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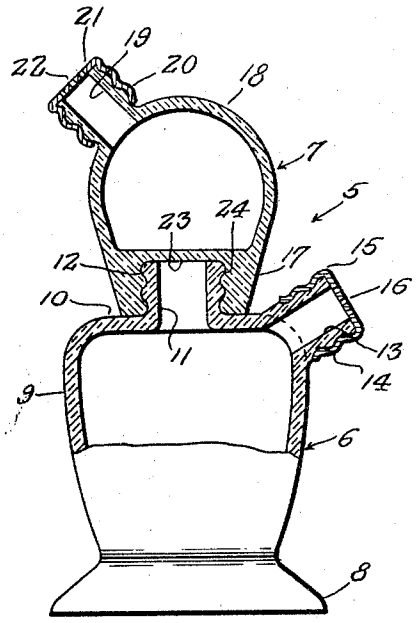


Fig. 1.

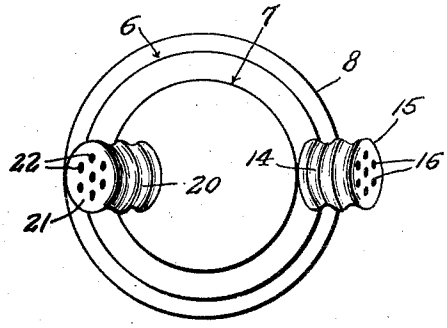


Fig. 2.

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My invention relates generally to containers, and particularly to containers having a plurality of compartments, each having a separate means for gaining access thereto.

It is an important object of my invention to provide a device of the character described wherein the compartments are bodily separable, but coact in such a manner as to each complete the other, and form a whole which is easily manipulable to discharge separately the contents of each individual compartment, without effecting discharge of the contents of the other.

It is also an important object of my invention to provide a device of the character described, wherein during discharge position of one compartment, the other compartment will be so positioned as to be prevented from discharging gravitationally.

Other objects and advantages of my invention will be apparent from a reading of the following description in connection with the drawing, wherein for purposes of illustration I have shown a preferred embodiment of my invention.

In the drawing:—

Figure 1 is a transverse vertical sectional view through an embodiment of the invention.

Figure 2 is a top plan view of Figure 1.

The construction and arrangement and formation of the parts of the invention and the manner of their coaction has been expressly designed to provide not only for attractiveness in appearance and form and ease of manipulation, but with considerations of ease of manufacture from a number of different materials in view.

Referring in detail to the drawing wherein like numerals refer to like parts throughout the same, the numeral 5 designates generally the body, which comprises the lower compartment generally designated 6 and the upper compartment generally designated 7.

The lower compartment 6 comprises a bottom and base portion 8 upon which is erected a hollow upwardly extending barrel body portion 9 which terminates in a flattened top 10 provided centrally with an upwardly projecting neck 11 which is exteriorly screw-threaded as indicated at 12.

In one side of the compartment 6 at the juncture of the flat top 10 and the side wall thereof is an upwardly and angularly disposed neck 13 which is exteriorly screw-threaded as indicated at 14 to receive a threaded closure cap 15 which for certain purposes may be provided with discharge perforations 16. Either the neck 11 or the neck 14 may be used for filling purposes, and the neck 14 will be used almost exclusively for discharge purposes.

The upper compartment 7 comprises an inverted frusto-conical base portion 17 on which is erected a hollow three-quarter spherical body 18 which is provided in one side of its rounded top with an upwardly and angularly directed neck 19 which is exteriorly screw-threaded as indicated at 20 to receive a screw-threaded cap 21 which may be provided in its top with discharge perforations 22.

The base 17 is provided with a vertical recess opening from its bottom which is generally designated 23. Its side walls are screw-threaded as indicated at 24 for threading upon the exteriorly screw-threaded neck 11 of the lower compartment for closing the same. The neck 19 is to be utilized for both discharge and filling the compartment 7. The entire compartment 7 acts as a closure for the compartment 6, specifically the neck 11 thereof, while the compartment 6 acts as a base and support for the upper compartment 7 and as a handle for the manipulation of the compartment 7. Likewise the compartment 7 may be utilized as a handle for manipulating the lower compartment 6 as when pouring material from the spout or neck 13.

The compartments may be made of any suitable material such as metal or ceramic materials, and either cast, moulded or in any other way manufactured and formed to the approximate form and contours illustrated and described.

The screw-threads 12 on the lower compartment neck 11 and the screw-threads 24 in the recess 23 of the upper compartment 7 are so related that the spouts or necks 19, 13 will

be diametrically opposed when the compartments are assembled together, so that when a pouring operation is being conducted with one of the spouts, no pouring will take place from the other spout or neck. The pouring being done by tilting the device, these effects occur necessarily from the arrangements shown and described. It should be noted that while filling of the lower compartment may be done by removing the closure cap 15, that the filling would ordinarily be done by removing the compartment 7 so as to gain access to the interior of the compartment 6 through the neck 11, in which case the compartment 7 is more properly referred to as a cover for the compartment 6.

Although I have shown and described herein a preferred embodiment of my invention, it is to be definitely understood that I do not desire to limit the application of the invention thereto, and any change or changes may be made in material and structure and arrangement of parts, within the spirit of the invention and the scope of the subjoined claim.

What is claimed is:—

A device of the character described comprising a hollow base constituting a lower compartment and having a filling neck, a hollow cover connected to the base and closing the filling neck, and constituting an upper compartment, a discharge spout on each compartment, the spouts being directed in different directions, the upper compartment being the handle for the lower compartment.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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