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Fig. 1.

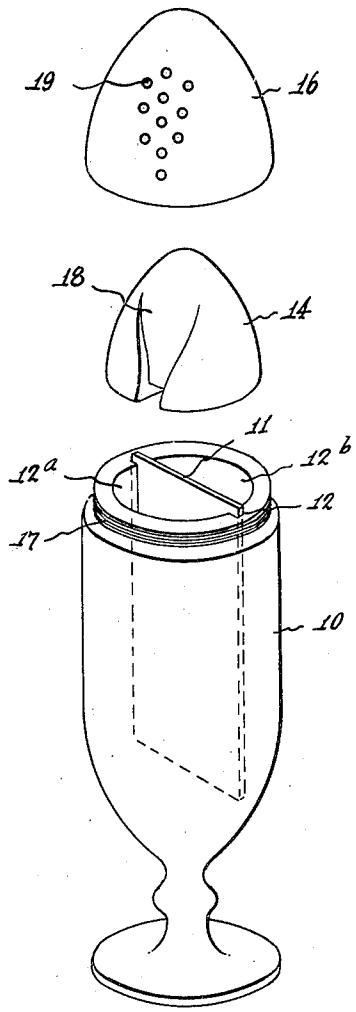


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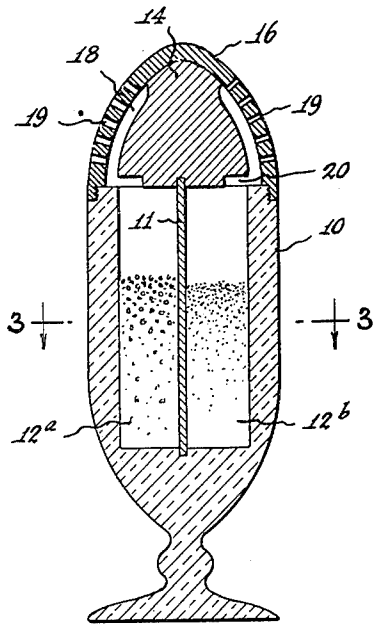


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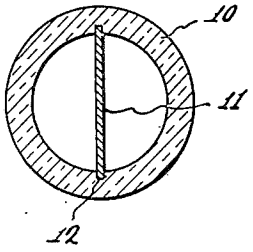
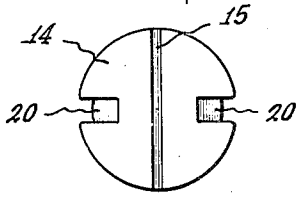


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The object of the invention is to provide a receptacle for use in connection with salt, pepper and the like and constructed in compartmental form, preferably a duality of compartments, so that such seasonings as salt and pepper may be carried in the one receptacle and dispensed selectively or together; to provide a device of the kind indicated, in which the parts are readily separated for cleaning; and to provide a condiment holder which consists of but few parts and is therefore susceptible of cheap manufacture.

With this object in view the invention consists in a construction and combination of parts of which a preferred embodiment is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, wherein:

Fig. 1 is a collective perspective view of the parts comprising the invention.

Fig. 2 is a central vertical sectional view.

Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view on the plane indicated by the line 3—3 of Fig. 2; and

Fig. 4 is a bottom plan view of the cap filler.

The receptacle 10 is interiorly divided by means of a partition 11, the latter being readily removable but held in place when disposed in the receptacle by reason of entering grooves 12, formed on diametrically opposite sides and across the bottom. The partition divides the receptacle into the compartments 12*a* and 12*b*, designed to retain different contents, such as salt and pepper.

The partition 11 is of a length that results in it extending a slight distance above the upper edge of the container, so that it may act as a key for the cap filler 14, the latter having a flat base conforming to the cross-sectional contour of the container, so that it may sit on the upper edge of the latter when the projecting portion of the partition will enter the diametrical groove 15 formed in its base. The base portion of the filler serves as a closure for the upper ends of the compartments 12*a* and 12*b*.

The engagement of the partition with the filler precludes the latter from angular or turning movement relative to the receptacle when the cap member 16 is attached to the latter, the cap being interiorly threaded for engagement with the receptacle on the exterior threads 17 of the latter.

The filler conforms interiorly to the cap except where it is cut away on diametrically opposite sides as indicated at 18, this recessing being on diametrically opposite sides of the groove 15, so that discharge chambers may be provided for the contents of the separate compartments, from which discharge chambers the contents pass through the perforations 19 formed in the wall of the cap on diametrically opposite sides.

Communication between the discharge chambers provided by the recesses 18 and the compartments 12*a* and 12*b* is had by means of recesses 20 formed in the underface of the filler.

Charging of the two compartments of the receptacle may be effected by removing the cap and thereafter the filler and, if the device is to be cleaned before recharging, the partition may be withdrawn, so that the parts may be thoroughly cleansed. When assembled, the contents of either compartment may be discharged through its respective discharge chamber and the associated cap perforation. By reason of the discharge chambers being formed in the filler and of restricted volume, the discharge of the contents must be attended with oscillation or shaking of the receptacle, which should be held at an inclination if the contents of one compartment only is to be discharged or substantially in inverted vertical position if the contents from both compartments is to be discharged simultaneously.

The invention having been described, what is claimed as new and useful is:

1. A device for the purpose indicated comprising a container, a removable partition dividing the container into compartments and projecting slightly beyond the upper edge of the latter, a conoidal filler seated on top of the partition and having a groove in which the projecting edge of the partition engages, and a cap attachable to the container and retaining the filler in place, the latter being recessed to provide discharge chambers in communication with the compartments of the container and with perforations formed in the cap and serving as a partition to prevent mixing in the cap of the contents of the compartments.

2. A device for the purpose indicated comprising a container, a partition dividing the container into compartments, a filler seated on top of the container and having an interlocking connection with the partition, and a cap attachable to the container and retaining the filler in place, the filler being solid and filling the cap and being recessed on diametrically opposite faces to provide discharge chambers in communication with the compartments of the container and with perforations formed in the cap, said discharge chambers being isolated from each other.

3. A device for the purpose indicated comprising a container, a removable partition dividing the container into compartments but interlocked with the walls thereof, a filler seated on top of the container and interlocked with the partition, and a cap of upwardly tapering form attachable to the container and retaining the filler in place, the cap being formed with perforations in defined zones on diametrically opposite sides and the filler being solid and substantially filling the cap but being recessed on diametrically opposite sides to provide discharge chambers in communication with the compartments and with the cap perforations.

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