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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALTER E. FROST, citizen of the United States, residing at Auburn, in the county of Androscoggin and 5 State of Maine, have invented new and useful Improvements in Heating Devices, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to heating devices designed for use over a gas or other fuel 10 burner and constructed with a view to utilizing a single burner to heat more than one utensil and the contents thereof; and it contemplates the provision of such a device embodying a simple and efficient construction, 15 comprising members adapted to be separated and readily and thoroughly cleaned, and also comprising means for assuring the passage of an adequate quantity of heat and products of combustion from the burner to 20 the utensil-support comparatively remote from the burner.

With the foregoing in view, the invention will be fully understood from the following description and claims when the same are 25 read in connection with the drawings, accompanying and forming part of this speci-

fication, in which:

Figure 1 is a vertical section taken through the longitudinal center of my novel 30 device, and showing the burner in elevation. Fig. 2 is a transverse section taken in the plane indicated by the line 2-2 of Fig. 1, with the burner in elevation. Fig. 3 is a detail elevation of the end of the cover mem-35 ber remote from the burner with a portion broken away. Fig. 4 is a detail plan view of the end portion of the device that is remote from the burner.

Similar letters designate corresponding 40 parts in all of the views of the drawings, re-

ferring to which:

A is a base.

B is a burner carried by the base and adapted to be supplied through a pipe C 45 with gas or other fuel, and D is the body section of my novel heating device, which is adapted to be supported by legs E or otherwise above the base. The said body member D is preferably formed of metal and com-50 prises a bottom wall a, a vertical wall b rising from the edges of the bottom wall, a flange c depending from the bottom wall, at a point adjacent one end of the member, and adapted to surround the burner B, and a 55 longitudinal channel-portion d depending

from the bottom wall and extending from the inner side of the flange c toward the opposite end of the member and having its bottom inclined upward toward said end, as

shown in Fig. 1.

E' is the cover member of the device, which is also preferably formed of metal suitable to the purpose, the said cover member comprises a top wall e in which are separated openings f and g, surrounded by up- 65standing flanges h and i; the said top wall being designed to rest on the vertical wall b of the body member D, a marginal flange j depending from the top wall e and adapted to surround the body wall b with a view to 70 preventing grease reaching the interior of the body member, and a flange k depending from the top wall e and inclosing the two openings f and g therein, and adapted, when the top wall e rests on the side wall b of body 75 member D, to bear snugly on the bottom wall a of said body member. It will also be observed by comparison of Figs. 1, 3 and 4 that the cover member E' is provided in its top wall e and flange i, at a point remote 80 from the burner B, with an opening l for the escape of products of combustion, and is also provided on its top wall with a depending grooved portion m which extends longitudinally between the opening g and the adja- 85 cent end of the cover member and is open at its upper side. The inner end of the grooved portion m communicates with the space inclosed by the flange k of the cover member E', and hence it will be manifest that when 90 the opening l is closed by a utensil that surrounds the flange i, the grooved portion m will form an adequate escape for the heat and products of combustion and in that way maintain the draft necessary to assure the 95 passage of heat and products of combustion from the burner B to and past the bottom of the utensil on the flange i.

In the practical use of my novel heating device, utensils are placed above the open- 100 ings f and g, whereupon the utensil above the former opening will be directly heated by the burner, while heat and products of combustion from the burner will be deflected to and past the utensil above the opening g 105 and will pass out of the device through the opening l and grooved portion m.

Incidental to the operation of the device, it will be observed that the heat and products of combustion will be confined within 110

the flange k of the cover member E' while en route between the burner B and the escape opening l and grooved portion m, and that the dead-air space F, formed between the flange k of the cover member E' and the side wall b of the body member D, will prevent the radiation of heat from the device.

It will be gathered from the foregoing that when the device is to be cleaned, the cover member E' as a whole may be lifted from the body member D with a view of

facilitating such operation.

The construction herein illustrated and described constitutes the best practical embodiment of my invention that I have devised, but it is obvious that in the future practice of the invention such changes or modifications may be made as do not involve departure from the scope of my invention as defined in the claims appended.

Having described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters-Pat-

ent, is:

1. In a heating device, the combination 25 with a suitably supported body member comprising a bottom wall having a depending flange adapted to receive a burner and also having a longitudinal channel portion communicating at one end with the space with-30 in said flange and having its bottom inclined upward from said space, and a side wall extending upward from said bottom wall; of a separable cover member comprising a top wall resting on the side wall of 35 the body member and having spaced openings and a depending marginal flange surrounding the side wall of the body member and also having a depending flange inclosing the said spaced openings; the said flange 40 bearing on the bottom wall of the body member and inclosing the space within the

depending flange and the longitudinal channel portion of said bottom wall, and forming in conjunction with the side wall of the body member an air space, substantially as and 45

for the purpose set forth.

2. In a heating device, the combination with a suitably supported body member comprising a bottom wall having a depending flange adapted to receive a burner and 50 also having a longitudinal channel portion communicating at one end with the space within said flange and having its bottom inclined upward from said space, and a side wall extending upward from said bot- 55 tom wall; of a separable cover member comprising a top wall resting on the side wall of the body member and having spaced openings, one of which is arranged above the space within the depending flange of the 60 body member, and also having a longitudinal depending grooved portion extending outwardly from the other opening and a depending marginal flange surrounding the side wall of the body member and further 65 having a depending flange inclosing the said spaced openings; said flange bearing on the bottom wall of the body member and inclosing the space within the depending flange and the longitudinal channel portion 70 thereof and forming, in conjunction with the side wall of said body member an air space, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set 75 my hand in presence of two subscribing wit-

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