

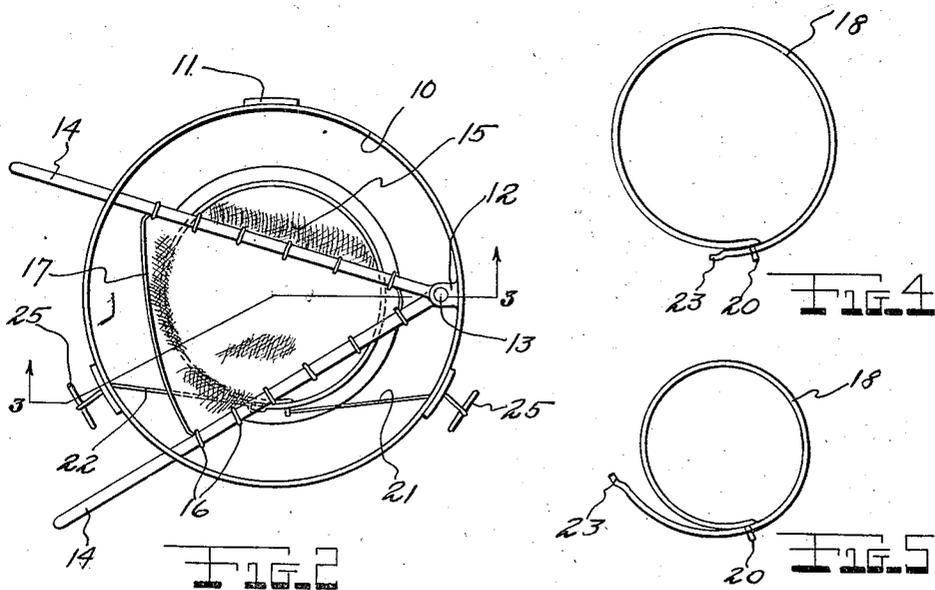
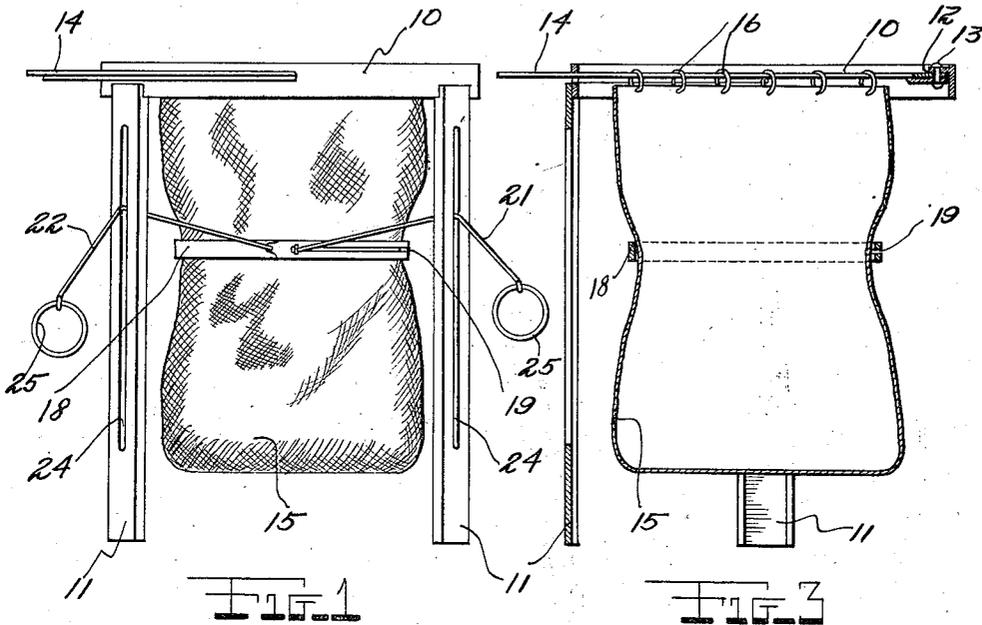
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CECILIE ECKERT, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Culinary Presses, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in devices used in the culinary art and particularly for domestic purposes.

The principal object of the invention is to provide a device which may be used in straining gravies, expressing the juices of crushed fruits and numerous other purposes of a similar nature constantly occurring in household practice.

Another purpose is to produce a device in which partially fluid articles in a heated condition can be readily pressed without danger of burning the hands or causing discomfort to the user.

A further aim is in the provision of a cheap but effective device for accomplishing the foregoing purposes, the device being so constructed as to be readily cleansed in a thorough manner.

These and analogous objects are attained by the novel construction and disposition of parts, hereafter described and shown in the annexed drawing, in which:—

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of an embodiment of the invention.

Figure 2 is a top plan view of the same.

Figure 3 is a vertical sectional view taken on line 3—3 of Figure 2.

Figure 4 is a plan view of the clamping ring in an expanded position.

Figure 5 is a similar view of the same as partially contracted.

The device is composed of a stand which includes a rigid ring 10 supported by legs 11, three being shown as preferable, these legs being adapted to rest upon any convenient level surface.

Fixed to the inside of the ring 10, near its upper edge, is a lug 12 carrying a pivot 13 by which is hingedly engaged a pair of levers 14 which extend outwardly through slots in the ring and terminate in handle elements.

A bag 15 made of any suitable textile fabric is closed at the bottom and open at

the top, its upper edge being provided with a series of rings 16 fixed at spaced intervals and adapted to slidingly engage the levers 14, a uniform number being disposed on each to support the bag in the manner clearly indicated and a bent wire 17 is shaped to engage the outer rings, thus maintaining the levers in spaced relation while in use.

A flexible band 18 is adapted to encircle the bag at any point in its length, the band having an elongated slot 19 through a portion of its length adapted to receive a projection 20 fixed to extend outwardly from the opposite end of the band and attached to the projection is a cord or like flexible element 21.

A similar element 22 is fastened to the end 23 of the band, these elements extending out through slots 24 in the legs 11 and provided with pull rings 25 at their ends by which the band can be stressed to clamp the bag, creating pressure on its contents and expressing liquids through the interstice of the fabric.

In operation, the fabric bag is suspended from the levers, the article to be pressed placed in the bag, the clamp ring 18 adjusted and the hand rings 25 pulled in opposite directions thus drawing the walls of the bag towards each other or inwardly for the purpose set forth.

Obviously the bag can be dismantled after use and the entire device subjected to cleansing operation.

What I claim is:—

1. A culinary press comprising a bag made of textile fabric and having an open top, a series of rings fixed in the upper edge of the bag, a pair of manually operable levers over which said rings are disposed, a frame on which said levers are pivoted and guided, a constraining band suited to engage said bag at different points along its length, and means for forcibly decreasing the operative length of said band whereby the liquid content of said bag may be extended.

2. A culinary press comprising a fixed ring, legs supporting said ring, said legs containing slots, a lug projecting inward from said ring, a pair of levers pivoted on said lug, said levers projecting through slots in the ring, a bag suited to contain

material to be pressed, rings fixed spacedly in the upper edge of said bag, said rings engaging said levers, a band adapted to encircle said bag means in said band permitting contraction, flexible elements fixed to the ends of said band, said elements passing through the slots in said legs, and hand engageable rings carried at the outer ends of said flexible elements whereby the ring may be forced against the walls of said bag. 10

In witness whereof I have affixed my signature.

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