

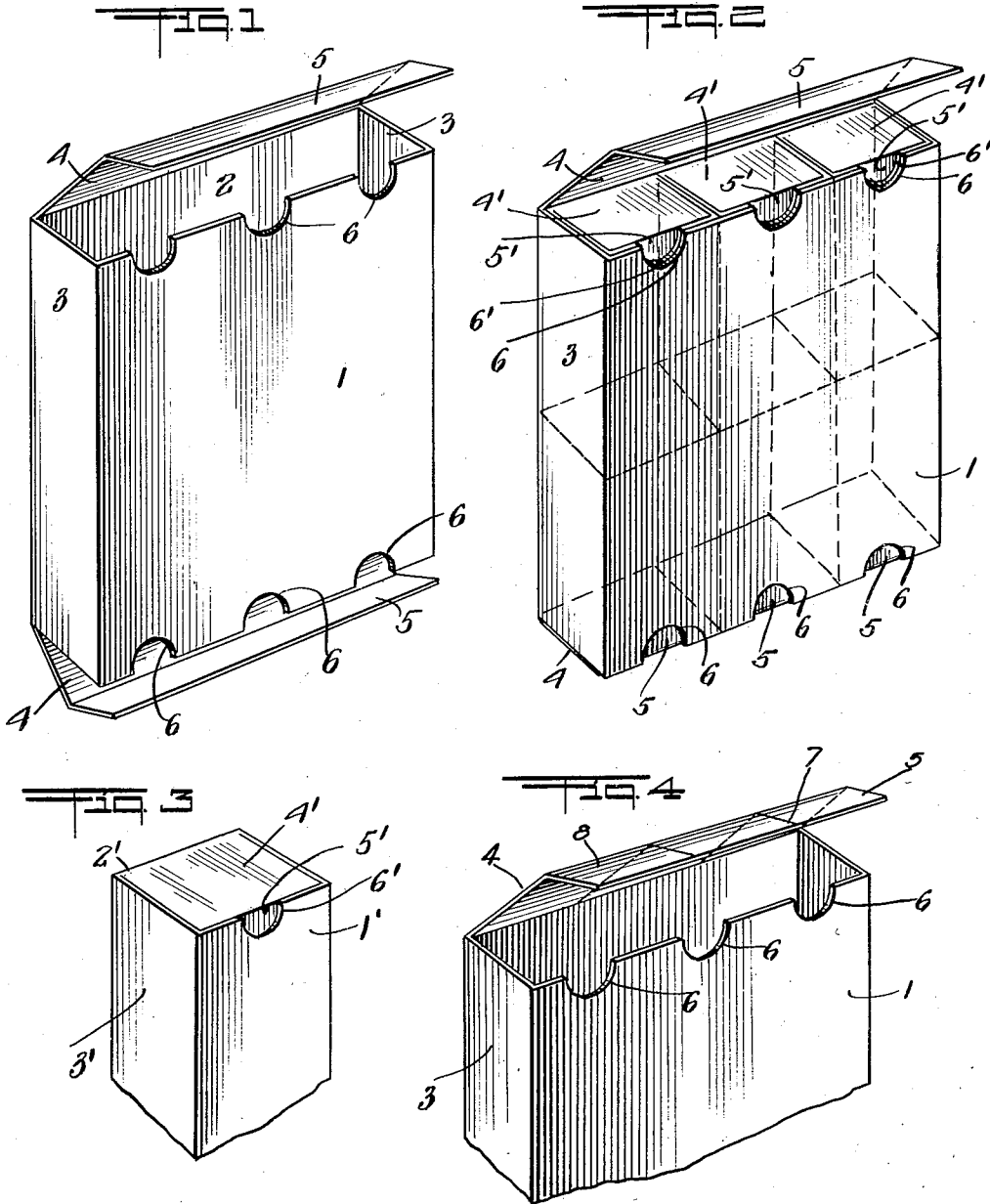
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HERBERT S. HOLLAND, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Shelton, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Containers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in containers; especially containers of cardboard for handling, storing and displaying goods and merchandise.

An object of this invention is to provide a simple and inexpensive container adapted to receive a number of smaller containers, and constructed to permit the merchandise in the latter to be readily and easily inspected without the necessity of their removal.

The nature of the invention is set forth in the following description taken with the drawings, whereon

Figure 1 shows a container according to my invention open and empty;

Figure 2 shows such a container, open at the top and filled with a number of smaller containers;

Figure 3 shows one of the smaller containers detached; and

Figure 4 shows a modified container according to my invention.

The same numerals identify the same parts throughout.

The container is preferably but not necessarily made of cardboard, and has a front 1, a back 2, and ends 3; and at the top and bottom are hinged lids or covers 4, with flaps 5. The lids are joined to the backs and when moved to close the box or container, the flaps 5 of course, are pushed inside of it.

To be received by the large container are several small containers, similarly constructed, with front 1'; back 2'; ends 3', and top and bottom lids 4', with flaps 5'. The height of the large container is preferably twice the height of the small containers to be put inside of it, so that the arrangement of the small boxes in the large container will be as shown by the broken horizontal and vertical lines in Figure 2; that is, there will be two transverse rows of small boxes, one row accessible through the top of the large container, and the other row through the bottom.

Adjacent the ends of the small boxes at

the top and bottom of the container, the front 1 of the large container has a number of recesses 6, spaced equally apart, and exposing therethrough a smaller, similar recess 6' in the front of each of the small boxes. The recesses 6 permit the tops 4' to be lifted, and when the small boxes are stored in the large container as stated, one has only to move the top lid 4 or bottom lid 5 to open position to uncover the recesses 6' of the small boxes, and then be able to open these boxes without taking them out, to see what is in them. The container can, of course, be inverted at will, to bring the tops of either row of small boxes into uppermost position.

The invention is particularly useful for the exhibition or inspection of small articles, and the large container greatly facilitates the handling of the small boxes and their contents within same.

To remove the small boxes, they can easily be withdrawn through the open top and bottom of the container.

I, of course, reserve the right to make any changes in details that are within the scope and spirit of the invention. For example, I may divide the lids or covers 4 of the box 1 into sections by making transverse cuts 7, as indicated in Figure 4, each of the sections 8 of the lids 4 being of the same width as the end of one of the small boxes 4'; the sections permitting the box 1 to be partly opened at any point in either end, to give access to any one of the small boxes 1' only.

Having described my invention what I believe to be new and desire to secure and protect by Letters Patent of the United States is:—

1. A container having an open bottom and top, hinged lids with flaps for the bottom and top, secured to the back of the container, the container having equidistant recesses in the front along the top and bottom, and a plurality of smaller containers to be stored in said container, each of said small containers having an open top with a hinged closure and flap, and a recess in its front, the recesses in the small containers to be exposed through the first-named recesses when the lids are lifted.

2. A container having an open top, a lid hinged thereto along the rear edge, the container having equidistant recesses in its front along the top, a plurality of small

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containers to be received in the first container, each of the small containers having an open top, and a hinged closure, with a recess in its front adjacent the top, to  
5 allow the closure to be opened, the recesses of the smaller containers being exposed through the first-named recesses.

10 3. A container having an open top, a lid hinged thereto along the rear edge, the container having equidistant recesses in its front along the top, a plurality of small containers to be received in the first container,

each of the small containers having an open top, and a hinged closure, with a recess in its front adjacent the top, to allow the closure to be opened, the recesses of the smaller containers being exposed through the first-named recesses, the lid of the container being divided into sections of the same size as the ends of the small containers. 15 20

Signed at Shelton, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, this 26th day of August A. D. 1924.

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