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[54] **AUXILIARY DEVICE, CARTRIDGE AND APPARATUS FOR TONER SUPPLY**

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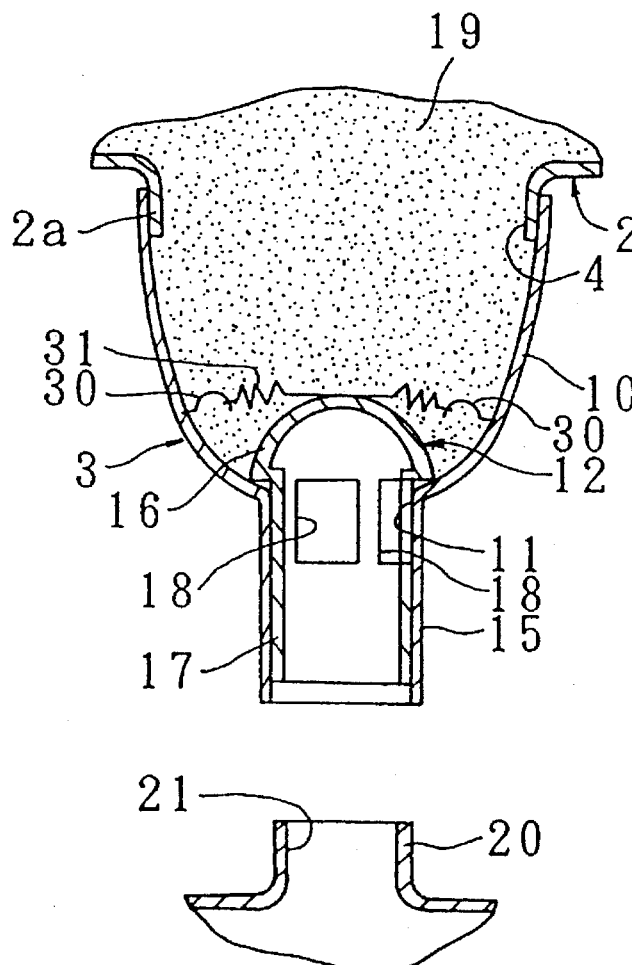
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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A cover **10** is provided to cover the opening of a toner container **2**. The cover **10** is attachable to, and detachable from, the toner container **2**. A valve element **12** capable of closing the opening **11** formed in the cover **10** is pressed up to an opening position by a pressing-up portion **20** provided on a developing apparatus side. Shifting of the valve element **12** to the opening position makes it possible to supply the toner from the toner container **2** to the developing apparatus.

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Fig. 1A

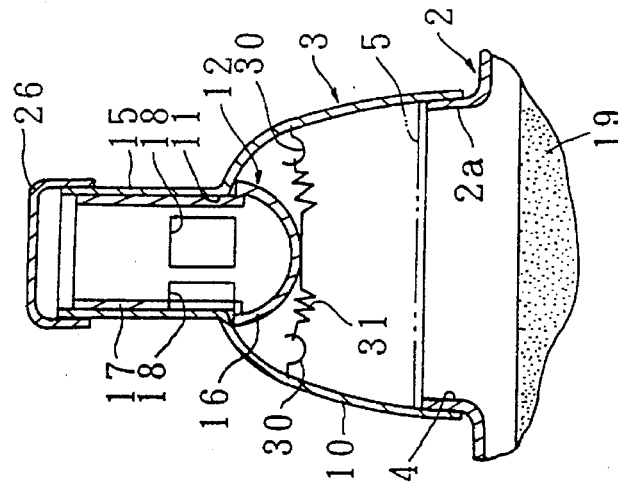


Fig. 1B

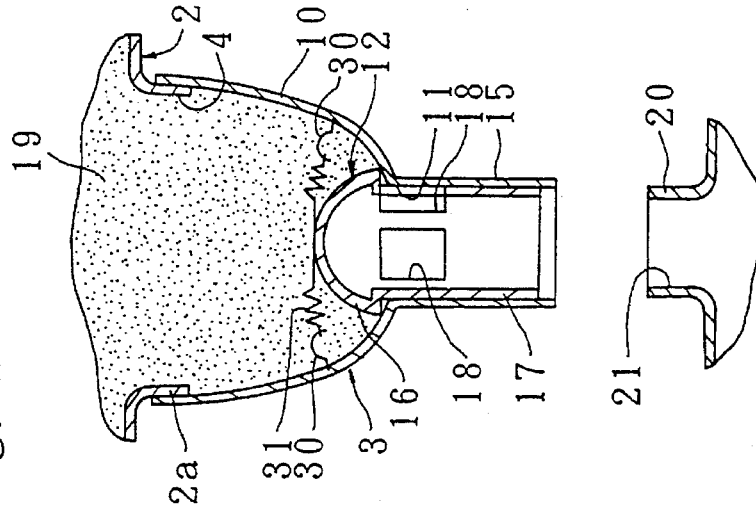


Fig. 1C

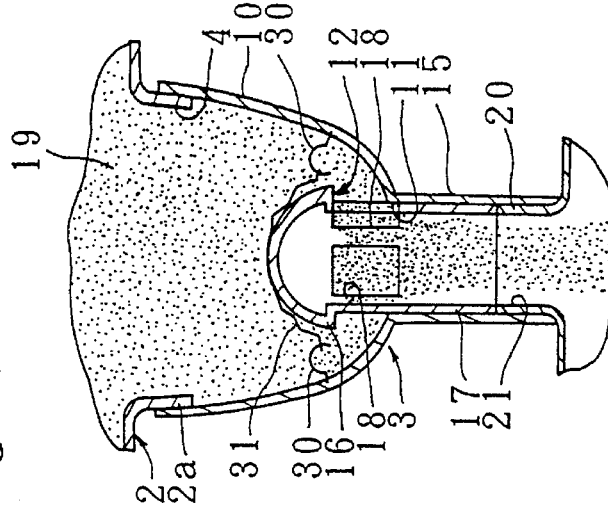


Fig. 2

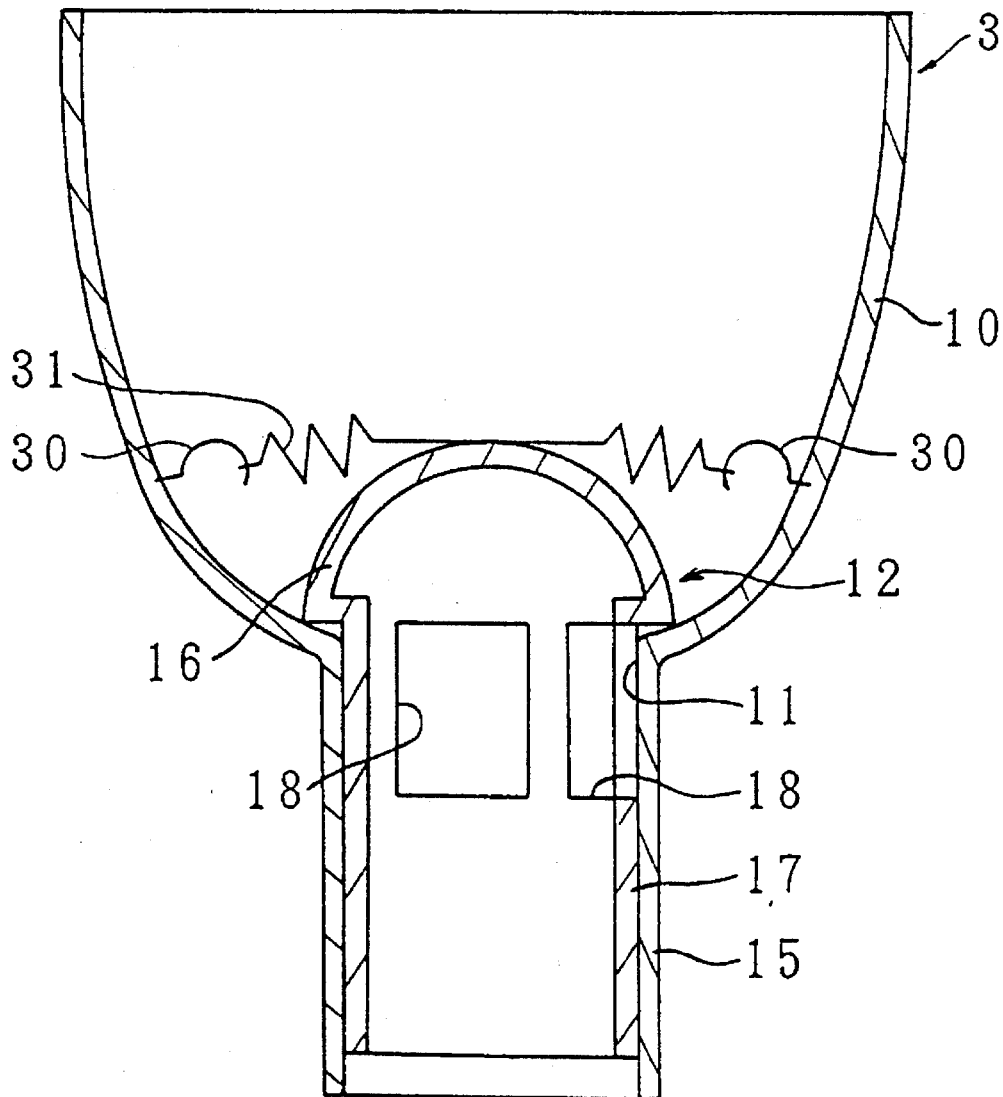


Fig. 3

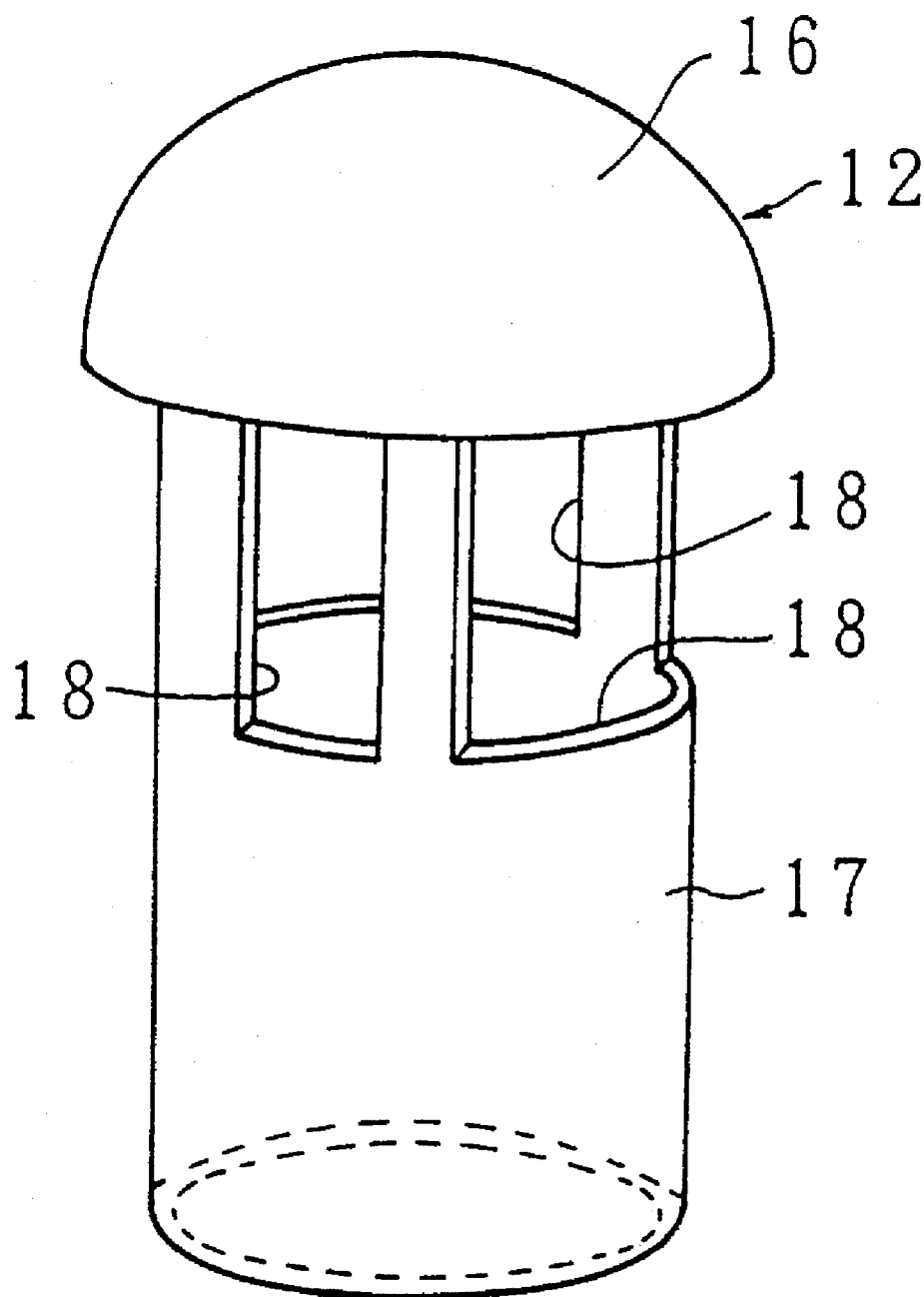
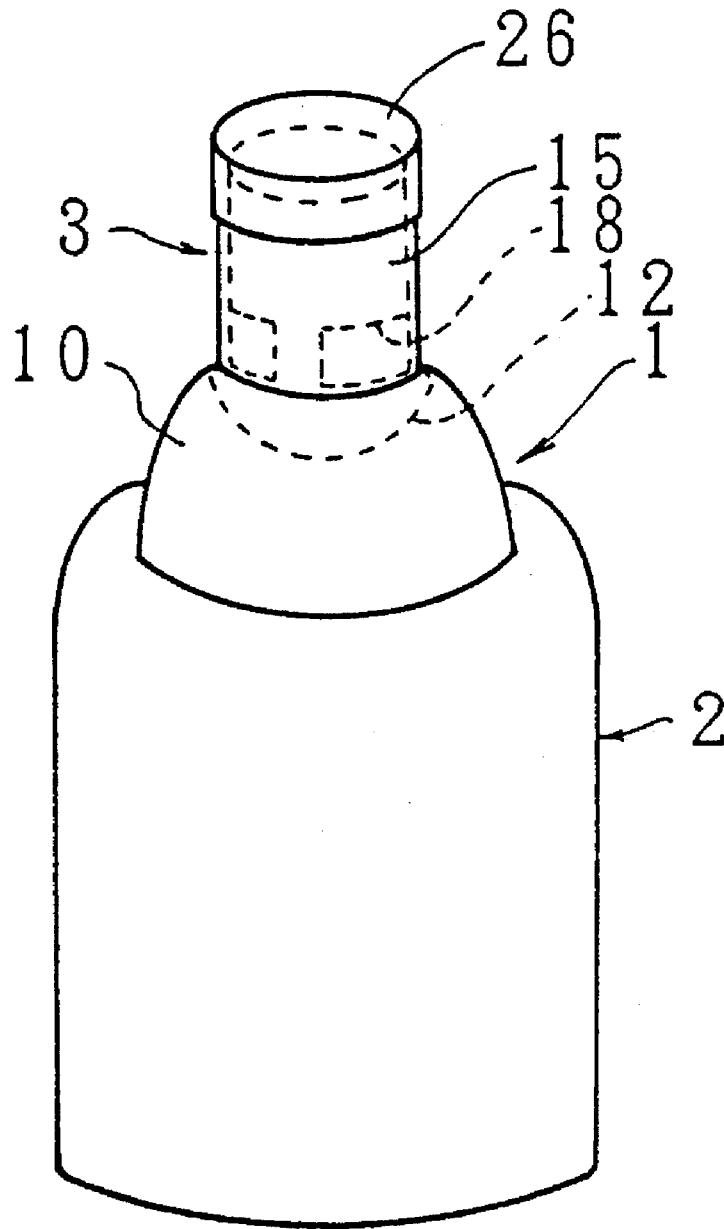


Fig. 4



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