

April 12, 1938.

J. W. GRANT

2,113,688

BASKET

Filed Feb. 3, 1937

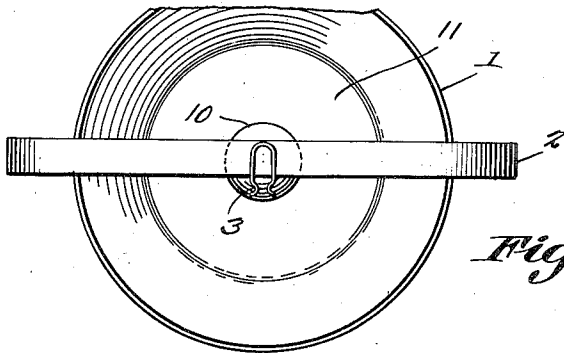


Fig. 2.

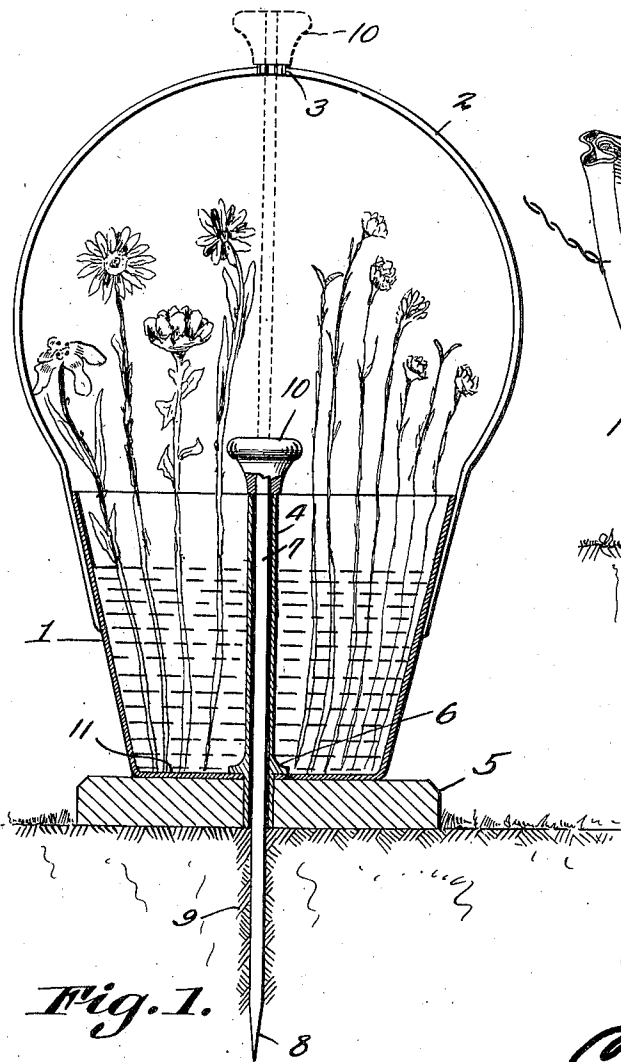
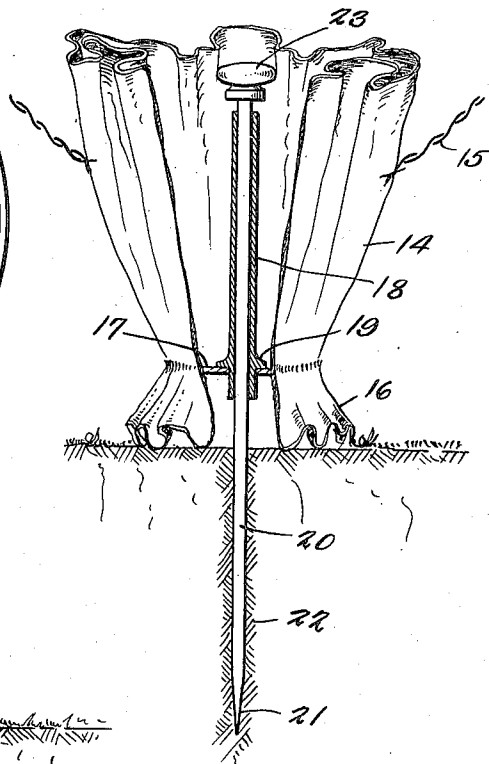


Fig. 1.

Fig. 3.



Inventor
J. W. Grant

By

Chas. H. Snow & Co.

Attorneys.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

2,113,688

BASKET

Jordan W. Grant, Portsmouth, Va.

Application February 3, 1937, Serial No. 123,920

1 Claim. (Cl. 47—41)

This invention aims to provide novel means for holding a flower basket or similar container upright on a grave, or elsewhere, the container preserving its water tight features.

5 It is within the province of the disclosure to improve generally and to enhance the utility of devices of that type to which the present invention appertains.

10 With the above 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 disclosed, may be made within the scope of what is claimed, without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the accompanying drawing:

20 Fig. 1 shows in vertical section, a device constructed in accordance with the invention, parts being in elevation;

Fig. 2 is a top plan wherein parts are broken away;

25 Fig. 3 is an elevation showing a modification, parts being broken away.

In Figs. 1 and 2, there is shown a container for flowers or the like, which may comprise a frusto-conical body 1 having a bottom 11, the body being supplied with an arched handle 2. To the crown 30 of the handle 2 is secured a transverse U-shaped retaining means, such as a resilient clip 3.

A vertical tube 4 is secured in the bottom 11 of the body 1 and in a base 5 on which the bottom 11 of the body 1 rests, the tube 4 being supplied 35 with an annular shoulder 6 which engages the upper surface of the bottom 11. A water tight joint is effected where the tube 4 passes through the bottom 11 of the body 1, so that water in the body cannot leak away.

40 A pin or prong 7 is supplied and is equipped at its lower end with a point 8 adapted to enter the earth 9. At its upper end, the prong 7 has

a head 10. The prong 7 is thrust downwardly through the tube 4 until the head 10 rests on the upper end of the tube 4, and until the pointed end 8 of the prong enters the earth 9. It will be obvious that the container will be held securely in an upright position, against tipping over due to action of the wind or otherwise.

When the prong 7 is not in use, it may be pulled up to the dotted position of Fig. 1, the prong being engaged with the clip 3, and the head 10 10 being above the clip.

In Fig. 3, the body of the container is marked by the numeral 14 and is made of fluted metal or other material, the arched handle appearing at 15 the base at 16 and the bottom at 17. 15 The base 16 is of flared and fluted construction.

The tube 18 is mounted water tight in the bottom 17 and has an annular shoulder 19 corresponding to the shoulder 6. The prong is shown at 20 and has a pointed end 21 adapted to enter the earth 22. The head of the prong or pin is marked by the numeral 23.

The operation of the device shown in Fig. 3 does not differ materially from the operation of the device shown in Figs. 1 and 2. The clip 3 25 of Figs. 1 and 2, or its equivalent, is used on the handle 15 of Fig. 3.

The construction of the device, in either of its forms, is such that a container for flowers may be held upright without detracting from the appearance of the container and without impairing the water tight characteristics of the container.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

In a device of the class described, a container 35 having a handle and provided with a bottom, an upstanding tube mounted in the bottom, and an earth-engaging prong insertible through the tube, the handle and the prong having interengaging elements which hold the prong elevated and in 40 an inoperative position.

JORDAN W. GRANT.