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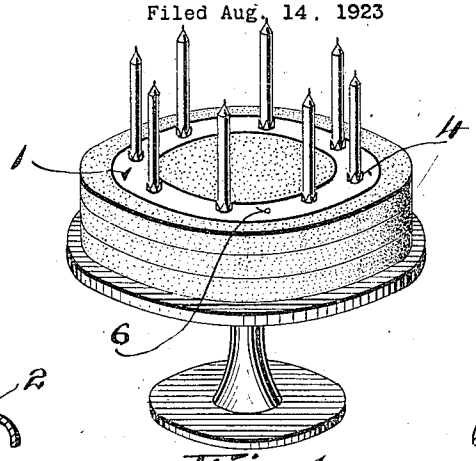


Fig. 1.

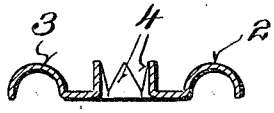


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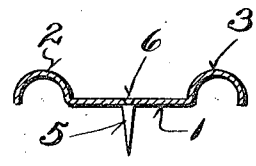


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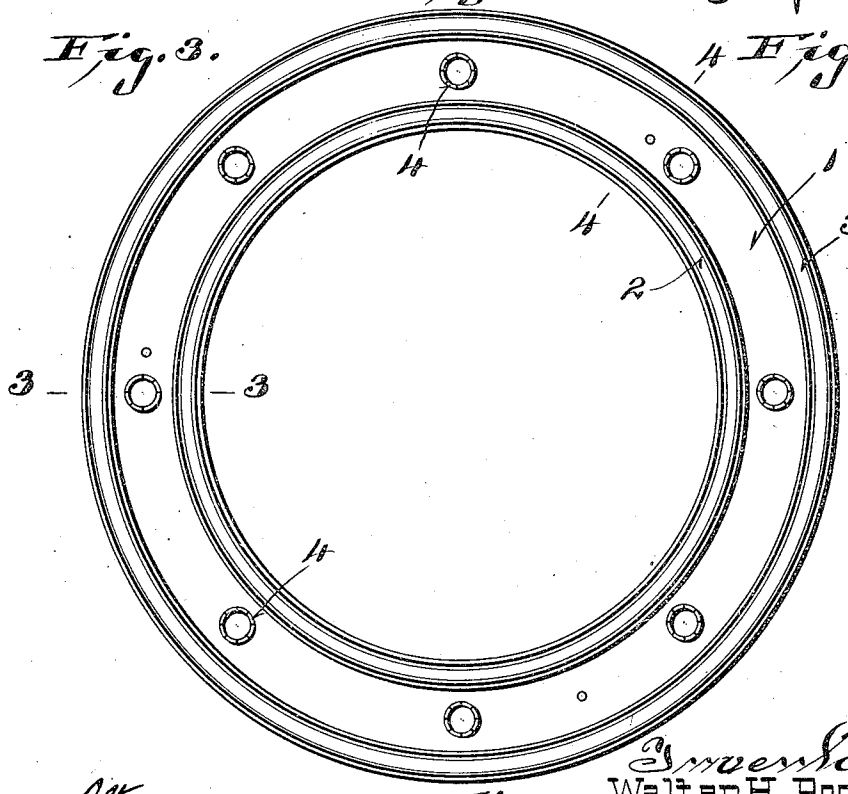


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WALTER H. POOCH and MARTIN M. KOEPPEN, both citizens of the United States, and residents of Green Bay, in the county of Brown and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Candle Holders; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

This invention relates to candle holders.

Objects of this invention are to provide a candle holder which may be temporarily applied to a cake, which will accurately position the candles, which will prevent candle grease from dropping upon the cake, which is of ornamental and attractive appearance, and which may be cheaply and readily formed.

An embodiment of the invention is shown in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the cake with the candle holder in position thereon.

Figure 2 is a plan view upon an enlarged scale of the candle holder.

Figure 3 is a sectional view on the line 3—3 of Figure 2 to an enlarged scale.

Figure 4 is a similar sectional view on the line 4—4 of Figure 2.

The device comprises an annular ring 1 formed preferably from sheet metal and stamped with an inner upwardly extending curved border 2, and an outer upwardly extending curved border 3, which not only brace the candle holder and make it extremely rigid, but also improves its appearance and provide a catch for the retention of candle grease, that is to say, provide a small basin of annular contour within which the grease is retained.

At regular points around this member 1 a plurality of candle holders are provided by forming upstruck tongues 4 arranged in a small circle and adapted to grip the candles, as shown in Figure 1. These tongues obviously may be punched up from the material of the member 1, as shown clearly in Figures 2 and 3 and form a very secure support for the base of the candles.

At spaced points along the under side of the device a plurality of short prongs 5 are provided, as for instance by suitably riveting a portion 6 thereof within an appropriate aperture formed in the member 1, as shown in Figure 4, although obviously these tongues might be formed by a downwardly struck portion from the body of the member 1. Obviously it is not necessary to provide many of the prongs 5 and the prongs may be of small dimensions so as not to leave the cake marred when the device is removed thereform.

It is obvious that this device may be made from stamped material in a very cheap manner and may be suitably enameled or polished, or otherwise treated to enhance its appearance.

It will thus be seen that an attractive and servicable candle holder for cakes has been provided, which may be quickly applied to the cake and which will retain the candles in their correct spaced position.

Although one form of the invention has been described in considerable detail, it is to be understood that the invention may be variously embodied and is therefore to be limited only as claimed.

While we have illustrated the invention in the form of a ring, obviously we can, without departing from the spirit of our invention, form the candle holder in various designs, as for example a figure eight, a heart, or a star.

It is further to be noted that lt may be found desirable to provide downwardly extending sockets for the reception of the candles in place of the upwardly extending sockets, as shown in the drawing. Also it may be found convenient to form these downwardly extending sockets with closed bottom portions. It is intended, therefore, that the invention shall not be limited otherwise than specified in the claims.

We claim:—

1. A candle holder comprising an annular member having means for attachment to a cake and having a plurality of upwardly extending sockets adapted to receive the candles and to hold them in spaced relative position.

2. A candle holder for cakes comprising an annular stamped member having inner and outer upwardly extending ribs, thus forming a channel between them, a plurality of upwardly extending candle gripping means integrally formed with said annular member and positioned between the inner and outer ribs.

3. A candle holder for cakes comprising an annular sheet metal member having an inner and outer upwardly pressed border

and having a plurality of upstruck tongues located between said borders and adapted to hold candles, and a plurality of prongs extending downwardly from the under side of said member.

4. A candle holder comprising an annular member of pressed sheet material having means for attachment to a cake and having a plurality of candle receiving sockets formed therein and adapted to hold the candles in spaced relation.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing we have hereunto set our hands at Green Bay, in the county of Brown and State of Wisconsin.

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