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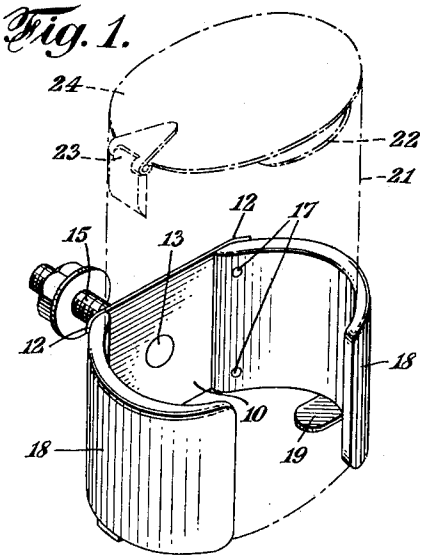


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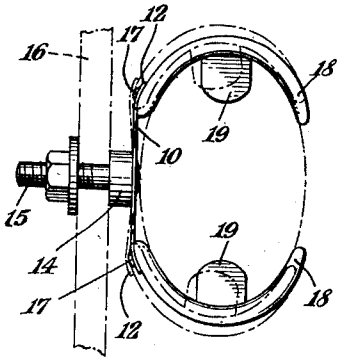


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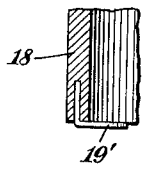


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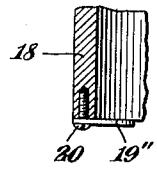


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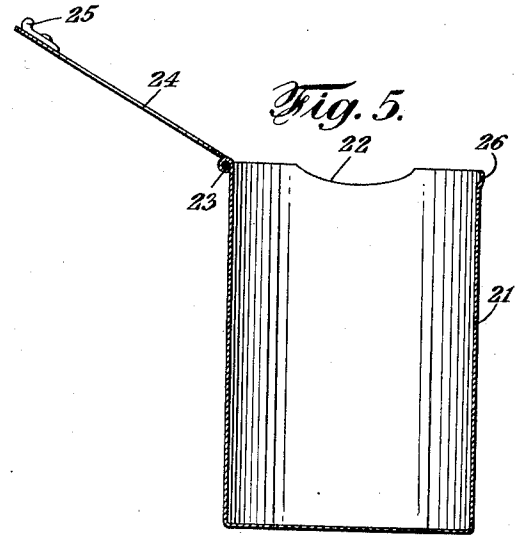
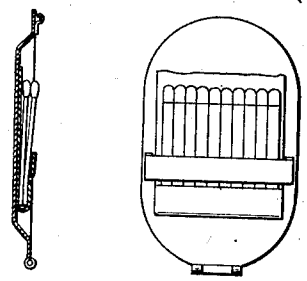


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This invention relates broadly to removable casings and supports therefor, and particularly to an attachment intended for dash-boards or the like for placing into easy reach, and for conveniently removing and replacing of a frequently used commodity, such as cigarettes or cigars.

One of the prime objects of the present invention is to provide an attractive looking, relatively inexpensive and effective device of this kind which can be readily secured to an existing support, as for instance a dash-board of an automobile, an airplane, motor boat or the like, and which includes a container, say for cigarettes, which container, while permanently held under restricting tension, may be readily removed or replaced bodily, or may be retained in its place and its content taken therefrom or replaced therein.

Another object of my invention is to provide a simple construction of a container support in which a minimum number of parts is employed to utmost harmony and advantage.

The foregoing and still further objects will become more fully apparent from the following description and the accompanying drawing, forming part of my disclosure, but by no means intended to restrict me to the actual showing, and in which

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my device with the container marked in broken lines.

Figure 2 is a top view of my device, showing the arrangement of parts and the function of the resilient element employed therein.

Figure 3 illustrates a cross-section through a preferred construction of the jaws of my device, including a bracket arrangement.

Figure 4 illustrates a modified construction of the latter.

Figure 5 is an elevation of the container of my device, seen partially in vertical cross-section, and

Figure 6 illustrates a modified form of a cover for my device.

Referring now to the figures, numeral 10 denotes a resilient strip of material, preferably steel, which is arcuated at its ends 12 and is provided centrally with an attaching bolt 13 having an enlargement 14, next to the resilient member, and terminating in a screw-end 15, equipped with a washer and nut for the purpose of attaching the device to an existing support, as for instance a dash-board or panel, indicated at 16 in broken lines in Figure 2.

Secured to the arcuated ends 12, by means of screws or rivets 17, are semi-circular or oval-shaped, relatively unyielding jaws 18, arranged symmetrically relative to one another and held under tension by resilient element 10. At the bottom edge of the jaws are provided container supports or brackets, 19 directed inwardly towards one another. Jaws 18 may be made of hard rubber, bakelite or any other suitable material, and brackets 19 may be either molded in, as shown at 19' in Figure 3, or may be secured by means of screws or rivets 20, as indicated in Figure 4 at 19''. The jaws are adapted to hold a container, shown in detail in Figure 5, which comprises preferably an oval-shaped metal casing 21, provided at its upper edges with symmetrically, oppositely-arranged cut-outs 22, adapted to facilitate the removal of whatever article is placed into the container. At one of the narrower ends of the container there is hinged at 23 a cover 24, provided with a snap-closure 25, adapted to engage a corresponding indentation 26, arranged at the opposite narrow edge of the container. Jaws 18, connected by resilient element 10, are adapted to hold the container constantly under tension, while brackets 19 are supporting it so that the major portion of its body extends above the jaws, permitting the ready removal or replacement of the container.

It is the intention of my invention that the container be used either while held within the jaws, in which case articles, such as cigarettes, may be placed into or removed therefrom, or that the container is to be removed bodily, when for instance, the owner of a car leaves the vehicle and wishes to take with him his cigarettes held in the container. For this reason the casing is made so as to readily fit a pocket or a pocketbook and obviously, may be provided with any kind of ornamentation or identification as may be preferred. The cover may be built out or otherwise arranged to facilitate the accommodation of matches, cigar lighters or the like, as indicated in Figure 6.

While I have shown and described a specific form of my invention, be it understood that variations and modifications may be readily developed, without departing from the broad scope of my idea, which principally involves the employment of a resilient element, together with a pair of nonresilient jaws. I therefore reserve for myself the right to make such changes and improvements, as may become necessary through the application of my device to various uses.

I claim:

1. In a new article of manufacture, a resilient element provided with means for facilitating its attachment to an existing support, as for in-

stance a dash-board, a pair of symmetrically arranged, relatively unyielding jaws permanently secured to the ends of said resilient element, case or container brackets arranged at the bottom edges of said jaws, and adapted to removably support a container held by the jaws under tension of said resilient element.

2. In a new article of manufacture, a resilient element provided with single, centrally located means for facilitating its attachment to an existing support, as for instance a dash-board, a pair of symmetrically arranged, relatively unyielding jaws permanently secured to the ends of said resilient element, case or container brackets arranged at the bottom edges of said jaws, and adapted to removably support a container held by the jaws under tension of said resilient element.

3. An article of manufacture, comprising in combination, a resilient element having attaching means adapted to facilitate its engagement with an existing support, as for instance a dash-board, a pair of symmetrically disposed, substantially semi-circular, relatively unyielding jaws permanently secured at the edges of said resilient element, inwardly directed container brackets at the lower ends of said jaws, and adapted to removably support a container held by said jaws under tension of said element, said attaching means comprising a bolt or screw and a nut extending centrally from said resilient element.

4. An article of manufacture, comprising in combination, a resilient element, having centrally arranged attaching means adapted to facilitate its engagement with an existing support, as for instance a dash-board, a pair of symmetrically disposed, substantially semi-circular relatively unyielding jaws permanently secured at the edges of said resilient element, inwardly directed container brackets at the lower ends of said jaws, and adapted to removably support a substantially oval-shaped container held by said jaws under tension of said element.

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