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(54) Title: **A CONTAINER, PARTICULARLY FOR DRINKS**

## (57) Abstract

A container, particularly for drinks, comprising an end (5) in which a closed line of weakening (6) is formed defining the outline of a lid (7) and of a corresponding hole (8), and a lever (10) associated with the lid (7) and operable manually in order to tear the wall (5) along the line of weakening (6) and remove the lid (7) from the container wall is characterized in that it comprises a flexible tongue (9) which normally bears on the outer face of the end wall (5) and has one end (9a) fixed to the lever (10) and to the lid (7) and the other end (9b) fixed to the outer face of the end wall of the container, spaced from the lid, the tongue (9) being able, as a result of the manual removal of the lid from the container wall, to adopt a bent configuration in which the associated lid is in a position of disengagement from the hole (8), restraining means (15; 19, 20) being provided for keeping the tongue in the bent configuration.

