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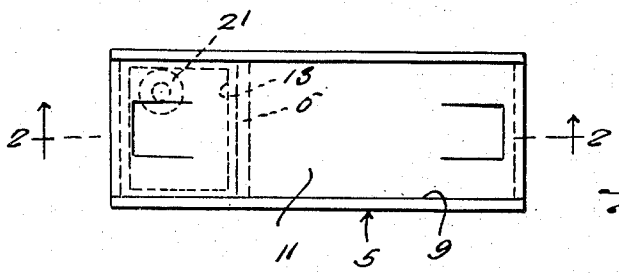


Fig. 1.

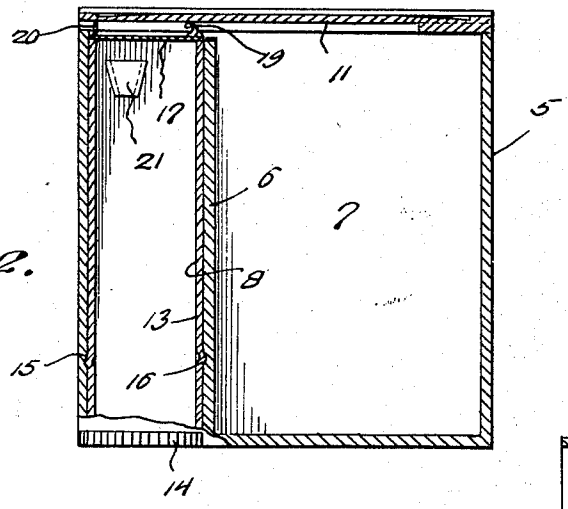


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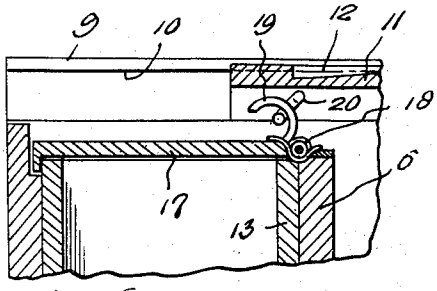


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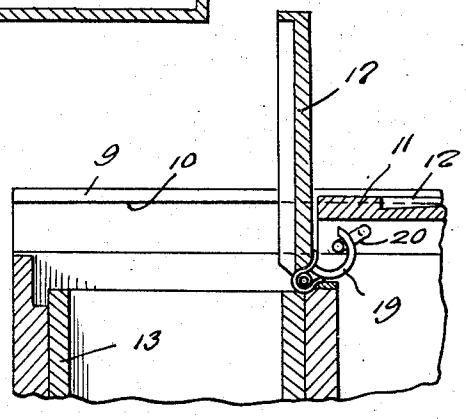
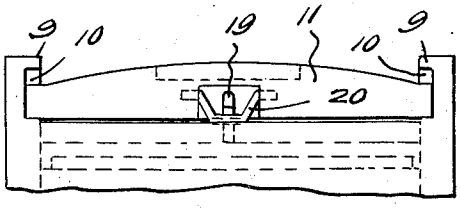


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The present invention relates to new and useful improvements in cigarette cases and has for its primary object to provide an ash receiver constructed as a part of the case.

A further important object of the invention is to provide a cigarette case having separate compartments therein, one of which is adapted to hold cigarettes while the other compartment is adapted to removably receive a receptacle for holding ashes, burnt cigarettes and match sticks and providing a hinged lid for the ash receiver adapted for opening movement by the lid of the cigarette case.

A further object is to provide a device of this character of simple and practical construction, which is neat and attractive in appearance, relatively inexpensive to manufacture and otherwise well adapted for the purposes for which the same is intended.

Other objects and advantages reside in the details of construction and operation as more fully hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings forming part hereof, wherein like numerals refer to like parts throughout, and in which:

Figure 1 is a top plan view.

Figure 2 is a vertical sectional view taken substantially on a line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is an enlarged fragmentary sectional view through the top of the ash receiver and showing the lid therefor in closed position.

Figure 4 is a similar view showing the lid in open position, and

Figure 5 is an end elevational view showing the operating connection between the lid for the ash receiver and the lid for the cigarette case.

Referring now to the drawings in detail wherein for the purpose of illustration I have disclosed a preferred embodiment of the invention the numeral 5 designates a cigarette case having a vertical partition 6 therein to separate the case into a cigarette compartment 7 and an ash receptacle compartment 8.

The side edges of the top of the case 5 are formed with upstanding flanges 9, the flanges having channels 10 in their inner surfaces forming guides for slidably receiving the edges of a cover 11, the upper surface of the cover having finger-engaging recesses 12 therein to facilitate sliding of the cover in either direction to uncover either the compartment 7 or the compartment 8.

An ash receiving receptacle 13 is snugly fitted in the compartment 8, the bottom of the compartment 8 being open to receive the receptacle

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13 therethrough and the bottom of the receptacle has its edge milled or serrated as shown at 14 to facilitate gripping of the receptacle to remove the same from the compartment.

Shallow recesses 15 are formed on the inner walls of the compartment 8 and adapted to receive outwardly pressed projections 16 on the sides of the receptacle to secure the receptacle against accidental displacement in the compartment 8.

A lid 17 is provided for the top of the receptacle 13 and is hingedly attached at one edge to the top of the partition 6 by means of a spring hinged member 18 for yieldably maintaining the lid 17 in its closed position.

An upstanding hook 19 is carried by the lid 17 adjacent its hinged edge and adapted for engagement by a U-shaped hook 20 projecting downwardly from the underside of the sliding lid 11 and transversely with respect to the hook 19.

Accordingly, upon a sliding movement of the lid 11 to uncover the top of the receptacle 13 the hook member 20 will engage the hook 19 and open the lid 17 to permit ashes or other refuse to be deposited in the receptacle. Upon the sliding of the lid 11 in an opposite direction the hook 20 will disengage the hook 19 and the lid 11 will then expose the top of the chamber 7 to permit removal of cigarettes therefrom.

A funnel-shaped cigarette extinguisher 21 is attached to one of the walls of the receptacle 13 adjacent its upper end.

It is believed that the details of construction and manner of use of the device will be readily understood from the foregoing without further detailed explanation.

Having thus described the invention, what I claim is:

1. A pocket cigarette case having a cigarette compartment and an ash receiving compartment therein, a removable receptacle positioned in said ash receiving compartment, an outer main lid slidably mounted on the case and in its closed position covering both of said compartments, a separate inner hinged lid for the ash receptacle, and inter-engaging hooks carried by said lids and cooperatively engaging each other upon an opening movement of the sliding lid in one direction to thereby open the hinged lid.

2. A pocket cigarette case openable throughout one end thereof and divided into a cigarette compartment and a separate parallel adjoining ash-receiving compartment, an outer sliding lid for the openable end of the case, said lid in its closed position covering both the cigarette compart-

ment and the ash-receiving compartment, a separate self-closing hinged lid underlying said outer sliding lid and normally covering said ash-receiving compartment, and interengageable means on said lids and cooperatively engaging each other upon a sliding movement of said outer sliding lid in one direction to thereby open said inner hinged lid and upon a sliding movement of said outer sliding lid in an opposite direction to thereby release said inner hinged lid to its self-closing operation and a continuation of said opposite directional movement of the outer sliding lid uncovering the cigarette compartment.

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