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*Fig. 1.*

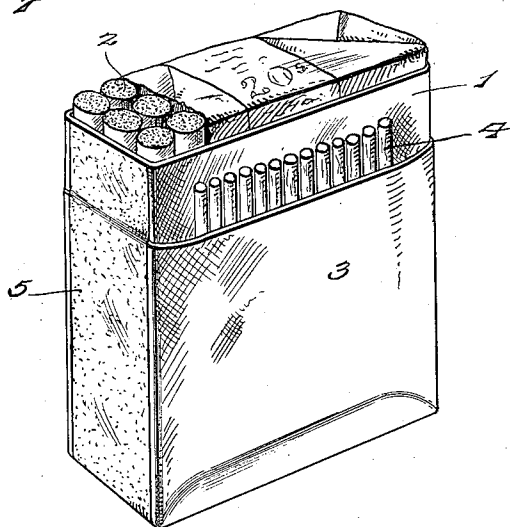


*Fig. 2.*

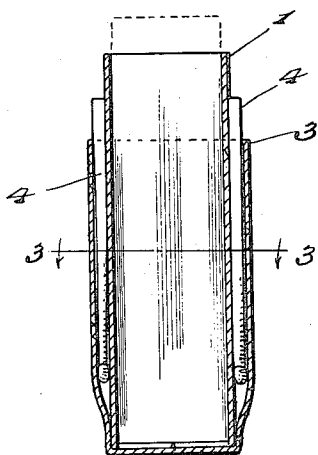
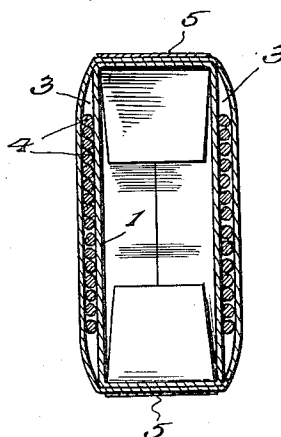


*Fig. 3.*



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## PACKAGE HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, THOMAS R. LLOYD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sedalia, in the county of Pettis and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Package Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to package holders and is intended more particularly to provide a light, inexpensive and convenient device in which cigarettes and matches may be carried. The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing and will be hereinafter fully set forth.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a device embodying my invention;

Fig. 2 is a transverse section of the same, and

Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

In carrying out my invention, I employ a case, pocket or receptacle 1 which may be of any preferred material, such as paper, leather, cardboard, or light metal, and which is of proper dimensions to snugly receive a package of cigarettes, shown at 2. Upon the sides of the pocket or receptacle 1, I provide shallow pockets 3 which are adapted to receive matches, as indicated at 4, and these shallow pockets 3 may be very conveniently produced by forming a receptacle of the same shape as the receptacle 1 but slightly wider and then slipping the receptacle 1 through the upper end of the said slightly wider receptacle. The upper ends of the pockets 3 are normally open so as to expose the adjacent ends of the matches while the lower ends thereof are closed and the walls of the pockets at said closed ends slightly contracted, as shown, so as to frictionally grip the heads of the matches and thus assist in preventing accidental displacement of the matches when the holder is in use. The outer casing or pockets 3 may be secured to the ends of the inner pocket or holder 1 by any form of adhesive or other fastening elements, and upon the ends of the two devices I secure sand paper, or otherwise provide an abrading surface 4 upon which matches may be struck. My device is exceedingly simple and inexpen-

sive, and its use is thought to be obvious from the drawing. It provides a compact holder which will not be bulky in the pocket of a garment and assures the user of a supply of matches at all times. The package of cigarettes is placed in the holder in an unbroken condition and the top of the package is then removed or broken just enough to permit the removal of a cigarette, as is now the general practice. The device may be provided with a cover if preferred, but such cover is not essential and is not illustrated.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. A package holder comprising nested inner and outer receptacles of different heights, the inner receptacle constituting a container for cigarettes and the outer receptacle having its side walls spaced from the adjacent side walls of the inner receptacle to form pockets for the reception of matches, the upper ends of the pockets being normally open to expose the stems of the matches and the lower ends thereof closed and slightly contracted to frictionally grip the heads of said matches, and strips of abrasive material secured to the end walls of said receptacles and serving to prevent withdrawal of the inner receptacle.

2. A package holder comprising an inner receptacle having a normally open top and constituting a container for cigarettes, an outer receptacle of less height than the inner receptacle fitting snugly against the bottom and end walls of the inner receptacle and having its side walls spaced from the adjacent side walls of the inner receptacle to form pockets for the reception of matches, the upper ends of the pockets being open to expose the stems of the matches and the lower ends thereof closed and the side walls slightly contracted to frictionally engage the heads of said matches, and a strip of abrasive material secured to the end wall of the outer receptacle and having its upper end secured to the upper portion of the end wall of the inner receptacle and serving to prevent withdrawal of the inner receptacle from the outer receptacle.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.  
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