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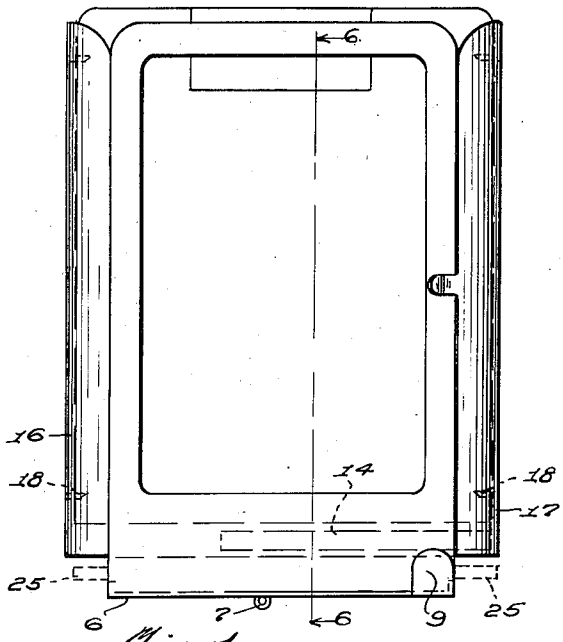


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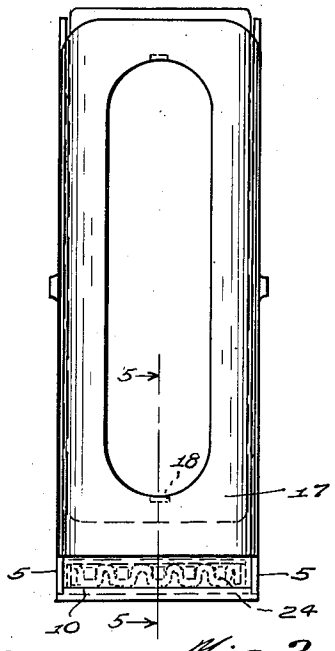


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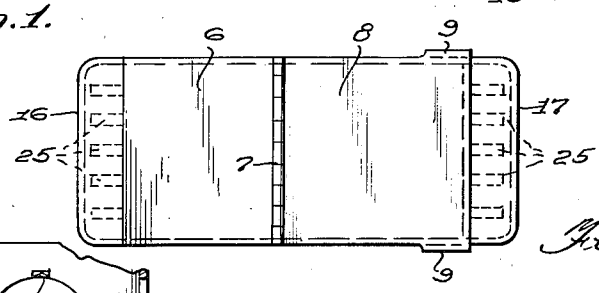


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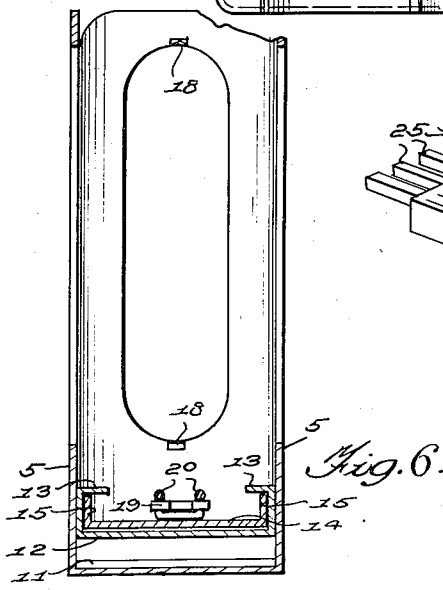


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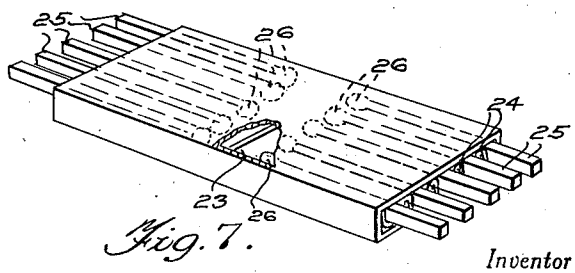


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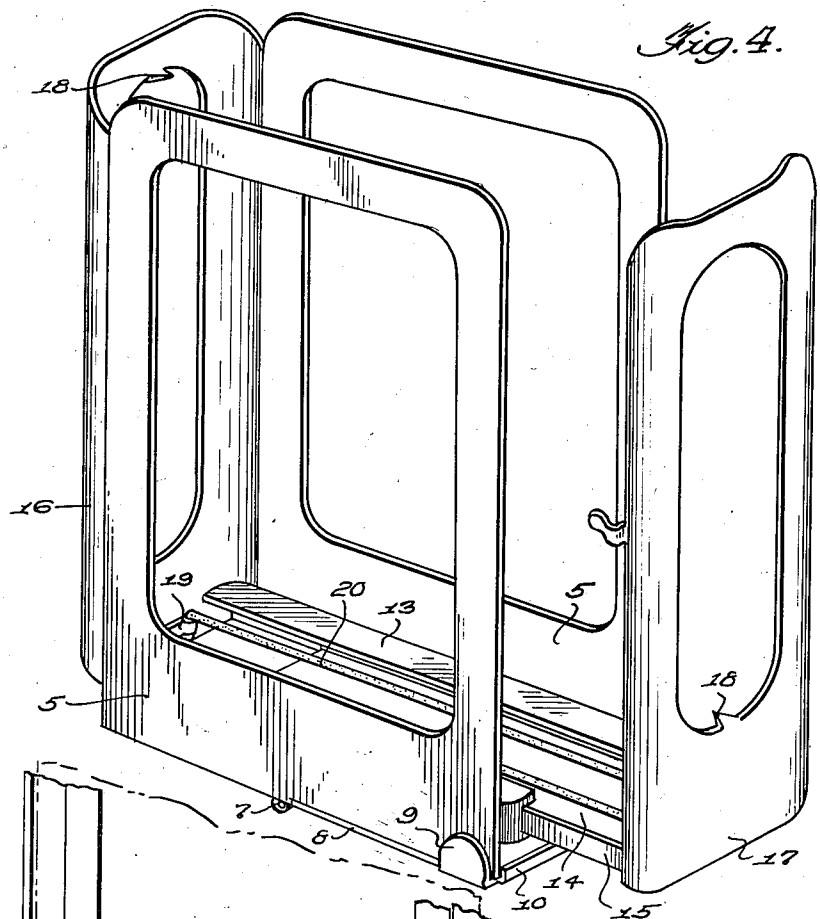
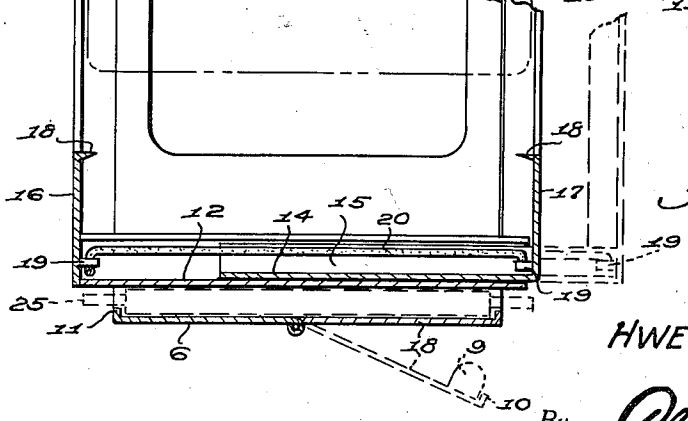


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This invention appertains to new and useful improvements in smokers' appliances and more particularly to a combination match and cigarette package holder.

The principal object of the present invention is to provide in combination with a cigarette package holder, a match keeper from which matches will automatically ignite as they are extracted for use.

Another important object of the invention is to provide a match containing appliance for attachment to cigarette packages and which is of such construction as to permit automatic ignition of matches as they are extracted therefrom.

These and other objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent to the reader of the following specification.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 represents a front elevational view of the holder applied to a package.

Figure 2 is a side elevational view.

Figure 3 is a bottom plan view.

Figure 4 is a perspective view with the slide in extended position.

Figure 5 is a longitudinal sectional view taken substantially on the line 5—5 of Figure 2.

Figure 6 is a cross sectional view taken substantially on the line 6—6 of Figure 4.

Figure 7 is a perspective view of the match carrier.

Referring to the drawings wherein like numerals designate like parts, it can be seen that the holder is made up of a channeled structure consisting of side walls 5—5 and a short bottom wall 6 extending from an intermediate portion of the side walls toward one pair of adjacent ends of the said side walls and to the inner end of this short bottom wall 6 is hingedly connected as at 7 a bottom wall section 8 which has upstanding tongue members 9 which are adapted to overlap the side walls 5—5 as suggested in Figure 4 and to frictionally hold the hinged bottom section 8 in the position substantially shown in Figure 4. The free end of the hinged section 8 is provided with a short upstanding lip 10, while a corresponding lip 11 is provided at the outer end of the short bottom 6.

A trough-like guide 12 is disposed between the side walls 5 and has its side walls secured to inner sides of the side walls 5—5. The side walls of the trough-like structure 12 are provided with inturned flanges 13 at their upper edges to prevent displacement of a slide 14 which is provided with upstanding flanges 15 at its side portions to reinforce the same.

Numerals 16 and 17 represent end walls having their side edges curved inwardly to embrace the lower portions of the side walls of a package 18 of cigarettes. The end wall 16 is either firmly secured to one end of the trough-like structure 12 or formed integrally thereof, while the end wall 17 is either secured to the outer end of the slide 14 or formed integrally thereof.

The upper portion of each of these end walls 16 and 17 is stamped to provide a short prong 18 which can engage into the corresponding side portion of a package of cigarettes to prevent the holder from slipping off of a package. Therefore, it can be seen that the slide 14 in the end wall 17 can have a relative movement in respect to the channeled member 12 and end wall 16.

The lower portions of the end walls 16 and 17 have apertured lugs 19 thereon and extending between these apertured lugs and suitably secured thereto at their ends are elastic bands 20 which normally tend to attract the wall 17 toward the wall 16, to the end that the holder is definitely clamped against the package of cigarettes.

Numeral 21 denotes a match magazine which consists of an elongated box-like structure 22 open at its opposite end and being provided with a cross partition 23 at the intermediate portion thereof to divide the magazine into two separate chambers and in each of these chambers is disposed a corrugated sheet 24 defining individual troughs for the match sticks 25. These troughs are preferably roughened forming scratching surfaces against which the heads 26 of the matches can ride and become ignited as they are drawn from the magazine.

As is apparent, to insert a magazine, the bottom section 8 is dropped to the dotted line position shown in Figure 5 and a box-like structure 22 with the matches partly protruding therefrom is lifted to the chamber so that one set of match envelope protrudes beyond the lip 11 while the corresponding end of the magazine may abut this lip 11. The hinged bottom 8 is then pushed upwardly to the secured position shown in Figure 4 and the lip 10 will serve as an abutment for the other end of the magazine.

While the foregoing specification sets forth the invention in specific terms, it is to be understood that numerous changes in the shape, size and materials may be resorted to without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed hereinafter.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. A container for a package of cigarettes com-

prising an open top receptacle including a bottom, and open side and end frames, respectively, for displaying the package therethrough, one of said end frames being separate from the other frames and said bottom, means to mount said separate frames for movement to open and close the corresponding end of said receptacle comprising a horizontally extending trough-like guide fitting in the receptacle adjacent the bottom thereof and having inturned top flanges, a right angled hollow leg on the bottom end of said separate frame slidably fitting in said guide, and means to yieldingly maintain said separate member in closing position comprising an elastic member extending through the guide and the leg and having its opposite ends fixed to the separate frame and the other end frame, respectively.

2. A container for a package of cigarettes comprising an open top receptacle including a bottom, and open side and end frames, respectively, for displaying the package therethrough, one of said end frames being separate from the other frames and said bottom, means to mount said separate frames for movement to open and close the corresponding end of said receptacle comprising a horizontally extending trough-like guide fitting in the receptacle adjacent the bottom thereof and having inturned top flanges, a right angled hollow leg on the bottom end of said separate frame slidably fitting in said guide, means to yieldingly maintain said separate member in closing position comprising an elastic member extending through the guide and the leg and having its opposite ends fixed to the separate frame and the other end frame, respectively, said end frames being provided with inwardly extending prongs adjacent the bottoms thereof for piercing and holding the package stationary and off said guide.

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