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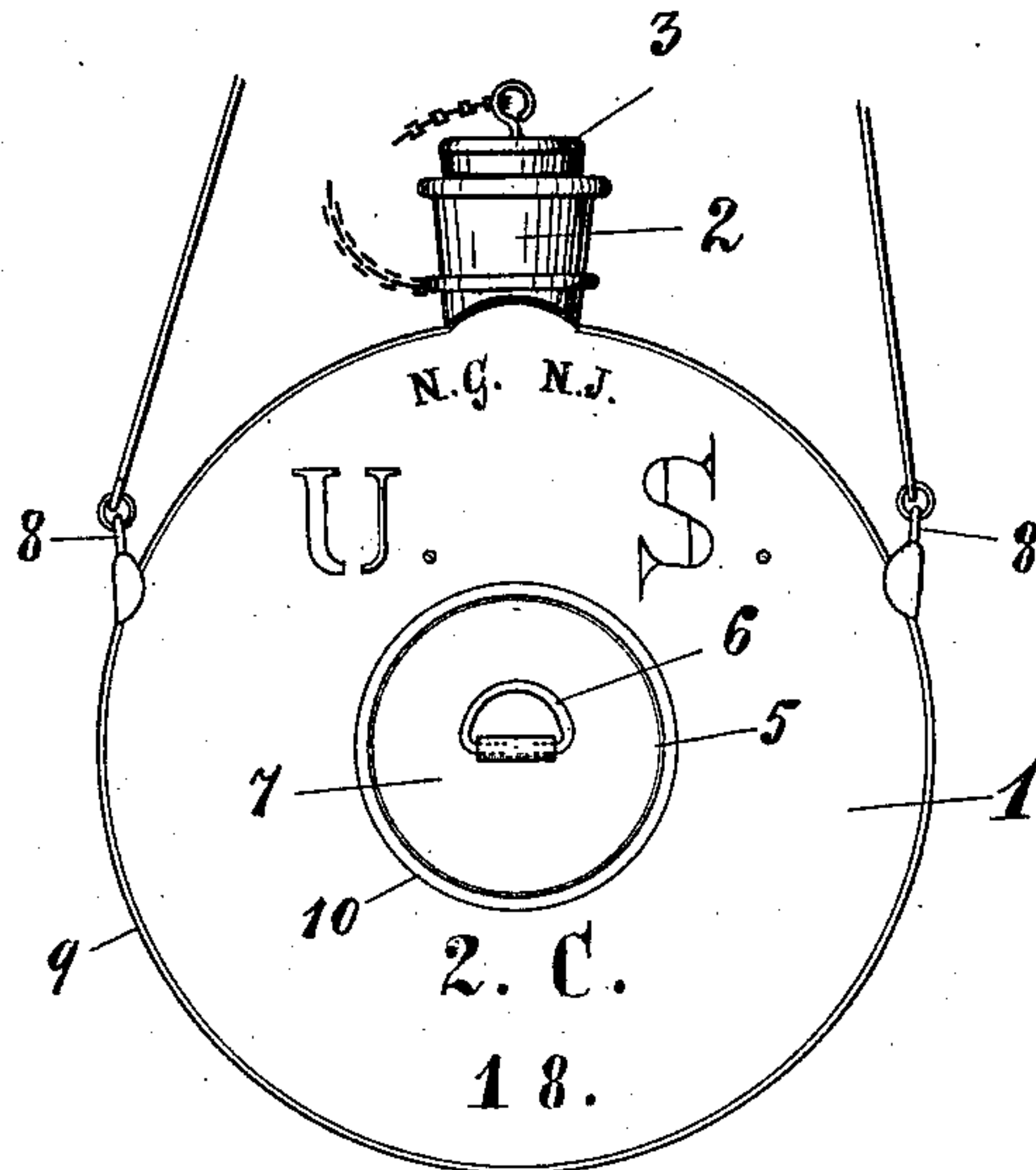


Fig. 1.

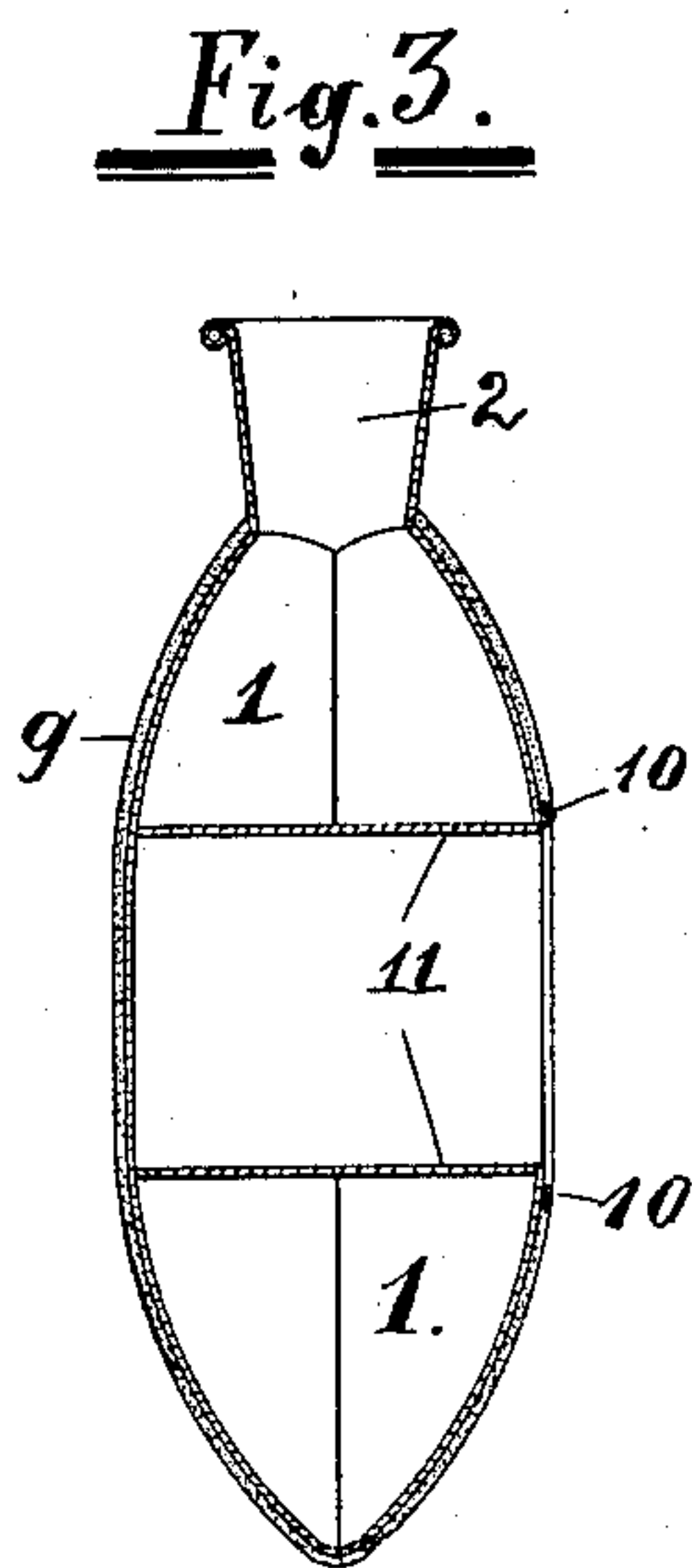


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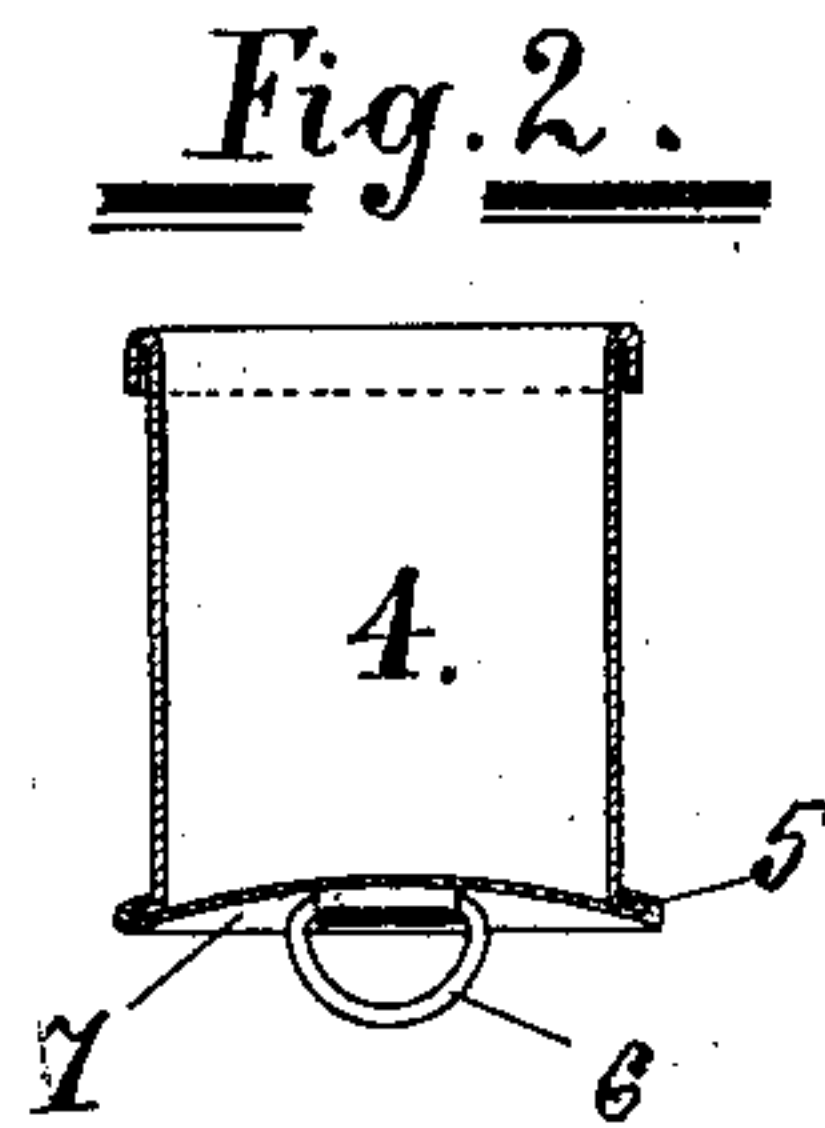


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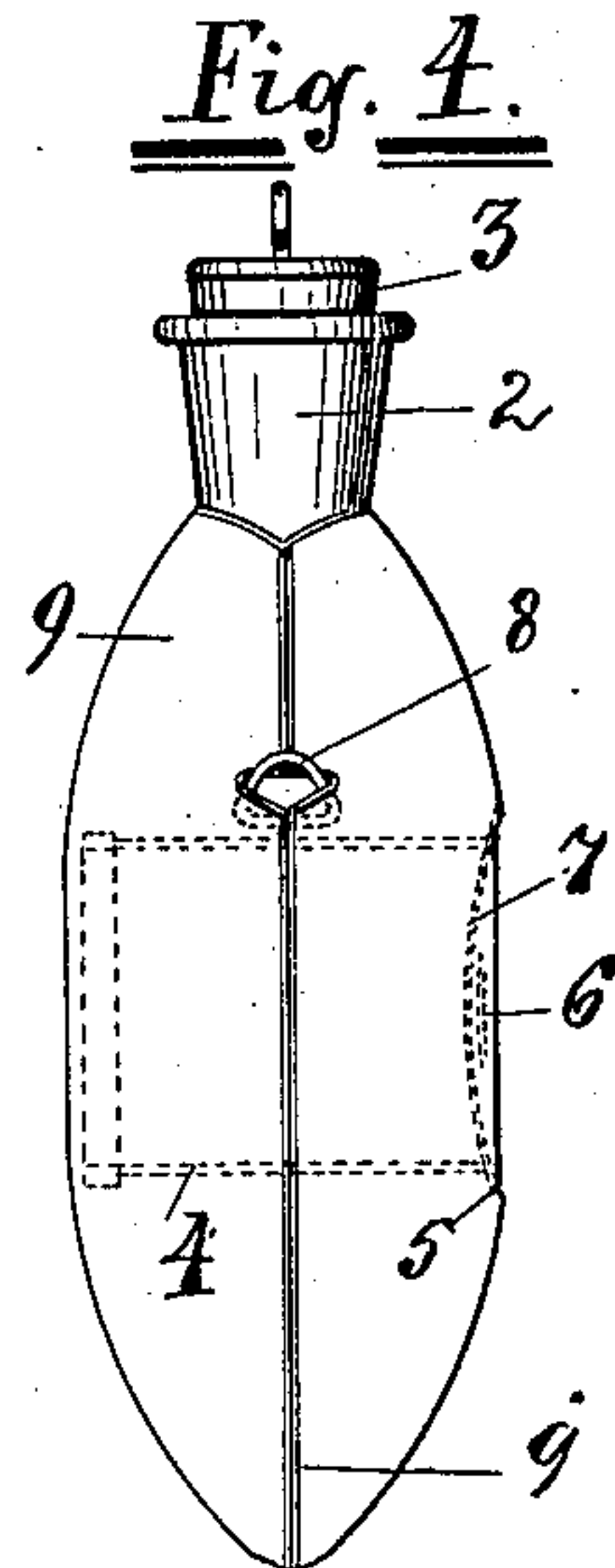


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## CANTEEN.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, THOMAS J. PRATT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Paterson, in the county of Passaic and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Canteens, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

The object of my invention is to provide a canteen for the use of soldiers, hunters, fishermen, outing parties, and others, having a cylindrical-shaped compartment extending transversely from one side of the canteen to the other and centrally located and adapted to receive and hold a glass or cup made to fit into said cylindrical compartment without interfering with the conformation of the canteen.

One of the objects of my invention is to do away with the too common practice among soldiers of passing the canteen from one to another until many have drank from the canteen, which practice may have been the means of communicating the germs of typhoid fever and other ills and may have been the cause of much suffering and loss of life in our army.

The principal objects of my invention are the production of a canteen the use of which will tend to prevent the spread of disease and will at the same time be a useful and practicable article for the convenience of any person wishing to carry liquids for refreshment or medicinal purposes and to produce an article of merchandise that will be useful to scholars, working people, soldiers, bicycle riders, sportsmen, and others in various vocations and pursuits of life.

The invention consists of a canteen provided with a centrally-located transverse cylindrical pocket adapted to receive and hold a drinking-glass, the liquid in the canteen surrounding said cylindrical pocket.

The modification of my invention consists

in locating the cylindrical pocket for the drinking-glass in the bottom of the canteen instead of transversely.

In the accompanying drawings, in which similar numerals of reference indicate like parts, Figure 1 is an illustration of my canteen, showing the back face thereof and a glass or cup in the cylindrical receptacle of the canteen. Fig. 2 represents the cup with a cap and handle. Fig. 3 is a sectional view of the canteen with the cup removed. Fig. 4 is a side view of the canteen, showing the cup inclosed therein. Fig. 5 illustrates a modified form of my canteen, showing the cup inserted in the bottom of the canteen.

In the drawings, 1 is a liquid-chamber; 2, the neck of the canteen; 4, the cup, having the closed end 5 and a handle 6.

7 is a depressed portion in the end 5, in which the handle 6 may be folded down so that it will not project above the surface of the end.

8 and 8 are the handles to which the carrying strap or cord is secured.

9 represents the canvas covering of the canteen, and 10 the hemmed or corded edge of the canvas, which surrounds the entrance of the cylindrical cup-chamber, and 11 is the tubular casing which forms the cup-receptacle and also acts as a reinforcement for the walls of the canteen.

The cup or glass when inserted in the cylindrical chamber may be used for carrying dry or solid substances, if desired.

I do not wish to limit myself to either size, shape, or material in the construction of my canteen, and, as shown by the drawings, the modification of the cylindrical cup-chamber may be varied or changed without departing from the scope of my invention.

With this description of my invention, what I claim is—

A canteen comprising a liquid-receptacle having two of its opposite walls centrally flattened, one of said flattened walls having a cir-



cular aperture therein, a tubular casing with-  
in said receptacle having one end abutted  
against the unperforated wall of the recepta-  
cle and the other end fitting within said aper-  
5 ture, the joints between the ends of said cas-  
ing and said unperforated wall and the edge  
of said aperture respectively being made  
water-tight, whereby the walls of said recep-  
tacle are reinforced and a pocket is formed to

receive a drinking vessel, substantially as set  
forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in  
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