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[54] **AUTOMATIC TEA MAKER**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

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Apparatus is disclosed herein for extracting a flavor from a natural leaf, powder of the like, such as tea leaves into a heated substance as a carrier such as a quantity of water. The apparatus employs a container with a heater for the water which will controllably bring the water to a boil. A tank is submerged in the water and includes a perforated strainer holding a quantity of loose tea leaves for wetting by the surrounding water. A dispensing nozzle is included, having a supply line from the water and a second supply line from the tea leaf tank. A valve arrangement selectively combines the supply lines to produce a desired flavor strength of the dispensed flavored liquid. A manually operable valve selectively intercommunicates the boiled water with the tea leaf tank and controls regulate the heater and temperature.

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