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WOOD CIGAR SHIELD

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FIG. 1

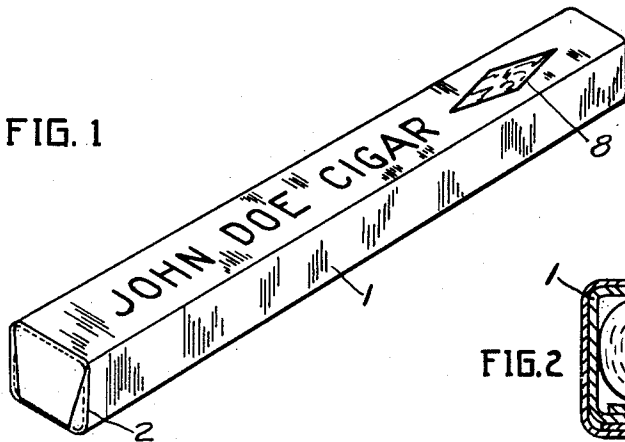


FIG. 2

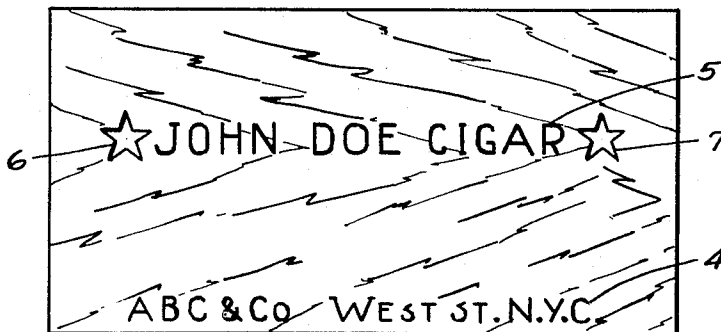
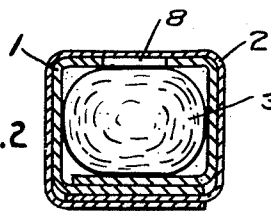


FIG. 3



FIG. 4

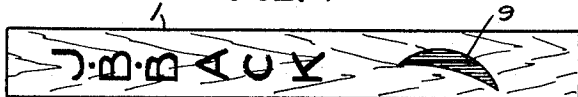


FIG. 5

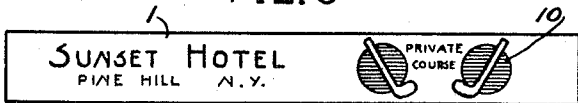


FIG. 6

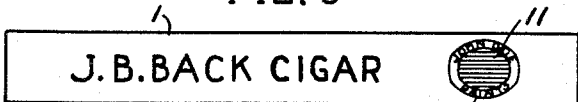


FIG. 7

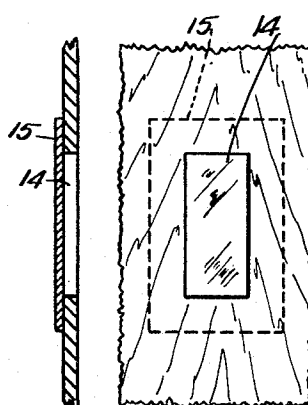


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The purpose of this invention is to provide an improvement in thin wood shields or protectors adapted to be wrapped around cigars, or the like, by providing windows or openings therein so that the color of the cigar may readily be observed thru the shield and so that there may be a breakage of the shield when the shield is subjected to an appropriate or ordinary pressure during the removal of the shield from the cigar.

The invention is a shield for cigars, or the like, comprising a thin strip or sheet of cedar wood adapted to be wrapped around the cigar, which is provided with openings or windows.

This invention is an improvement over the cigar wrapper in my prior application with the Serial Number 731,873, which was filed June 22, 1934, in that a window is provided thru which the color of the cigar may be observed.

This device is adapted to be wrapped around a cigar inside of a "cellophane" wrapper and may or may not have printed matter thereon, or the printed matter may be in the form of open letters, so that the color of the cigar may be observed therethru, or openings or windows may be used in combination with the printed matter, as may be desired.

The object of the invention is, therefore, to provide a cedar shield adapted to be placed around a cigar inside of a "cellophane" wrapper which is provided with means thru which the color of the cigar may be observed.

With these ends in view the invention embodies a thin sheet of cedar having openings therein and being of the same length as a cigar around which it may be placed, and of a sufficient width so that the edges will overlap when placed around the cigar.

Other features and advantages of the invention will appear from the following description, taken in connection with the drawing, wherein:

Figure 1 is a view showing a cigar wrapped in the shield and covered with "cellophane".

Figure 2 is a cross section thru the shield and wrapper showing a cigar therein.

Figure 3 is a plan view showing the shield in the open position.

Figure 4 is a view showing the openings provided by using open letters.

Figure 5 is a view showing an alternate arrangement in which the opening is provided in the form of a crescent.

Figure 6 is a view showing another alternate design.

Figure 7 is a view showing another alternate arrangement in which advertising may be placed around the opening.

Figure 8 is a detail showing the opening or window covered by "cellophane," or the like.

Figure 9 is a cross section thru the window shown in Figure 8.

In the drawing the device is shown as it may be made wherein numeral 1 indicates the shield, numeral 2 the "cellophane" wrapper, and numeral 3 a cigar adapted to be wrapped therein.

The shield 1 is preferably made of a thin sheet of cedar, however, it may also be made of any other wood or of any other material impregnated with oil of cedar, or any other material of a similar nature. This shield may also be of any shape and may be placed around a cigar, or the like, in any manner.

In the design shown in Figure 3, the shield is provided with printed matter, as indicated by the numeral 4, indicating the manufacturer of the cigar and also printed matter, as indicated by the numeral 5, indicating the name of the cigar and, at the end of the printed matter indicating the name of the cigar, openings 6 and 7 are provided in the shape of stars and it will be noted that with this device wrapped around a cigar, the openings will register with the upper surface thereof, as indicated by the diamond 8 shown in Figure 1, so that the color of the cigar may readily be observed thru the opening.

The outer wrapper 2 of "cellophane" or other substantially inelastic transparent material closely envelops the opaque shield and is folded over the opposite ends thereof in the manner disclosed in my prior application above identified. Therefore, this wrapper serves to hold the loosely overlapped edges of the shield against relative movement, and maintains close contact between the shield and the cigar so that no appreciable relative movement between the shield and the cigar will occur in handling or packing the wrapped cigars in the box. Therefore a desirable area section of the cigar is maintained in opposed relation to the inspection opening 8. This opening not only enables the color of the cigar to be easily observed through the outer transparent wrapper, but also necessarily brings the juxtaposed printed matter on the surface of the shield forcibly to the attention of the observer. In the absence of this inspection opening in the shield, in most cases, the printed advertisement appearing thereon, would not be noted by the purchaser.

These openings may also be provided in the form of a crescent 9, as shown in Figure 5, or golf sticks 10, as shown in Figure 6, or as a direct opening 11, as shown in Figure 7 with printed matter indicating an advertisement, as indicated by the numeral 12, the opening may also be in the form of lettering, as indicated by the numeral 13, as shown in Figure 4, or the opening may be provided in any other manner.

An alternate arrangement is shown in Figure 8, in which an opening 14 is provided in the form of a rectangle, and a sheet of "cellophane" or other transparent material 15 may be attached to the shield under or over the opening to pro-

vide a covering therefor. This "cellophane" may be white or of any color. The opening or openings in the frangible shield 1 are such that the shield will crack, split or otherwise crumble or break when pressure is applied to the end of the shield 1 or when the shield is deformed by unrolling or the like, during the removal of the cigar and whether or not the outer transparent covering is first removed.

10 Having thus fully described the invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. A cigar package comprising a thin cedar shield of substantially the same length as a cigar, wrapped around the cigar, said shield having an opening in the intermediate portion thereof through which the color of the tobacco of the cigar may be observed with cigars closely packed in a box, and without removing said cigar from the box, said opening being of such configuration that a breakage will occur in the cedar shield when an appreciable or ordinary pressure is applied.

2. A cigar package comprising a thin cedar shield of substantially the same length as a cigar, wrapped around a cigar, said shield having an opening in the intermediate portion thereof through which the color of the tobacco of the cigar may be observed with cigars closely packed in a box and without removing said cigar from the box, an outer wrapper of transparent material enclosing the shield and the cigar, said opening in the shield being of such configuration that a breakage will occur in the cedar shield when an appreciable or ordinary pressure is applied to the end of the transparent wrapper adjacent the opening in the cedar wrapper.

3. A cigar package comprising a thin cedar shield of substantially the same length as a cigar, wrapped around the cigar, said shield having an opening in the intermediate portion thereof through which the color of the tobacco of the cigar may be observed with cigars closely packed in a box, and without removing said cigar from the box, said opening being of such configuration that a breakage will occur in the cedar shield when an appreciable or ordinary pressure is applied at any point adjacent the opening in the shield as the cedar shield is initially removed from the cigar.

4. A cigar shield comprising a thin readily frangible sheet of material having aromatic properties, said sheet having an opening therethrough intermediate its ends which renders said sheet more readily frangible adjacent said opening and also provides for inspection therethrough.

5. A cigar package comprising an inner shield of thin, opaque material, closely surrounding the cigar throughout its length and having an inspection opening therethrough, and an outer wrapper of substantially inelastic, transparent material completely enveloping said shield and folded over the opposite ends thereof, to hold the shield in close contact with the cigar and prevent any appreciable relative movement between the cigar and shield.

6. A cigar package comprising an inner shield of thin, opaque material closely surrounding the cigar and having an inspection opening therethrough, and printed matter on the surface of said shield in juxtaposed relation to said opening, and an outer wrapper of substantially inelastic, transparent material in close fitting con-

tact with said shield and folded over the opposite ends of the cigar to prevent any appreciable relative movement between the cigar and shield and maintain a desirable area section of the cigar in opposed relation to said opening.

7. A cigar package comprising an inner shield of opaque, thin sheet material closely surrounding the cigar throughout its length, and having loosely overlapped longitudinal edges, said sheet having an inspection opening therethrough, and an outer wrapper of substantially inelastic transparent material snugly enveloping said shield and folded over the opposite ends thereof to confine the shield and cigar within the outer wrapper against any appreciable relative movement thereof, and maintain a desirable area section of the cigar in opposed relation to said opening and hold the shield in close contact about the cigar.

8. A cigar package comprising an inner shield consisting of a thin sheet of cedar of the same length as the cigar, to completely surround the latter, and having overlapped longitudinal edges, said cedar sheet having an inspection opening therethrough, and an outer wrapper of transparent material snugly enveloping said shield to prevent separation of the overlapped edges of the shield, and hold the same in close contact with the cigar, said wrapper being folded over the opposite ends of the shield and the cigar to prevent any appreciable relative movement between the cigar and the shield, and maintain a desirable area section of the cigar in opposed relation to said inspection opening.

9. A cigar package comprising an inner shield completely surrounding and in surface contact with the leaf wrapper of the cigar and having a surface area less than the surface area of the leaf wrapper of the cigar confined therein, and a transparent wrapper enclosing the shield, said shield being so formed as to provide one or more spaces within the confines of the transparent wrapper to facilitate visual inspection of the outer surface of the leaf wrapper when the package is in its normal position in a cigar box and without removing the transparent wrapper.

10. A cigar package comprising an inner shield of aromatic material completely surrounding and in surface contact with the leaf wrapper of the cigar and having a surface area less than the surface area of the leaf wrapper of the cigar confined therein, and a transparent wrapper enclosing the shield, said shield being so formed as to provide one or more spaces within the confines of the transparent wrapper to facilitate visual inspection of the outer surface of the leaf wrapper when the package is in its normal position in a cigar box and without removing the transparent wrapper.

11. A cigar package comprising an inner shield consisting of a thin sheet of cedar completely surrounding and in surface contact with the leaf wrapper of the cigar and having a surface area less than the surface area of the leaf wrapper of the cigar confined therein, and a transparent wrapper enclosing the shield, said shield being so formed as to provide one or more spaces within the confines of the transparent wrapper to facilitate visual inspection of the outer surface of the leaf wrapper when the package is in its normal position in a cigar box and without removing the transparent wrapper.

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