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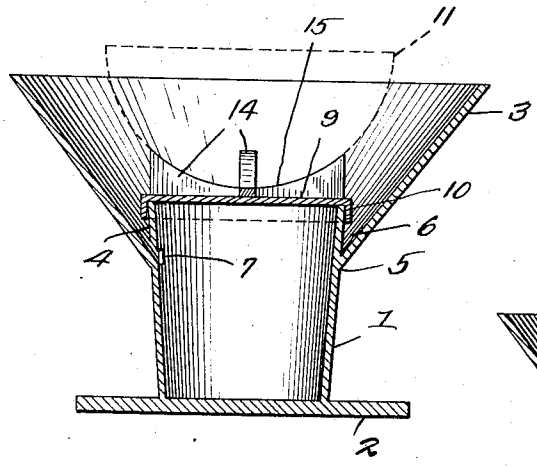


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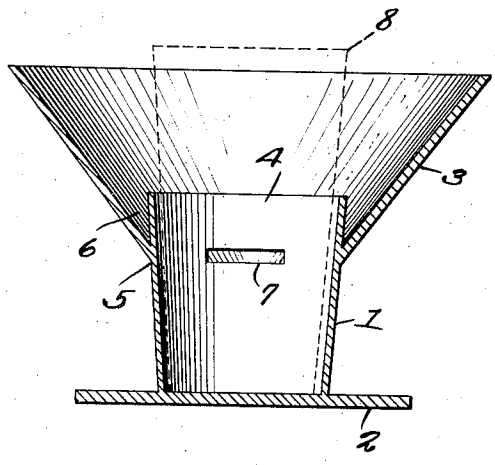


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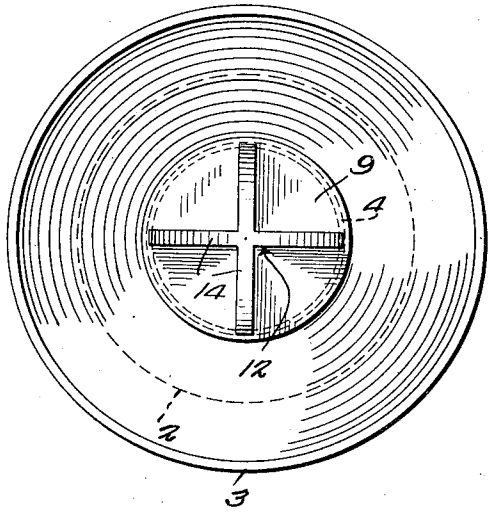
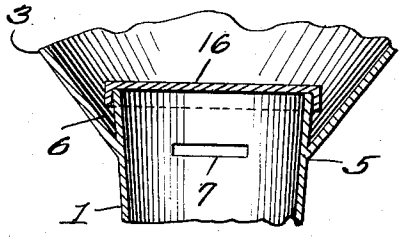


Fig. 4.



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1 Claim. (Cl. 65—61)

This invention aims to provide a serving device, adapted to hold a glass of potable liquid, or a fruit cocktail, the article being so constructed that adequate drainage from the melting ice will be provided, and the device being so constructed that a minimum amount of ice will be necessary to effect the cooling operation.

It is within the province of the disclosure to improve generally and to enhance the utility of devices of that type to which the present invention appertains.

With the above and other objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein disclosed, may be made within the scope of what is claimed, without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the accompanying drawing:

Fig. 1 shows in vertical section, an article constructed in accordance with the invention;

Fig. 2 is a top plan;

Fig. 3 is a vertical section at right angles to the cutting plane in Fig. 1;

Fig. 4 is a sectional view showing a modified form of lid.

The device forming the subject matter of this application may be made of any material commonly employed in the construction of what may be alluded to generally as "drinking glasses". It comprises a tubular tumbler holder and ice-drip collector 1, carried by a supporting disk 2 or other foot, shaped as desired. The numeral 3 designates an ice receptacle, preferably funnel-shaped, and connected at its lower end to the tumbler holder and water collector 1 close to the upper end of the holder. The tumbler holder and water collector 1 includes a short, tubular extension or ice-holder 4, prolonged upwardly above the place 5 where the ice receptacle 3 is connected to the tumbler holder and water collector. Thus there is formed about the extension 4, and within the ice receptacle 3, a collecting trough 6 which receives water from the melting ice, the water finding an exit into the part 1 through any desired number of openings 7 in the extension 4, those openings being located far enough down so that they will drain the trough 6.

A tumbler 8 is placed in the tumbler holder 1, as shown in Fig. 3. The extension 4 has a function other than providing the collecting trough 6. The extension 4 at the upper end of the holder 1 retains the ice, and prevents the ice from sliding down into the holder 1. It is to be observed that the upper portion of the tumbler 8, only, is in contact with the ice. A small amount of ice, therefore, can be used, and the ice overhead can be reduced accordingly. The upper part of the contents of the tumbler 8, only, is subjected to the action of the ice, but the liquid will interchange by convection circulation in the tumbler 8, and a drink may be cooled adequately without embedding the tumbler, throughout its entire height, in ice.

By way of summary, the serving device forming the subject matter of this application comprises a tubular tumbler holder and ice-drip collector 1, and a funnel-shaped ice receptacle 3 connected to the holder 1, at a place close to the upper end of the holder 1, to form, at the upper end of the holder 1, a short tubular stop 4 disposed within the receptacle 3. The combined height of the holder 1 and the stop 4 is greater than the height of the receptacle 3 above the stop 4, and the combined height of the holder 1, the stop 4 and the receptacle 3 is slightly less than the height of the tumbler employed, to permit ice in the receptacle 3 to come into contact with the upper portion of the tumbler 8 and to reduce the amount of ice required. The stop 4 serves to limit ice from sliding into the holder 1 when the tumbler 8 is removed from the holder. The stop 4 is provided with the drainage opening 7, located at the lower end of the receptacle 3 and communicating with the holder 1.

The device is adapted to be used for cooling a fruit cocktail, compounded in a hemispherical piece 11 of fruit, and with that end in view, a lid 9 may be placed on the upper end of the extension 4, the lid being prevented from shucking about, by a depending flange 10 on the lid, extended around the extension 4, which is disposed within the receptacle 3. The construction is such that the piece 11 of fruit always is centered properly in the ice receptacle 3. The lid 9 carries an upstanding fruit seat 12, preferably composed of a plurality of radial wings 14, concaved on their upper edges as shown at 15, to receive and retain the fruit 11. The drainage advantages remain as specified hereinbefore, in connection with the tumbler 8.

The device is easy to handle while filling an order or serving. Uniform cooling is brought about. The article is simple to keep clean and easy to store.

In the event that the piece 11 of fruit is not used, edibles of any kind can be placed in the

receptacle 3, above the lid 9. If the fruit seat 12 is not desired, recourse may be had to the plain lid 16 of Fig. 4, and the lid 16 will serve as a cover for the part 1 when that element is employed simply as a container.

The lid 9 of Fig. 1, or the lid 16 of Fig. 4, can be placed on the tumbler 8 of Fig. 3. Under such circumstances, the packing of the ice will be facilitated, the liquid in the tumbler 8 will be protected, and spilling of the liquid in the course of service will be prevented.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

A device for serving viands in a tumbler, comprising a tubular holder shaped to receive the tumbler used, a laterally-extended foot fixedly assembled with the lower end of the holder, and so shaped on its upper surface that it will shed liquid, in the interest of neatness, a laterally-enlarged ice receptacle fixedly assembled with the holder at a place near enough to the upper end of the holder to form a short extension which prevents ice in the receptacle from sliding into the holder when a tumbler is removed therefrom, the height of the extension, relatively to the height of the receptacle, and the height of the receptacle relatively to the height of the tumbler used, being such that an increased amount of the height of the tumbler, close to the upper end of the tumbler, and where the contents of the tumbler is warmest, will have direct contact with ice in the receptacle, the receptacle and the extension forming a circumscribing trough, the extension having an opening, located at the lowermost portion of the trough and discharging ice-drip into the holder, to conceal the drip.

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