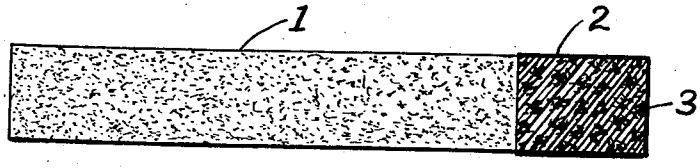
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE PAPPANIKOLAOU, a subject of the King of Greece, residing at Petersburg, in the county of Dinwiddie and State of Virginia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigarettes; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in cigarettes and the main object of the invention is to provide a cigarette which will always smoke freely and burn uniformly, and to furnish said cigarette with a filtering device which will prevent the empyreumatic odor and nicotin from coming in contact with the lips or mouth of the smoker; and to this end the invention consists in constructing cigarettes with a mouth-piece containing sponge impregnated with materials to insure a cool, sweet smoke.

Cigarettes have heretofore been constructed having mouth pieces containing various substances for filtering the smoke but these filtering substances do not have the absorbing qualities of sponge nor are they impregnated with materials to sweeten the smoke.

With my construction the sponge in the mouth-piece is moistened by the mouth of the user and the sponge will absorb this moisture and tend to cool and sweeten the smoke.

With the foregoing object outlined and with other objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention consists in the novel features hereinafter described in detail, illustrated in the accompanying drawing and more particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

The accompanying drawing shows a longitudinal sectional view of the improved cigarette.

In the drawing, 1 represents an ordinary cigarette having a mouth piece 2, inclosing a cylindrical piece of sponge 3. The sponge is impregnated with a mixture of materials to sweeten the smoke. This mixture consists of the following ingredients in the stated proportions:—

20 parts of water.
5 parts of sugar.
4 parts of vinegar.
1 part of rose water.

These ingredients are mixed together and the sponge is saturated with the same. Then the sponge is permitted to dry and the cylindrical pieces are cut from the same.

The sponge may be placed in the cigarette during the course of manufacture or a space may be left in the end of the cigarette and the sponge be subsequently inserted. Wax or other suitable substance may be used to secure the sponge in place.

In use, the sponge will absorb moisture from the mouth of the user and this moisture will cool the smoke, while the mixture with which the sponge is impregnated will sweeten the smoke.

What I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

1. A cigarette having its mouth-piece inclosing a piece of sponge which is exposed at one end of the cigarette and provides a resilient bit for the user's lips.

2. A cigarette having its flexible mouth-piece inclosing a piece of sponge impregnated with material capable of sweetening smoke which passes through the same, said sponge providing a resilient bit for the cigarette.

3. A cigarette having a flexible mouth piece inclosing a cylindrical piece of sponge which is exposed at one end of the cigarette and provides a resilient bit for the user's lips.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

GEORGE PAPPANIKOLAOU.