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Fig. 1.

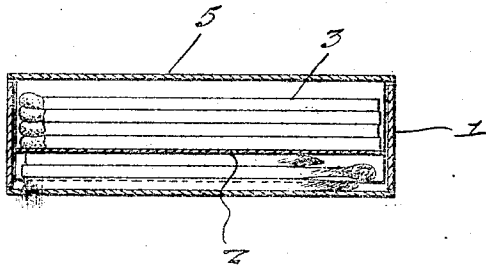


Fig. 2.

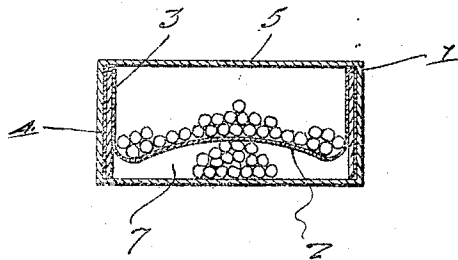
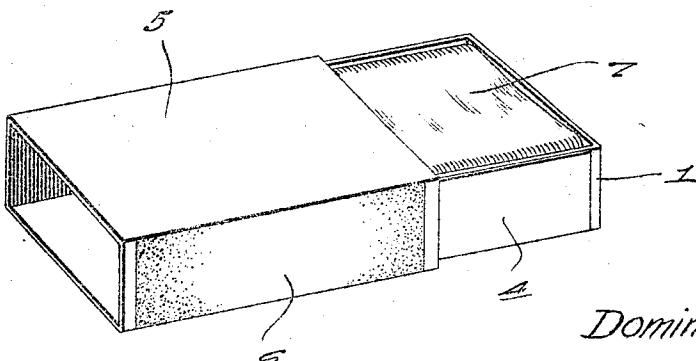


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DOMINICK NIGRO, a citizen of the United States, residing at Camp Meade, in the county of Anne Arundel and State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Match Boxes, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in match boxes and it has for its principal object to provide a compartment for receiving burnt matches, thus preventing a person from throwing the latter on the floor or placing the same among the unused matches in the box, when there is no convenient receptacle for receiving such burnt matches.

A further object of the invention is to provide a match box of the above mentioned character, which is simple in construction, inexpensive, strong and durable, and further well adapted for the purposes for which it is designated.

Other objects and advantages of this invention will become apparent during the course of the following description.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which like numerals designate like parts throughout the same:

Figure 1 is a longitudinal sectional view, through the match box, embodying my invention.

Figure 2 is a transverse section there-through, and

Figure 3 is a perspective view, showing the match receptacle partly removed from its casing, the view being a bottom plan.

In the drawing, wherein for the purpose of illustration is shown the preferred embodiment of my invention, the numeral 1 designates generally a substantially rectangular match receptacle, the bottom thereof being formed of paper, as indicated at 2. The paper, which forms the bottom of the match receptacle, has its free end portions cemented or otherwise secured to the inner opposed sides of the match receptacle, as indicated at 3, the ends then being disposed over the upper edges of the respective sides and then cemented or otherwise secured to the outer faces of the sides of the receptacle, as illustrated at 4. The bottom 2 is substantially convex, the same being curved transversely of the receptacle as also clearly illustrated in Figure 2, for the purposes to be presently described.

A substantially rectangular casing 5, which is open at its respective ends is adapted to slidably receive the receptacle 1, and the casing is provided at its side with the usual abrasive material 6, whereby the matches may be ignited, in the manner well known in the art. The bottom of the casing 5 and the convex bottom 2 of the receptacle 1, cooperate to provide a compartment 7 for receiving the burnt matches, after the same have been used, thus preventing a person from throwing the same on the floor or placing the burnt matches into the receptacle containing the unused matches, and as a result the burnt matches become co-mingled with the unused matches, and oftentimes a person will accidentally remove the burnt match instead of an unused one. The compartment 7 is adapted to be used only when a receptacle or the like is not at hand, for receiving burnt matches, as it is of course to be understood that when the ash tray or the like is convenient, burnt matches will be placed therein, rather than in the compartment at 7. The simplicity in which my improved match box is constructed enables a person to have ready access to either the receptacle containing the unused matches or the compartment in which is placed the burnt matches.

While I have shown the preferred embodiment of my invention, it is to be understood that various changes in the size, shape, and arrangement of parts may be resorted to, without departing from the spirit of the invention and the scope of the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is:

1. A match box comprising a substantially rectangular receptacle, the bottom thereof being formed of paper, the ends of the piece of paper being folded over the respective sides of the receptacle, and cemented thereto, said bottom of the receptacle being spaced from the lower edges of the sides and ends of the receptacle, a casing for slidably receiving the receptacle, the paper bottom of the receptacle and the bottom of the casing cooperating to provide a compartment for receiving burnt matches.

2. A match box comprising a substantially rectangular receptacle, the bottom thereof being formed of paper, the ends of the piece of paper being disposed upwardly and cemented to the inner faces of the op-

posed sides of the receptacle, and then folded over the respective sides of the receptacle and cemented to the outer faces of the respective sides, said bottom being disposed at a point above the lower edges of the receptacle and being convex in transverse section, and a casing slidably receiving the receptacle, the paper bottom of the receptacle and the bottom of the casing cooperating to provide a compartment for receiving burnt matches.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

DOMINICK NIGRO.