

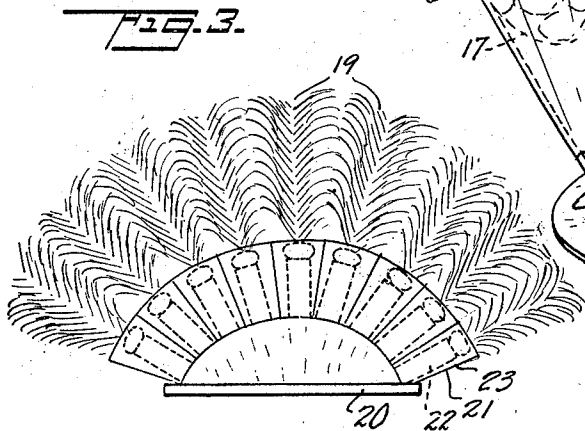
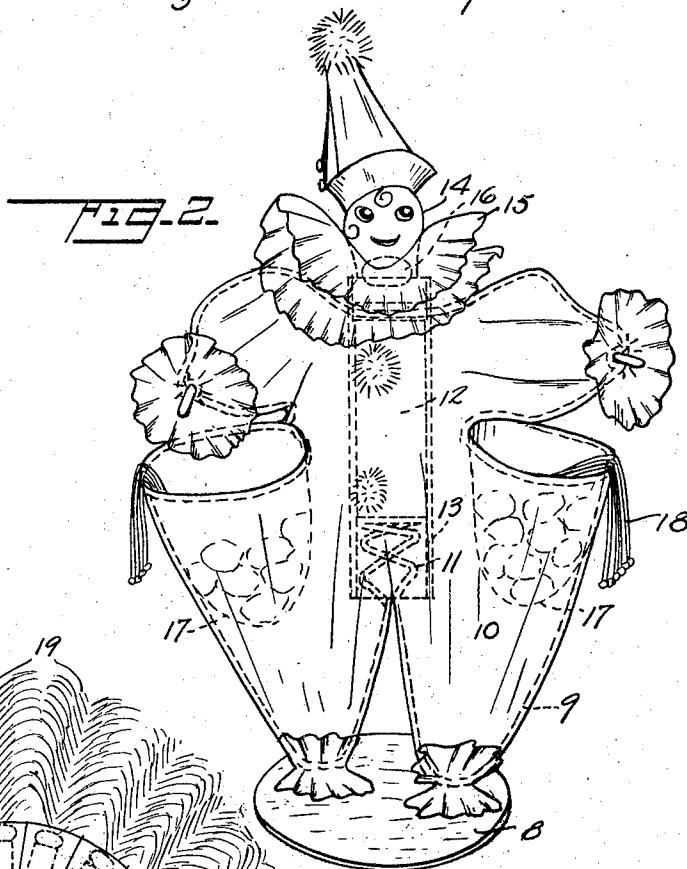
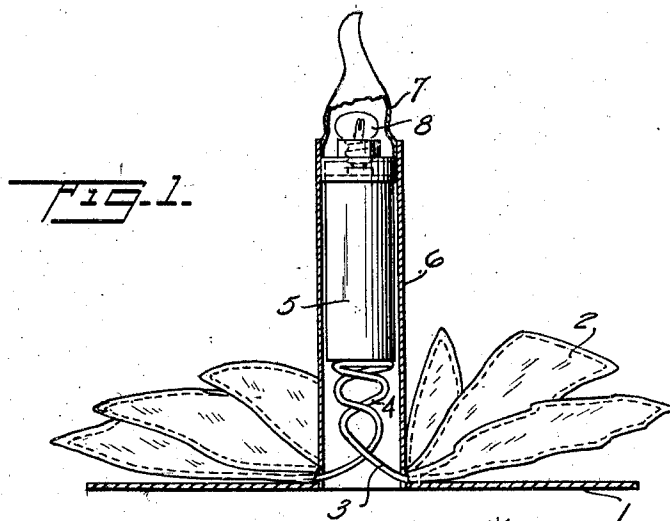
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My invention relates to favors or novelties of the type employed for decorative effects on wedding or banquet tables either as individual presents for the guests or as so-called "Jack-Horner pies" or "grab bags" from which the guests withdraw their individual presents. The invention comprises the inclusion within such favors or novelties of small readily removable dry cells provided with electric lights which, when lighted, add to the decorative effect of the whole either by enhancing the illusion created by the favor, or by illuminating transparent portions of the favor, or by beautifying portions thereof by reflected light.

The use of electric lighting for decorative effects has heretofore been confined to fixtures where the conducting wires could be efficiently concealed. For this reason it has not heretofore been feasible to provide means for lighting portable articles used for table decoration or the like. According to the invention, the electrically lighted portable favors are so constructed as to permit the ready removal and replacement of the dry cell and to conceal the same effectively. Preferably the supporting means for the dry cell are made adjustable and may be integral with, or an extension of, the framework of the favor. For a better understanding of the invention, reference may be had to the accompanying drawings of which:

Fig. 1 represents an imitation candle with the electric light adapted to illuminate material simulating the candle flame;

Fig. 2 represents a type of "Jack-Horner pie" in which the electric light is arranged to illuminate the translucent head of a figure; and

Fig. 3 represents a table decoration in which a plurality of lights enhance the beauty of the object by reflection from material simulating feathers of a fan.

In Fig. 1, the favor comprises a stiff base 1 of card-board or similar material upon which is mounted a decoration such as the imitation leaves 2. The leaves 2 are made from paper or other suitable material and are given stiffness by a wire 3 which may be fastened along the under edge of each leaf

or formed into a frame work upon which the leaves are constructed. The wire 3, adjacent the center of the base 1, is coiled into a spiral 4 to form an adjustable support for a dry cell 5. A tube 6 of card-board suitably covered to represent a candle has a bore sufficient to receive the cell 5 and coil 4 and is of sufficient length to conceal the same when placed in the vertical position shown. A translucent material 7, such as cellophane, is twisted into a shape to simulate a candle flame and is fastened to the upper end of the tube 6. A small bulb 8, when screwed into a socket on the upper end of the dry cell 5 in the usual manner, illuminates the material 7 and gives the whole the effect of a lighted candle. The favor is lighted by removal of the tube 6 and manipulation of the bulb. The exact height at which the light is desired may be adjusted by compression or extension of the coil 4. The particular decoration upon the base 1 may, of course, take various forms. The lighted favor makes a charming table or window sill decoration, and being independent of any conducting wires lends itself to being placed wherever desired. The removable mounting of the dry cell permits replacement thereof or of the bulb should the latter become defective.

In Fig. 2, the favor illustrated is in the form simulating a fanciful figure. It comprises a base 8 upon which is mounted a wire framework 9 forming the support for suitable cloth or paper material 10 simulating the costume of the figure. The wire 9 between the leg portions of the figure is twisted into a coil 11 concealed by the material 10 and serving as a support for a dry cell 12. A tube 13 carries the head 14 and ruffled collar 15 of the figure and serves to retain the dry cell in place in the same manner as does the tube 6 in Fig. 1. If desired, additional stabilization of the figure and dry cell may be insured by forming the wire 9 at the neck of the figure into a loop of sufficient diameter to permit the insertion therein of the tube 13. The head 14 is of china or other translucent material in order to give a pleasing effect when the bulb 16 carried by the cell 12 is lighted. In the particular device illus-

trated in Fig. 2, the material 10 is formed into large pockets 17 the upper edges of which are supported by loops in the framework 9. Individual favors or presents are
 5 inserted in the pockets 17 and may be withdrawn therefrom by means of streamers 18.

In Fig. 3, a particularly attractive table decoration is illustrated in which dry cell lighted bulbs are employed for reflected
 10 rather than direct lighting. The device comprises a plurality of imitation feathers 19 preferably constructed of shredded cellophane and preferably of contrasting but pleasing colors, mounted on a base 20 to simulate a fan. A small pocket 21 is formed in
 15 front of the lower portion of each imitation feather to receive therein a dry cell 22 and bulb 23. The top of each pocket 21 extends above the bulb 23 therein sufficiently to conceal the same but to permit ready accessibility thereto for lighting the bulb or for removing the bulb and cell. The light from the bulbs 23 falls upon the shredded fan material and is reflected therefrom in all direc-
 20 tions to give a very beautiful effect. If desired the pockets 21 may be made sufficiently large to accommodate individual favors or additional pockets for this purpose could be provided. If preferred each cell and bulb
 25 could be incorporated within an individual favor and the same inserted in the pockets to be removed by streamers.

The specific embodiments of the invention above described are but a few of the
 35 many decorative devices to which the invention may be applied. The invention is not concerned with the particular design of favor nor in its broadest aspects with the actual construction thereof, except that the
 40 construction is such as to permit the inclusion and concealment of a bulb and battery therefor, and to utilize the lighting of the bulb to enhance the decorative effect of the whole. The invention, however, in a nar-
 45 rower sense, is directed to the preferred type of constructions disclosed in Figs. 1 and 2 wherein the supporting structure for the favor is utilized to give an adjustable concealed support for the battery and wherein
 50 a tubular element which may form part of the decorative design is utilized to maintain the battery upon the support and to conceal the same.

The term "favor" as used herein and in the appended claims is intended broadly to include any decorative or fanciful device of the general type disclosed herein, whether intended as a gift, table decoration or other
 60 novelty. For example, imitation animals, having their eyes illuminated by a concealed battery removably mounted within the body of the animal, would be included within the term "favor" as used herein.

65 The following is claimed:

1. A table decoration simulating a lighted candle comprising in combination a flat base, a coiled wire mounted upon said base, a dry cell supported by said coiled wire, a tubular element simulating a candle and carrying
 70 material at one end simulating a flame mounted over said cell and said coiled wire, and a bulb on said cell adapted to be lighted thereby and to illuminate the material carried at the end of said element. 75

2. A favor comprising a framework of wire with decorative material mounted thereon, said framework including a coil concealed by said material, a dry cell and bulb carried thereby adapted to be supported by said coil, 80 and a tubular element carrying at one end a translucent device forming part of the decoration of the favor, said element being adapted to be slid over said cell and said coil to maintain the cell in position and to permit 85 illumination of the translucent device by said bulb when lighted.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification.

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