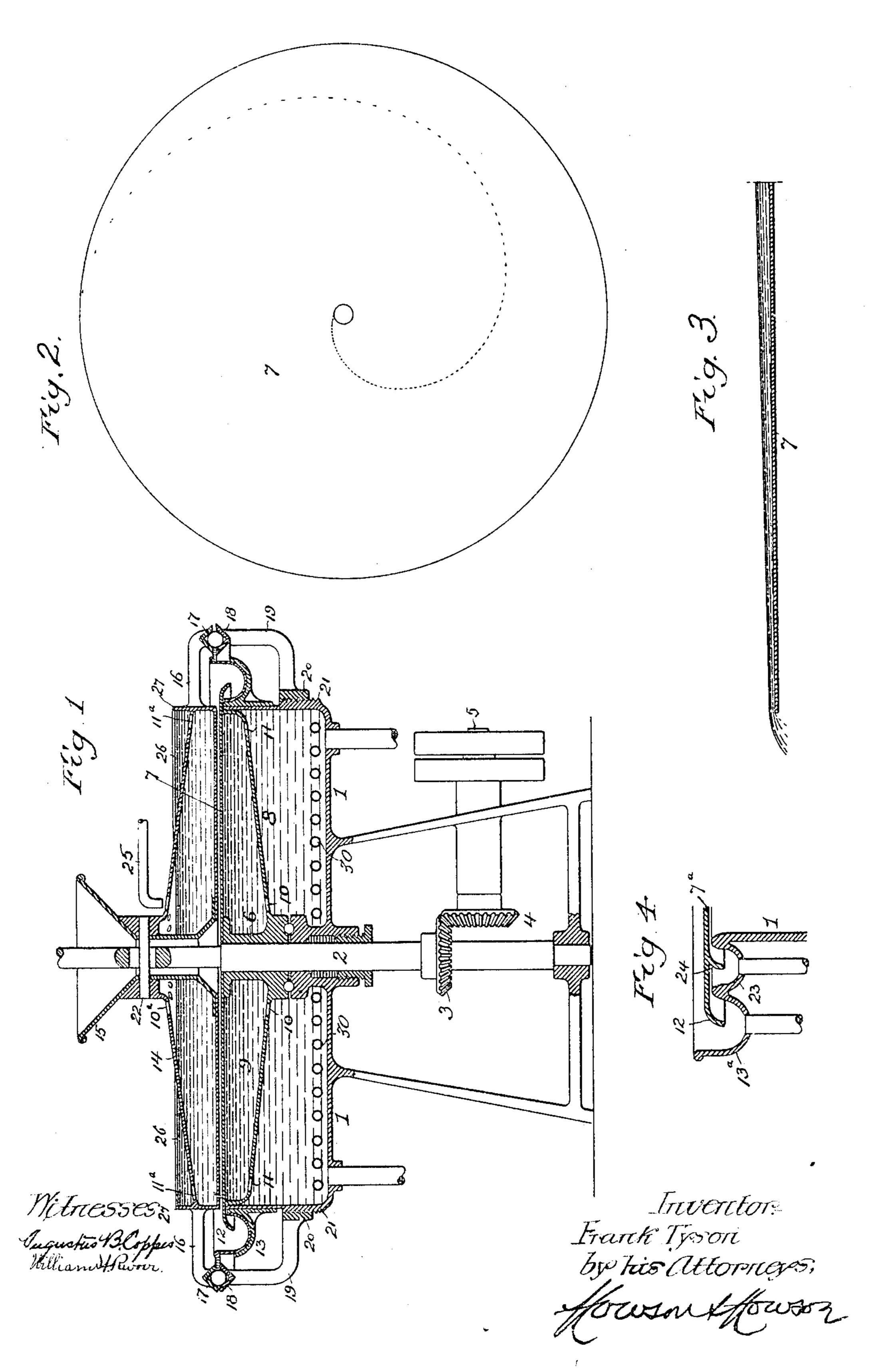
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zen of the United States, and a resident of | at the top in a funnel 15, and mounted by Canton, Ohio, have invented certain Im-5 provements in Pasteurizing Apparatus, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide for the pasteurization of milk or other liquids more expeditiously and effectively than is 10 possible by the use of the present methods and apparatus with which I am familiar. This object I attain in the manner hereinafter set forth, reference being had to the ac-

companying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a vertical sectional view of apparatus forming the subject of my invention and available for use in carrying out my improved process of pasteurization. Fig. 2 is an enlarged diagram showing a plan view of 20 the treating-plate and illustrating one of the features of my invention. Fig. 3 is a further diagram showing a sectional view of part of the treating-plate and illustrative of another feature of the invention, and Fig. 4 is a view 25 illustrating a modification of my invention.

Referring, in the first instance, to Fig. 1 of the drawings, 1 represents a vessel mounted upon a suitable support and having a central stuffing-box for the passage of a vertical 30 shaft 2, whose lower end is adapted to a bearing in said support, rotative movement being imparted to said shaft 2 by means of a pair of bevel-gears 3 4, driven from a horizontal shaft 5, which is mounted in a bearing on the 35 support for the vessel 1 and is driven in any suitable manner. The vessel 1 has at the top a chambered top or cover comprising a hub 6, a horizontal top plate 7, and a flaring bottom plate 8, these parts inclosing a cham-40 ber 9, which gradually decreases in depth from the center to the periphery of the cover. The hub 6 is secured to the shaft 2 and turns upon a ball-bearing on the central boss of the vessel 1, and in the bottom plate 8 are formed 45 openings 10 and 11, the openings 10 being adjacent to the hub 6 and the openings 11 being adjacent to the periphery of the cover. The horizontal top plate 7 of the cover terminates at the periphery in a downwardly-bent flange 50 12, which is contained within an annular trough 13, surrounding the vessel 1. Above

the chambered cover of the vessel 1 is a cham-Be it known that I, Frank Tyson, a citi- | bered hood 14, with hollow hub terminating suitable arms 16 on this chambered hood is a 55 rail 17, constituting the upper member of a ball-race, whose lower member consists of a similar but oppositely-facing rail 18, carried by arms 19 on a threaded ring 20, which engages with a similarly-threaded ring 21, se- 60 cured to the vessel. Hence the lower rail 18 is susceptible of vertical adjustment, and the chambered hood 14 can be supported at any desired height above the chambered cover of the vessel 1 and is free to rotate in any posi- 65 tion of such adjustment. Rotation of the hood 14 in unison with the cover of the vessel 1 is effected by a transverse bar 22, crossing the hub of the said hood and engaging with a vertically-slotted portion of the shaft 70

2, as shown in Fig. 1.

The vessel 1 and its chambered cover are filled with water or other liquid heated to a temperature high enough to effect the desired result, this temperature being main- 75 tained practically constant by any suitable system of heating devices—as, for instance, by a steam-coil 30, contained within the vessel 1. When the chambered cover of the vessel is rotated, there will be a constant circu- 80 lation of the heated water through the same from hub to periphery, owing to the action of centrifugal force, the water entering the chambered cover through the openings 10 and being discharged therefrom through the 85 openings 11. Hence a uniform degree of heat will be imparted to the horizontal top plate 7 of the cover. The milk or other liquid to be pasteurized is admitted through the hollow hub of the hood 14, the chamber 90 within said hood being likewise filled with water heated to the required temperature, which water, if desired, may be caused to circulate through the chamber in any available manner. For instance, the hot water may 95 be fed from a pipe 25, through openings 10<sup>a</sup>, formed in the top of the hood 14 near the hub of the same and may be delivered from the hood through openings 11<sup>a</sup>, formed in the top of the hood near the periphery of the same 100 into a top chamber 26, from which when the hood is rotated it escapes over the peripheral

rim 27 into any suitable receptacle. The milk enters the space between the top plate 7 of the chambered cover and the bottom plate of the chambered hood and spreads 5 itself in a thin film between these two plates, the flow of the milk from the center to the periphery of the plate 7 being caused by centrifugal force and a constant supply being maintained because of the height of the col-10 umn of milk in the hollow hub of the hood. A particle of milk coming in contact with the plate 7 at the center of the latter travels in its passage toward the periphery of said plate in a spiral course and with constantly-accel-15 erating speed, the course of the particle being represented diagrammatically in Fig. 3 and an attempt being made to indicate the difference in the speed of travel of the same by the varying distances between the suc-20 cessive dots, whereby the course is represented. Thus the dots are close together at the central portion of the plate, but gradually increase in distance apart as they approach the periphery. There is at the same 25 time a gradual diminution in the thickness of the film of milk on the plate 7, for as the volume of milk supplied thereto at the central portion of the same is limited by the width of the space between said plate and the 30 bottom plate of the hood 14 and as the milk travels with constantly-increasing speed toward the periphery of the plate 7 there must be a diminution in the volume corresponding in a measure to such increased speed of travel, 35 and for this reason a practically uniform heating of the body of milk is effected throughout the entire time of its travel over the plate 7, for when the volume is greatest in bulk it has the slowest movement, and as 40 its rate of movement increases its bulk correspondingly decreases. Hence each square inch of heating-surface presented by the top plate 7 of the chambered cover of the water vessel will in a given period of time have 45 passed over it a substantially equal volume of milk to be heated, and the machine is therefore well calculated for the attainment of the end in view—that is to say, the subjecting of the milk for a given time to a sub-50 stantially uniform degree of heat which acts equally upon all particles of the volume of milk under treatment. For this reason I am enabled to heat the milk to a temperature more nearly approaching that of the water or other heating agent employed than is possible in other apparatus known to me, and I thereby effect a saving, since it is only necessary to heat the water to a temperature a few degrees higher than that desired for the milk, 60 and there is no risk of overheating the latter. Measurably the same result may be obtained without the use of the chambered hood 14, the latter being used simply to provide an ad-

ditional heating-surface for the film of liquid flowing over the plate 7. The heated liquid 65 escaping from the periphery of the plate 7 is collected in the annular trough 13, from which it may be discharged into any suitable receptacle.

Although I prefer to form the cap or cover 70 for the vessel 1 as a chambered vessel in the manner shown in Fig. 1, such construction is not necessary for the proper carrying out of my invention, since it will be manifest that a plate alone might be used in some cases. For 75 instance, in Fig. 4 I have shown a construction in which the vessel 1 has as a cover a flat plate 7<sup>a</sup> and is provided around its top with two annular troughs 13<sup>a</sup> and 23, one outside of the other, the innermost trough 23 receiv- 80. ing the water overflowing between the wall of the vessel 1 and the plate 7a, which overflow-water is directed downwardly into the trough by means of a rib 24 on the under side of the plate, the pasteurized liquid being dis- 85 charged from the downturned rim 12 of the plate into the outer trough 13a.

In some cases it is considered necessary in order to complete the pasteurizing operation to cool the liquid under treatment after 90 gradually heating the same, and it will be evident that the process and apparatus which I have described lends itself as well to such cooling of the liquid as to the heating of the same. Hence the word "treating" is 95 used in some of my claims to indicate either heating or cooling or heated or cooled.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a rotatable treating-plate whose liquid receiving and carrying surface is transverse to its axis of rotation, a collecting-receptacle receiving the liquid directly from the edge of 105 said plate, and means for supplying the liquid to the central portion of said plate, substantially as specified.

2. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a chambered vessel mounted so as to rotate 110 and adapted for the reception of a treating fluid, the surface of said vessel, which receives and carries the liquid to be pasteurized, being in a plane transverse to the axis of rotation of the vessel, a collecting-receptacle 115 receiving the liquid from the edge of said vessel, and means for supplying the liquid to the central portion of said treating-surface, substantially as specified.

3. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of 120 a water vessel having a rotatable cap or cover, whose top is in a plane transverse to the axis of rotation, and receives and carries the liquid to be pasteurized, a collecting-receptacle receiving the liquid from the edge of 125 said top, and means for supplying the liquid

to the central portion of said top, substantially as specified.

4. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of table cap or cover, whose top is in a plane substantially as specified.

transverse to the axis of rotation and re- 11. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of ized, a collecting-receptacle receiving the liquid from the edge of said top, and means for 10 supplying the liquid to the central portion of | ingly-rotatable treating-plate coöperating

said top, substantially as specified.

5. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a water vessel having a chambered and rotatable cap or cover, whose top is in a plane 15 transverse to the axis of rotation and receives and carries the liquid to be pasteurized, the bottom plate of said vessel having openings located at different distances from the axis of rotation, whereby a flow of the 20 treating fluid through said vessel by centrifugal force is effected, substantially as specined.

6. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a rotatable treating-plate disposed in a plane 25 transverse to its axis of rotation, a second treating-plate parallel with and rotating in the same direction as the first, means for feeding the liquid to be pasteurized to the space between said plates, and a collecting-30 receptacle receiving the liquid from the edge of said plate, substantially as specified.

7. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a rotatable treating-plate disposed in a plane transverse to its axis of rotation, a second 35 rotatable treating-plate parallel with the first, means for adjusting one of said plates from and toward the other, and means for feeding the liquid to be pasteurized to the space between the plates, substantially as specified.

8. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a rotatable treating-plate presenting a surface transverse to its axis of rotation, a chambered hood rotating in the same direction as the plate and presenting a surface parallel to 45 that of said treating-plate, means for feeding between said surfaces the liquid to be pasteurized, and a collecting-receptacle receiving the liquid from the edge of said plate, substantially as specified.

9. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a rotatable treating-plate having a surface transverse to its axis of rotation, a chambered hood also free to rotate and presenting a surface parallel to said treating-plate, means 55 for varying the distance apart of said surfaces and means for feeding to the space between them the liquid to be pasteurized, substantially as specified.

60 a water vessel having a rotatable cover tially as specified. whose surface is in a plane transverse to the 17. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of ingly-rotatable treating-plate, coöperating | taining a water-chamber and presenting a

therewith, means for feeding the liquid to be pasteurized to the space between said plate 65 and cover, and a collecting-receptacle rea water vessel having a chambered and rota- ceiving the liquid from the edge of said plate,

ceives and carries the liquid to be pasteur-; a water vessel having a rotatable cover 70 whose surface is in a plane transverse to the axis of rotation, a parallel and correspondtherewith, means for varying the distance between the plate and cover, and means for 75 feeding to the space between them the liquid to be pasteurized, substantially as speci-

> 12. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a water vessel having a rotatable cover con- 80 taining a water-chamber and presenting a surface transverse to the axis of rotation, a parallel and correspondingly-rotatable treating-plate cooperating therewith, and means for feeding the liquid to be pasteurized to the 85 space between said plate and cover, substan-

tially as specified.

13. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a water vessel having a rotatable cover containing a water-chamber and presenting a 90 surface transverse to the axis of rotation, a parallel and correspondingly-rotatable treating-plate, cooperating therewith, means for varying the width of the space between the plate and cover and means for feeding to said 95 space the liquid to be pasteurized, substantially as specified.

14. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a water vessel having a rotatable cover presenting a surface transverse to the axis of ro- 100 tation, a chambered and rotatable hood, presenting a surface parallel with that of the cover, and means for feeding the liquid to be pasteurized to the space between said sur-

faces, substantially as specified.

15. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of a water vessel having a rotatable cover presenting a surface transverse to the axis of rotation, a chambered and rotatable hood presenting a surface parallel with that of the 110 cover, means for varying the width of the space between said cover and hood, and means for feeding to said space the liquid to be pasteurized, substantially as specified.

16. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of 115 a water vessel having a rotatable cover containing a water-chamber and presenting a surface transverse to the axis of rotation, a chambered and rotatable hood presenting a surface parallel with that of the cover, and 120 means for feeding to the space between said 10. A pasteurizing apparatus consisting of surfaces the liquid to be pasteurized, substan-

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surface transverse to the axis of rotation, a chambered and rotatable hood presenting a surface parallel with that of the cover, means for varying the width of the space between said hood and cover, and means for feeding to said space the liquid to be pasteurized, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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