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Fig. 1.

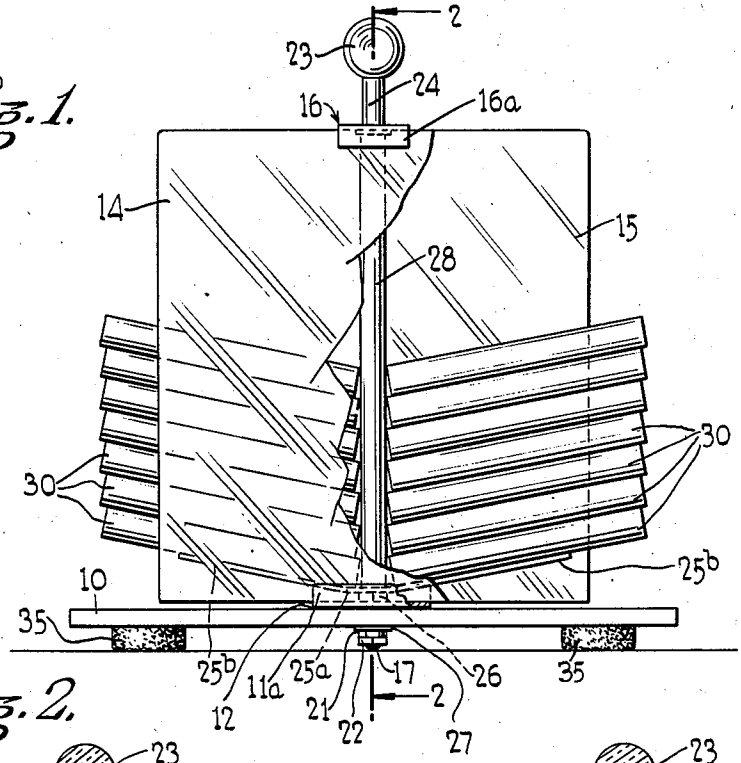


Fig. 2.

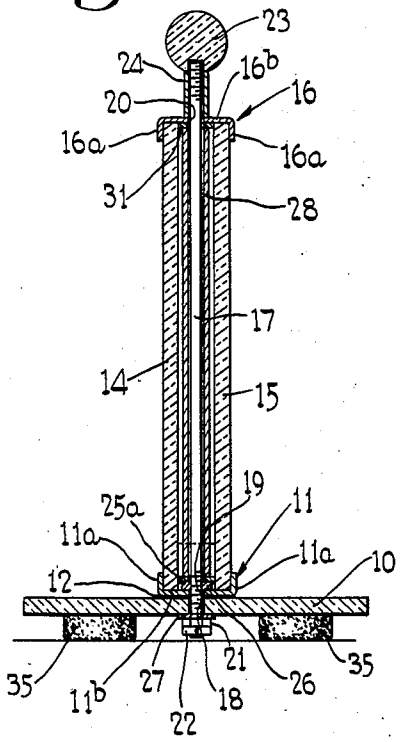
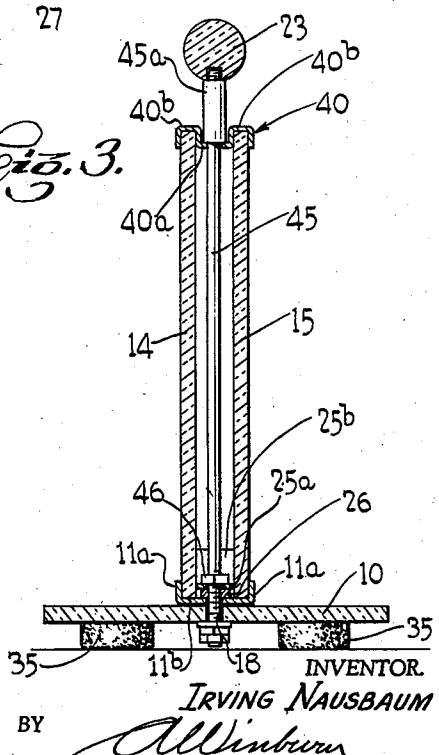


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates generally to cigarette holders and has for one of its objects the provision of a novel cigarette holder of improved and highly simplified construction.

Another object of my invention is to provide an improved cigarette holder of the character described which shall comprise relatively few and simple parts, which shall be easy to assemble, which shall be rugged in construction and yet highly ornamental and which at the same time shall be practical and useful to a high degree.

Further objects of my invention will become apparent in the following detailed description thereof.

In the accompanying drawing,

Fig. 1 is a front elevational view of a cigarette holder constructed in accordance with my invention, with a portion of a front wall broken away to more clearly disclose the interior construction thereof;

Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional view taken substantially on the line 2—2 of Fig. 2; and

Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 2 but illustrating a modified form of my invention.

Referring now in detail to the drawing, I have shown a cigarette holder constructed in accordance with my invention and characterized by the following simplified assembly.

A flat, horizontal base member 10 is provided, which may be made of any suitable material such as, for example, mirrored glass as shown. Mounted on the base 10, at substantially the center thereof, is a relatively rigid channel-shaped member 11. A layer 12 of cement may be employed for fixing the said member 11 to the base, or any other suitable fastening means may be employed. Supported by the channel member 11 and resting upon the bottom wall thereof are a pair of glass plates 14 and 15, which are vertically disposed and spaced from each other so as to abut the adjacent vertical walls 11*a* of the member 11.

To maintain the plates 14 and 15 in proper position, I provide a second channel-shaped member 16 comprising the horizontal top wall 16*b* and the downwardly depending vertically disposed side walls 16*a*. A vertically disposed rod 17, threaded at opposite ends passes through aligned apertures 18, 19 and 20 in the base 10, bottom channel member 11 and top channel member 16 respectively. A pair of nuts 21 and 22 received on the threaded portion of the rod 17 and abutting the bottom surface of the base 10, while a ball member 23 fixed to the top end of the rod 17, and having a tubular sleeve member 24 interposed between the said ball 23 and the member 16 serve to rigidly maintain the plates 14 and 15 in proper assembled position. A felt washer member 27 may be employed to protect the mirror back of the base 10.

Attached to the rod 17 adjacent the bottom thereof and disposed between the plates 14 and 15 is a cigarette platform member 25 of flat rigid material and comprising a central horizontal portion 25*a* and a pair of integral outwardly extending and upwardly inclined arms 25*b*. The said horizontal portion 25*a* is provided with an aperture aligned with the apertures 18, 19 and 20 and through which the rod 17 passes. A nut 26 disposed within the channel member 11 and threadedly received on the rod 17 and a tubular spacer member 28 serve to maintain the platform 25 in its effective position. It is noted that the width of the platform 25 is such that it will maintain the glass plates 14 and 15 in spaced relationship at all times and that such space is sufficient to permit the free insertion and removal of cigarettes of customary size.

As noted in Fig. 1 a supply of cigarettes 30 are stacked up on each arm 25*b* and extend beyond the vertical edges of the plates 14 and 15 so that they may be readily grasped for withdrawal and use.

A suitable washer 31 surrounding the rod 17 and interposed between the tubular space 28 and the wall 16*b* of the top channel member 16 serves to maintain the upper portions of the plates 14 and 15 in constant spaced relationship.

The ball 23 may be made of glass or any other suitable similar material to render the same highly ornamental and at the same time to furnish a convenient handle to carry the cigarette holder in the hand while offering cigarettes to guests. Any suitable method may be employed for attaching the said glass ball 23 to the rod 17, such as for example, screw threading, fusing or cementing as shown.

To protect the surfaces of the furniture upon which the cigarette holder may be placed and at the same time to protect the mirror back of the base 10 against damage, I provide felt leg members 35 attached to the bottom surface of the base 10, solely by adhesive means.

In Fig. 3 of the drawing I have illustrated a modified form of my invention in which I am able to dispense with the washer 31 and the tubular spacer member 28 and thereby further simplify my construction. As shown, instead of the top channel member 16 I employ a member 40 which may be formed from a flat sheet of

material or be molded into a shape having a downwardly dished portion 40*a* of a width equal to the desired space between the plates 14 and 15 and interposed therebetween. Adjacent the portion 40 on opposite sides thereof are channel portions 40*b* designed to receive therein the upper edges of the said plates 14 and 15. Instead of the collar 24, the rod 45 similar in function to that of the rod 17, may be provided with a portion 45*a* of enlarged diameter to maintain the member 40 in rigid position. For attaching the platform member 25 to the rod in the Fig. 3 form of my invention I employ a second nut 46, threadedly received on the rod 45 and disposed on the opposite side of the said platform 25 from the nut 26. All the other parts of my construction are the same as shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

In accordance with the provisions of the patent statutes, I have herein described the principle and operation of my invention, together with the apparatus which I now consider to represent the best embodiment thereof, but I desire to have it understood that the apparatus shown is only illustrative and that the invention can be carried out by other means. Also, while it is designed to use the various features and elements in the combination and relations described, some of these may be altered and others omitted without interfering with the more general results outlined, and the invention extends to such use.

Having described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. In a cigarette holder, in combination, a horizontal base member, a bottom channel-shaped member fixed to said base member, a pair of plates of glass or similar material, having their bottom edges resting in said bottom channel member, said plates being vertically disposed and spaced from each other, a top channel-shaped member receiving therein the top edges of said plates, a rod passing through aligned apertures in said top and bottom channel members, maintaining said plates in assembled position with respect to said base, and a cigarette support mounted on said rod and adapted to support a stack of cigarettes thereon between said plates.

2. In a cigarette holder, in combination, a horizontal base member, a bottom channel-shaped member fixed to said base member, a pair of plates of glass or similar material, having their bottom edges resting in said bottom channel member, said plates being vertically disposed and spaced from each other, a top channel-shaped member receiving therein the top edges of said plates, a rod passing through aligned apertures in said top and bottom channel members, maintaining said plates in assembled position with respect to said base, a cigarette support mounted on said rod and adapted to support a stack of cigarettes thereon between said plates, and a tubular spacer member surrounding said rod and interposed between said top channel member and said cigarette support.

3. In a cigarette holder, in combination, a horizontal base member, a bottom channel-shaped member fixed to said base member, a pair of plates of glass or similar material, having their bottom edges resting in said bottom channel member, said plates being vertically disposed and spaced from each other, a top channel-shaped member receiving therein the top edges of said plates, a rod passing through aligned apertures in said top and bottom channel members, a glass or similar ball member fixed to the top end of said rod and a nut threadedly received on said rod and abutting the bottom surface of said base, for maintaining said plates in assembled position with respect to said base, a cigarette support mounted on said rod and adapted to support a stack of cigarettes thereon between said plates and a tubular spacer member surrounding said rod and interposed between said top channel member and said cigarette support.

4. In a cigarette holder, in combination, a horizontal base member, a bottom channel-shaped member fixed to said base member solely by adhesive means, a pair of plates of glass or similar material, having their bottom edges resting in said bottom channel member, said plates being vertically disposed and spaced from each other, a top channel-shaped member receiving therein the top edges of said plates, a rod passing through aligned apertures in said top and bottom channel members, maintaining said plates in assembled position with respect to said base, and a cigarette support mounted on said rod and adapted to support a stack of cigarettes thereon between said plates.

5. In a cigarette holder, in combination, a horizontal base member, a bottom channel-shaped member fixed to said base member, a pair of plates of glass or similar material, having their bottom edges resting in said bottom channel member, said plates being vertically disposed and spaced from each other, a top channel-shaped member receiving therein the top edges of said plates, a rod passing through aligned apertures in said top and bottom channel members, a glass or similar ball member fixed to the top end of said rod and a nut threadedly received on said rod and abutting the bottom surface of said base, for maintaining said plates in assembled position with respect to said base, a cigarette support mounted on said rod and adapted to support a stack of cigarettes thereon between said plates, a tubular spacer member surrounding said rod and interposed between said top channel member and said cigarette support and a tubular spacer member interposed between said top channel member and said glass ball.

6. In a cigarette holder, in combination, a horizontal base member, a bottom channel-shaped member fixed to said base member, a pair of plates of glass or similar material, having their bottom edges resting in said bottom channel member, said plates being vertically disposed and spaced from each other, a top channel-shaped member receiving therein the top edges of said plates, a rod passing through aligned apertures in said top and bottom channel members, a glass or similar ball member fixed to the top end of said rod and a nut threadedly received on said rod and abutting the bottom surface of said base, for maintaining said plates in assembled position with respect to said base, a cigarette support mounted on said rod and adapted to support a stack of cigarettes thereon between said plates, a tubular spacer member surrounding said rod and interposed between said top channel member and said cigarette support and a tubular spacer member interposed between said top channel member and said glass ball, said cigarette support being adapted to maintain the lower portions of said plates in constant spaced relationship.

7. In a cigarette holder, in combination, a horizontal base member, a bottom channel-shaped member fixed to said base member, a pair of plates of glass or similar material, having their bottom edges resting in said bottom channel

member, said plates being vertically disposed and spaced from each other, a top channel-shaped member receiving therein the top edges of said plates, a rod passing through aligned apertures in said top and bottom channel members, a glass or similar ball member fixed to the top end of said rod and a nut threadedly received on said rod and abutting the bottom surface of said base, for maintaining said plates in assembled position with respect to said base, a cigarette support mounted on said rod and adapted to support a stack of cigarettes thereon between said plates, a tubular spacer member surrounding said rod and interposed between said top channel member and said cigarette support, a tubular spacer member interposed between said top channel member and said glass ball, said cigarette support being adapted to maintain the lower portions of said plates in constant spaced relationship, and means for maintaining the upper portions of said plates in constant spaced relationship.

8. In a cigarette holder, in combination, a horizontal base member, a bottom channel-shaped member fixed to said base member, a pair of plates of glass or similar material, having their bottom edges resting in said bottom channel member, said plates being vertically disposed and spaced from each other, a top channel-shaped member receiving therein the top edges of said plates, a rod passing through aligned apertures in said top and bottom channel members, maintaining said plates in assembled position with respect to said base, and a cigarette support mounted on said rod and adapted to support a stack of cigarettes thereon between said plates, said top channel-shaped member comprising means for maintaining the upper portions of said plates in constant spaced relationship.

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