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[57] **ABSTRACT**

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A fly catcher apparatus has a cylindrical body with a single fly inlet port on its wall, near the bottom thereof. A central tube holds a wick of cloth, sponge or similar liquid-permeable material. Midway up the tube are a series of regularly spaced cloth or sponge-like fly-contacting (and other insect-contacting) members, preferably colored and shaped like leaves. These are attached in fluid communication with the wick and exit out the side of the tube into the interior cavity of the body. At the top of the tube is a cup for holding odoriferous bait, in the form of decaying meat, fish or the like. One or more aroma ports allow the smell of the bait to exit out the removable cap of the cup. Additional perforations for releasing the aroma of bait decay are located on the side wall of the bait cup. The top of the wick forms one or more bait-moistening members which exit out the top or side of the tube into the cup. Moisture carried up the wick keeps the bait moist. The device uses an aqueous trapping solution preferably comprising about three parts water to about one part household glue.

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