

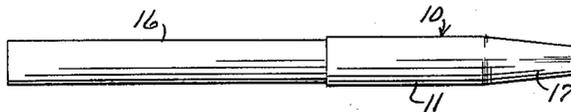
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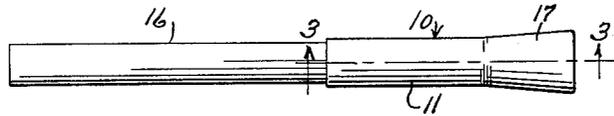
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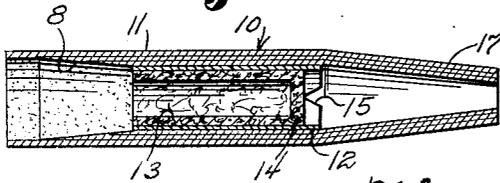
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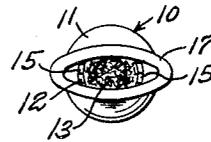
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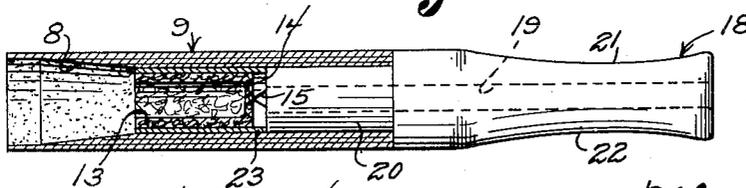
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*Fig. 4.*

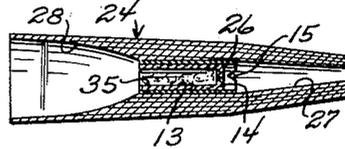
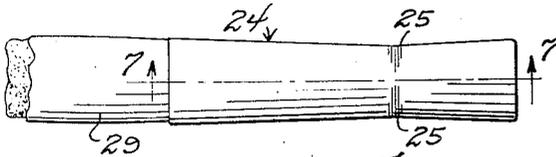


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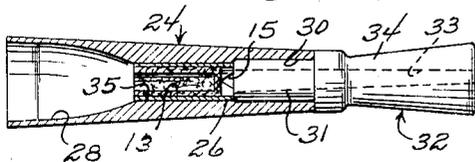


*Fig. 6.*

*Fig. 7.*



*Fig. 8.*



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## SMOKING ARTICLE HOLDER

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This invention relates to smoking appliances, and more particularly to smoking appliances of tubular form adapted to hold a cigarette or cigar.

An object of the invention is to provide a smoking appliance that will filter and cool the smoke drawn through the appliance to the mouth of the smoker.

Another object of the invention is to provide a smoking appliance that will remove nicotine, tars and other foreign substances from the smoke of the cigar or cigarette.

A further object of the invention is to provide a smoking appliance that is extremely simple and inexpensive to manufacture.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent during the course of the following description.

In the accompanying drawings forming a part of this application, and in which like numerals are employed to designate like parts throughout the same:

Figure 1 is a top plan view of the smoking appliance holding a cigarette;

Figure 2 is a side elevational view of the device of Figure 1;

Figure 3 is an enlarged sectional view taken on the line 3—3 of Figure 2;

Figure 4 is an end elevational view of the device of Figure 3;

Figure 5 is a sectional view of a modified smoking appliance provided with a plastic mouthpiece;

Figure 6 is a top plan view of a modified smoking appliance holding a cigar;

Figure 7 is a sectional view taken on line 7—7 of Figure 6;

Figure 8 is a sectional view of another modification of the smoking appliance provided with a plastic mouthpiece.

Referring to Figures 1 to 4 of the drawings, the numeral 10 designates an elongated tubular casing or mouthpiece preferably fabricated of paper. The intermediate portion 11 of the casing 10 is of uniform diameter throughout and positioned within the intermediate portion is a filter cylinder 12 preferably fabricated of absorbent paper and provided with a slot 15. The exterior surface of the cylinder 12 is provided with glue thereon so that after insertion of the cylinder in the casing 10 the cylinder 12 will remain immobile. Extending longitudinally in the cylinder 12 is a cylindrical shell 13 fabricated of absorbent cotton. The cotton shell 13 is provided with an end wall 14 having a thickness not greater than one sixteenth of an inch and which is where most of the filtering process or elimina-

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tion of tars and nicotine takes place. The highly absorbent cotton end wall 14 traps tars and nicotine and keeps out dust and tobacco crumbs from the mouth. The cotton and absorbent paper shell 12 coact to absorb or filter foreign matter from the smoke drawn through the appliance.

The casing 10 is provided with a tapered interior wall 8 extending from one end thereof for the snug reception therein of a cigarette 16. The other end 17 of the casing 10 is oval shaped and is adapted to be inserted in the smoker's mouth.

In Figure 5, a mouthpiece 18, preferably fabricated of a suitable plastic, is illustrated in use with a casing 9. The mouthpiece 18 is provided with a longitudinally-extending bore 19 for the egress therethrough of smoke into the smoker's mouth. Projecting from the mouthpiece 18 is a tubular male member 20 which is inserted in an open end of the casing 9 to connect the latter to the mouthpiece. The mouthpiece 18 is provided with a pair of exterior side portions 21 and 22 which enable a smoker to hold the mouthpiece in the mouth without discomfort. For modifying the smoke, the casing 9 is provided with a filter cylinder 23 having the same construction as the filter cylinder 12.

Referring to Figures 6 and 7, a smoking appliance embodying a cigar holder is illustrated, and the holder comprises a casing 24 provided with a tapered outer wall, there being a pair of opposed arcuate cut-away portions 25 in the casing 24 which coact with the tapered outer wall to enable the smoker to retain the casing within the mouth without any discomfort. The casing 24 is provided intermediate its ends with a cylindrical bore 35 of a uniform diameter for the reception of a filter cylinder 26 of a construction similar to the previously-described filter cylinder. One end of the casing 24 is provided with a tapered passageway 27 for the egress therethrough of filtered smoke and the other end of the casing 24 is tapered to define a socket 28 for the reception therein of a cigar 29.

In Figure 8, a cigar holder is illustrated which has the same construction as the device of Figures 6 and 7, except that it is provided with a cylindrical bore 30 in one end for the reception therein of a tubular male member 31 which projects from a plastic mouthpiece 32. The mouthpiece 32 is provided with a longitudinally-extending bore 33 for the egress therethrough of smoke. The exterior of the mouthpiece 32 is flattened and tapered, as at 34, to enable the smoker to retain the mouthpiece within the mouth without discomfort.

In use, a cigarette is inserted in the end 8 of the casing 10 and the other end 17 is inserted in the smoker's mouth. As a result of the cotton and absorbent paper interposed in the cylinder 12, the smoke will be filtered so that foreign matter, such as tobacco crumbs and dust, will be eliminated from the smoke. In certain instances, the smoker inserts the male member 20 of a mouthpiece 18 into the end of the casing and the mouthpiece is then inserted in the smoker's mouth for conveying filtered smoke to the latter.

In the use of the device of Figures 6 and 7, a cigar 29 is inserted in the socket 28 and the other end of the casing 24 is inserted in the smoker's mouth. The filter cylinder 26 again eliminates foreign matter from the smoke, and in Figure 8, a cigar holder provided with a plastic mouthpiece 32 is illustrated.

The paper mouthpiece 10 should be beauty tipped, cork tipped, or should come in plain ends and is effective for the smoking of only one cigarette. In the modification illustrated in Figures 6 and 8, the cigarette and cigar holder are also discarded, but the plastic mouthpiece is removed and used again with a new holder. The plastic mouthpiece should come in various rich colors. The cigarette and cigar holders can be of various lengths, and the paper cylinder 12 is fabricated by wrapping the paper around itself two and a half revolutions.

As many embodiments may be made of this inventive concept, and as many modifications may be made in the embodiments hereinbefore shown and described, it is to be understood that all matter herein is to be interpreted merely as illustrative and not in a limiting sense.

I claim:

In a smoking appliance, an elongated tubular casing, the intermediate portion of said casing being of uniform diameter, a filter cylinder positioned in the intermediate portion of said casing and secured thereto, and an annular shell fabricated of absorbent material extending longitudinally through said cylinder, said shell being snugly seated in said cylinder, one end of said shell being provided with a transversely extending end wall, the thickness of the shell and said end wall being the same, one end of said casing having a tapered inner wall for snugly receiving therein a smoking article, the open end of said shell being arranged contiguous to the inner end of said tapered inner wall, the other end of said casing constituting a mouthpiece.

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