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CIGARETTE BOX.

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FIG. 1.

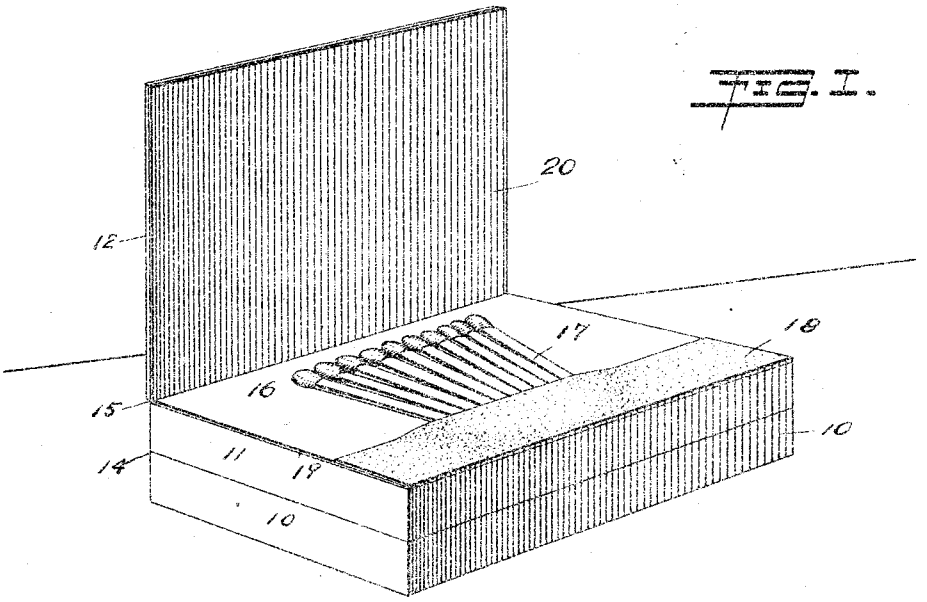


FIG. 2.

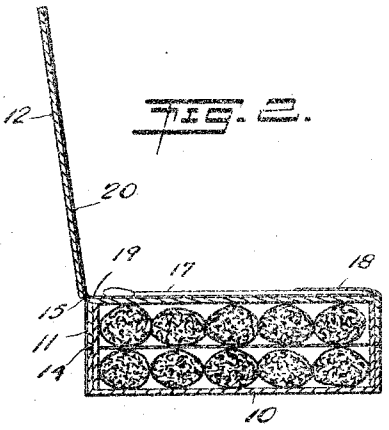
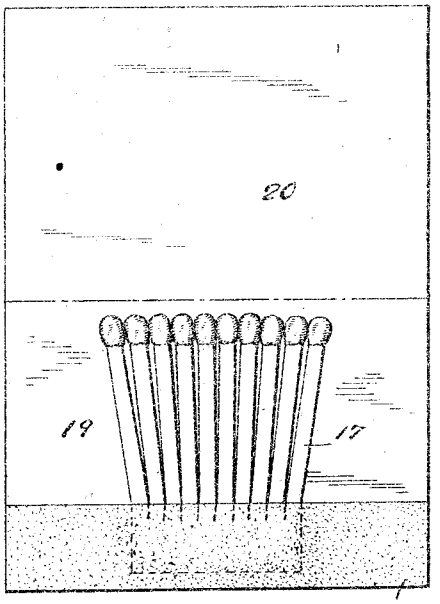


FIG. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, OLGA BERGHORN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Jersey City Heights, Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigarette-Boxes, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to combine a cardboard cigarette box with match-carrying provisions in such manner as to produce a unitary package of desirable appearance, convenient to carry, having an advantageous mode of operation, and lending itself well to advertising purposes.

Additionally, it is the aim of the invention to produce an article which can be manufactured economically.

To these ends the invention consists in the device comprising parts constructed and combined substantially as hereinafter set forth, reference being had to an illustrative and preferred embodiment shown in the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the box with the cover closed and the false lid in an erect position; Fig. 2 is a sectional side elevation of the box in the same condition; and Fig. 3 is a plan view, the false lid being turned back to horizontal position.

The box proper is of the type consisting of a body 10 to hold the cigarettes and a cover 11 hinged to the body at 14. A false lid 12 is hinged to the cover and conforms to the top thereof, being formed of a rectangular piece of cardboard, preferably of about the same weight as the stock from which the body and cover are made. The upper side of this lid will usually be decorated in exactly the same manner as any particular cigarette manufacturer is in the habit of decorating the tops of his boxes, so that the box with the lid lying flat on the cover will present the accustomed appearance, with just sufficient suggestion of novelty to arouse interest. Of course, however, the matter printed, pasted or lithographed on top of the lid may be of any kind desired.

The lid 12 is hinged to the upper back edge of the cover 11 at 15, by a hinge connection separate from the cover and lid and of much less stiff material, so that the lid lies flat on the cover without any fastening means, thus avoiding an item of cost in manufacture and making the package as convenient as possible to use, since the lid is merely flipped up and down to open and close the match compartment. Preferably the hinge connection is formed by a paper folder 16 which also contains the matches 17 and the abrasive or igniting material 18. One leaf 19 of this folder is pasted to and covers the top of the cover 11 and the other leaf 20 in like manner is pasted to and covers the underside of the lid 12. In this way a neat finish is secured and the leaves of the folder afford convenient surfaces on which to print and display advertising matter.

It will be observed that the hinge 15 of the false lid 12 is parallel to and adjacent the hinge 14 of the cover, so that the lid opens away from the user when held in the hand and consequently any advertising matter displayed on the folder on the underside of the lid and on top of the cover is directly presented to view. Moreover, this relation of the hinges is of advantage with respect to the mode of use of the package. Both the cover and the lid open in the same direction, and by convenient motions. The cover is first raised and a cigarette extracted; the cover is closed and the lid thrown back with the finger; a match is removed and ignited on the material 18; and then the lid is closed down on the cover again. The matches 17 are preferably of the paper strip kind and are retained at their lower or united ends beneath the strip of abrasive material 18, which extends across the front of the top of the cover 11 and is pasted or otherwise secured at its ends to the leaf 19. The matches may be retained merely by friction beneath this strip or they may be additionally secured in place. The abrasive strip is entirely concealed beneath the lid. This completes the description of my device and its mode of operation, and while I have described this preferred embodiment with particularity it will be understood that changes may be made in the device without departing from the invention.

What I claim as new is:—

1. In a cardboard cigarette box, the combination with a box proper comprising a body and a hinged cover, of a false cardboard lid adapted to overlie the top of the cover, a paper folder between said cover and lid, and matches and igniting material mounted on one of the leaves of said folder, said leaf being united to the top of the cover

and the other leaf being united to the underside of the lid, whereby the folder constitutes a hinge for the lid.

2. In a cardboard cigarette box, the combination of a box proper to hold the cigarettes and provided with a closure giving access to the cigarettes, a false cardboard lid on the outside of the box, a paper folder constituting a hinge connection between said box and lid, and matches and igniting material mounted on one of the leaves of said folder beneath said lid, said leaf being united to the outside of the box and the other leaf being united to and covering the underside of the lid.

In witness whereof I have signed my name in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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