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COMBINED CONTAINER AND MATCH CARRIER

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Fig. 1.

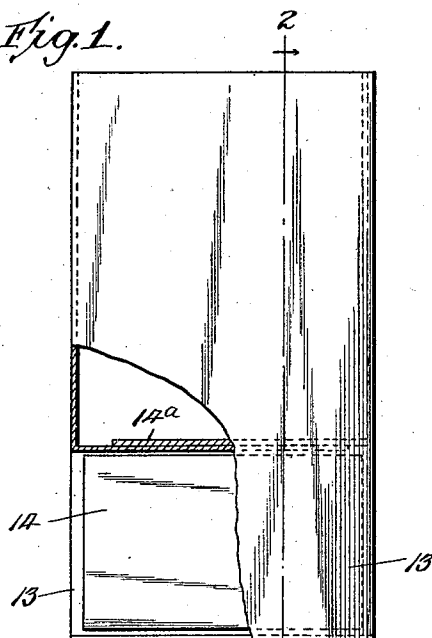


Fig. 2.

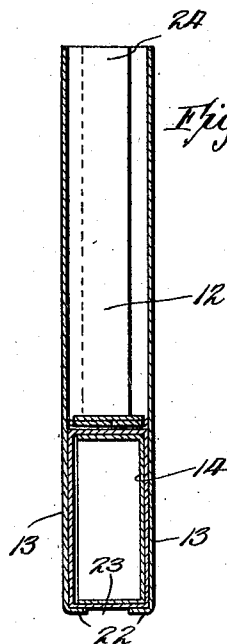


Fig. 3.

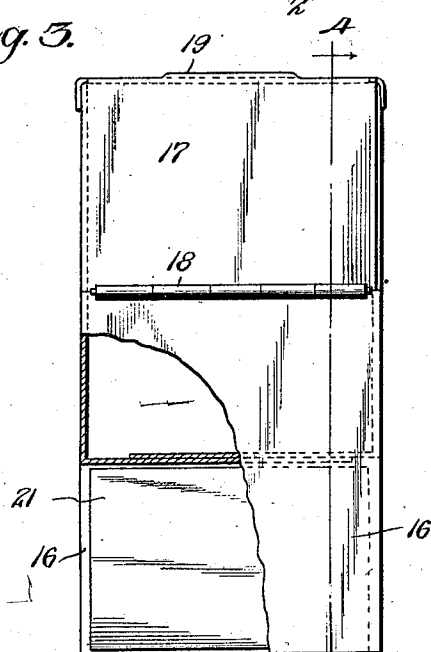


Fig. 4.

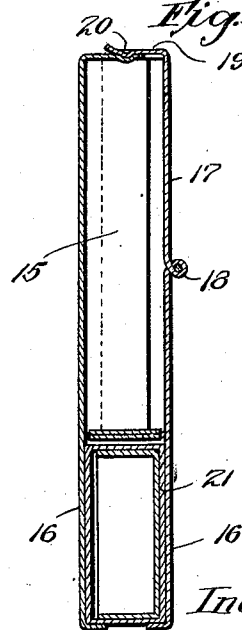
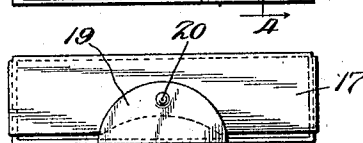


Fig. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VICTOR A. BREY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Minneapolis, in the county of Hennepin and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Containers and Match Carriers; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to a container and particularly to a container having a chamber at one end adapted to receive articles, such as cigarettes or a package of cigarettes and having a chamber at its other end adapted to receive a sliding match box or match container. The consumption of cigarettes in this country has now reached large proportions. As is well known it is particularly necessary for the cigarette user to carry a box of matches with him. In lighting the cigarettes and re-lighting the same it is frequently necessary for the user to search in several pockets for matches after having gotten the cigarette ready for lighting.

It is an object of this invention to provide a container adapted to receive cigarettes or other articles, which container is also provided with means for carrying a match box comprising a sliding drawer.

It is another object of the invention to provide such a combined container and match box holder which can be easily and inexpensively made, preferably from a single blank of material.

These and other objects and advantages of the invention will fully appear from the following description made in connection with the accompanying drawings in which like reference characters refer to the same parts throughout the different views, and in which,

Fig. 1 is a view in side elevation, partly in section of the container;

Fig. 2 is a vertical section taken on the line 2—2 thereof, as indicated by the arrows;

Fig. 3 is a view in side elevation partly in section of a modified form of container;

Fig. 4 is a vertical section thereof taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3; and

Fig. 5 is a top plan view of the container shown in Fig. 3;

In Figs. 1 and 2, a container is shown made of sheet metal and from a single blank. The blank is folded into rectangular form with the edges overlapping at one edge or short side of the container, as clearly shown at 12 in Fig. 2, and the lower portions of the short sides or edges of the container are folded inwardly at right angles in overlapping relation to form a partition 14^a. The lower portions 22 of the wide sides of the container extend inwardly a short distance at their bottom portions, as shown in Fig. 2, to form the bottom of the container, a slot 23 thus being formed extending transversely across said bottom. A container is thus formed having a main compartment 24 with an open upper end, the bottom of which is formed by partition 14^a and said container has a transversely extending sleeve formed by the portions 13 of its flat sides and the portions 22, the ends of which sleeve, however, are both open. The main chamber 24 of the container is adapted to receive a standard carton or package of cigarettes or small cigars, while the lower portion or open ended sleeve of the container is adapted to receive and frictionally hold a standard box of matches. It is obvious that the sides 13 are adapted to frictionally engage the sides of said box of matches. The overlapping sides 12 on the container may be connected in any suitable manner.

The container forms a very convenient article to be carried in the pocket for carrying the cigarette or cigar package and the match box.

In Figs. 3 and 4, another modified form of container is shown which also preferably will be made of sheet material. This container comprises a main portion 15 of elongated formation substantially rectangular in cross section, which will be folded from a single blank and the overlapping portions secured together preferably by soldering. The side portions of this container also have downwardly projecting extensions 16, the lower ends of which are bent slightly toward each other. A slot is thus formed extending along the lower end of the device. The main portion of the container 15 has the upper portion of one of its sides formed as a hinge cover 17, the same being hinged along a transverse intermediate line by spaced lugs thereon interengaging with spaced lugs formed on the side portion, all of

the said lugs receiving a pintle member 18. The cover 17 is formed with a projection 19 of semi-circular form extending at right angles to the main portion thereof and adapted to fit over the top of the main chamber 15. The portion 19 is slightly upturned at its edge to form a convenient means for opening the cover and is also formed with an indentation 20 adapted to spring into engagement with a similar indentation formed on the top of the chamber 15 and hold the cover in closed position. The match box 21 is adapted to be frictionally held between the projecting portion 16 of the sides.

15 The container shown in Figs. 3 and 4 is adapted to form a cigarette and match holder case and the cigarettes or cigars will preferably be removed from the commercial package and placed in the main chamber 15.

20 The same will thus always be carried in convenient relation to the matches in the box 21. The container will form a pocket case having great utility and can be made as an ornamental casing. The casing or container

25 shown in Figs. 1 to 5 may, of course be plated and decorated as desired.

From the above description it is seen that applicant has provided a form of container which will be of great service for carrying

30 both cigarettes and matches. While the containers are preferably designed for such

articles, it is apparent that the same might be used for carrying other articles. For instance, the main chamber in the device, as shown in Figs. 1 to 5, might carry a pack of cards, while the small chamber might be used to carry a box of chips, or dice.

It will, of course, be understood that various changes may be made in the form, details and proportions of the parts without departing from the scope of applicant's invention, which, generally stated, consists in the matter shown and described and set forth in the appended claim.

What is claimed is:

A combined container for a standard carton of cigarettes and a standard box of matches, comprising an elongated substantially rectangular casing formed from a single blank of material having an open end and a partition extending thereacross adjacent its other end, said casing having its sides open beyond said partition and having a slot formed in its other end, whereby a passage open at both ends is formed beyond said partition, the sides of which are movable toward each other and adapted frictionally to engage a standard box of matches disposed therein.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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