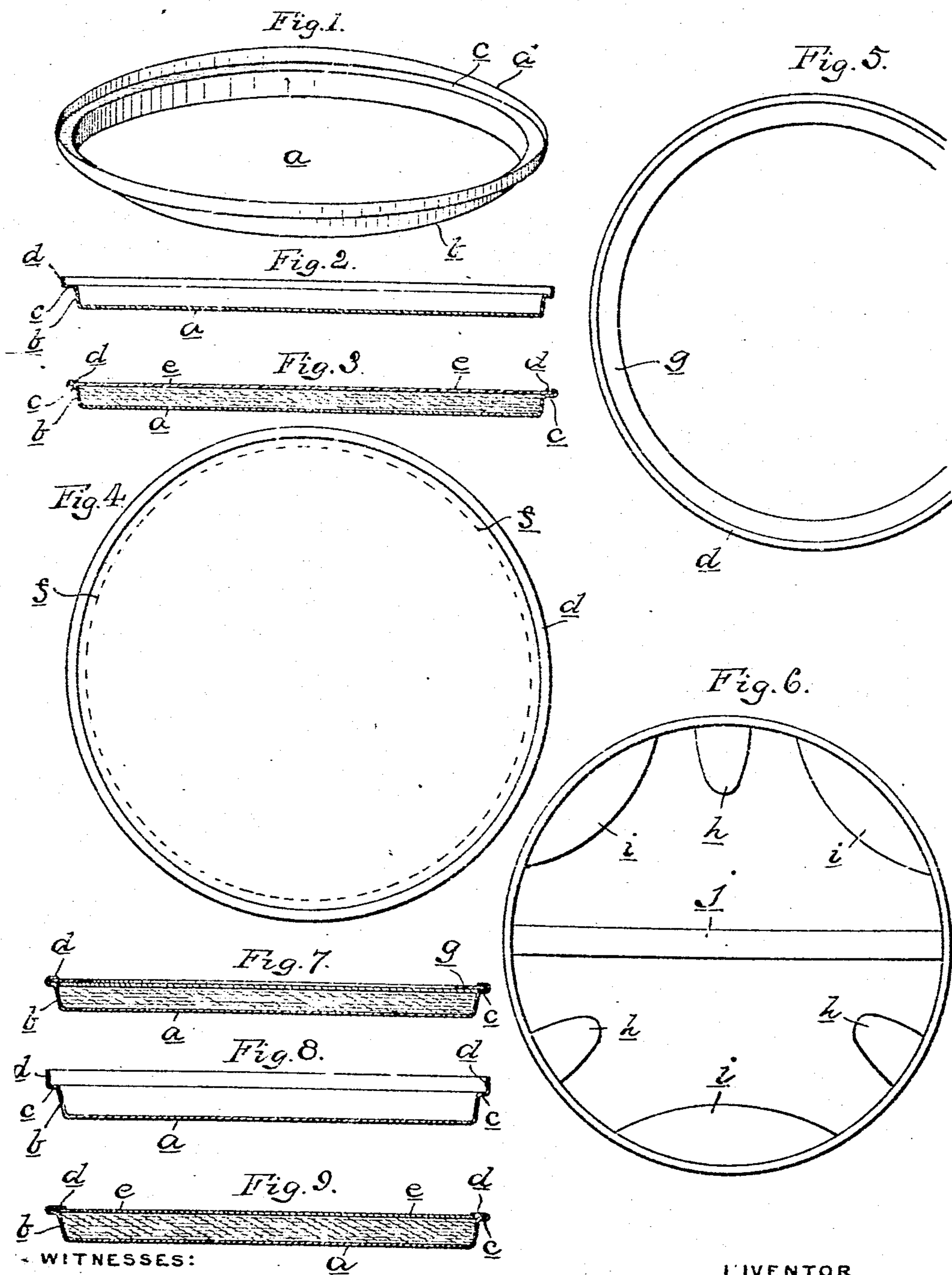
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK S. DAVIS, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Detroit, in the county of Wayne and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Can-Covers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

10 This invention relates to covers or stoppers for open top cans, pails or similar receptacles, known as friction top cans, same being made from metal, paper or other materials and used for holding a variety of liquids and dry articles, such as syrups, milk, paints, 15 oils, cereals and other merchandise.

The object of this invention is to utilize the space formed by the depression within the friction rim of such covers for holding 20 advertising matter of different kinds, samples, accessories to the goods inclosed in the can or various other articles of merchandise.

To this end my invention has particular reference to means provided on the cover for 25 retaining such articles placed within said space, all as more fully hereinafter described in connection with the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a friction 30 top can cover embodying my invention; Fig. 2 is a cross section thereof; Fig. 3 is a similar cross section showing the manner of utilizing the cover for the purpose described; Fig. 4 is a plan view of Fig. 3; Figs. 5 and 6 are 35 other plan views showing different ways of utilizing my invention; Fig. 7 is a cross-section of Fig. 5; Fig. 8 is a cross section of a slightly modified form of cover; and, Fig. 9 is a cross section showing the manner of utilizing the cover shown in Fig. 8. 40

My improved friction top can cover comprises a body portion *a* formed with the upturned rim flange *b* in the usual manner. This rim flange according to my invention I 45 provide on its upper edge with a peripheral extension composed of an outwardly standing portion *c* and an upturned portion *d*. The cover thus constructed constitutes a new article of manufacture, adapted to carry out 50 the object of my invention in the following manner: The merchandise or advertising matter which is to be inclosed in the depression formed within the rim of the cover is preferably prepared to fit or fill out the de- 55 pression and after placing it in, a disk *e* of

proper size to fit within the apertured flange *d* is laid over it and fastened down by inturning the flange *d* as shown in Fig. 3.

The disk *e* may be of paper, card board, metal or any other material and in order to 60 facilitate the removal of the inclosed matter it may be provided along its rim with a line of perforations *f* as shown in Fig. 4, or it may be provided with weakened lines for readily tearing or cutting it out. Instead of a disk, 65 a mere ring as *g* in Figs. 5 and 7 may be employed to hold the matter in place and the use of a rubber ring similar to the well known gasket, would permit the insertion as well as the removal thereof and the cover could thus 70 be completed for its ultimate use.

Where the nature of the merchandise will permit, fingers, lugs or straps *h i j* as shown in Fig. 6 and clamped in the same manner as the disk or ring may be used to hold it in 75 place and it will be understood that in case of using fingers as *h* of flexible material, so as to bend readily they would permit the insertion as well as the removal of the article and thus the cover might also be completed before the 80 merchandise is placed into it. There are other modifications within the scope of my invention which may readily suggest themselves, one being shown in Figs. 8 and 9 wherein the upturned flange *d* is made of such 85 size that by inturning it projects within the rim and the disk *e* may not be clamped but merely held against outward displacement by the flange *d*.

What I claim as my invention is:— 90

1. A friction top cover provided with a rim and having its entire body within the rim depressed, the rim being formed by an upturned flange provided with an outwardly projecting peripheral flange forming an ex- 95 tension of the upturned flange and means held in position by said peripheral flange and projecting inwardly therefrom over the top of the cover, said means adapted to removably retain merchandise or other articles 100 within the depression of the cover.

2. A friction top cover provided with a rim and having its entire body within the rim depressed, the rim being formed by an upturned flange provided with an outwardly 105 projecting peripheral flange, the same being an extension of the upturned flange folded upon itself with the marginal portion thereof forming the top fold, and means for retaining merchandise and other matter within the de- 110

pression in the cover, said means being held in position by engagement between the folds of the peripheral flange.

3. A friction top cover provided with a rim and having its entire body within the rim depressed, the rim being formed by an upturned flange provided with an outwardly projecting peripheral flange, the same being an extension of the upturned flange folded upon itself, the marginal portion of the extension being folded on top, and a supplementary cover marginally engaging between the folds of said peripheral flange and inclosing the space within the depression in the cover.

4. In a friction top car, the combination with the recessed friction cover having a

cavity or chamber for the reception of loose articles therein on its upper side, and a marginal externally projecting pry off rim, of a removable paper supplemental disk fitting within the rim of the cover to retain articles loosely in the cavity of the cover, said pry off rim of the cover having a reinforcing flange folded upwardly and inwardly over the supplemental disk to secure the same in place, substantially as specified.

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

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