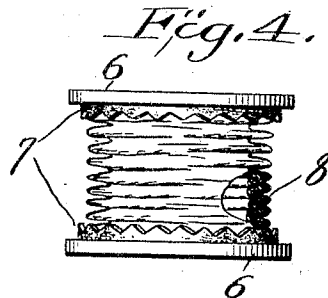
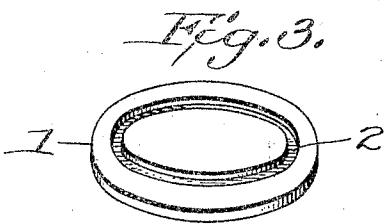
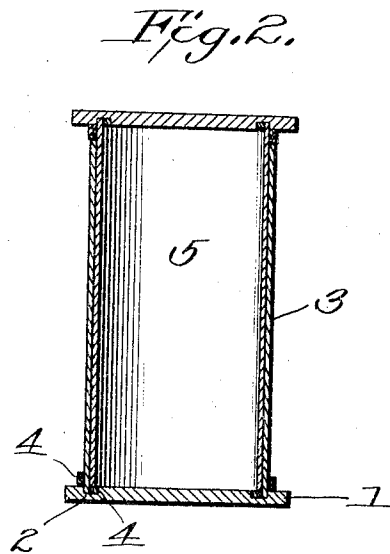
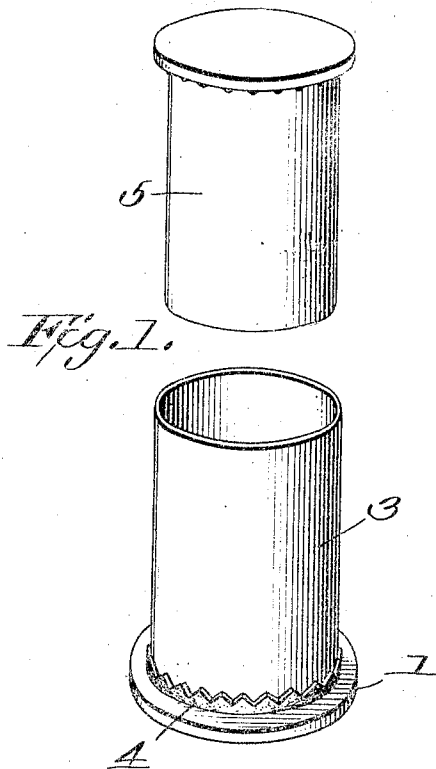


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. BAIRD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Burlington, in the county of Des Moines and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Sanitary Drinking-Cups, of which the following is: specification.

This invention relates to a sanitary drinking cup and the object of the invention is to produce a cup which can be made so cheaply that if desired they can be thrown away after one use.

Another object of the invention is to provide a double cup, the two cups telescoping so that the interior of each cup will be sealed against dust and dirt until separated for use, this construction having the further advantage that the purchaser receives two cups, each capable of independent use when separated.

A further object of the invention is to provide a double cup, which can be folded into a small space, so that the same can be conveniently carried in the pocket, the cups when folded, interlocking and being automatically extended when separated.

With these objects in view, the invention consists of the novel features of construction hereinafter described, pointed out in the claims and shown in the accompanying drawings, in which,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device, the two cups being shown separated. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section through the cups fitted together. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a cup base. Fig. 4 is a side elevation, partly broken away and in section showing the cups formed of a material adapted to fold.

Any material desired may be employed in the construction of these cups and in the drawings, 1 represents a circular base of a diameter greater than that of the cup and provided with an annular groove 2. In this groove is fitted one end of a cylinder 3, which forms the body of the cup, a suitable medicated packing 4 being placed upon the exterior of the cylinder and also in the groove and upon the exterior of the cylinder, all of these parts being secured together by

a suitable cement. A second cup 5 is formed in exactly the same manner, the body portion of the second cup being of less diameter than that of the first described cup so that the body of the second cup will slide within and snugly fit the first mentioned cup. The rims of both cups bear against the bottom of the other cup, so that when the cups are fitted together as shown in Fig. 2, they are closed at each end thus sealing them against the admission of dirt or dust. Preferably when the body of the cup is to be rigid, the same is formed of any suitable light water-proof paste-board.

When it is desired to form the cups so that the base of the two cups can be pressed toward each other, thus folding the cups, I provide each cup with a base 6 and with a packing 7 and the body of the cups is formed of a thin paper covered with paraffin or other water-proofing material. The bottoms or bases 6 of the folding cups are similar to the bottom 1 already described. When the cups are made of thin paper adapted to fold as shown in Fig. 4, the walls of the two cups will interlock when the cups are folded and consequently when the bases are drawn apart in order to separate the cups the body portion of each cup will be automatically drawn out into position for use. If desired the bottoms of the cups may be formed of aluminum, although a stiff pasteboard can be used for the cheaper grade.

What I claim is:

1. A device of the kind described, comprising duplicate cups, each having a rigid base, and flexible, foldable side portions, one of said cups being adapted to fit within the other, the rim of one cup engaging the base of the other, said bases being movable toward each other when the cups are folded.

2. A device of the kind described comprising two cups provided with rigid bases and flexible body portions, the body portion of one cup being adapted to fit within that of the other, the said body portions folding upon each other when the bases are moved toward each other and unfolding when the bases are drawn outwardly, as and for the purpose set forth.

3. A device of the kind described comprising two cups having rigid bases and flexible body portions, the body portion of one cup reversibly telescoping that of the
5 other cup, and the said body portions folding one upon the other when telescoping thereby bringing the base portions of said

cups into proximity to each other, as and for the purpose set forth.

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