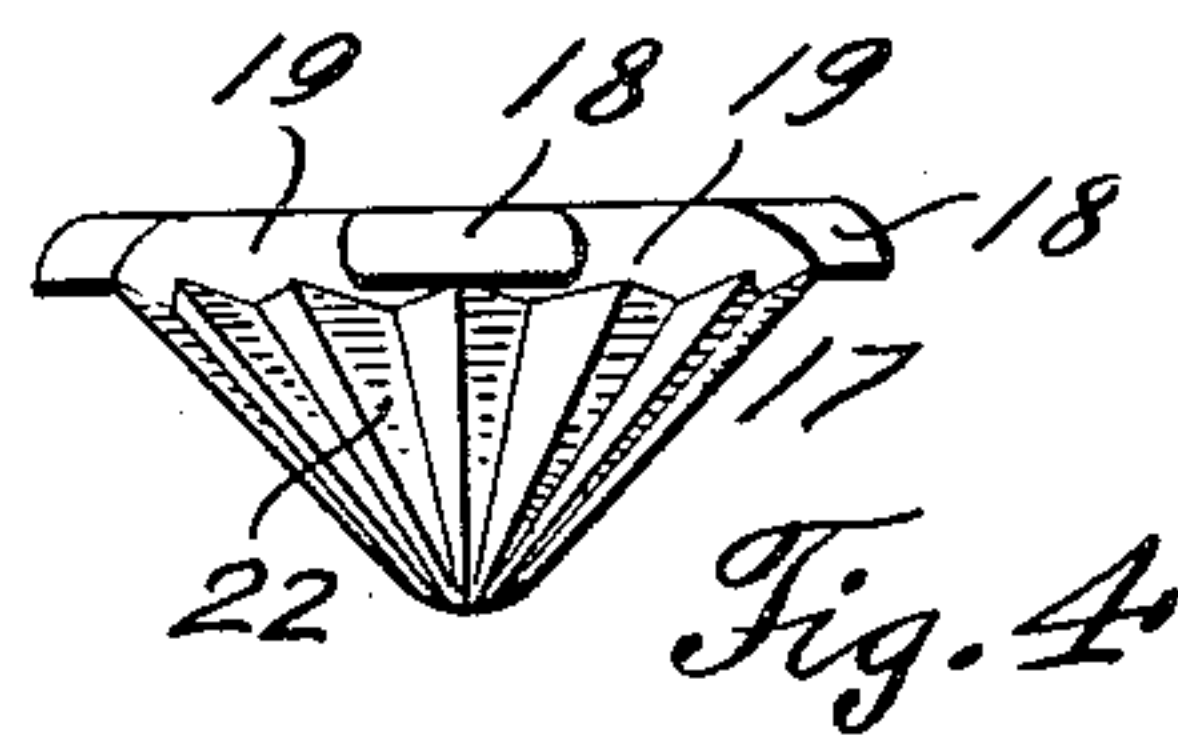
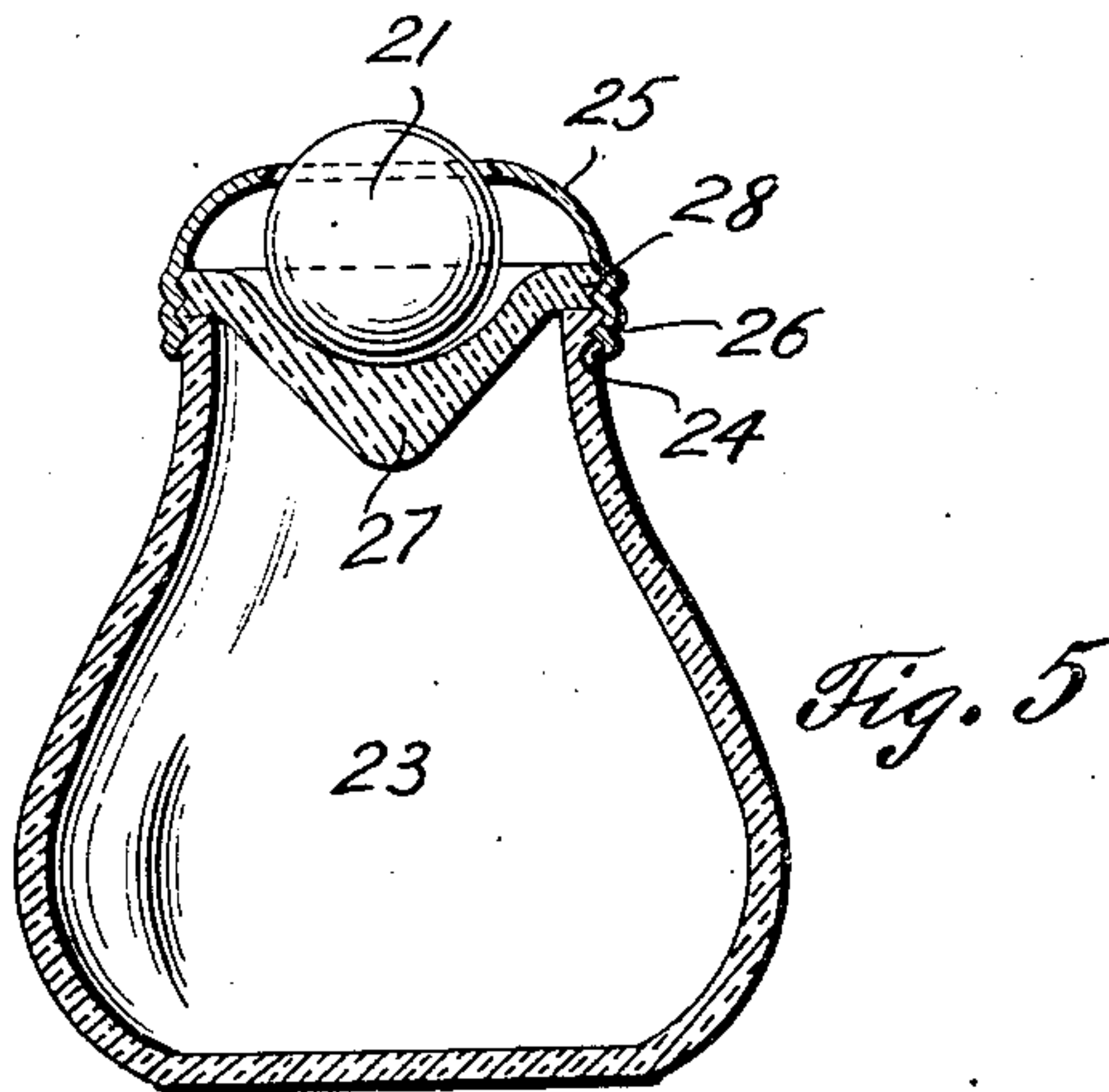
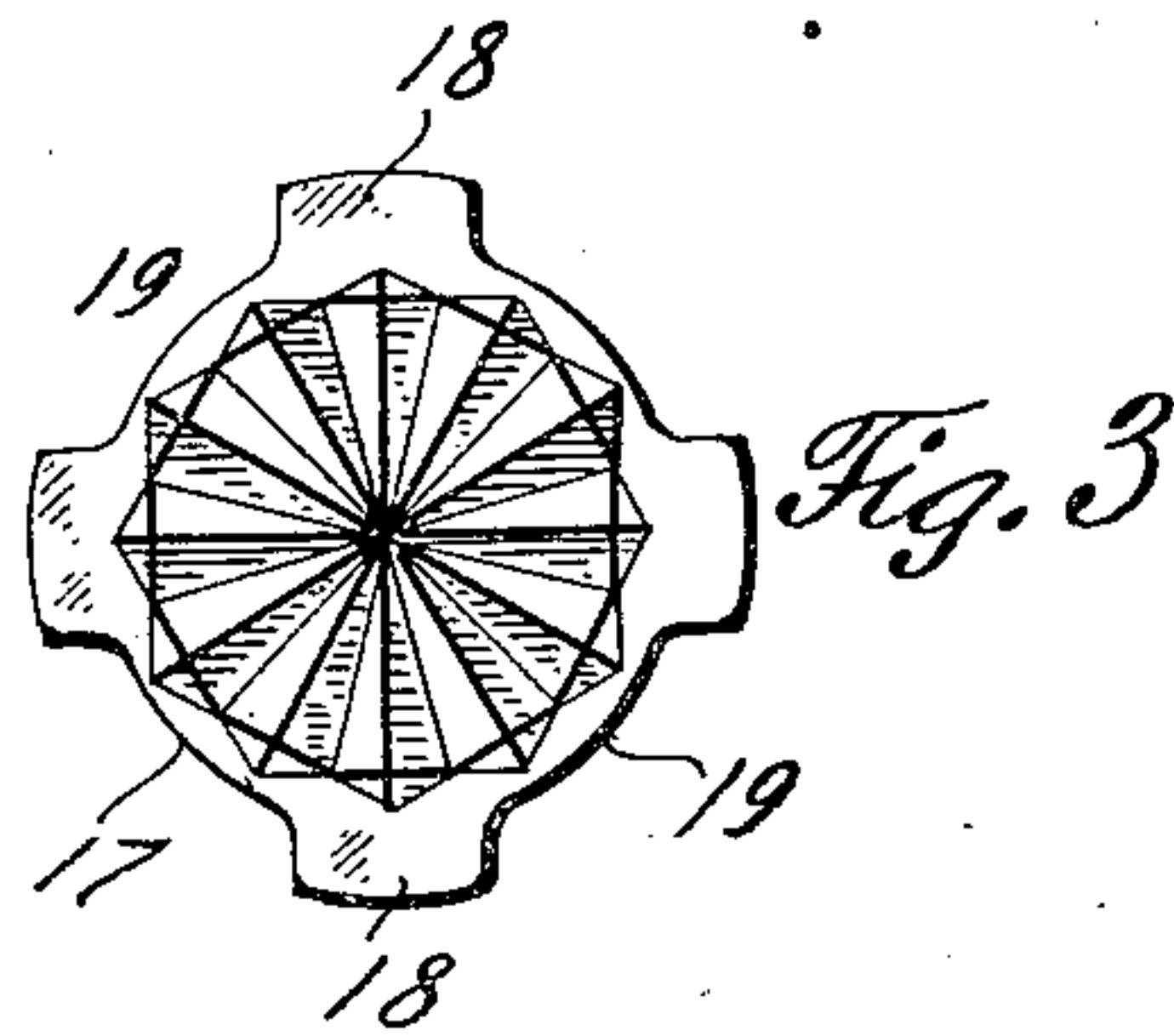
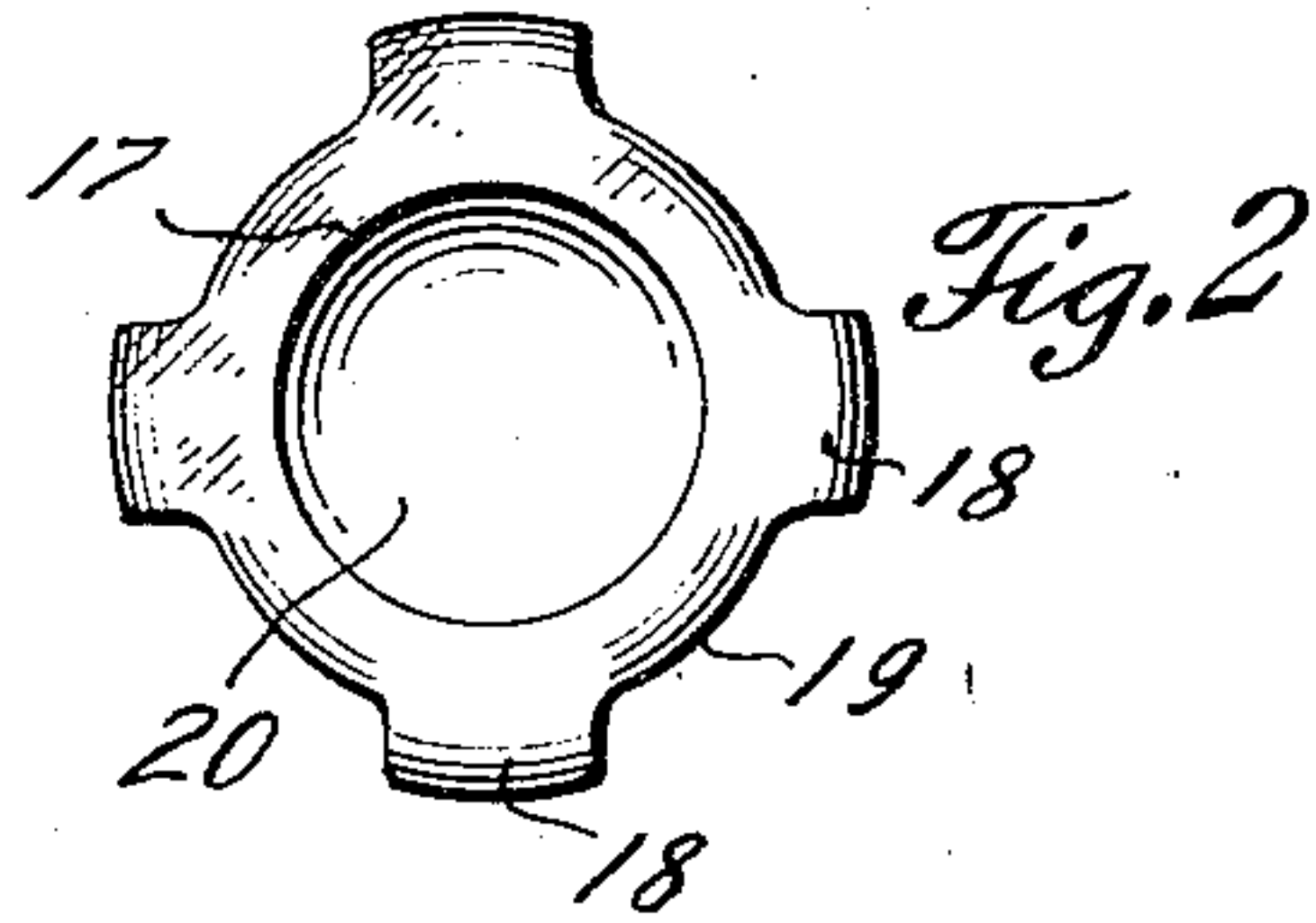
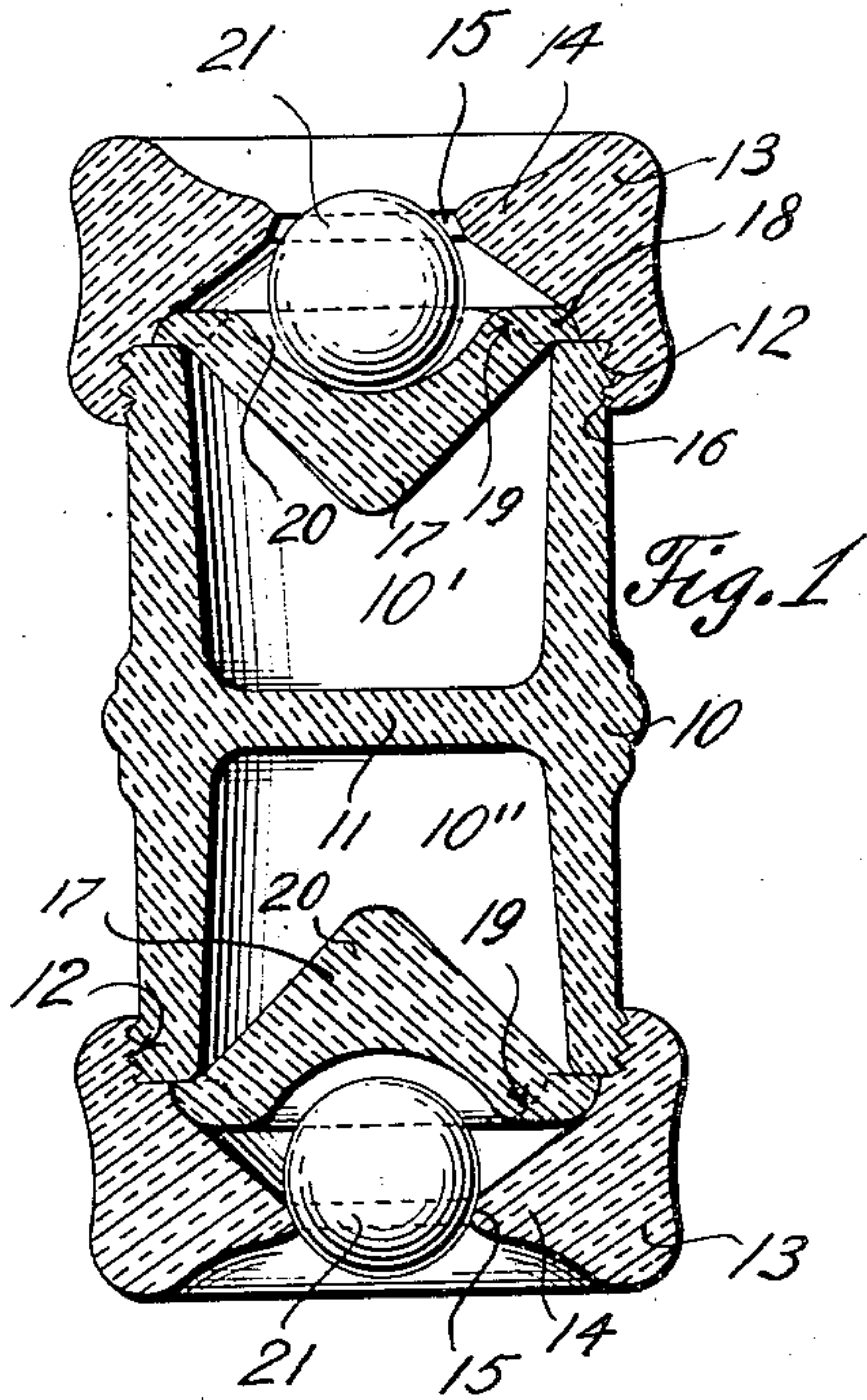


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CLARENCE C. SPRINKLE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Marion, in the county of Grant and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Condiment-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to condiment holders, and is designed particularly to construct a device of this character which will be adapted for use for both salt and pepper, the same being operative at either end without any adjustment.

With the above and other objects in view, this invention consists of the construction, combination and arrangement of parts all as hereinafter more fully described, claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a central longitudinal section of a condiment holder constructed in accordance with the present invention; Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the inner cone about which the salt is delivered; Fig. 3 is a bottom plan view of Fig. 2; Fig. 4 is a side elevation thereof; Fig. 5 is a central longitudinal section of a modification of the present invention.

Reference being had to the drawings, 10 indicates the body portion of a holder or receptacle having the partition 11 centrally and transversely located therein dividing the holder in two compartments or chambers 10' and 10''. The extremities of said holder or receptacle are exteriorly provided with the threads 12 which supply a means whereby the tops 13 are secured to the holder. These tops 13 are of a peculiar form having the inwardly extending shoulder 14 formed therein with the centrally disposed opening 15. The lower sides of the tops are recessed and are interiorly threaded as at 16, said threads being adapted to engage the threads 12 formed on the exterior of the receptacle. The shoulders 14 are formed by having the upper and lower faces of said tops converging toward the centers thereof.

A cone 17 is adapted to be rigidly clamped between the top 13 and the extremity of the body portion 10 and is constructed with the outwardly projecting lugs 18 adapted to be engaged between said top and the body portion. This construction leaves a space 19 formed by the reduced portion between the lugs in combination with the sides of the receptacle 10 through which the season-

ing passes. A recess 20 is provided in the base of the cone wherein loosely operates the ball 21, said ball finding a seat in the recess 20 and the opening 15.

The exteriors of the cones are formed with a series of corrugations 22 therein, said corrugations forming a means whereby salt and pepper contained in the chambers or compartments 10' or 10'' may be passed from the interior thereof to the space occupied by the ball.

From the foregoing it will readily be seen that upon inverting the holder in such a manner that the compartment containing the seasoning desired is on the bottom and imparting a few shakes thereto, the ball 21 will reciprocate between its seats and when the same is away from the seat 15, a small quantity of salt, pepper or other seasoning may pass through said opening. Thus it will be seen that the supply of the seasoning is regulated, and the disadvantage of obtaining more seasoning than is desired is eliminated. It will also be noticed that when the holder is not in operation, the extremity resting on the table is entirely closed automatically, thus requiring no adjustment or in no way necessitating the closing of the opening manually in order that the contents may be retained in the receptacle, the ball 21 performing this function readily.

In Fig. 5 is set forth a modification of the present invention. The holder comprises a receptacle 23 provided at its upper extremity with the exteriorly formed threads on which is secured the top 25, said top being provided with the threads 26 adapted to engage the threads 24. The cone 27 is of a similar construction to the cone 17 illustrated in Fig. 1 with the exception of the provision of the threads 28 formed on the edge of the lugs. These threads engage the threads of the top and consequently secure said cone to said top and permits the same to be removed therewith.

Having thus described my invention, what is claimed as new is:

In combination, a condiment holder having threads formed thereon, a top adapted to operate on said threads provided with a centrally disposed opening, a cone retained over the opening of said holder by said top having a depression in the base thereof, said cone being provided with a series of outwardly extending lugs adapted to be engaged by said top and a series of corruga-

tions on the outer side thereof, said corruga-  
tions forming a means whereby the season-  
ing may be conducted from the interior of  
the holder to the space between the cone and  
5 the top, and a ball adapted to reciprocate in  
said space regulating the flow of the sea-  
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In testimony whereof I affix my signature  
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