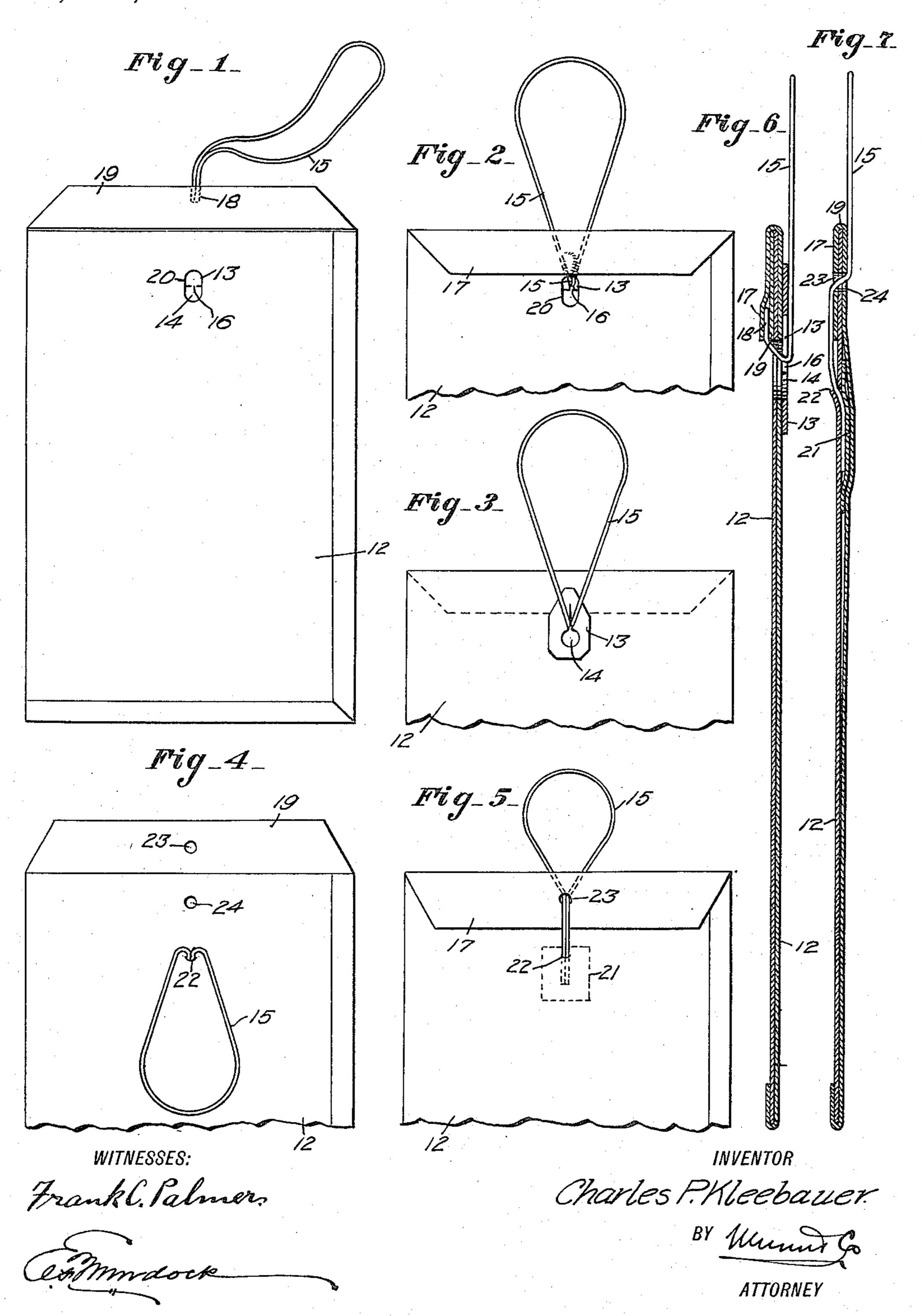
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES P. KLEE-BAUER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough 5 of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Bag, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Among the principal objects which the 10 present invention has in view are: To provide a bag suitable for carrying small articles with means for temporarily sealing the same; and to arrange the sealing means above-mentioned to furnish a handle or car-

15 rying device.

Figure 1 is a side view of a paper bag constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention, said bag being shown in open position; Fig. 2 is a view of an up-20 per fragment of the bag shown in Fig. 1, the bag being shown in its closed position; Fig. 3 is a view similar to that shown in Fig. 2, showing the bag from the opposite side and in closed position; Fig. 4 is a view of an 25 upper fragment of a bag constructed and arranged in accordance with a modified form of the invention, said bag being shown in open position; Fig. 5 is a similar view showing the bag in closed position; Fig. 6 30 is a vertical section, on an enlarged scale, of the preferred form of the invention, the section being taken on the median line; Fig. 7 is a similar view of the modified form of the invention. The bags 12 shown in the drawings are

preferably constructed from paper, and are generally fragile or easily torn. In the preferred form shown in Figs. 1, 2, 3 and 6 of the drawings, the bags are provided with 40 stiff tabs 13. The tabs 13 are adhered to the backs of the bags and are each provided with a round eyelet 14, through which in service a loop 15 of soft, flexible cord may be threaded. Adjacent and opening upward 45 from the eyelets 14 are formed cuts or gaps 16. The lips of the gaps 16 normally close upon each other, and are adapted to be dislocated to permit the insertion therebetween of the loops 15, as shown best in Figs. 2 and 50 3 of the drawings. The loops 15 are secured in any suitable manner to the closure flap 17 of each bag.

As shown in Figs. 2 and 6 of the drawings, the fastened ends 18 are preferably

held between the flap 17 which is integral 55 with the body of the bag, and a reinforcing, stiffening strip 19. The strip 19 is provided to hold the flap 17 more rigid, to more perfectly perform the function of closing the bag.

Alined with the eyelet 14 in each of the tabs 13, a perforation 20 is provided. The perforation 20 is formed in the front portion of each bag 12 and located adjacent the flap 17 when in closed or service position. 65 When thus juxtaposed, the ends of the loops 15 are threaded through the perforations 20 and eyelets 14 from the front to the back side of the bag. The loops are then drawn up into the gaps 16, the lips thereof grip- 70 ping the loops 15 to prevent the retraction therefrom. The bag is now in the position shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings, when the finger of the shopper or person carrying the bag may be placed through the loop. The 75 bag and its contents may in this manner be conveniently transported.

In Figs. 4, 5 and 7 of the drawings the modification consists in providing on the inside of the bag a fastening tab or reinforce- 80

ment 21, which holds the fastened ends of the loops 15. The loops 15 are extended to the outside of the bag, being passed through a hole 22 provided therein. The flap 17 in the modified form of the invention has a re- 85 inforcing strip 19, as in the preferred form above described. The flap and strip are, however, perforated to provide a threading hole 23, through which in service the loop 15 is passed to the back side of the bag, as best 90 shown in Fig. 5 of the drawings. Both sides of the bags 12, when constructed in accordance with the modified form of the invention, are provided with threading holes 24, which holes register with each other and 95

with the holes 23 when the flap 17 is overlaid in the closed position shown in Fig. 5 of the drawings. The loop 15, when passed through the holes 23 and 24, is handled in the same way as the loop above described as 100 held by the tab 13 and between the lips of

the gap 16 formed therein.

Claim:

A bag comprising a reinforced closure flap; a body on which said flap is mounted, 105 said body having threading holes formed therein adjacent said flap when closed in service relation; a flexible carrying loop

adapted for extension through said holes; a reinforcing member surrounding said holes; and means embodying a binding gap formed in said reinforcing member for engaging 5 said loop to resist the withdrawal thereof from said hole after being placed in service relation for carrying the bag.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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