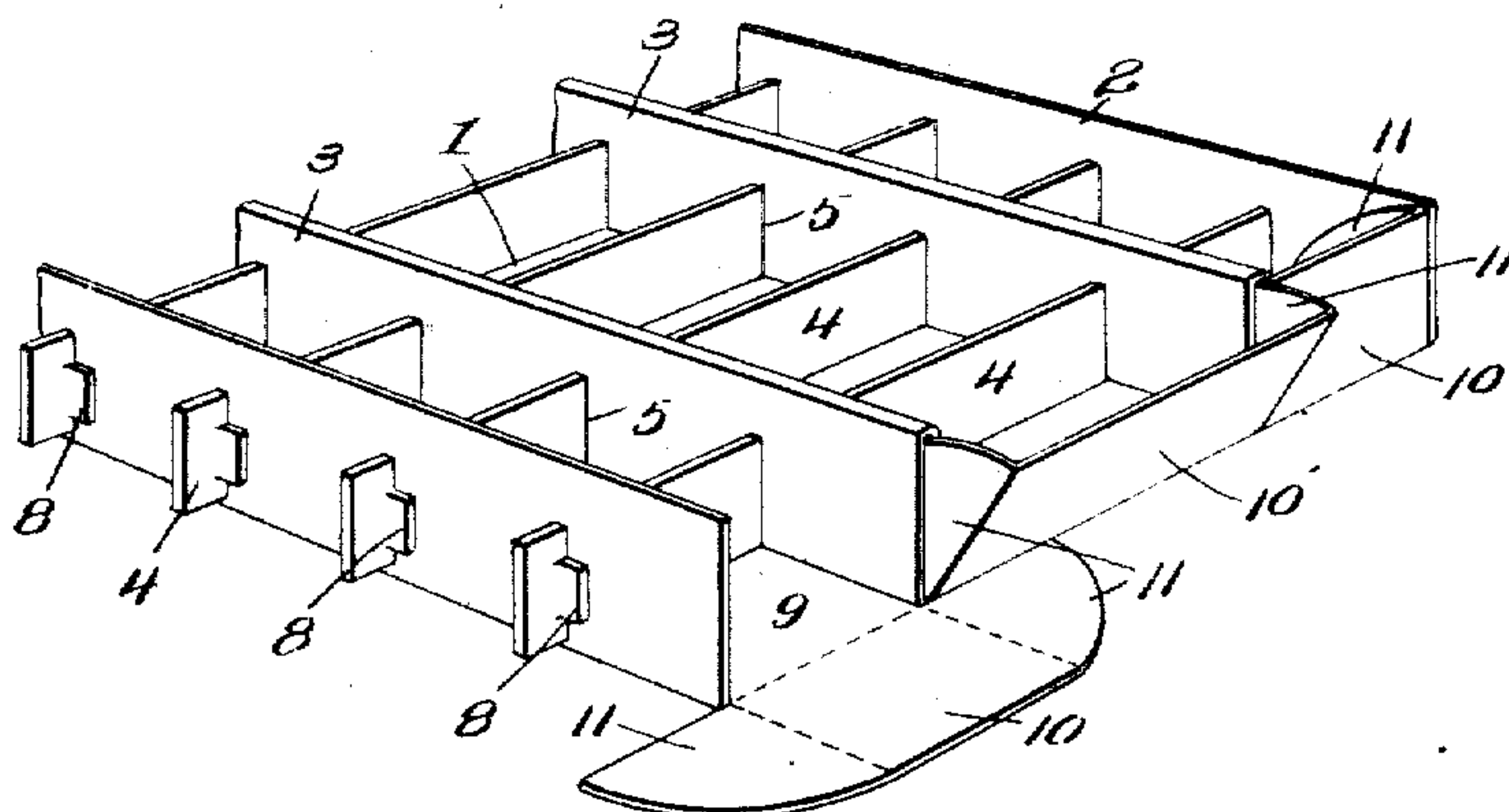


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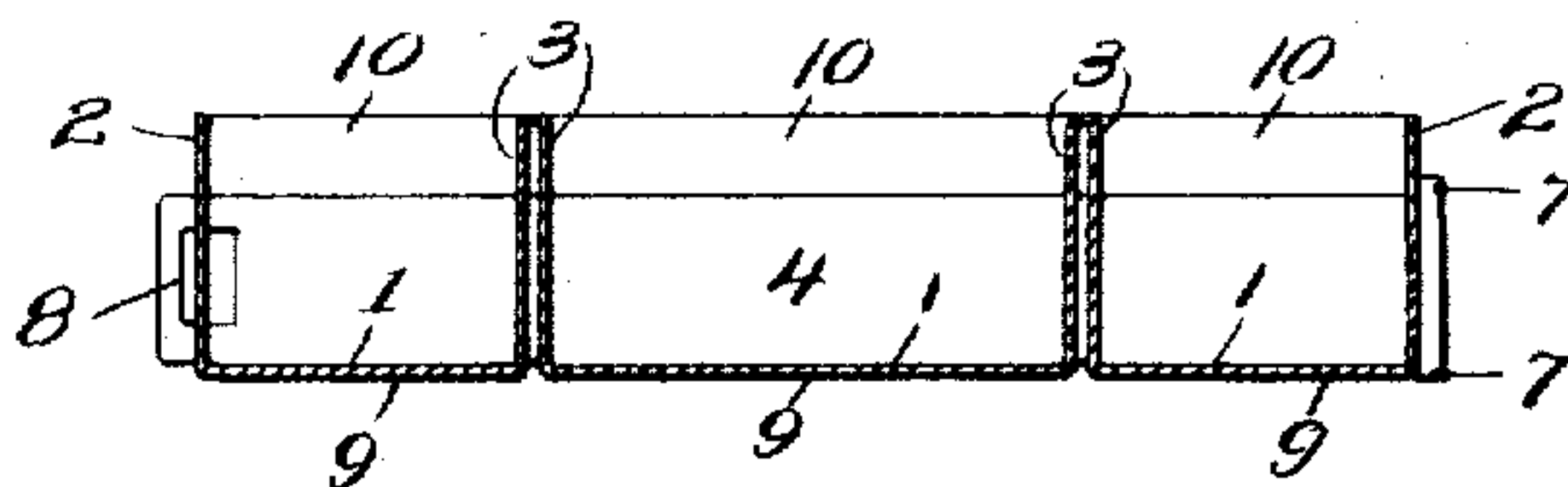
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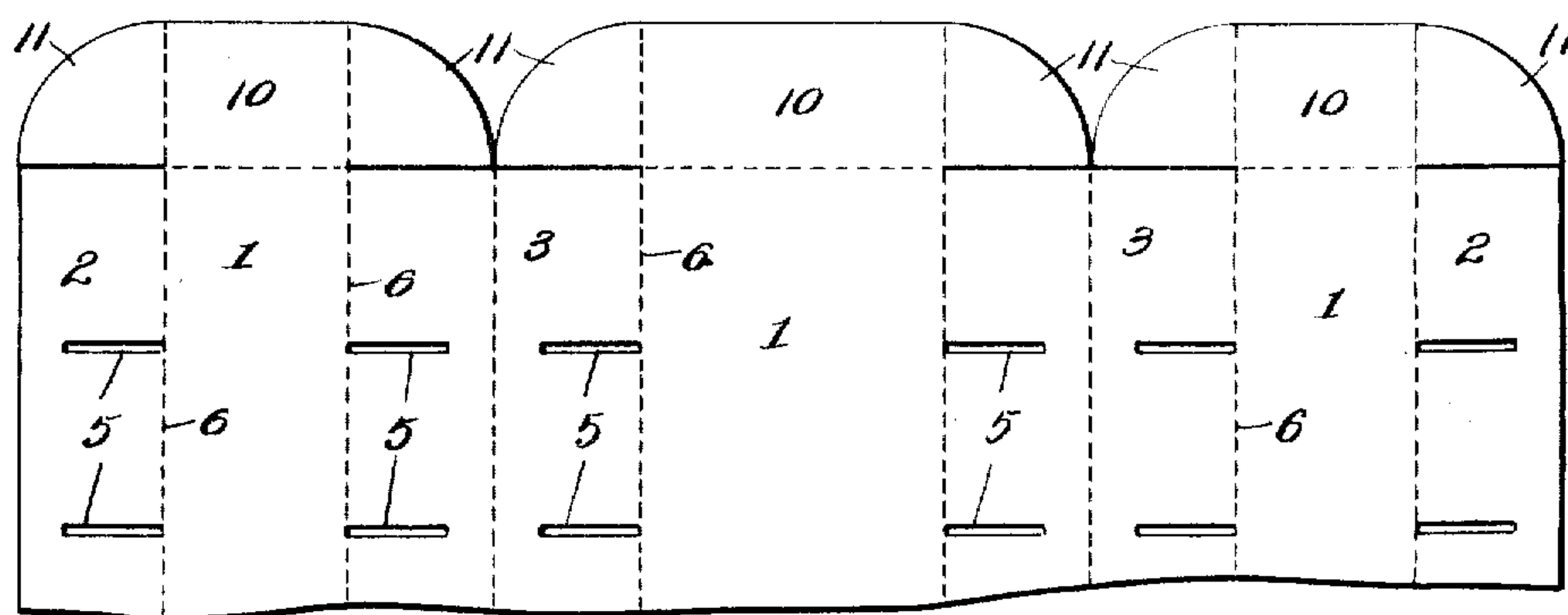
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANK P. VAVRA, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented new and useful Improvements in Caramel-Trays, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improved tray or package provided with separate compartments for the reception of the several caramels to keep such caramels or other candy pieces apart and prevent them from running together in warm weather and losing their shape, and the same consists in the construction, combination and arrangement of devices hereinafter described and claimed.

The object of my invention is to provide an improved form of tray of this character which may be made inexpensively from paper, cardboard, or like comparatively cheap material and which may be compactly folded when not in use in a very small space.

In the accompanying drawings,—Figure 1 is a perspective view of a caramel or other candy tray constructed in accordance with my invention, showing the same set up. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is a plan view of the blank from which the tray is formed.

My improved tray comprises a body 1 having integral end walls 2 and integral intermediate doubled walls 3, and a plurality of strips 4 which, when such walls or flaps of the bottom are set up, may be detachably secured thereto to constitute other walls of the several candy-receiving compartments of the tray.

The body 1, which is here shown as of oblong rectangular form but which may be of any suitable shape, is made of paper, cardboard, or other suitable inexpensive flexible material and which is preferably coated with paraffin or other similar substance to prevent pieces of candy from adhering thereto. The said body is provided with openings 5 made therein at points coincident with portions of such body, which may be bent up therefrom on transverse lines indicated by the dotted lines 6 in Fig. 3 to constitute end walls 2, the double intermediate walls 3 which are parallel with each other and with such end walls, and the bottom portions 9. At the ends of the said bottom portions are end flaps 10 which are adapted to be turned vertically to lie between the vertical walls 2—3 and at the sides of the said end flaps are

ears 11 which are adapted to be turned at right angles to the said end flaps and to be inserted between the double intermediate walls 3 when they occur adjacent such intermediate walls to secure said end flaps in place.

The strips 4 are made of similar material as the body piece, and when the walls of the latter are set up at right angles thereto as in Figs. 1 and 2, the said strips 4 are extended through the alining openings 5, bear on the bottom portions 9 of the body which lie between the walls or flaps 2—3 thereof and constitute cross walls which in coaction with such walls 2—3 and end flaps form compartments for the reception of the several pieces of caramels or other candies. The said strips 4 are each provided at one end with upwardly and downwardly projecting ears 7 which are formed integrally therewith and which bear against the outer side of the end walls 2 of the tray and hold such end walls in vertical position. It will be understood by reference to Figs. 2 and 3, that the openings 5 in the end walls and intermediate wall portions of the body piece do not extend entirely across such wall portions, so that the integral upper portions of such wall portions at the upper end of such openings bear on the upper edges of the strips 4 and hence such strips serve to support and hold such integral wall portions of the body piece in vertical position, as in Fig. 1. Each strip 4 is formed near the opposite end with an integral tongue 8, cut therefrom on three sides and which, when the strip is in place, as hereinbefore described, is bent out at right angles thereto and caused to bear against the contiguous end wall of the body piece to support such end wall in vertical position and coact with the ears 7 in locking the strips in place.

By first removing the strips 4, the body portion of the tray may be straightened and lengthened up to enable the tray to be disposed compactly in very small space to facilitate storage, packing and transportation thereof.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, is:—

A receptacle of the class described comprising a body having portions thereof bendable therefrom to form end walls, intermediate double walls, and bottom portions between such walls, such walls having openings, such body being further provided at



the ends of the bottom portions with flaps to  
form walls, such flaps having ears at their  
sides for insertion between the double wall  
portions to support such flaps in place, and  
5 strips to lie on the bottom portions and for  
insertion in the openings of the end and in-  
termediate walls and having means for en-  
gaging said end walls, said strips coacting

with said flaps to support the end and inter-  
mediate walls in "set up" position.

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In testimony whereof, I affix my signature  
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