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GROUND LEVEL CEMETERY VASE

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Fig. 1.

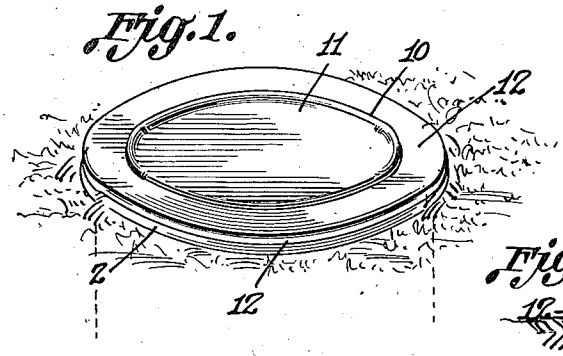


Fig. 2.

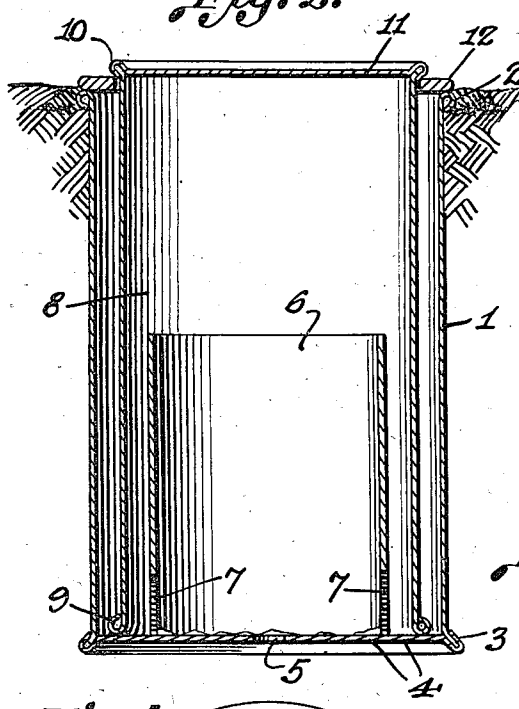


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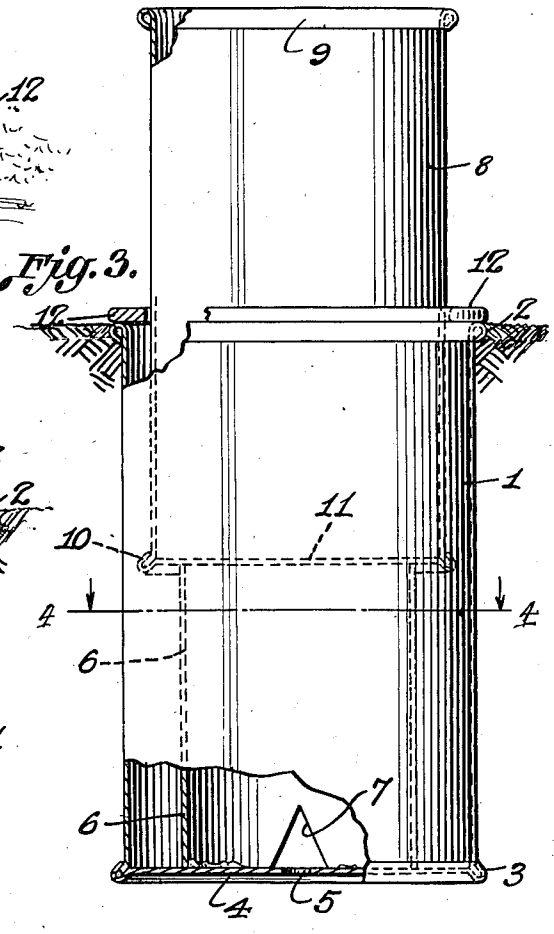


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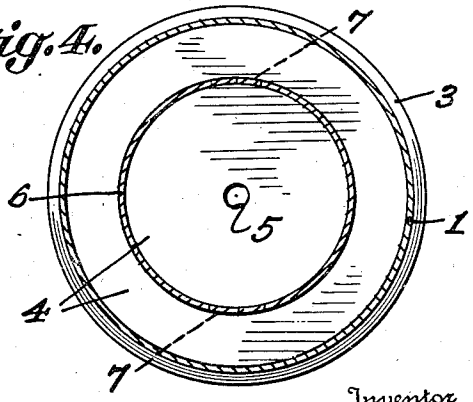
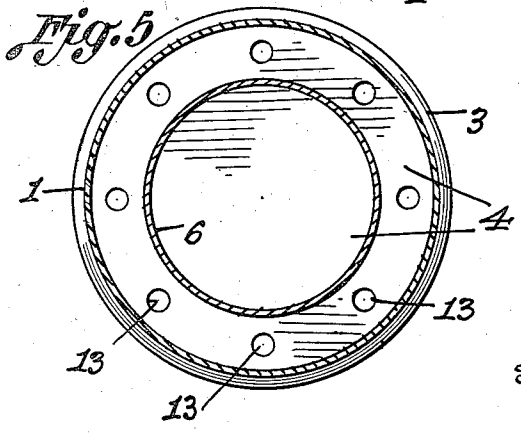


Fig. 5



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GROUND-LEVEL CEMETERY VASE

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The object of my invention is to provide an indestructible cemetery vase which is provided with an outer casing that can be buried in the earth and which holds the vase in inverted position when not in use on a substantial level with the ground, so that a lawn-mower can pass over the inverted bottom of the vase without injury to the lawn-mower. It is also an object of my invention to provide novel means for supporting the vase in elevated position for use. It is also an object of my invention to provide improved details in the construction of the vase and to provide for the escape of water from the bottom of the vase.

It is also an object of my invention to provide a construction which will permit of manufacturing the vase at a reasonable cost. I attain these and other objects of my invention by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the vase as it appears in inverted position in the ground;

Fig. 2 is a vertical section through the vase;

Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the invention with a portion broken away and shown in section;

Fig. 4 is a horizontal section on line 4—4 of Fig. 3; and

Fig. 5 is a similar section of a vase having a modified form of base provided with apertures 13.

Like numerals designate like parts in each of the several views.

Referring to the acompanying drawing, I provide a cylindrical outer casing 1 having an outwardly rolled upper edge 2, a base 4 having a crimped edge 3 engaging the bottom edge of the outer casing as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, and a central aperture 5 in base 4. I provide a cylindrical vase support 6 within casing 1 and spaced from same. Support 6 is provided with aperture 7 to allow water to pass through same to escape through aperture 5. I provide an invertible vase 8 having an outwardly rolled upper edge 9, base 11 and crimped edge 10 of base 11, as shown in Fig. 2. Resting on rim 2 and loosely encircling vase 8 is a ring 12 which forms an ornamental closure element for the top of the outer casing.

When the vase is in use its base 11 rests on the support 6, as shown in Fig. 3, with the vase protruding about half way above the outer casing, as shown in Fig. 3, to hold flowers. The ring 12 loosely encircles it, as shown. When the flowers have wilted the caretaker of the cemetery can invert the vase, allowing its upper rim 9 to rest on the base 4 of the outer casing, as shown in Fig. 2. In this position the top of the vase is, or should be, substantially level with the ground, so that a lawn-mower may pass over it without injury.

As shown in Fig. 3, the aperture 7 in support 6 permits any water that is received into the vase to flow to the center of the vase and down through the aperture 5.

In Fig. 5 there is illustrated a modification of the vase having a plurality of apertures 13 positioned in the portion of the base between the vase support 6 and the outer casing 1, for the purpose of allowing water to escape to the ground beneath.

What I claim is:—

1. A ground-level cemetery vase comprising an outer casing, a vase support affixed to and extending part way up from the base of the outer casing, a cemetery vase of greater area than the vase support and adapted to rest thereon and invertible to a position in which its upper rim rests on the base of the outer casing, and a ring loosely encircling the vase and resting on the upper rim of the outer casing.

2. A ground-level cemetery vase comprising a cylindrical outer casing, a cylindrical vase support affixed to and extending part way up from the base of the outer casing, a cylindrical cemetery vase of greater area than the vase support and adapted to rest thereon and invertible to a position in which its upper rim rests on the base of the outer casing, and a ring loosely encircling the vase and resting on the upper rim of the outer casing.

3. A ground-level cemetery vase comprising an outer casing, a vase support affixed to and extending part way up from the base of the outer casing, a cemetery vase of greater area than the vase support and adapted to rest thereon and invertible to a position in which its upper rim rests on the base of the outer casing, and a ring loosely encircling the vase and resting on the upper rim of the outer casing, the base of the outer casing having one or more apertures to permit the escape of water from the bottom of the base of the casing.

4. A ground-level cemetery vase comprising a cylindrical outer casing, a cylindrical vase support affixed to and extending part way up from the base of the outer casing, a cylindrical cemetery vase of greater area than the vase support and adapted to rest thereon and invertible to a position in which its upper rim rests on the base of the outer casing, and a ring loosely encircling the vase and resting on the upper rim of the outer casing, the base of the outer casing having one or more apertures to permit the escape of water from the bottom of the base of the casing.

5. A ground-level cemetery vase comprising an outer casing, a vase support affixed to and extending part way up from the base of the outer casing, a cemetery vase of greater area than the vase support and adapted to rest thereon and invertible to a position in which its upper rim rests on the base of the outer casing, and a ring loosely encircling the vase and resting on the upper rim of the outer casing, the base of the outer casing having an aperture to permit the escape of water therethrough, the vase support having apertures to permit water to flow to the aforesaid aperture in the base.

6. A ground-level cemetery vase comprising an outer casing adapted to be embedded in the ground with its upper rim substantially level with the ground, a ring mounted on the upper end of the outer casing, a cylindrical cemetery vase having a flared bottom edge adapted to rest on said rim when the vase is inverted, a vase support mounted on the base of the outer casing and adapted to support the vase in raised position when in use, said vase being invertible to a position in which its bottom is substantially level with the ground.

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