

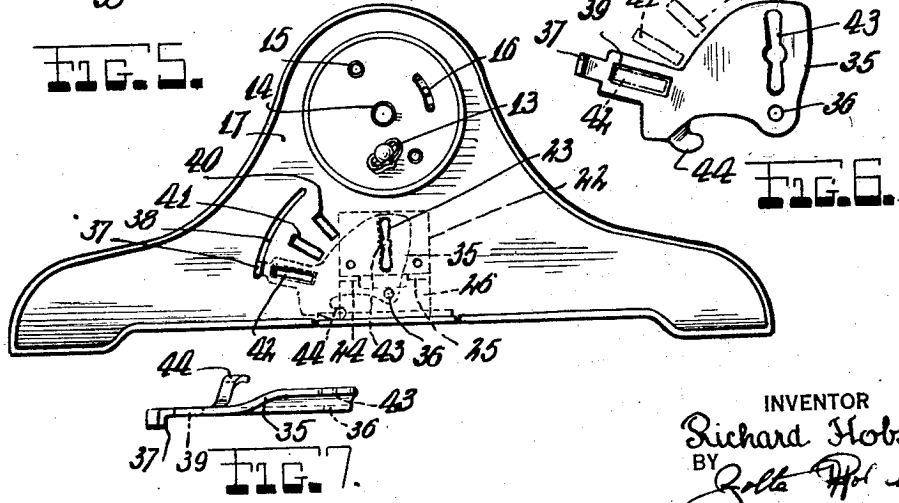
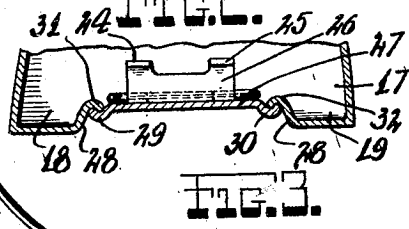
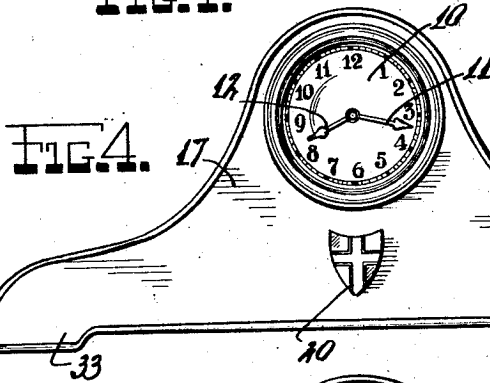
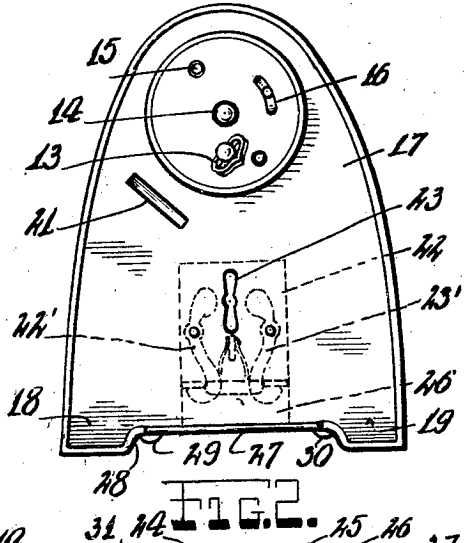
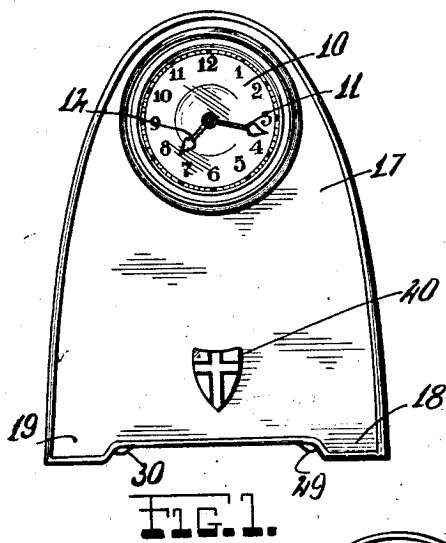
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COMBINED CLOCK-SAVINGS-BANK DEVICE.

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This invention relates to a new and useful device in the nature of a combination clock and bank, particularly adapted to serve as a clock such as ordinarily used for keeping time and as a bank combined therewith, comprising a compartment contained in the said clock and providing a depository for coins.

The object of the invention is to provide a combination clock and bank of novel construction and arrangement of parts, herein-after more fully described, claimed, and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:

Fig. 1 shows a front elevational view of my improved combination clock and bank.

Fig. 2 shows a rear elevational view thereof.

Fig. 3 shows a fragmentary sectional view of the bottom portion of the clock and bank housing shown in Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 shows a similar view to that shown in Fig. 1 illustrating a modification of my improved device.

Fig. 5 shows a rear view thereof.

Fig. 6 shows an enlarged front elevational detail view of the snap member as embodied therein.

Fig. 7 is a top plan view thereof.

As here embodied my improved combination clock and bank comprises a clock mechanism contained in the usual case, preferably of cylindrical construction, having a dial 10, with the usual figures denoting the hours, the hour hand 11, minute hand 12, and provided with the usual winding stem 13, the setting stem 14, and the alarm stem 15. It being understood that I do not necessarily limit the use of my invention to the particular type of clock described, but to all classes and types of clock, such as are commonly used, and which may be of comparatively cheap construction.

The above mentioned clock, is positioned in the upper portion of the housing 17, provided with a lower extended element terminating in side elements 18 and 19, so as to provide legs or feet to support the clock.

The above mentioned housing 17, is of hollow construction, and has attached thereto, at its front portion, an insignia 20, or coat of arms, or any similar designation, as may be desired, preferably for advertising purposes. The rear portion of the housing 17, has formed or cut therein, an elongated slot 21, adapted to receive coins, as a means

of providing a bank for saving the said coins. The rear portion of the housing 17 has attached thereto, positioned inside the said housing 17, a lock 22, provided with a key hole 23, formed or cut in the rear portion of the housing 17. Pivoted members 22' and 23' of the lock 22, engage with the extended elements 24 and 25, of the catch member 26, attached to the door member 27, pivotally attached, to the lower portion 28, of the housing 17, which is provided with a suitable opening, to receive the door member 27. The above described construction being such as will permit the said coins to be removed from the housing 17, when the lock 22, is unlocked by the key, not shown in the accompanying drawing, provided for this purpose.

The door member 27 is provided with side extended elements 29 and 30 preferably of curved shaped construction, adapted to engage the extended elements 31 and 32, respectively, of the lower portion of the housing 17. The latter described construction being such as will permit the extended elements 31 and 32 to force the door member 27 open, when the lock 22 is unlocked, which will permit the coins contained in the housing 17 to be readily and easily removed therefrom.

In Figs. 4, 5, 6 and 7, of the accompanying drawing, I have illustrated a modification of my improved device. The housing 17, is provided with a lower extended element, extending downwardly and to the side thereof, so as to form side elements 33 and 34, as a means of supporting my improved device. It being understood that the above mentioned housing is of comparatively wider construction than the heretofore described housing, such as is generally common to mantle clocks.

The snap member 35, is pivotally attached as at 36 to the rear portion of the housing 17, and is provided with an extended element 37, positioned, and projecting outwardly, through the elongated slot 38, formed or cut in the rear portion of the housing 17. The snap member 35, provided with an elongated slot 39 formed or cut therein, and adapted to register with the upper elongated slot 40, the intermediate elongated slot 41 and the lower elongated slot 42, formed or cut in the rear portion of the housing 17, so as to permit coins to be placed in the housing 17. The snap member 35, is provided with an

aperture 43, formed or cut therein, and positioned so as to register with the above mentioned key hole 23, when the elongated slot 39 registers with the lower elongated slot 42. The above desired registering being secured by pivoting or turning the snap member 35 by means of the extended element 37. The above described construction being such as will also permit the hereinbefore mentioned key to be placed in the key hole 23, so as to open the door member 27, when the elongated slots 39 and 42, and the apertures 43 and the key hole 23, register, as above set forth.

The snap member 35 is provided with a lower extended element 44, adapted to engage the hereinbefore mentioned extended element 31 of the lower portion of the housing 17, when the elongated slot 39 registers with the intermediate elongated slot 41, so as to insure the forcing open of the door member 27, for the purposes as above set forth.

When the member 35 is rotated to the position shown in Fig. 5 the extended element 44 bears resiliently against the inner surface of the cover or door; it being understood that it is necessary to compress the extended element or bend it slightly in order to allow the member 35 to be rotated sufficiently to bring the key hole 43 thereof into registration with the key hole of the back of the housing. Thus when the key is inserted there is sufficient pressure applied by the

extended member 44 on the door to cause it to be opened when the lock mechanism is actuated as above described. It should also be understood that there is no pressure applied on the door by the element 44 when the holes are out of registration with each other and thus the pressure is exerted only at the time there is use for it.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent of the United States is as follows:

A device of the class described comprising a housing having an aperture in the bottom thereof, a door pivotally attached to the bottom of said housing adapted to close the aperture in the bottom thereof, locking mechanism mounted in said housing adapted to be actuated by insertion of a key through a key hole in the back of said housing, a lever pivotally attached to the back of said housing having an aperture therein adapted to register with the key hole of said back for permitting insertion of a key into said housing; and an extension on said lever adapted to engage the inner surface of said door and to press thereon when the slot in said lever is in registration with the key hole in said back for urging said door to open position after the same is released by operation of said locking mechanism.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature.

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