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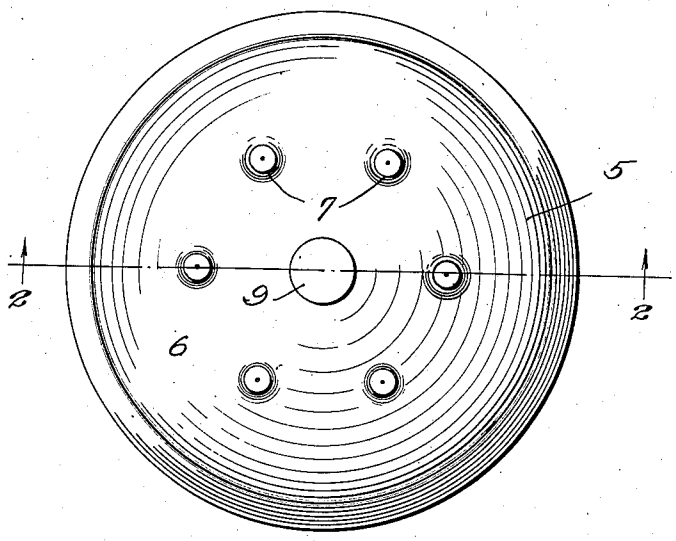


Fig. 1.

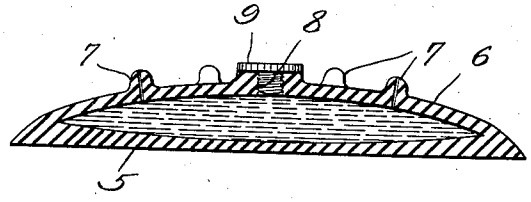


Fig. 2.

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This invention relates to a device designed for delousing hens, the primary object of the invention being to provide a container to be placed in hens' nests for holding delousing fluid to be automatically discharged between the feathers and on to the bodies of the fowls using the nests.

An important object of the invention is to provide a container constructed of flexible material whereby the walls of the container will move under the weight of a hen setting thereon, with the result that the container will act as a bellows forcing fumes from the delousing fluid, and discharging the fluid from the container.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein described, may be made within the scope of what is claimed, without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Referring to the drawing:

Figure 1 is a plan view of a container constructed in accordance with the invention.

Figure 2 is a transverse sectional view therethrough taken on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Referring to the drawing in detail, the container which is indicated generally by the reference character 5, is preferably circular in formation and constructed of flexible material such as rubber or the like.

As shown, the container is hollow, and the upper wall 6 thereof is curved, so that the container will be free of sharp corners which would cause discomfort to the hen using the nest.

Nipples indicated by the reference character 7 are formed on the upper wall of the container, and are extended upwardly therefrom, the nipples being designed to establish communication between the interior of the container and atmosphere.

A central opening indicated by the reference character 8 is formed in the upper wall of the container, the opening being closed by means of the threaded cap 9. This opening 8 affords means whereby the delousing fluid may be poured into the hollow container.

It will of course be understood that the bottom of the container is flat, so that it will rest evenly in the bottom of the nest.

From the foregoing it will be seen that due to the construction shown and described, the weight of a hen entering a nest supplied with a delousing device constructed in accordance with the invention, will move the upper wall of the container downwardly forcing fumes and delousing liquid through the nipples 7, discharging the fumes and liquid between the feathers and onto the body of the hen entering the nest, killing lice which may be on the fowl.

I claim:

A device for delousing fowls, comprising a hollow body portion constructed of rubber material and having a flat lower surface, the upper wall of the body portion being curved upwardly and formed with openings, said upper wall having a central opening through which material may be placed into the body portion, and the upper wall of the body portion adapted to move downwardly under the weight of a fowl setting thereon, forcing delousing fluid through the openings and onto the body of the fowl.

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