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 DISPLAY CASE.
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Fig. I.

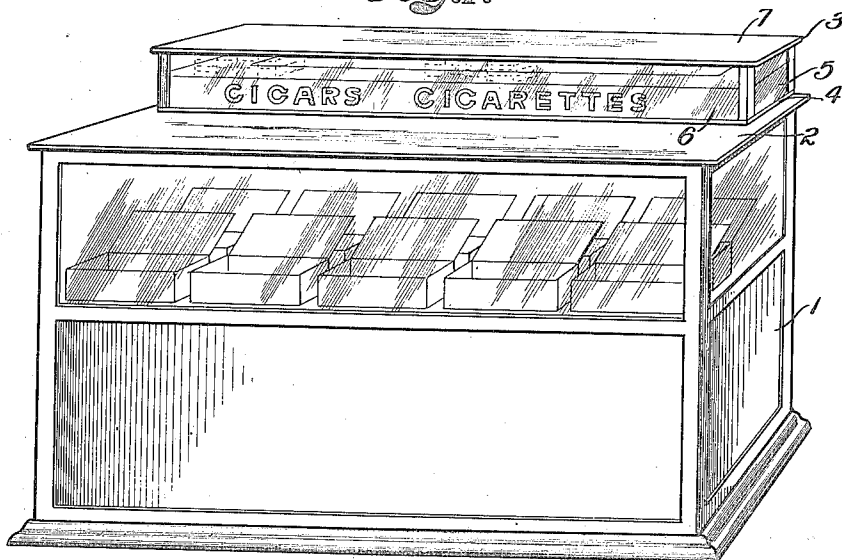


Fig. II.

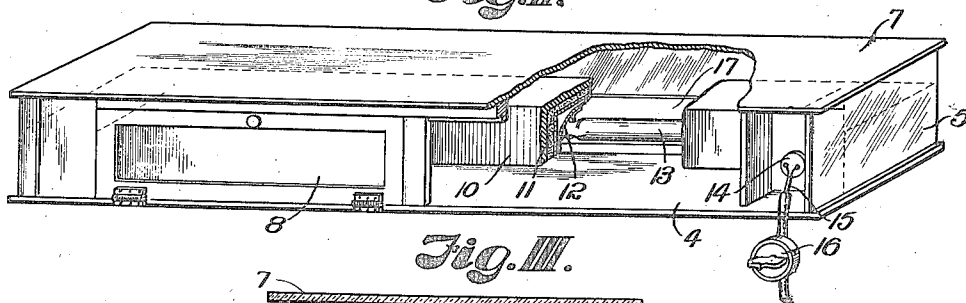
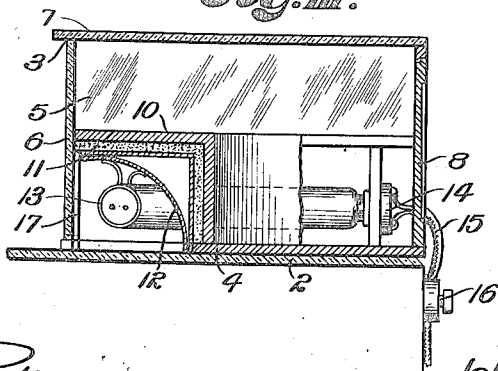


Fig. III.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN F. HUCKEL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Kansas City, in the county of Jackson and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Cases; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to display cases, and more particularly to a combination case for displaying cigars and cigarettes, or other relatively large and small articles or packages; the principal object of the invention being to provide a case of this character, which is convenient and attractive in appearance and which may be equipped with lighting fixtures to effectively light an advertising scheme forming a part of the invention, and also to illuminate the contents of the supporting case. In accomplishing this object I have provided improved details of structure, the preferred forms of which are illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein:—

Figure I is a perspective view of a show case constructed according to my invention. Fig. II is a back view of the case, a part being broken away for better illustration. Fig. III is a cross section of the same.

Referring more in detail to the drawings:—1 designates any ordinary show case, such as is used for displaying cigars or the like, and having a transparent top 2. Supported on and preferably located near the back of the main case 1 is a relatively narrow display case 3, comprising a base portion 4, preferably of opaque material, and mounted on the base 4 are transparent end and front members 5—6 and a transparent top plate 7; the back of the case being provided with drop doors 8 that are hinged mounted on the base 4. Located within the case 3, and supported on the base 4, adjacent the end and front plates 5—6, is a box-like case 10, provided with an inner lining of non-heat conductive material 11, such as asbestos, and with a reflector 12 which is preferably curved to reflect light from a lamp contained within the box through the front of the display case and through the

top of the main show case. Supported within the case 10, and preferably extending throughout its length, is a tubular electric light 13 which is connected, through socket 14, with the wires 15, through which current is supplied to the lamp and controlled by a switch 16. The portion of the base 4 beneath the case 10 is cut away in order that the light from the lamp 13 may be reflected through the plate 2 of the supporting case 1 to effectively light the goods displayed therein and in order that plates 17 of glass or other transparent material may be inserted, the said plates being supported on the base 4 adjacent the outer side plates and bearing the trade mark of the goods displayed, or other information that it may be desired to show. It is apparent that with a structure of this description the small case may serve to display small vendable articles and at the same time illuminate the contents of the main case and the advertising panel at the front of the small case, and that by arranging the parts as described, the contents of both cases are protected from the heat of the lamps.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new therein, and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is:—

1. The combination with a show case having a transparent top, of a display case supported on the show case, a partition dividing the front of the display case horizontally and vertically to form a lamp compartment and supporting shelf, a lamp in said compartment, and a reflector in said compartment adapted for reflecting light from the lamp through the top of the show case and the front of the display case.

2. The combination with a show case having a transparent top, of a display case supported on the show case, a partition dividing the front of the display case horizontally and vertically to form a lamp compartment and supporting shelf, a lamp in said compartment, a reflector in said compartment adapted for reflecting light from the lamp through the top of the show case and the front of the display case, and a non-heat conductive lining between the reflector and partition.

3. The combination with a show case having a transparent top, of a display case supported on the show case and having a portion of its base cut away at the front to expose the transparent top of the show case,

a partition in the display case dividing a part of the display case above the cut out in the base into a lower light compartment and upper display compartment, a sign panel in the light compartment adjacent the front thereof, a lamp in the said compartment, and a reflector in the said compartment adapted for reflecting light from the

lamp through the sign panel and through the top of the show case.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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