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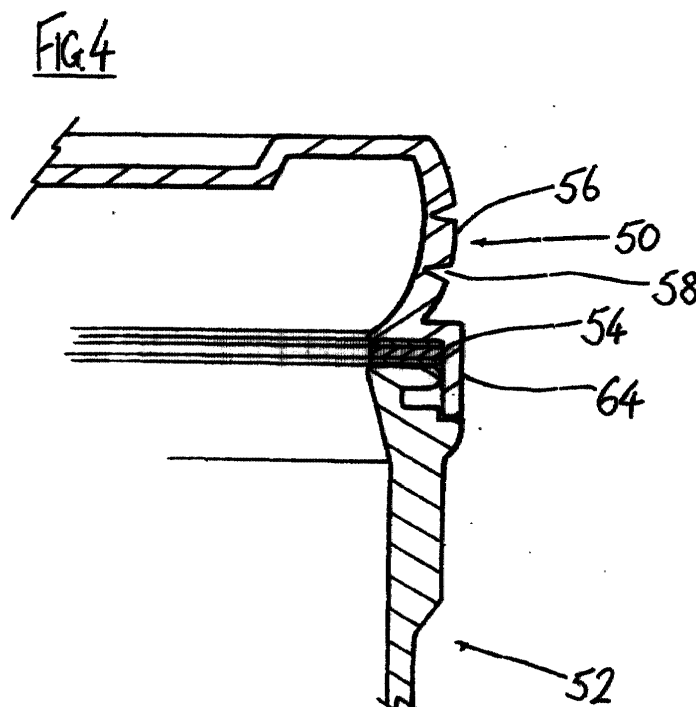
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(54) **Container comprising receptacle, sealing band and lid**

(57) A container is disclosed which comprises a receptacle (2,52,92) having an opening for emersion of contents and a lid which can be located on the receptacle to close the opening. In order to seal the lid to the receptacle a sealing band (18,54,70) with heat sensitive material on two opposed surfaces is positioned in a recess formed between the receptacle and the lid, extend-

ing around the opening. The band contacts both the receptacle and the lid so that application of heat causes the band to seal to both, forming a seal for the container. Opening means such as a tear strip are provided to enable a user subsequently to gain access to the contents of the container. The container is particularly well suited to being aseptically filled, e.g. with foodstuffs.



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