

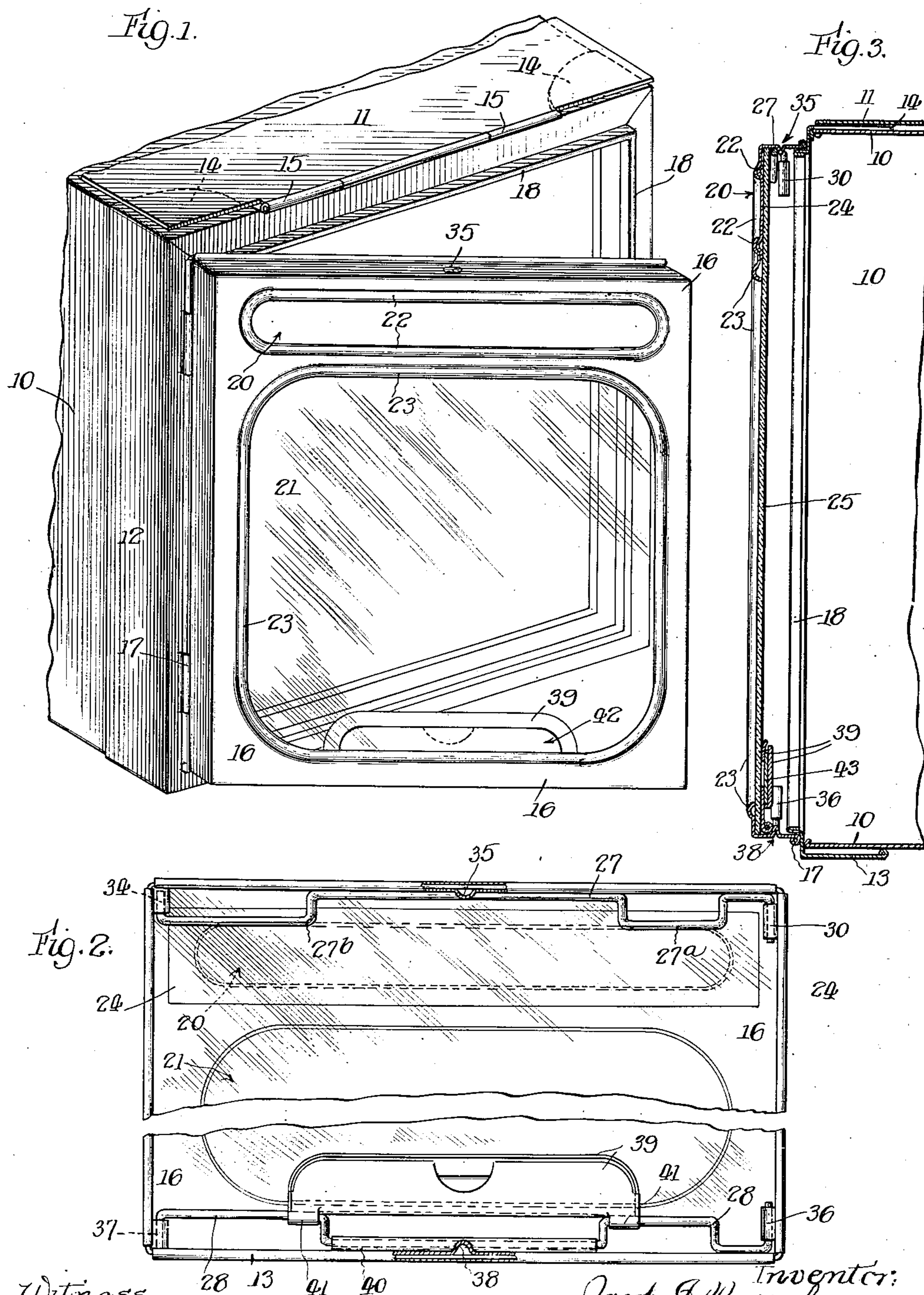
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JACOB I. RUSSAKOV, a citizen of the United States, residing in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Receptacle Covers, of which the following is a specification.

These improvements relate to readily attachable and removable covers adapted to be positioned upon the top of a box containing biscuits, crackers or other articles whereby the receptacle may be maintained closed against dust and dirt while its contents may be exposed to the purchaser's view and be readily reached as desired. Covers for these general purposes are well known.

The chief object of the present improvements is to provide an advantageous form of such covers through the provision of readily operable means for holding the window and display plates in their operative positions respectively, to the end that the glass and other plates or parts may be readily removed for cleaning or for the substitution of the plates or cards indicating the name of the manufacturer, kind of goods, etc.

In the accompanying drawings which form a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective of the device upon what is to be understood as the top of a can or box fragmentarily shown; Fig. 2 shows the top and bottom portions of the swinging lid as viewed from the inner side or face opposite to that shown in Fig. 1; and Fig. 3 is a medial vertical sectional view through the several parts shown in Fig. 1, the lid being in closed position.

The box or receptacle 10 may be considered as a rectangular biscuit or cracker box of the kind well known. It is usually provided with a hinged lid 11, which is bent back out of the way when the attachment cover device is applied.

The removable cover or attachment device embodying these improvements is shown as including an open rectangular frame which in my practice is of light weight sheet metal and has flange-like sides 12 and a bottom 13 which substantially closely overlie the normally upper edges of the receptacle 10. The sides 12 are continued to form small top pieces 14 which, as shown in Figs. 1 and 3, enter between the lid 11 and the body 10 of the box at a place beyond the hinge members 15 for the lid 11. The lid 16

is also a rectangular frame-like structure formed of thin sheet metal. It is hinged at 17 to the cover frame and fits over an annular flange 18 surrounding the large interior or opening of the cover frame through which the interior of the box is reached.

The swinging lid 16 has two sight openings 20 and 21 surrounded respectively by beads 22 and 23 embossed outwardly from the metal. A name plate 24 is preferably crimped or embossed to correspond with the embossing 22, as is indicated in Fig. 3, whereby this name plate 24 will fit into the embossing 22 with a good seat. The name of the manufacturer of the goods or of the store-keeper or any other indicating matter may be applied to this plate 24 and such data is viewed by the public through the sight opening 20.

A plate of transparent material 25, preferably of glass, has substantially the interior shape of the lid 16 and fits thereinto as indicated in Fig. 3. It overlies the sign or label plate 24.

Means for holding the transparent plate 25 are shown as two spring members 27 at the top and 28 at the bottom. In my practice these are of spring wire. The wire 27 is pivoted at 30 in a small piece of sheet metal secured to the side of the lid. This wire has a normally downward extension 27<sup>a</sup> formed by bending the wire away from the top edge a short distance, say half an inch, and then back again so as to lie alongside the top of the lid. It is then bent away again at 27<sup>b</sup> whence the wire continues to a place close to the other side of the lid where it is turned at right angles at 34 and this end 34 is held loosely by a similar piece of thin metal bent to form an eye and secured to the side of the lid, the end 34 projecting into this eye. The metal at the top of the lid is pressed inward at 35 (Fig. 2 being broken away to show this in section) and the part of the wire 27 which lies along the top edge is held readily removable by this projection 35. To remove this wire 27 out of its holding position it is only necessary to withdraw the end 34 from its socket against the springiness of the wire after which it may be sprung away from the catch 35 and then swung upon its pivot at 30 until it is say at right angles with the lid. The bent-over part 34 can be made to catch under the parts of the main frame at the flange 18 so

as to be held thereby in an out-of-the-way position.

The same construction obtains for the wire 28 at the bottom of the lid. This wire 28 is similarly hinged at 36 and has the same bends as those described for the wire 27 and it has a similar bent-over part 37 which enters a socket there. It is similarly held between its ends by a catch 38 stamped inward from the bottom of the lid, this catch being sectionally shown in Fig. 2. This wire 28 carries a card-holder 39 which consists of a piece of flat thin sheet metal doubled upon itself and encompassing the wire 28 at 40 and 41 respectively. At 41 the excess metal is cut away and the cut ends are soldered together there. This double plate 39 is held by stamping its metal around the wire 28 and may also be soldered. The plate 39 has a sight opening 42, Fig. 1, and an ordinary piece of card-board, tin or other flat plate-like device 43 may readily be inserted between the front and back sides of the double plate 39 with its inscription exposed through the sight opening 42 and the glass 25 in front of it. Such card 43 may show the kind of goods or other matter.

Among the advantages of this construction is its simplicity and the ease and readiness with which it may be operated. The glass and the other parts to be held in position are thus secured quite strongly and positively, and yet in such a way as to be released very easily for cleaning or for the substitution of other indication plates. Loose or free parts of the holding means are avoided, and this provides against the loss of such parts.

Some departures of a mechanical kind are included within the scope of these improvements as indicated by the appended claims.

I claim:

1. In a receptacle cover of the character described, the combination of a lid having a sight opening therein, a piece of transparent material substantially surrounded by lid parts at the edges of the transparent plate and overlying the sight opening, and a spring member extending substantially from side to side of the cover and overlying the plate and pressing upon it, the spring member being mounted at one side of the lid for swinging movements away from and toward the plate, and means at the opposite side of the lid for holding the spring member readily releasable in its holding position.

2. In a receptacle cover of the character described, the combination of a lid having a sight opening therein, a piece of transparent material substantially surrounded by lid parts at the edges of the transparent plate and overlying the sight opening, and

a spring member extending substantially from side to side of the cover near one end of the plate and overlying the plate and pressing upon it, the spring member being mounted at one side of the lid for swinging movements away from and toward the plate, means at the opposite side of the lid for holding the spring member readily releasable in its holding position, and means on the lid intermediate the ends of the spring member for holding the spring member readily releasable in holding relation to the plate.

3. In a lid for a receptacle cover of the character described, the lid having flange-like side, top and bottom portions, and having in its face a sight opening, the combination therewith of a transparent plate between the opposite sides and between the top and bottom portions of the lid, and spring means for holding the plate readily releasable in position, said spring means comprising a springy wire pivotally mounted at one side of the lid so as to swing away from a plane parallel with the plate, interengaging means on the wire at its other end and at the other side of the lid for holding the wire readily releasable in contact with the plate and in planes substantially parallel with the plate, the wire lying substantially close to a lid part intermediate the ends of the wire, and catch means on said lid part for holding the wire readily releasable at such intermediate portion.

4. A holder for a transparent plate in a lid of the character described, comprising a wire-like piece of spring material hinged to a lid part adjacent to one edge of the plate, means for holding the other end of the spring member readily releasable adjacent to the other edge of the plate, and a card-holder carried by said spring member adapted to hold a card substantially against the plate so as to be viewable through the plate.

5. In a lid for a receptacle cover of the character described, the lid having flange-like side, top, and bottom portions, and having in its face a pair of sight openings, the combination therewith of an insignia plate loosely overlying one of said sight openings so as to expose the insignia matter there-through, a transparent plate between the opposite sides and between the top and bottom portions of the lid, said transparent plate overlying said insignia plate and being in holding relation thereto, and also overlying and covering the other sight opening in the lid, and readily releasable spring means for holding the transparent plate in its said position whereby upon releasing said spring means the transparent plate may be removed and thereupon the insignia plate may be removed.

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### DISCLAIMER.

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Hereby enters the following disclaimer with respect to said claim 1 and the particular part thereof herein specified, said disclaimer being as follows:

The words in claim 1, "the spring member being mounted at one side of the lid for swinging movements away from and toward the plate," appearing in lines 9, 10, 11, and 12 of the claim, mean that said spring member is permanently attached and held by a hingelike connection at one of its ends so that when its other end is released the mounted end still remains hingedly secured to the lid for the swinging movements described.

Any broader meaning or interpretation of said words "mounted \* \* \* for swinging movements away from and toward the plate" in said claim 1 is hereby disclaimed.

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