

metal disk having a non-muffling face confronting said opening in the open position of the valve.

5 4. In a musical instrument of the woodwind type comprising a tubular body having a tone opening, a rim on said body defining said open-

ing, means secured to said body adjacent said rim providing a space for a valve seat, a yieldable member secured in said space and providing said valve seat, and a valve engageable with said valve seat for closing said opening.

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