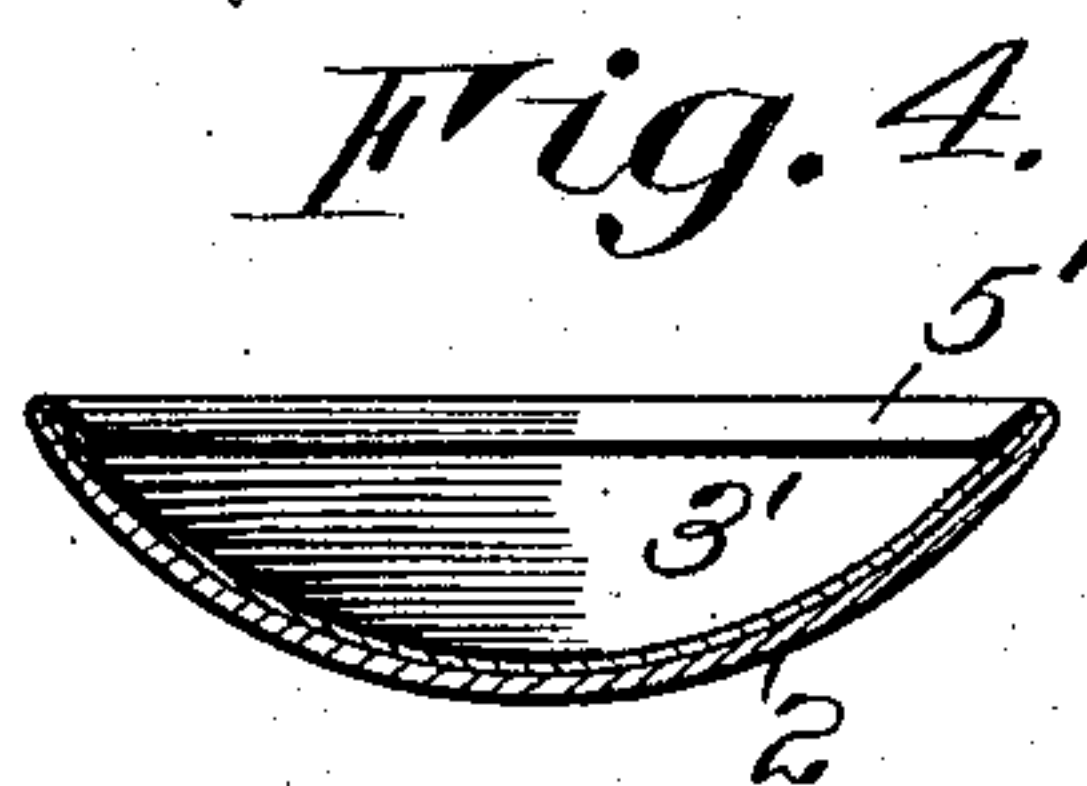
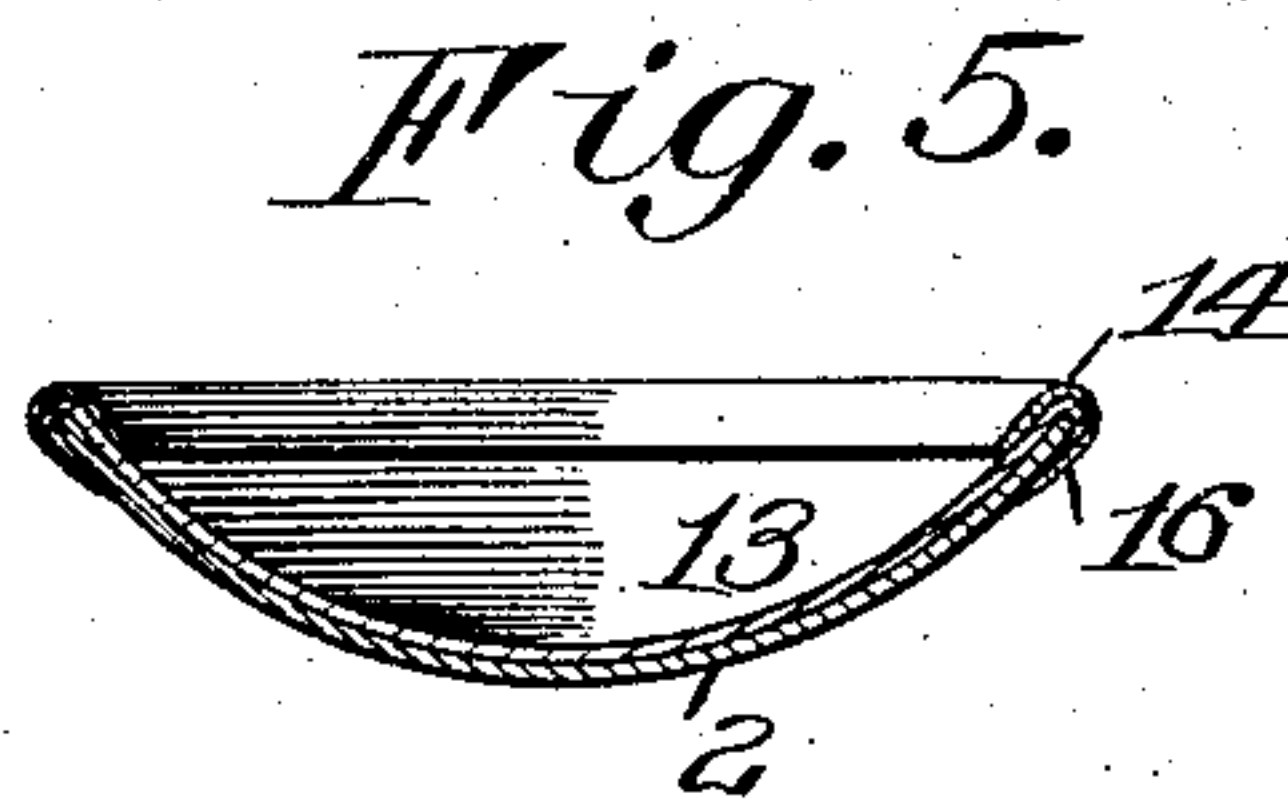
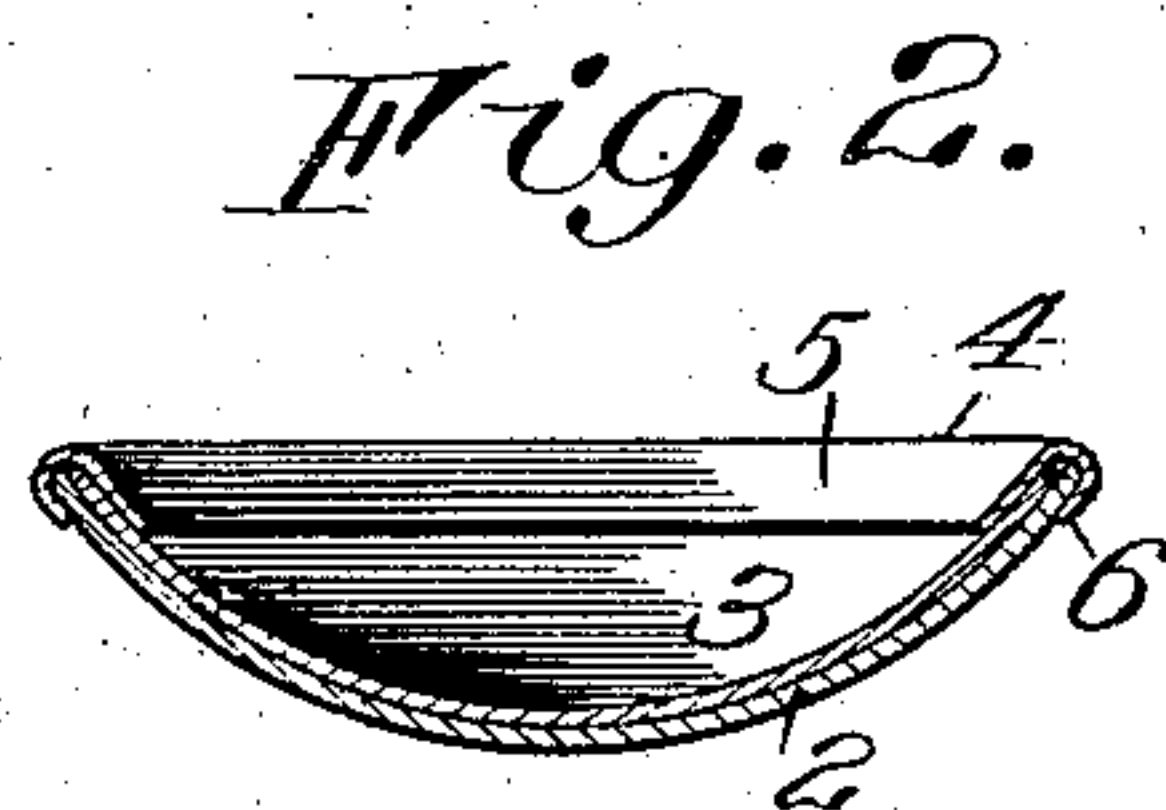
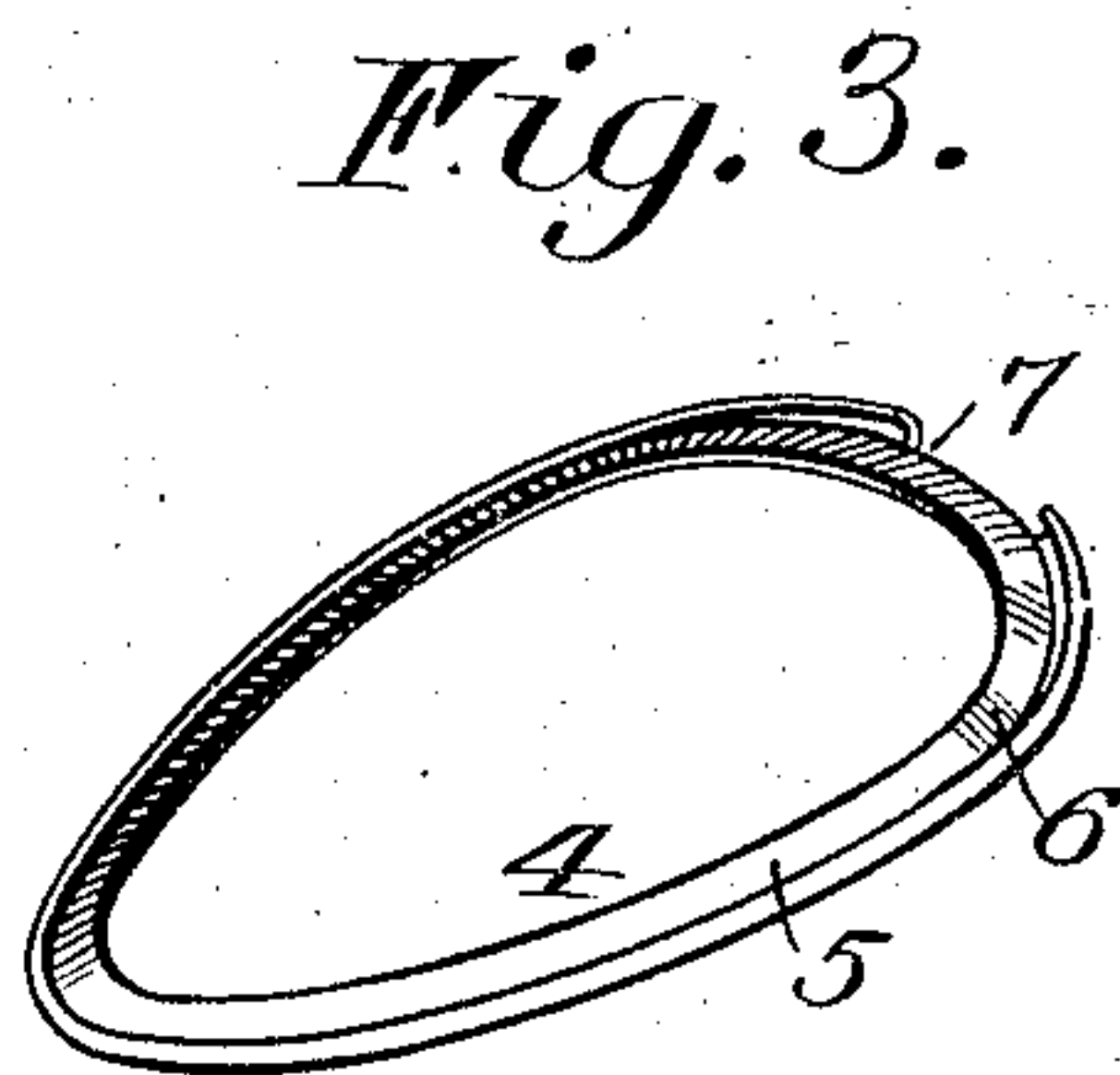
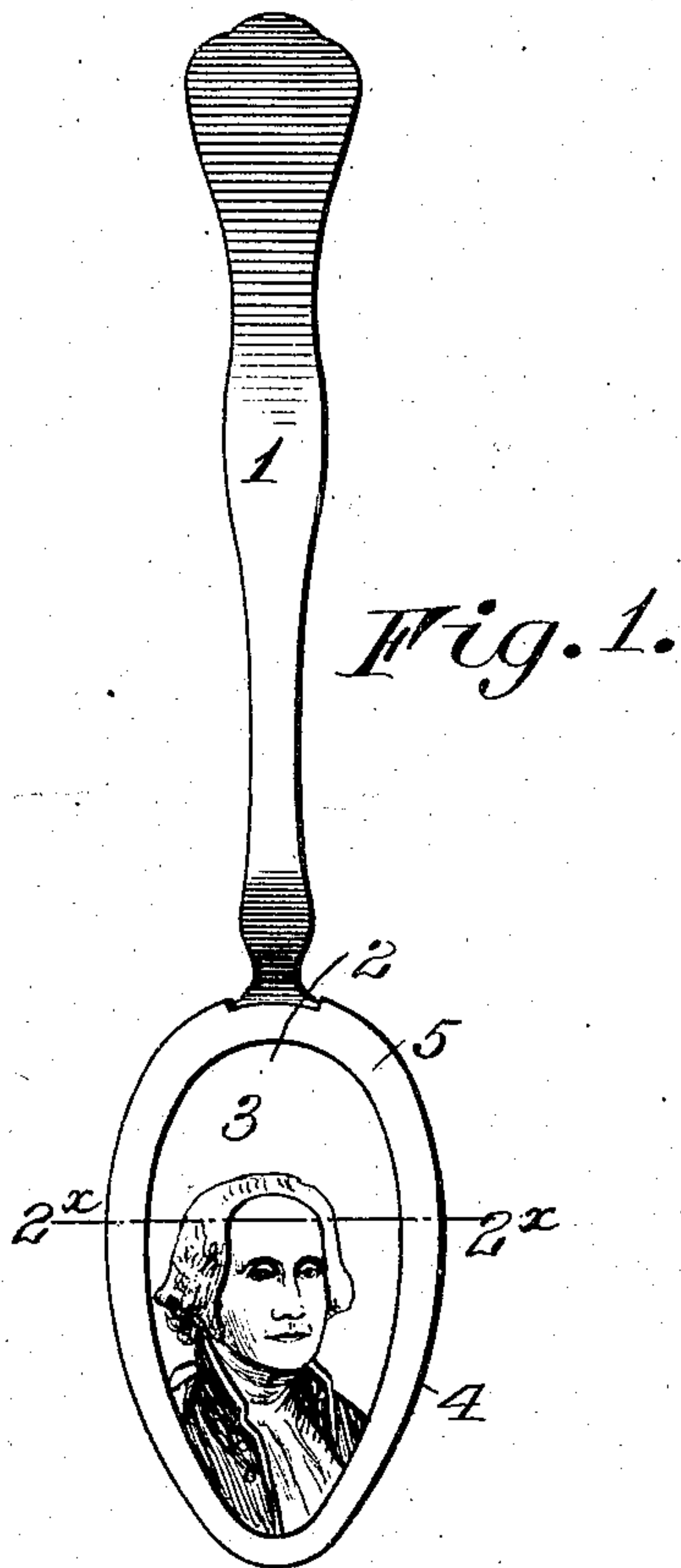


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES J. ERNISSE, of Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Souvenir Devices; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and to the reference-numerals marked thereon.

My present invention relates to souvenir devices; and it has for its object to provide means whereby spoons or other articles which are not ordinarily employed for such purposes may be so converted as to adapt them to such use.

To these and other ends my invention consists in new and useful improvements, all as will be fully described hereinafter, the novel features being pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of a spoon, showing a device constructed in accordance with my invention applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional view of the bowl of the spoon, taken on the line 2^x 2^x. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the securing-frame or a holder, showing the lower side thereof; and Figs. 4 and 5 are cross-sectional views similar to Fig. 2 and illustrating modifications of my invention.

Spoons heretofore constructed and adapted to be used particularly as souvenirs or mementos of various places and localities have been provided by forming in the bowl of the spoon an inscription, picture, or ornamental design by engraving, stamping, or enameling processes, all of which being permanently applied gives the bowl a roughened surface and makes the spoon impracticable for ordinary service. It is the object of my invention to overcome these disadvantages and also to provide a device which will enable dealers or other persons to convert spoons of stock patterns or designs and which are not ordinarily used for such purposes into suitable souvenirs, the parts of which are so arranged that the purchaser or user will be enabled to remove the souvenir attachment and employ the spoon for ordinary usage, if it is so desired.

In illustrating my invention I have shown it applied to a spoon comprising a handle 1

and a bowl 2. The latter being the usual shape is concave in cross-section, as shown in the sectional views, and the attachment consists of a decorative lining or covering 3, which may be formed of any suitable material and provided, as shown, with a suitable picture, inscription, or design, as may be desired. In practice I employ an insoluble lining or covering formed of celluloid or similar thin sheet of material, which is molded into a concave or other form to fit the inner surface of the bowl 2. This lining or covering is secured in place on the spoon by means of a detachable frame 4, which conforms in outline to the rim of the bowl 2 and embodies the inner flange 5, adapted to extend into the bowl and to engage the lining 3 at a short distance from the rim of the bowl. The periphery of the frame is provided with an edge 6, which is adapted to be crimped or rolled over the rim of the bowl into engagement with the outer side thereof, as shown in the sectional views. This edge extends around the frame, with the exception of that portion (indicated by 7) which lies adjacent the point of attachment of the handle of the spoon to the bowl, and it will be seen that the frame will securely hold the lining in close contact with the interior surface of the bowl. The outer edge of the rim 6 and also the inner edge of the flange may be made very thin, so that when the frame is applied in position on the spoon there will be very little noticeable difference between either the surface of the lining and the flange 5 or between the outer edge of the bowl and the edge 6.

The modified construction shown in Fig. 4 consists of forming the bowl 2 of the spoon with a thin edge, which is rolled or otherwise pressed inwardly over the inner surface of the bowl, as indicated at 5', to secure the edges of the lining or covering 3' beneath it, the modification illustrated in Fig. 5 embodying a lining or covering 13, which is made slightly larger than the bowl of the spoon, so that its edge is wrapped over the rim of the bowl of the spoon and is bound in position by the frame 14, the outer edge of which (indicated by 16) is extended and engages the outer surface thereof beyond the edge of the lining or covering.

I claim as my invention

1. In a device of the character described, the combination with a bowl, having a concaved bottom, of a similarly-shaped lining
5 lying within the bowl and a rim on the latter for securing the lining therein.

2. In a device of the character described, the combination with a bowl, having a concaved bottom, of a similarly-shaped lining
10 lying within the bowl and a detachable frame engaging the rim of the bowl and having a flange extending over the edge of the lining.

3. The combination with a spoon embodying a bowl having a concaved bottom, of a
15 similarly-shaped lining having its inner face decorated and a frame conforming to the periphery of the bowl and embodying an outer

flange and an inner flange extending over the outer and inner surfaces respectively of the bowl, and securing the lining therein. 20

4. The combination with a spoon embodying a handle and a bowl attached thereto having a concaved bottom, of a similarly-shaped lining having its inner surface decorated and a frame comprising an inner flange adapted
25 to overlie the edge of the lining and an outer flange adapted to engage the outer surface of the bowl said outer flange terminating at the sides of the handle of the spoon.

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