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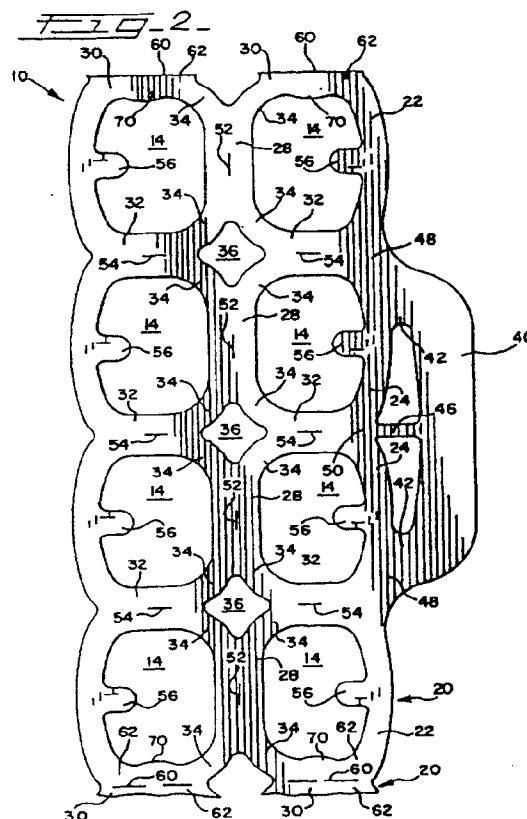
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(54) **Package and carrier stock with integral handles.**

(57) Carrier stock (10) is formed from a single sheet of resilient polymeric material, such as low density polyethylene, and is severable into individual carriers (20) with integral handles (40) along lateral edges. Integrally joined band segments define container-receiving apertures (14). Perforate lines (60), along which such stock (10) is severable, divide certain cross segments (30) into half segments (62). Each half segment (62) has an aperture-defining edge (64) configured with a nub (70) which counters tendencies of such half segment (62) to neck down or to break.





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