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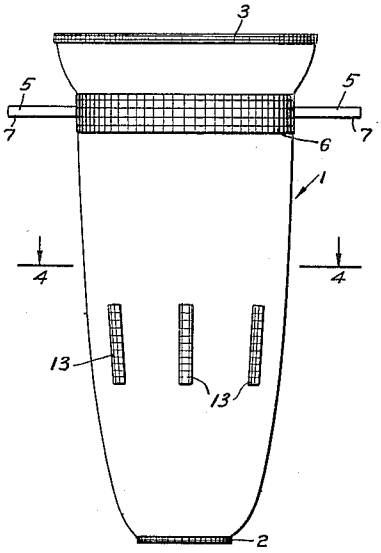


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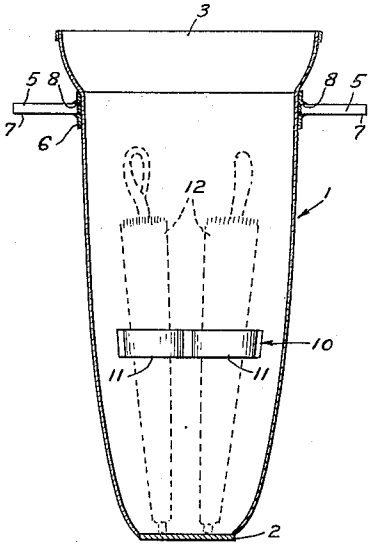


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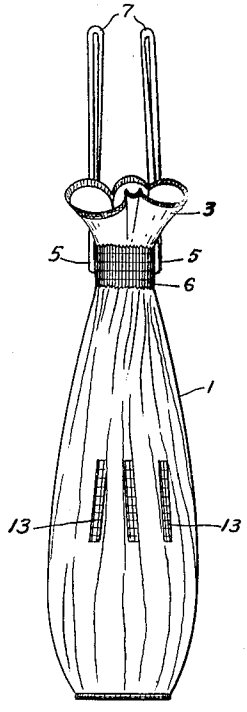


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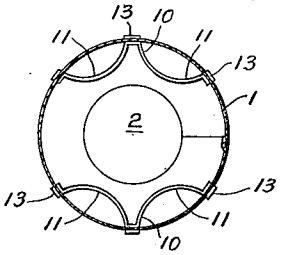


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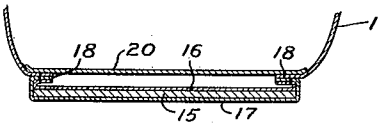


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This invention relates to an umbrella container.

The object of this invention is to provide a soft collapsible container in which one or more umbrellas may be stored.

Another object of this invention is to provide an umbrella container which has a specially constructed waterproof bottom.

Another object of this invention is to provide an umbrella container having means to keep umbrellas separated therein.

Another object of this invention is to provide flexible means for closing said umbrella container.

Another object of this invention is to provide a device of the type described which is simple in construction, durable and efficient for the purpose intended.

Other objects and advantages will appear as the specification proceeds and the novel features of the device will be particularly pointed out in the claim hereto annexed.

My invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing in which:

Fig. 1 is a side view of the umbrella container shown open.

Fig. 2 is a side view of the umbrella container shown closed.

Fig. 3 is a central vertical cross-section of the open umbrella container.

Fig. 4 is a horizontal cross-section of the said container taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 1; and

Fig. 5 is an enlarged sectional view of the bottom of the container showing the details of construction thereof.

In detail my umbrella container consists of a substantially cylindrical body portion 1, which gradually tapers downwardly toward the bottom 2. The top portion 3 is preferably flared out. The body 1 is preferably made out of translucent plastic material, such as pearltone, or any other waterproof material.

At the top of the body 1 and under the flared out portion 3 I provide means for closing the container, which means comprise two ribbons 5, each arranged around said body under a cover belt 6. The free ends 7 of said ribbons 5 are pulled through the holes 8 in said cover belt 6. When the ribbons 5 are pulled, the top of the body 1 closes as shown in Fig. 2.

Inside the container I provide two or more umbrella holding strips 10, each of which is sewn, cemented, or otherwise attached to the body 1 in three places so as to form two loops 11 into which the umbrellas 12 may be inserted as shown in Fig. 3.

In order to cover the seams by which the strips 11 are attached to the body 1, and to improve the appearance of the latter, said seams are covered by the pieces 13 of soft material sewn, cemented, or otherwise attached to said body 1.

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The bottom 2 is round in shape and consists of a disk 15 made of wood, hard plastic, or the like. The disk 15 is sewn between two pieces 16 and 17 of material, first of which is on the top and the other is on the bottom of said disk. The seam 18 connecting said pieces 16 and 17 is so made that it is located at the top edge of the disk 15 and the rims of said pieces are directed toward the center of said disk. The lower end of the body piece 1 is attached to said seam 18 whereupon a round cover piece 20 is sewn, cemented or otherwise attached to the lowermost part of the body portion 20 as to cover the seam 18. This construction makes the bottom 2 waterproof, and at the same time attractive, as it makes the seam 18 invisible from outside and inside as well.

The bottom 2 is made of hard material to provide firm support for the umbrellas in the container, and to preserve and define the shape of the container and thereby to insure an easy insertion into and withdrawal of the umbrellas from the container.

The umbrella container is intended for safe storage of umbrellas wherein the latter will be well protected from dust and dirt and where they can be readily found when needed.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:

An umbrella container comprising a substantially cylindrical elongated body made of soft pliable material, and having an open flared out top; a hard circular bottom closing the lower end of said body; a pair of strips of material oppositely arranged around the top of the body, a cover belt for slidably supporting said strips, said strips being adapted to close the top when the free ends of said strips are pulled, a plurality of strips attached to the body inside thereof to hold umbrellas therein apart from each other.

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