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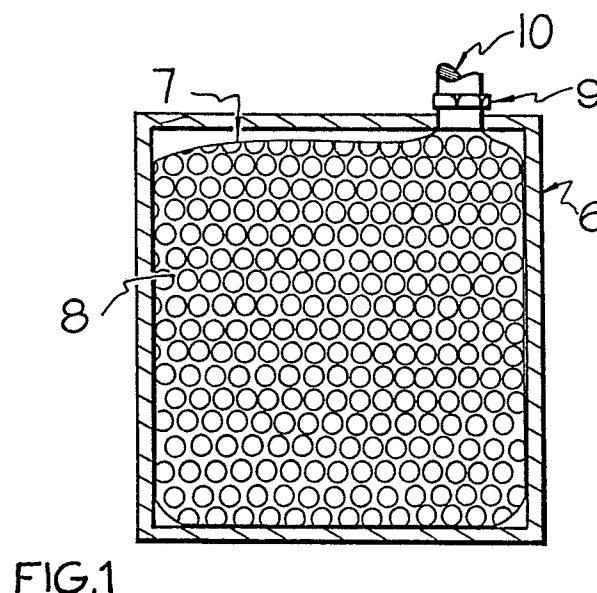
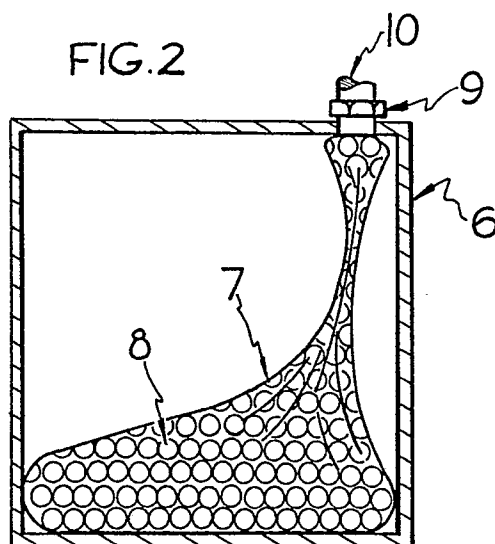
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54 **Flexible containers.**

57 A flexible container (7) suitable for dispensing liquid contents by evacuation. The inner surface of the container wall is perforated or embossed (8). This avoids the need for an insert to assist with dispensing when the flexible container collapses due to evacuation of the contents.

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