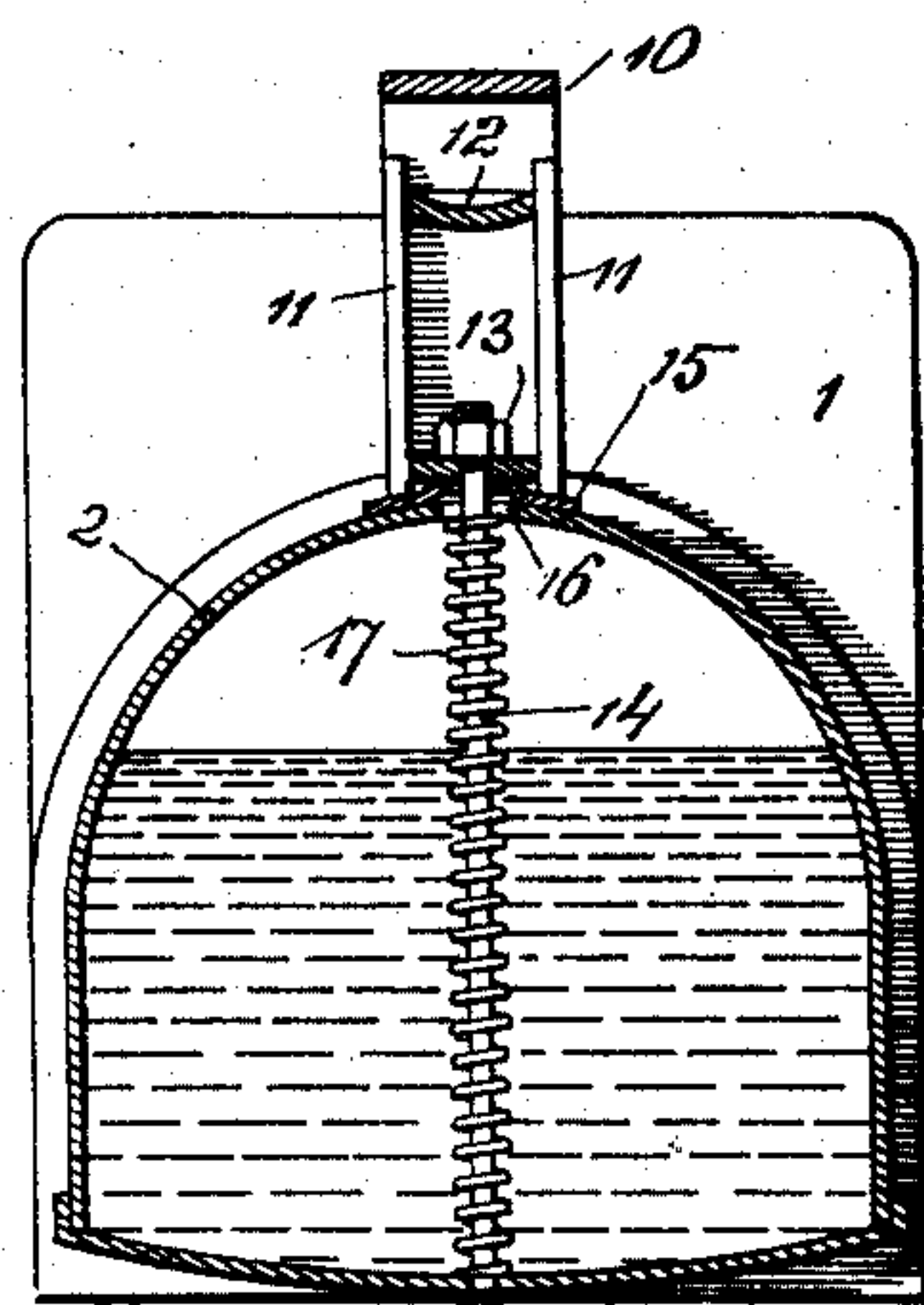
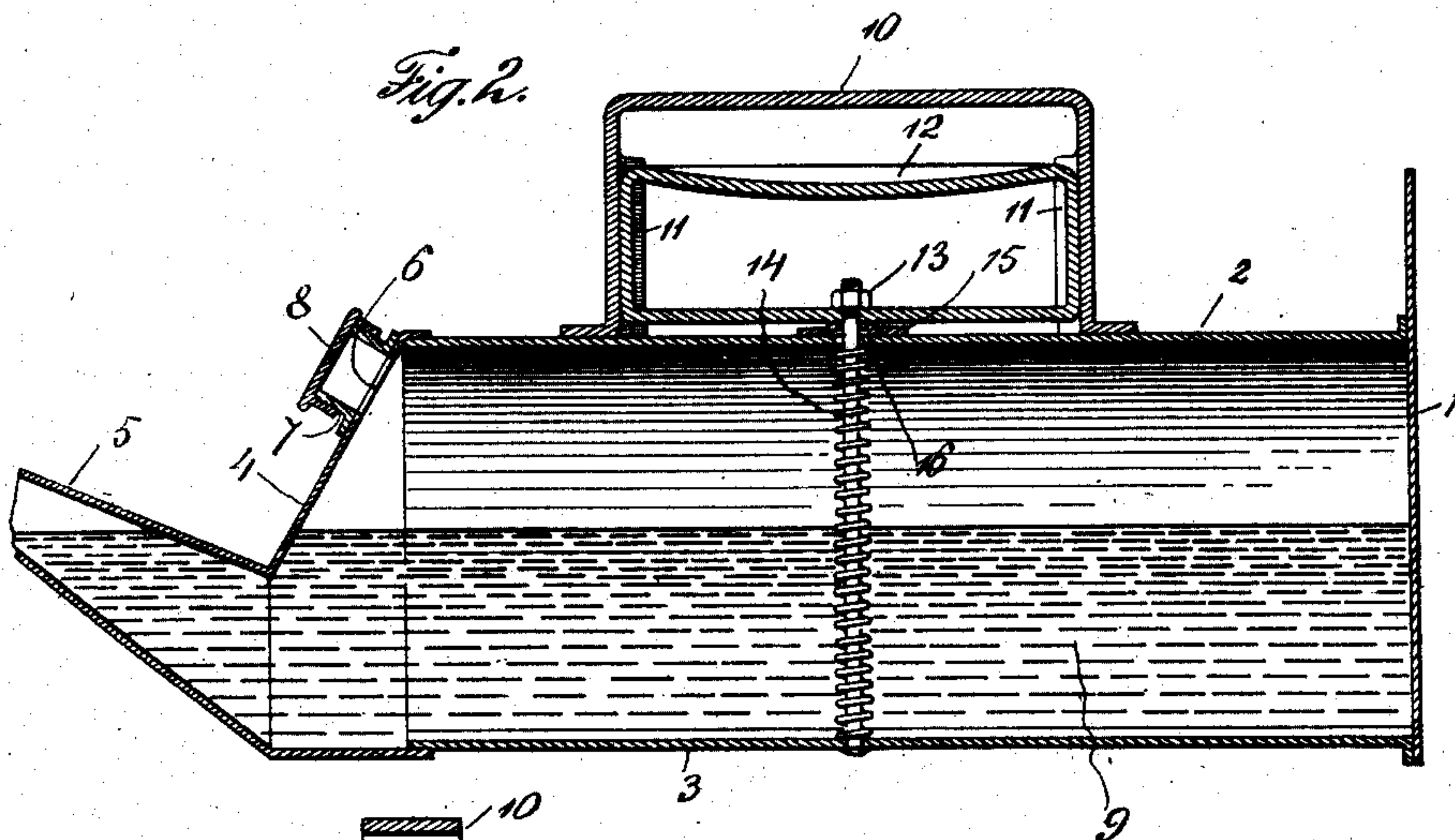
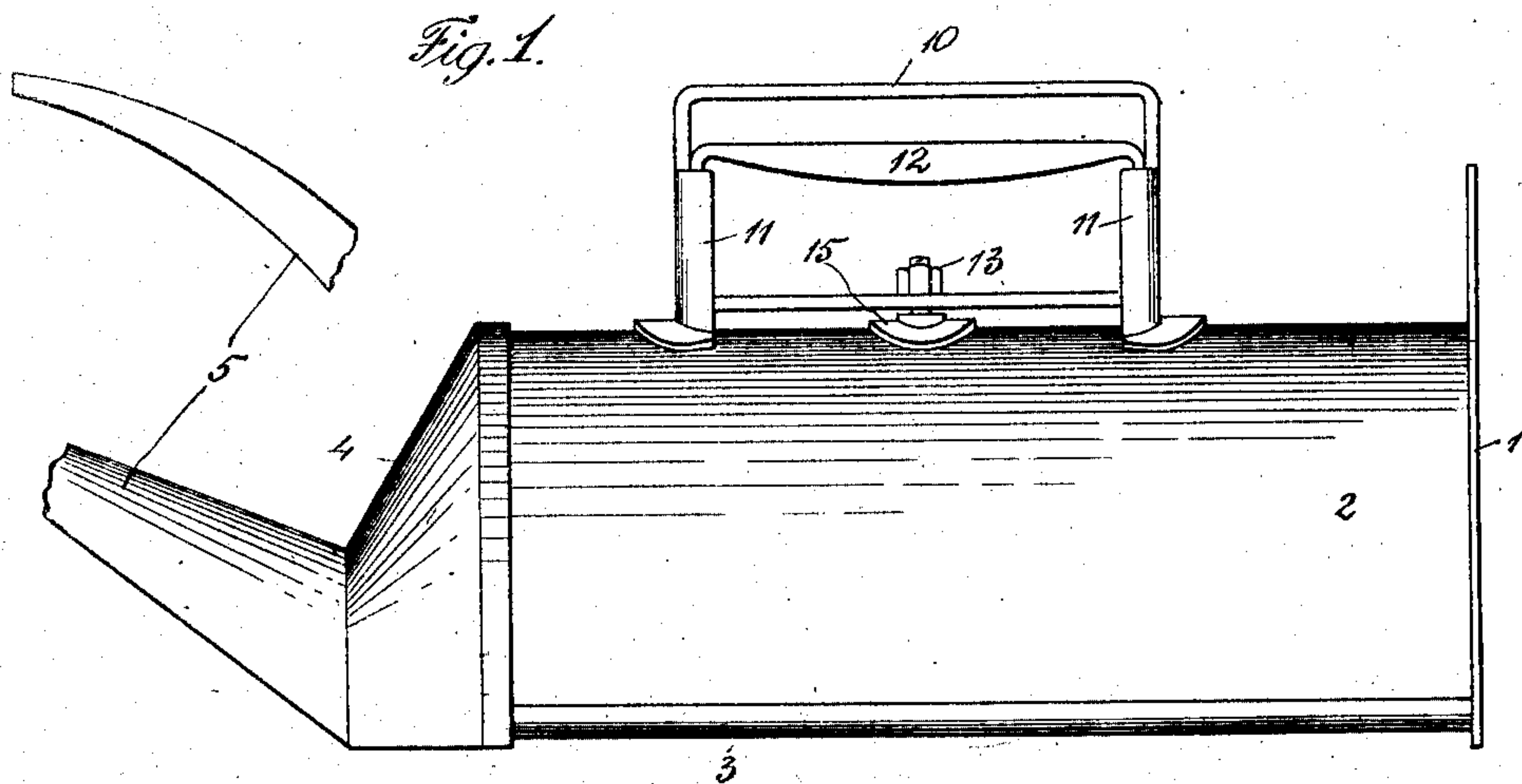


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM S. McCracken, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Brackenridge Borough, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Oil-Cans, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

This invention relates to oil cans, and the objects of my invention are, first, to provide an oil can particularly designed for heavy oils and lubricants; second, to provide an oil can from which quantities of oil can be forced as desired; and third, to provide a simple, inexpensive and durable receptacle for lubricants.

I attain the above objects by a can that will be presently described in detail and then specifically pointed out in the appended claim.

Referring to the drawing forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a can constructed in accordance with my invention, Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view of the same, and Fig. 3 is a cross sectional view.

To put my invention into practice, I provide a can or receptacle having a base plate or bottom 1, to which is suitably secured a semi-cylindrical shell 2 having a convex flexible wall 3. The upper ends of the shell 2 and the wall 3 are provided with a cap 4 having a suitable spout 5 projecting from said cap in close proximity to the wall 3. The cap 4 is provided with a suitable opening 6 for an exteriorly threaded nipple 7, this nipple being closed by a cap 8. The nipple 7 and the opening 6 are used for filling the receptacle with oil or a lubricant 9.

Suitably secured to the shell 2 is a stirrup-shaped handle 10 having end guides 11 for an oblong handle frame 12. Connected to said handle frame 12 by a nut 13 is a rod 14, this rod being connected centrally to the wall 3. The rod 14 passes through a plate 15 carried by the shell 2, and through an opening 16 provided therefor in said shell.

Interposed between the shell 2 and the wall 3 and encircling the rod 14 is a coil spring 17, said spring normally maintaining said handle frame 12 in a lowered position and the wall 3 extended with relation to the shell 2.

To force a quantity of the oil or lubricant from the can or receptacle, the handle frame 12 is pulled outwardly and through the medium of the rod 14 retracts the wall 3, and forces a quantity of oil or lubricant from the can or receptacle. This is due to the air confined within the can or receptacle, it being impossible to compress the same so long as the oil or lubricant can escape through the spout 5.

The oil can as illustrated is in the position as would be ordinarily carried by the hand, and the base or bottom plate 1 permits of the can being set upon a suitable support when the same is not being used.

My oil can can be used for numerous purposes, and I reserve the right to make the same any size and of any material. Such other changes as are permissible by the appended claim can be resorted to without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention.

Having now described my invention what I claim as new, is:—

An oil can comprising a can body having a convex flexible wall, a handle secured to the opposite wall thereof and provided with guides, a handle-frame inclosed by the handle and having the ends received in said guides, a rod connected at one end to said handle-frame and at the other end to said flexible wall of the can body, and a spring encircling said rod within the can body and normally holding the flexible wall in extended position.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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