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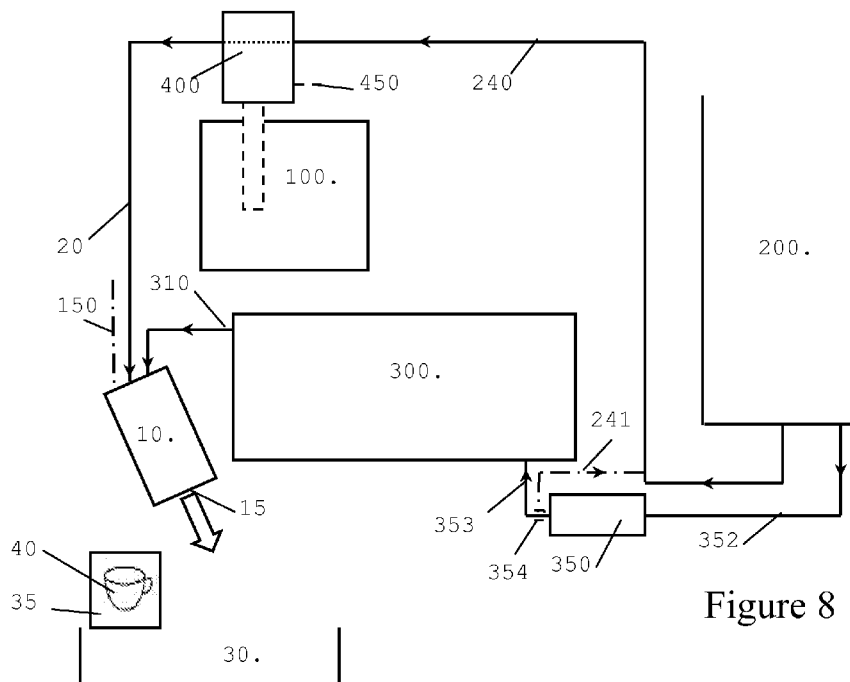


Figure 8

(57) Abstract: A flavoured-beverage preparation machine (1) comprises: - a fluid circuit having a duct (10) that has an outlet (15) for dispensing a flavoured-beverage over a filling area (35) for user-receptacles (40); and - a cleaning arrangement for removing remnant flavoured-beverage from the duct by passing a clearing fluid through the duct and out of the duct via the outlet. The cleaning arrangement has: - means (300, 400, 450) for providing a gas under pressure; and - a configuration for passing such a gas as this clearing fluid under pressure through and out of the duct for evacuating remnant flavoured-beverage from the duct.



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