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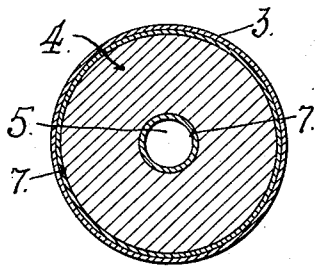


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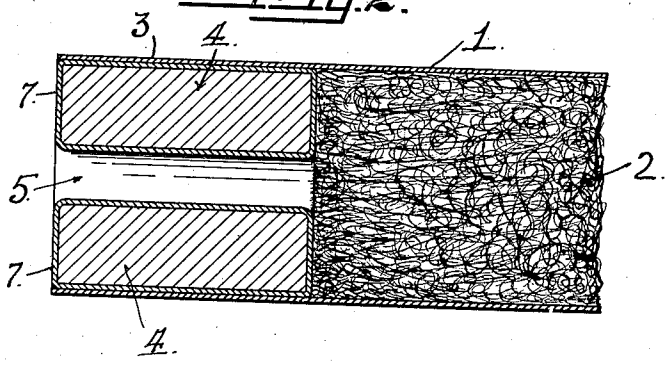


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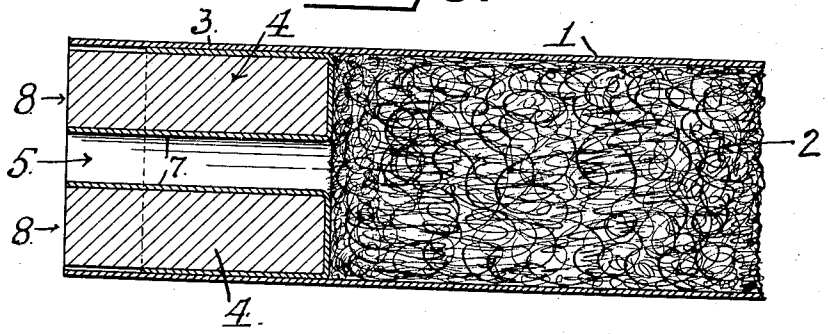


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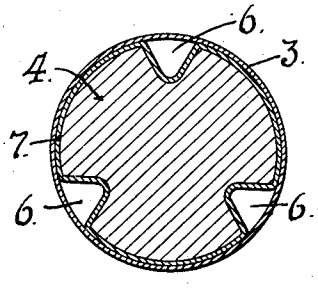
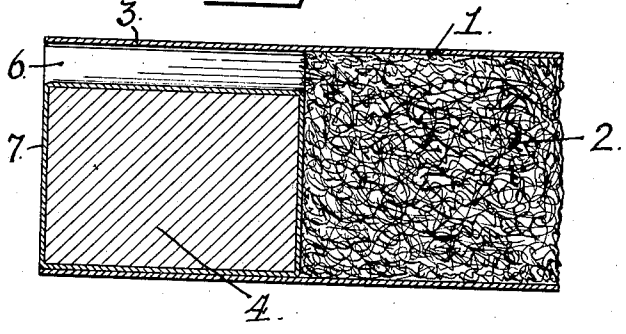


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My invention relates to cigarettes.

It consists, in connection with a cigarette, of a novel confection member fitted to one end thereof.

The object of the invention is to provide, as a new article of manufacture, a cigarette having a mouthpiece in which is comprised a confection body separable from the cigarette butt for subsequent independent enjoyment, said body being of a consistency adapted to stiffen the mouthpiece, and so protected that it will neither affect nor be affected by the tobacco or smoke.

In the accompanying drawing, I have shown the improved cigarette in its preferred form though it is to be understood that changes may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention as defined in the claim hereto appended.

In the drawing, Fig. 1 is a cross section through the improved mouthpiece of the cigarette.

Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of the improved cigarette.

Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section showing a slight modification in the protective covering of the confection member.

Fig. 4 is a cross section of a modification with respect to the position of the aperture in the confection member.

Fig. 5 is a longitudinal section of the modification of Fig. 4.

The cigarette is, in general, of the customary manufacture, having a wrapper 1 and a tobacco filling 2; and is furthermore of the type characterized by a stoppage of the tobacco sufficiently short of one end to form or to be provided with a mouthpiece section 3, being in the form herein shown, the rear section of the wrapper 1.

Within this mouth section end is seated a plug 4 having as shown in Figs. 1, 2 and 3 an aperture 5 through its axis, or otherwise located, as, for example, a plurality of longitudinal grooves 6 in its periphery, as shown in Figs. 4 and 5. This plug 4 may have all its surfaces covered with a wrapping 7 of suitable impervious or protective material, for example, cellophane, as shown in Figs. 1, 2, 4 and 5, through, if desired, as indicated at 8 in Fig. 3, the wrapping may be omitted at its outer end in order to expose it for a limited distance inwardly. The plug 4, it will be seen, whether of the illustrated or other length and depth of insertion, provides by reason of its semi-rigidity and aperture for the proper stiffening of the mouthpiece section end 3, while permitting free smoking draft. The essential novelty of the plug 4 lies not only in its fitting, but also in its nature, by both of which the results sought are attained. Its nature is various. It may relate to flavor, either of taste or smell, or to medication, or to edibility. It may be chewing gum, or other confection such as candy, sweetmeats and the like. Its preferred form is a confection either edible, as candy, or merely masticable, as chewing gum. Finally, since the intention herein is, after the cigarette is enjoyed without change of flavor, to remove the unimpaired confectioned plug and chew it, or gastronomically dispose of it, it should be and is an independent isolated, semi-rigid body fitted to the mouth section end of the cigarette, and adapted for ready removal intact and unimpaired from the cigarette butt.

In the term confection as used herein and in the claim, I am to be understood as including any flavored, medicated or sweetened substance or composition, soluble or masticable.

I claim:—

A cigarette comprising a wrapper, a filling of tobacco positioned within the wrapper and spaced from the mouth end thereof, a confection member having an aperture therein and removably fitted within the wrapper, said confection member having a wrapping thereon covering the sides of the confection member aperture and the outer sides and ends of the confection member, the wrapper on the inner end of the confection member abutting the tobacco, whereby when the cigarette is smoked the smoke will pass through the confection member without contacting the confection member and whereby when the cigarette has been completely smoked the confection member can be removed intact and unimpaired from the mouth end of the wrapper.

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