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Fig. 1.

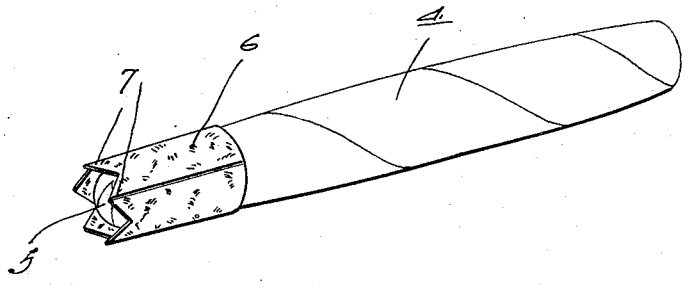


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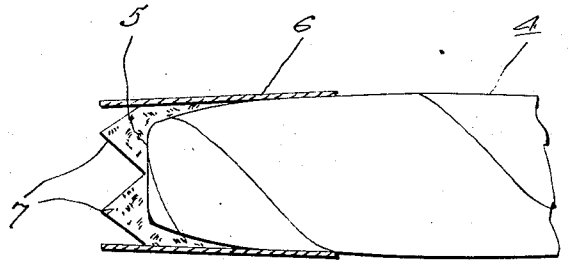
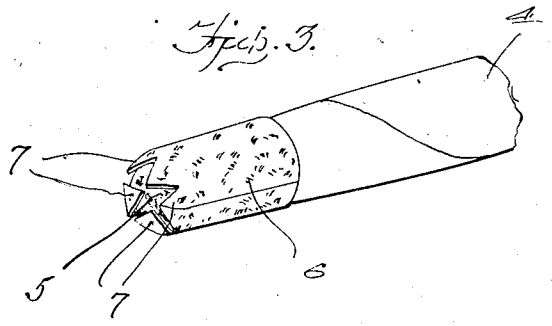


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates broadly to supplies of tobacco and tobacco products and has more particular reference to a permanent mouth piece for a cigar.

More explicitly stated, the invention has reference to a sleeve-like mouth piece which is permanently attached to the mouth-end of a blunt cigar, the sleeve being formed of relatively thin cork fastened to the cigar wrapper and provided with a protruding serrated end providing projecting points adapted to be folded against the blunt end to form a closure, while smoking, such as permits free passage of smoke and air, while preventing loose particles of tobacco from finding their way into the smoker's mouth.

As is well known when the filler of the cigar is composed of short pieces and scraps, and the mouth end is punctured for smoking, particles of the filler are gradually drawn into the smoker's mouth, thus making this type of cigar disagreeable to the user. Also, many smokers have a habit and tendency to bite and chew the end of the cigar, causing the wrapper to unravel, break, cause leakage and an excessive flow of undesirable tobacco juices.

It follows then that it is the purpose of this invention to provide a sanitary mouth piece of absorbent material, such as cork, wherein the same is positioned to prevent unravelling, to minimize chewing and severing of the tobacco, to reduce the formation of surplus tobacco juices, and to otherwise add to better smoking conditions for the user.

The particular construction and arrangement will become more readily apparent from the following description and drawings.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a blunt end cigar embodying the mouth piece constructed in accordance with the present invention,

Figure 2 is an enlarged fragmentary view with the mouth piece in longitudinal section,

Figure 3 is a perspective view showing the manner in which the serrated tongues or punctured extensions cooperate in folded relation to form a desirable type of closure.

Referring now to the drawings by reference numerals it will be observed that the body of the cigar is generally designated by the reference character 4 and that it has a blunt end 5 forming the mouth end or that portion which extends into the mouth of the smoker.

As is well known in this type of cigar it is unnecessary to bite off the end, it being only necessary to take the cigar in the fingers to split or break that portion of the wrapper which extends over the blunt end. This therefore provides an opening which is sufficient for passage of the smoke.

This invention may be used with a blunt end cigar or other type cigar as desired by discreet smokers. As before intimated the improvement comprises a cork sleeve which is of the approximate length shown and which fits over the blunt end to form a mouth piece and a protector to prevent unravelling of the wrapper of the cigar.

The sleeve is permanently attached when the cigar is manufactured. One end of the sleeve extends beyond the blunt or adjacent end of the cigar and the extended end of the sleeve is serrated to form a plurality of pointed tongues or extensions 7.

Obviously, upon insertion of the sleeve covered end of the cigar, in one's mouth, the sleeve will become moistened and the pointed extensions 7 will have a tendency to fold over the butt end of the cigar to form a closure as clearly illustrated in Figure 3. This partial closure formed by the tongue for the butt end of the cigar will permit the free passage of smoke and air therethrough, but will minimize the passage of particles of the filler of the cigar from the mouth piece and at the same time the sleeve or mouth piece will greatly reduce the possibility of unravelling of the wrapper as caused by chewing on the end of the cigar, thus greatly adding to the enjoyment of the cigar.

The simplicity of the invention is such as to obviate the necessity of embodying a lengthy description. It is thought the person familiar with tobacco products will clearly understand the purpose and appearance of the attachment. Consequently a

more detailed description is regarded unessential.

Minor changes in material, shape and size may be resorted to in actual practice if desired.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new is:

As a new article of manufacture, a blunt end cigar and a mouthpiece for permanent attachment to the blunt end butt, said mouthpiece being in the form of a sleeve, said sleeve extending to a point inward of the blunt end to a point outwardly beyond the blunt end, the outwardly extending portion being circumferentially serrated to form bendable tongues, said tongues being folded against the blunt end after it is punctured, said tongues being of less length than the radius of the sleeve, whereby the tongues will terminate short of the axial center of the cigar so as to form a partial closure for the blunt end to permit the free passage of smoke and air therethrough but to minimize the passage of particles of the filler within the body of the cigar from the mouthpiece.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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