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CIGARETTE HOLDER

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Fig. 1.

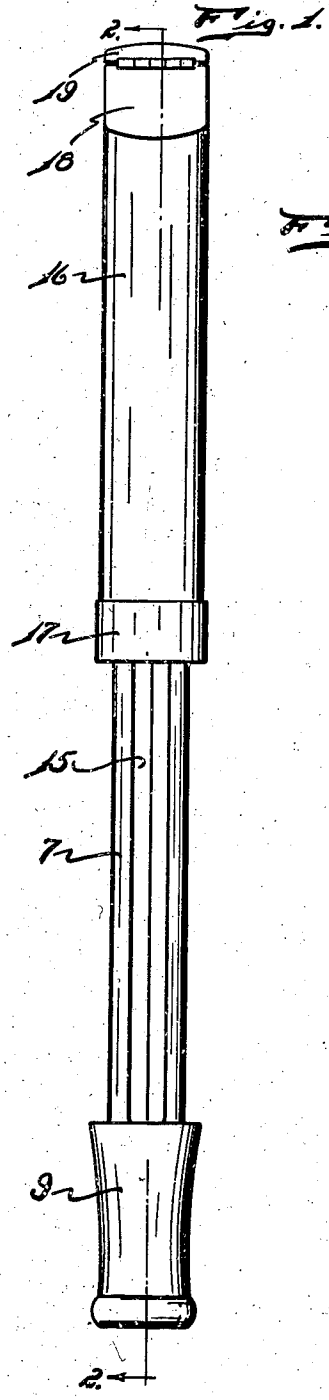


Fig. 2.

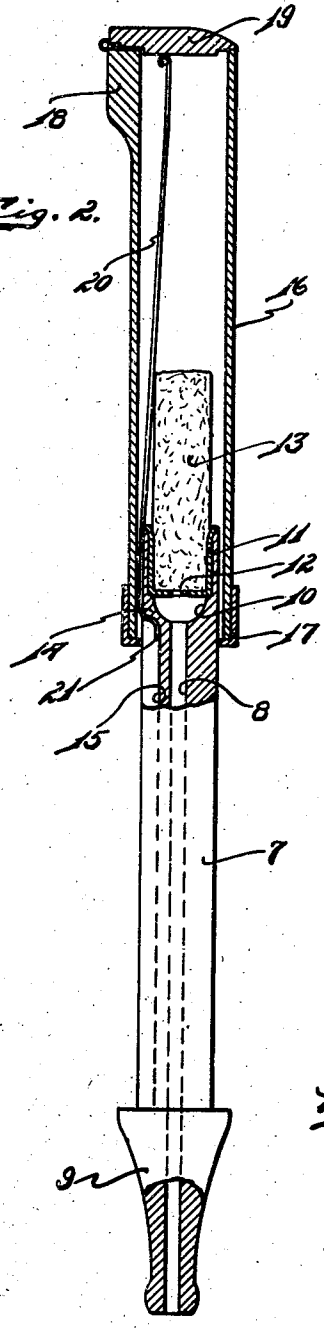


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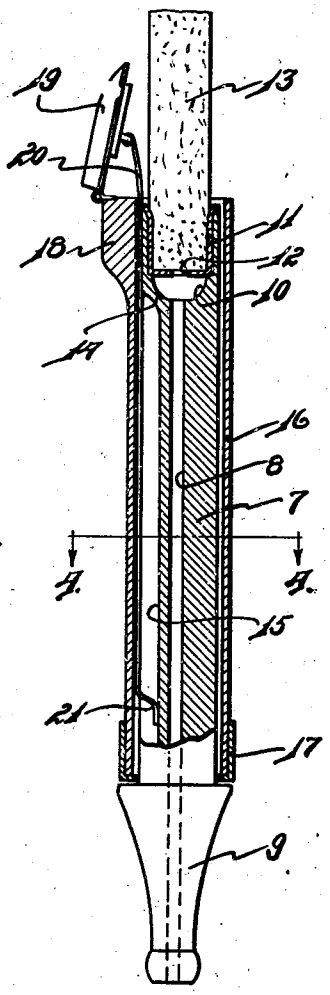
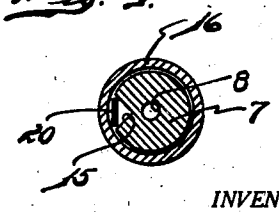


Fig. 4.



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My invention relates to a new and useful improvement in a cigarette holder, and has for its object the provision of a cigarette holder which may be so operated at times as to entirely conceal the cigarette and extinguish it.

It is another object of the present invention to provide a cigarette holder of this class which will be simple in structure, economical of manufacture, and highly efficient in use.

Another object of the invention is the provision of a cigarette holder having a holding portion on which is slidably mounted an enveloping portion.

Another object of the invention is the provision in a cigarette holder of an enveloping portion provided with a swingable closure so arranged and constructed as to automatically move into closed position or open position when the movable parts are moved.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

The invention consists in the combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter described and claimed.

The invention will be best understood by a reference to the accompanying drawing which forms a part of this specification, and in which,

Fig. 1 is a side elevational view of the invention.

Fig. 2 is a central vertical sectional view of a part of the invention showing the enveloping part in enveloping position.

Fig. 3 is a central longitudinal sectional view of the invention showing the enveloping portion in inoperative position.

Fig. 4 is a sectional view taken on line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

The invention comprises a holding portion 7 through which extends the bore 8. On one end of the holding piece 7 is the mouth piece 9 and formed in the opposite end of the holding piece 7 is a socket 10 in which is pressed a cup-shaped metallic lining 11 having the opening 12 formed in its base so that when the cigarette 13 is pressed into the member 11 the smoke may be drawn through the passage-way 8 in the holding piece 7.

Formed in the periphery of the holding piece 7 and extending from the mouth piece 9 and terminating at the forward end of the holding piece 7 at the shoulder 14 is a groove 15.

Slidably mounted on the holding piece 7 is a cylindrical enveloping member 16 provided at one end with the metallic reinforcing band 17. The forward end of the enveloping member 16 is provided with the enlarged portion 18 on which is hingedly mounted the closure 19. Swingably connected, at one of its ends, to the inner surface of the closure 19 intermediate its ends is a leaf spring 20 which extends substantially throughout the length of the enveloping member 16 and is provided with the angularly turned portion 21 which rides in the groove 15.

As shown in Fig. 2, when the enveloping portion 16 is moved to outward or operative position, the cigarette 13 will be entirely enclosed or enveloped by the enveloping portion 16. When moved inwardly into the position shown in Fig. 3, which is the inoperative position of the enveloping member 16, the cigarette will be projected beyond the end thereof, the closure 19 being moved to open position. The closure is moved to open and closed position through the operation of the holder 7 on the leaf spring 20. As the holding member 7 is retracted from the enveloping member 16, that is, moved from the position shown in Fig. 3 to the position shown in Fig. 1, the angularly turned end 21 of the leaf spring will slide in the groove 15 until the shoulder 14 is met, whereupon the closure 19 will be swung to closed position upon further retracting of the member 7.

When the parts are moved from the position shown in Fig. 2 to the position shown in Fig. 3, the slidable movement of the holder 7 inwardly of the enveloping member 16 will force the leaf spring 20 to be bent downwardly and during the movement of the member 7 inwardly of the enveloping member 16, a bodily sliding of the leaf spring 20 outwardly slightly will be effected.

With a cigarette holder constructed in this manner, a person while smoking a cigarette, upon entering a room or apartment, street car, publice vehicle or the like, where smoking is prohibited or conventionally incorrect, the parts may be moved to the relative position shown in Fig. 2 and the holder in this position inserted in the pocket with safety and no annoyance, as the cigarette will quickly be extinguished. This obviates the necessity of the smoker discarding the cigarette or cigar and also avoids the annoyance and embarrassment of being possessed of a lighted cigarette or cigar in places where such possession would be embarrassing or cause annoyance.

While I have illustrated and described the preferred form of construction of my invention, I do not wish to limit myself to the precise details of structure shown, but desire to avail myself of such variations and modifications as may come within the scope of the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, what I

claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A cigarette holder of the class described, comprising; an elongated holding member having a socket formed in one end for reception of a cigarette; an enveloping member slidably mounted on said holding member; a closure for the outer end of said enveloping member; and means for moving said closure to open and closed positions upon relative movement of said enveloping member and said holding member to predetermined positions, said holding member having a passage formed throughout its length and communicating at one end with said socket.

2. A cigarette holder of the class described, comprising: a holding member having a socket formed in one end adapted for reception of a cigarette; a mouthpiece on the opposite end of said holder, there being a passage extended longitudinally through said mouthpiece and through said holder and communicating at one end with said socket, a tubular enveloping member slidably mounted on said holding member and movable into a position thereon for completely enveloping a cigarette held by said holding member; a swingable closure on the outer end of said enveloping member; and a spring for moving said closure to open and closed position upon movement of said holding member to predetermined positions relatively to said enveloping member.

3. A cigarette holder of the class described, comprising: a holding member adapted for reception of a cigarette; a tubular enveloping member slidably mounted on said holding member and adapted upon movement to a predetermined position thereon for entirely enveloping a cigarette mounted in said holding member; a closure swingably mounted on the outer end of said enveloping member, said holding member having a longitudinally extending peripheral groove intermediate its ends; a leaf spring swingably connected at one end to the inner surface of said closure intermediate its ends, the opposite end of said leaf spring being angularly turned and engaging in said groove.

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