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Fig. 1.

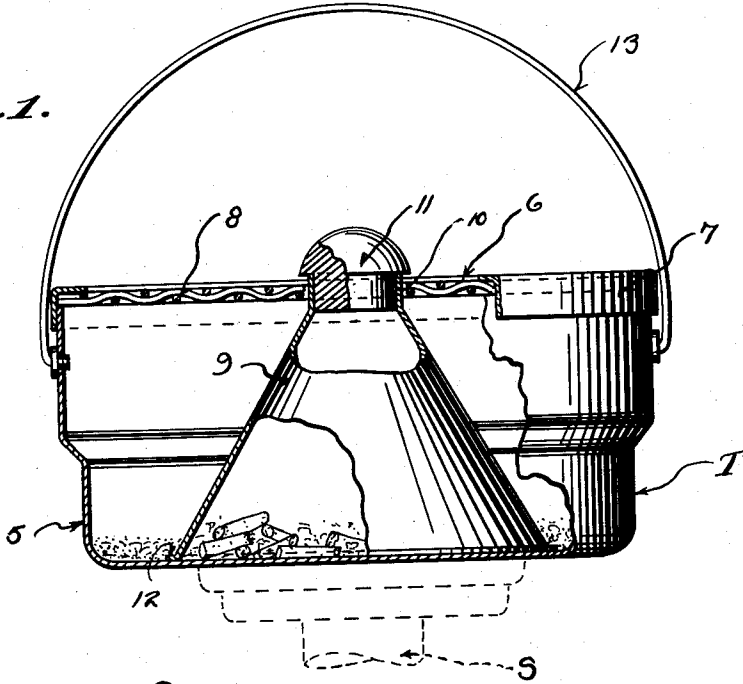
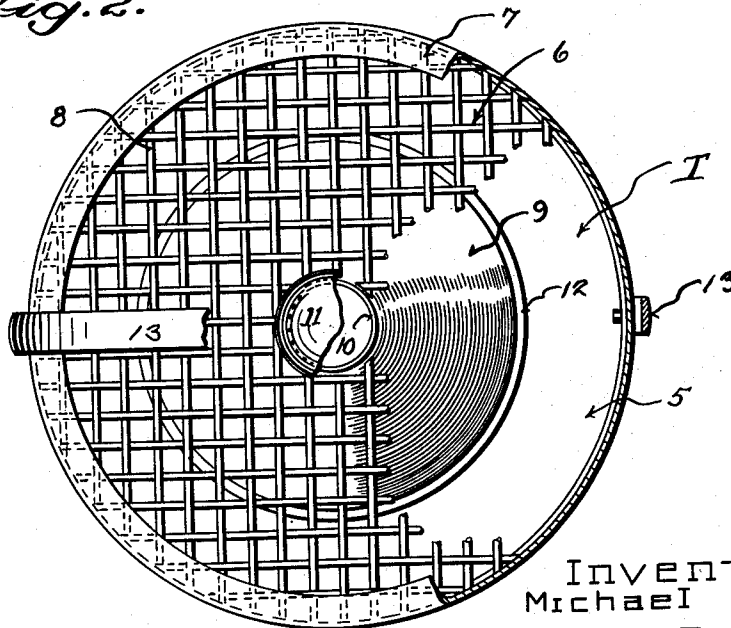


Fig. 2.



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This invention appertains to ash trays, smoking stands, and the like.

One of the primary objects of my invention is to provide a novel device for receiving cigar and cigarette ashes, and cigar and cigarette butts without danger of burning objects around the tray or stand, and without the usual offensive odor accompanying burning cigar and cigarette ends.

Another salient object of my invention is the provision of an ash tray or stand embodying a receptacle having a removable closure formed of reticulated or perforated material covering the entire top of the receptacle, whereby ashes can be readily brushed off burning cigars or cigarettes into the receptacle by moving the lighted cigar or cigarette over the reticulated or perforated material of the closure, said material forming a convenient rest for the cigar or cigarette when the same is temporarily laid down.

A further important object of my invention is the provision of a central chamber associated with the receptacle and locked within the ash compartment, having a reduced neck extending through the cover for reception of a removable stopper, the chamber constituting means for receiving cigar and cigarette butts whereby to prevent the escape of offensive odors from the tray, and to insure the quick extinguishing of the butts in the chamber by the lack of air within the chamber.

A still further object of my invention is the provision of a removable chamber in the nature of a cone for receiving cigar and cigarette butts, the cone being freely removable from the receptacle, whereby to permit the convenient dumping of butts and ashes from the receptacle.

A still further object of my invention is to provide an ash tray or stand of the above character which will be durable and efficient in use, one that will be simple and easy to manufacture, and one that will present a pleasing and attractive appearance.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists in the novel construction, arrangement and formation of parts, as will be hereinafter more specifically described, claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of my novel ash tray, parts of the view being shown broken away and in section.

Figure 2 is a top plan view of the ash tray, with parts thereof broken away and in section.

Referring to the drawing in detail, wherein similar reference characters designate corre-

sponding parts through the several views, the letter T generally indicates my novel ash tray, and the same includes a receptacle 5, which can be formed from any desired material, such as sheet metal. When the receptacle is formed from sheet metal, the same can be easily stamped or spun into shape, and the same may take many different forms which will be pleasing to the esthetic taste.

In the present instance, the receptacle 5 is of a round or cylindrical form, and the upper end thereof is closed by a removable cover 6.

The removable cover 6 includes an annular band 7, which is adapted to be snapped or sprung over the top of the receptacle, and the band carries a sheet of material 8 formed from woven wire, or perforated material. Obviously, burning cigars or cigarettes can be readily laid on top of the sheet of material 8, and any ashes falling therefrom will drop into the receptacle.

Likewise, the cigars or cigarettes can be brushed across the reticulated material for facilitating the knocking of ashes off of the same into the receptacle.

One of the important features of my invention is the provision of a closed compartment associated with the tray, for receiving cigar and cigarette butts. To form this compartment, I provide a frusto-conical member 9, having a reduced neck 10 formed on its upper end. This neck 10 is adapted to protrude through a center opening formed in the reticulated material 8. A removable stopper 11 is associated with the neck for closing the compartment. If desired, the base of the frusto-conical member 9 can be flared outwardly to form a flange for resting against the bottom wall of the receptacle.

In the use of my tray, when it is desired to get rid of a cigar or cigarette butt, the stopper 11 is removed, and the butt is dropped into the chamber defined by the member 9, and the stopper is replaced. This will prevent the escape of odors from the butt, and the butt will be quickly extinguished due to the lack of air in the compartment.

When it is desired to clean the tray, it is merely necessary to remove the cover 6 and the member 9, after which the receptacle 5 can be inverted, and the contents thereof dumped into a disposal can.

If preferred, the tray can be provided with a carrying handle 12. The handle 12 is of the pivoted bail type, so that the same can be swung down out of the way when the handle is not in

use, and when the cover is being removed from the receptacle.

While I have shown the tray as a separate smoker's article to be placed upon convenient supports, such as tables and the like, it is to be understood that the tray can be made the part of a stand S, suggested in dotted lines in Figure 1.

Changes and details may be made without departing from the spirit or the scope of my invention, but what I claim as new is:

1. An ash tray comprising, a receptacle, a compartment in the receptacle for the reception of cigar and cigaret butts, the tray having an ash compartment around the butt compartment, a

removable cover for the receptacle having a plurality of openings therein, a reduced neck on the butt compartment extending through the cover, and a removable stopper for the neck.

2. An ash tray comprising, a receptacle, a removable closure for the receptacle having a plurality of ash receiving openings therein, a frusto-conical member removably fitted in the receptacle and engaging the bottom wall thereof to form a separate compartment therein, a reduced neck on the frusto-conical member extending through the closure, and a removable stopper for the neck.

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