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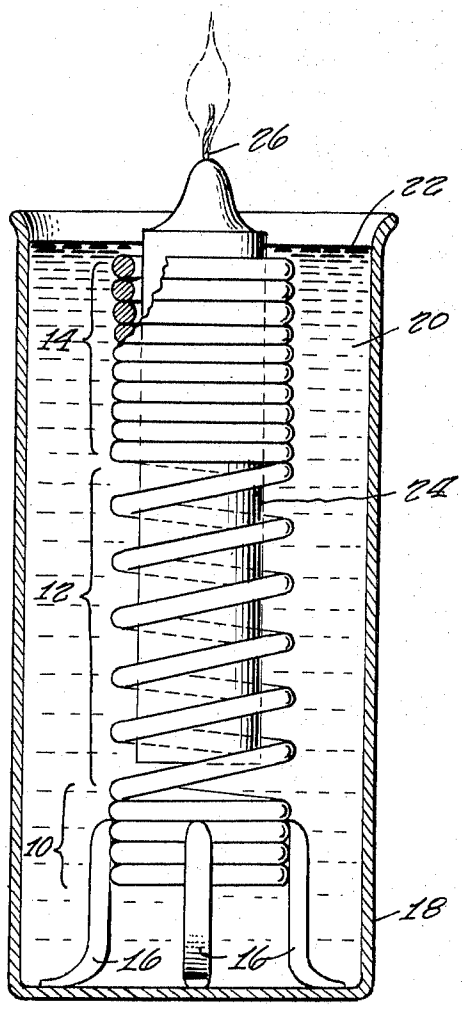


Fig. 1

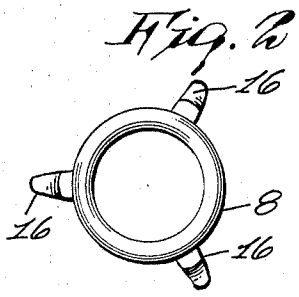


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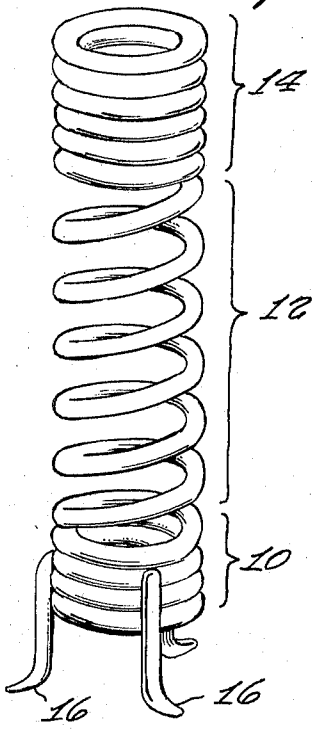


Fig. 3

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This application is a substitute for application filed December 3, 1962, Serial No. 241,595, now abandoned.

My invention is directed toward a device for guiding a candle in a container of water whereby the candle floats in the water, and gradually floats to the top as the candle burns. I call this device an aquatic candle guide.

It is an object of my invention to provide a new and improved device of the character indicated which has the following advantages, the candle can be burned completely; the candle cannot fall or bend and start a fire; the heat of burning cannot crack the glass or other container; the candle can be kept cool at all times, thus assuring longer life; the candle can burn and produce light in any container, the lit portion of the candle maintaining a constant level; novel reflections can be obtained from the burning candle by using colored water when placed in a glass or other transparent container.

All of the foregoing and still further objects and advantages of my invention will now be explained when this specification is studied together with the accompanying drawings wherein:

FIGURE 1 is a side elevation of my invention in operative use in a container;

FIGURE 2 is a top view of my invention; and

FIGURE 3 is a perspective view of my invention.

Referring now to the drawings, my candle guide comprises a strand 8 of wire or other heat resistant colorable material which is formed into an integral unit having bottom abutting turns defining a bottom cylinder 10, a helically shaped middle section 12, and a top cylinder 14 formed by abutting turns. Three equi-

distantly spaced legs 16 are secured to the bottom cylinder 10.

The guide is placed into a glass or other container 18, the container having such a depth that the guide fits completely therein. Container 16 contains water 20 at a level 22 above the top of the guide. A candle 24 is placed in the hollow interior of the guide and is lit at 26. The length of the candle must be less than the depth of the container so that the candle can float therein.

While I have described my invention with particular reference to the drawings, my protection is to be limited only by the terms of the claims which follow.

I claim:

1. In combination with a water filled vertical container open at its top end, a candle guide in said container, said guide consisting of a strand of heat resistant material having bottom abutting turns defining a bottom cylinder, top abutting turns defining a top cylinder, and a middle section of turns interconnecting the top and botom cylinders and forming a helix wherein the adjacent turns have a substantially greater separation than the abutting adjacent turns in either one of said cylinders, the cross-sectional areas of said cylinders and said helix being identical, and legs secured to the bottom of the bottom cylinder.

2. The combination as set forth in claim 1, further including a candle disposed within said guide, the candle length being less than the depth of the container.

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