

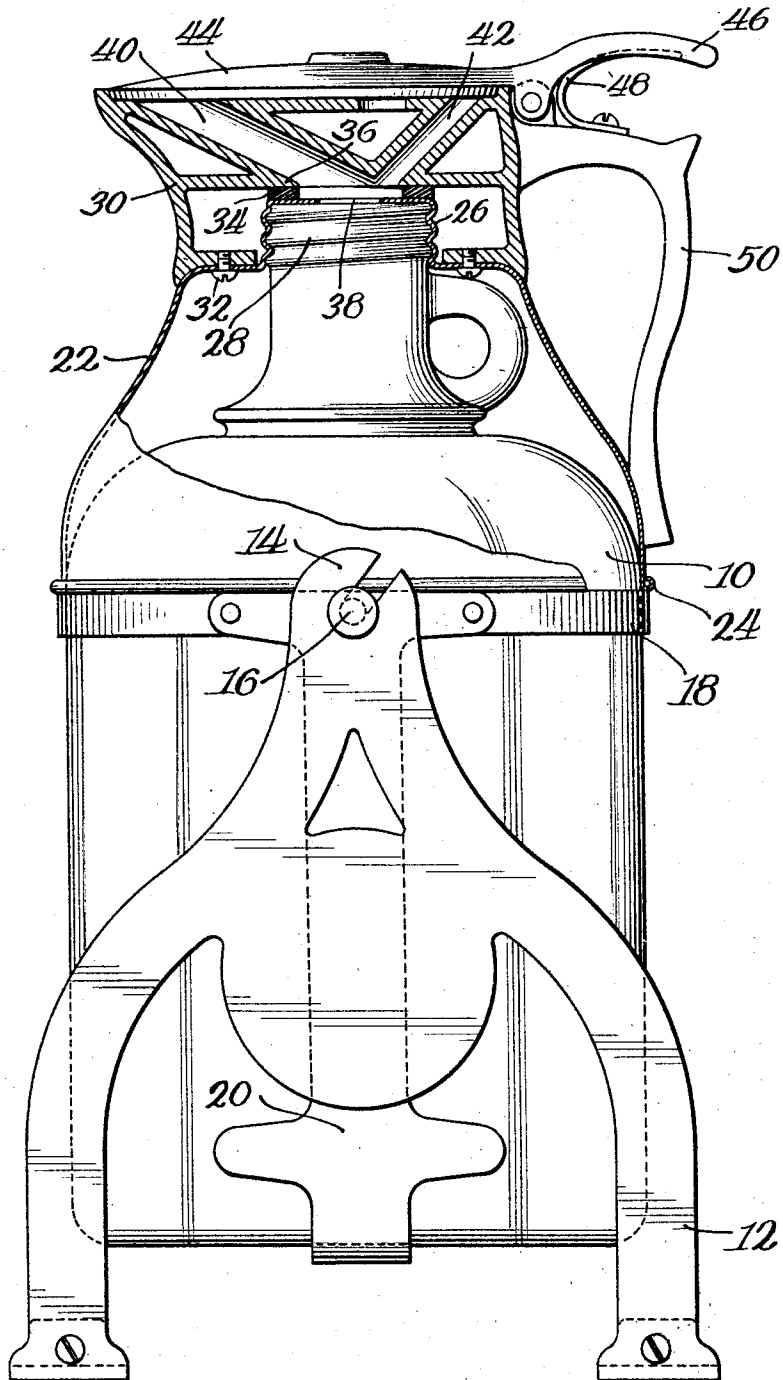
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This invention relates to an improved dispensing attachment for bottles, jugs, or the like, and has for one of its principal objects the provision of means for supporting a jug, jar, bottle or similar container in liquid-holding position while at the same time enabling it to be readily tilted for the purpose of dispensing the contained liquid.

One of the important objects of this invention is to provide an attachment for a bottle or a jug whereby liquid from the same can be conveniently poured without danger of spilling and also maintaining an even flow.

Another important object of the invention is to provide a dispensing stand and support for a bottle or jug, which will enable the same to be kept covered when not in use, thereby avoiding deterioration of the contents.

Another and still further important object of this invention is to provide a neat and ornamental dispensing support for a bottle, jug, or the like, wherein the same is normally held in upright position, but can be readily tilted into dispensing position, and also swung back and forth for agitation of the contents, if necessary.

Other and further important objects of the invention will be apparent from the disclosures in the accompanying drawing and following specification.

The invention, in a preferred form, is illustrated in the drawing and hereinafter more fully described.

In the drawing:

The figure is a side elevation of the improved dispensing attachment of this invention showing the same with a jug therein, parts being broken away, and shown in section.

As shown in the drawing:

The reference numeral 10 indicates generally a jug or jar which may be of glass, earthenware, or other suitable material, the jug illustrated being of a standard make and adapted to be used in the particular dispensing stand illustrated. Obviously, however, the size and dimensions of the dispensing stand may be varied to accommodate various sizes and shapes of jugs, bottles, or the like.

The device comprises essentially a stand composed of four legs or the like 12, each pair of legs being joined as shown and terminating at the top in a slotted bearing 14 for the reception of a pin or the like 16, which in turn is positioned on a bottle supporting frame 18. This bottle supporting frame comprises an annular band adapted to encircle the bottle or jug, and a downwardly extending strap 20 adapted to support the jug from the bottom thereof. The strap 20 is shaped to conform to the contour of the bottle or jug.

Adapted to be removably positioned upon the upper shoulder of the annular band 18 is a cap or cover member 22 formed of any suitable material such as sheet metal and having a fitted lower rim 24 for contact with the member 18.

The upper end 26 of the member 22 is cylindrical, screw-threaded and centrally positioned so as to enable this member to be readily screwed into locking position with the corresponding screw-threaded top 28 of the bottle or jug 10. The length of the downwardly extending skirt of the member 22 is such that the rim 24 will contact with the band 18 when the device is in proper position on the jug.

Mounted upon the upper end of the member 22 is a combination cover and spout composed of suitable metal or the like as shown at 30, this being fastened in position by means of screws or the like 32. A rubber casting 34 is positioned between the upper end of the cylindrical member 26 and the corresponding lower face 36 of an inwardly extending projection forming an integral portion of the spout member 30 as illustrated. An opening 38 in the cap 26 allows the liquid from the jug 10 to flow outwardly through the opening 40 forming a continuation of the element 36, and an intake port 42 for air is likewise provided in the element 30, thereby assuring the ready and continuous flow of liquid from the jug when the same is tilted into dispensing position about the pivots 16.

Hingedly mounted on the top of the member 30 is a cover 44 operated by means of a thumb piece or the like 46, the cover being

normally held in closed position by means of a spring 48 fastened to an operating handle 50 also forming part of the dispensing spout.

It will be evident that herein is provided a neat and attractive dispensing attachment 5 for bottles, jugs, or the like, which is particularly available and adaptable for use in retailing beverages such as orange juice or the like. Further, the bottle is always closed 10 when not in use, thereby avoiding deterioration of the contents, while at the same time there is provided a combination means for easily dispensing the contents and also agitating the contents in the event that such 15 agitation is necessary before dispensing.

I am aware that many changes may be made, and numerous details of construction varied throughout a wide range without departing from the principles of this invention, and I therefore do not purpose limiting 20 the patent granted hereon otherwise than as necessitated by the prior art.

I claim as my invention:

A dispensing attachment, comprising a 25 liquid container in the form of a jug with a threaded neck, a cap adapted to be removably applied to the container, said cap comprising a spout, a cover hingedly mounted on the spout, an operating handle forming 30 part of the cap, and a skirt attached to the cap and spout and projecting downwardly from the spout portion to inclose the upper end of the container, and having a central threaded portion for attachment to the 35 container neck, and a pivotally mounted support for the assembled container and cap, said support comprising a stand, and a receiving element for the lower part of the container pivotally mounted in the stand, 40 said receiving element adapted to contact at its upper edge with the lower edge of the cap when the same are in position on the container, thereby inclosing the container.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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