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CIGARETTE BOX WRAPPER.

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Fig. 1.

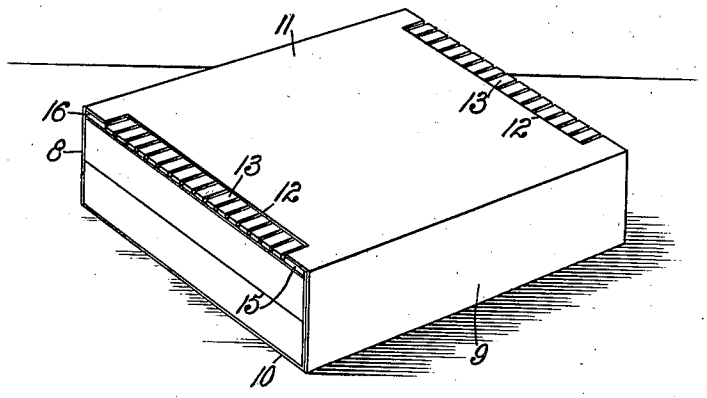
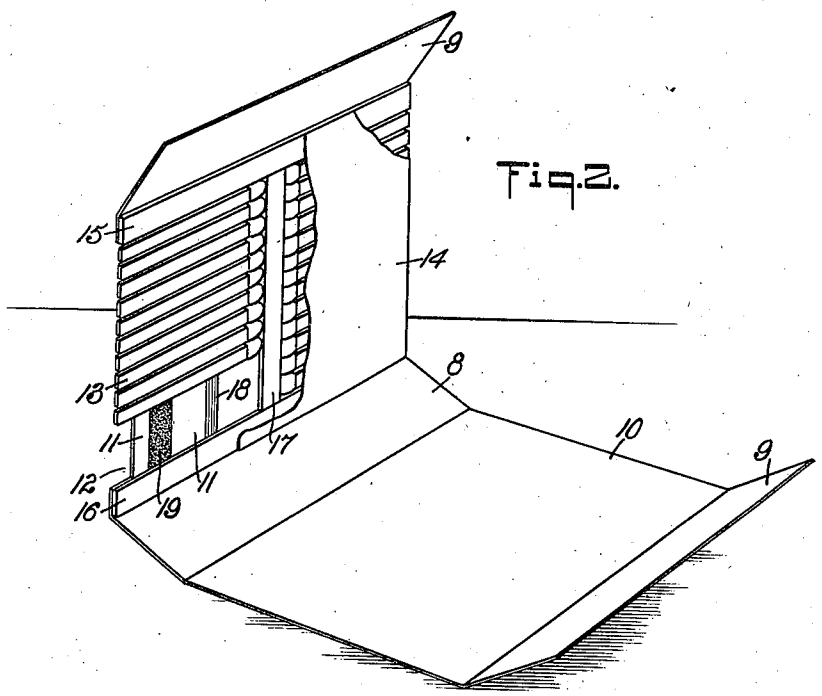


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE E. LAMBERSON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Cigarette-Box Wrapper, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Among the principal objects which the present invention has in view are: to provide a box wrapper of the character mentioned with a supply of matches and means for igniting the same when the matches are separated from the wrapper; to provide a wrapper separable from the box and adapted to be affixed thereto, said wrapper carrying a supply of matches with means for igniting the same during the operation of separating the matches from the wrapper; and to simplify the construction.

Drawings.

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing a cigarette box having a wrapper therefor constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention;

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a wrapper separated from the box, part of the structure thereof being cut away to show the disposition of matches therein.

Description.

As seen in the drawings, the wrapper is folded to provide a hinge section 8 and two end lapping sections 9. The hinge section 8 unites a full side section 10 and an abbreviated side section 11.

As seen best in Fig. 2 of the drawings, the matches 13 are carded and are pocketed between the under side of the section 11 and a retaining sheet 14. The pockets in which the matches are contained are formed by spacing strips 15 and 16, and by the separating strip 17. The matches are retained in the pockets provided therefor by narrow bands of suitable adhesive 18. The bands 18 are applied by preference to both the section 11 and sheet 14. The strips 15, 16, and 17 are likewise suitably coated with an adhesive which holds the sheet 14 permanently in position on the said strips and in coöperative relation to the section 11. Also the adhesive bands 18 adhere to the matches 13 with sufficient strength to retain the said matches in the pockets provided therefor.

Adjacent the outer edge of the recess 12 are strips of suitable abrasive 19. If desired duplicates of the strips 19 may be oppositely disposed on the sheet 14 adjacent the outer edges thereof.

The wrappers having been printed or lithographed are secured to boxes of cigarettes or the like, and the lapping sections 9 are joined by suitable adhesive applied to the surfaces thereof.

When a box thus provided is opened, the sections 9 are split on a line corresponding with the opening edge at the top of the box. The box is then permitted to swing down on its hinge or upon a hinge provided by the section 8. After a cigarette has been removed from the box, the box is closed and the person grasps one of the matches 13 and withdraws the same from the pocket in which it is held. The operation of withdrawing a match is rapid so that the ignition end thereof is drawn quickly past and between the strips 19 which operate to ignite the match so that the same flares after having been withdrawn from contact with the section 11 and sheet 14. Usually the number of matches 13 provided in the box cover corresponds with the number of cigarettes contained in the box for which the cover is intended.

Claims.

1. A wrapper as characterized comprising a plurality of side sections integrally connected by a hinge section; a cover sheet corresponding in dimensions with one of said side sections; a plurality of spacing members rigidly disposed between said cover sheet and the adjacent side section to form pockets in said wrapper; a plurality of carded matches disposed in said pockets with the heads of said matches turned inward; and means for temporarily holding said matches in said pockets.

2. A wrapper as characterized comprising a plurality of side sections integrally connected by a hinge section; a cover sheet corresponding in dimensions with one of said side sections; a plurality of spacing members rigidly disposed between said cover sheet and the adjacent side section to form pockets in said wrapper; a plurality of

carded matches disposed in said pockets with the heads of said matches turned inward; means for temporarily holding said matches in said pockets; and means for igniting said matches when withdrawn from said pockets, said means embodying an abrasive material disposed adjacent the exposed end of said pockets.

3. A wrapper as characterized comprising a plurality of side sections integrally connected by a hinge section; a cover sheet corresponding in dimensions with one of said side sections; a plurality of spacing members rigidly disposed between said cover sheet and the adjacent side section to form pockets in said wrapper; a plurality of carded matches disposed in said pockets with the heads of said matches turned inward; means for temporarily holding said matches in said pockets; and a plurality of oppositely-disposed abrasive strips secured one to said cover sheet and one to the adjacent side section of the wrapper, said strips being spaced apart a distance less than the heads of said matches.

4. A wrapper as characterized comprising a plurality of side sections integrally connected by a hinge section; a cover sheet corresponding in dimensions with one of said side sections; a plurality of spacing members rigidly disposed between said cover sheet and the adjacent side section to form pockets in said wrapper; a plurality of carded matches disposed in said pockets with the heads of said matches turned inward; and a plurality of strips of adhesive for engaging said matches for holding the same within said pockets.

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