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Fig. 1.

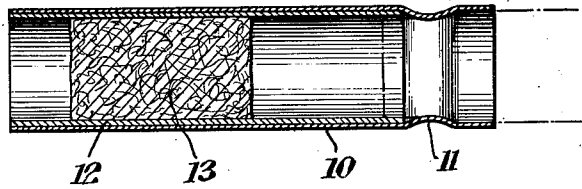
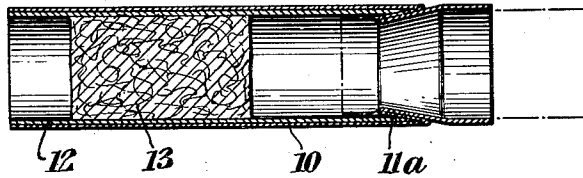


Fig. 2.



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This invention relates to cigarette holders.

Many cigarette smokers prefer to use holders for their cigarettes in which is provided a smoke filter which removes a large proportion of the irritants present in raw smoke and in addition retains much of the nicotine and tar, thus giving a milder and less irritating smoke. Also, such holders give a cleaner smoke inasmuch as the tobacco cannot touch the lips, teeth or fingers and shreds of tobacco are kept out of the mouth. The stains incident to ordinary cigarette smoking are thus eliminated. Moreover, the use of a holder gives a cooler smoke since condensation of the moisture in the smoke by the filter lowers the temperature of the smoke. Cigarette holders now on the market are intended for repeated use and the filter must be frequently replaced in order to obtain maximum filtration of the undesirable constituents in the raw smoke.

An object of this invention is a neat and attractive cigarette holder inexpensive enough to be discarded after a single use and having all the advantages above referred to.

A cigarette holder embodying this invention consists of a tube of thin inexpensive light-weight material and preferably is composed of thin cellulosic sheet material. The tube is of sufficiently large diameter to permit ready insertion of a cigarette and is reduced in diameter near the cigarette insertion end to provide a rib or the like to frictionally engage a cigarette to hold the same in the tube. The rib may merely be an annular roll in the tube or it may consist of a tuck in the material of the tube forming a frusto-conical flange tapering in the direction of insertion of the cigarette. Such roll or tuck also reinforces the tube against out-of-round-distortion. The mouth end of the tube contains a liner of paper or other suitable material which reinforces the tube and in which is arranged a filter of cotton or other suitable material for removing dust particles, tar and nicotine from the raw smoke before it enters the smoker's mouth. Preferably, moisture-proof cellulosic material is used for the tube, thereby preventing the tube from sticking to the user's lips. Also cellulosic material of different colors may be used. Such a cigarette holder is of neat and attractive appearance and is inexpensive enough to discard after a single use while giving to the smoker the advantages of a mild, clean and cool smoke.

Other objects, novel features and advantages of this invention will be apparent from the follow-

ing specification and accompanying drawing, wherein:

Fig. 1 discloses one embodiment of the invention, and

Fig. 2 discloses a second embodiment of the invention.

The cigarette holder comprises a tube 10 of thin inexpensive light-weight material and thin sheet cellulosic material, has been found extremely satisfactory for the purpose. This tube is of slightly larger diameter than the standard type of commercial cigarette, thus permitting ready insertion of a cigarette into the tube. Near the insertion end of the tube there is provided an inwardly directed roll or rib 11 which reduces the effective diameter of the tube and provides means to frictionally engage a cigarette and hold the same in the tube. A reinforcing liner 12 of paper or other suitable material is inserted in the mouth end of the tube 10 and within the liner there is contained a filter 13 of cotton or other suitable filtering material. Preferably, the cellulosic material is moisture-proof so that the holder will not stick to the lips of the user.

In the modification disclosed in Fig. 2, the roll 11 is replaced by a tuck 11a consisting of a portion of the material of the tube forced inwardly of the tube and then creased and the faces brought into contact with the frusto-conical flange thus formed tapering in the direction of the insertion of a cigarette. The flange thus formed grips a cigarette introduced into it and holds the cigarette in the tube. The liner 12 has its inner edge arranged between the flange 11a and the tube.

Although cellulosic material has been disclosed as the preferred material, it is to be understood that other suitable materials may be used to form the tube and that structural modifications may be made without in any way departing from the spirit of the invention as defined in the appended claims.

I claim:

1. A cigarette holder comprising a tube of thin light-weight material having slightly spaced from the cigarette receiving end thereof a tuck extending obliquely away from said end and forming within said tube a frusto-conical flange to frictionally engage a cigarette inserted in the holder.

2. A cigarette holder comprising a tube of thin light-weight material having slightly spaced from the cigarette receiving end thereof a tuck extending obliquely away from said end and forming within said tube a frusto-conical flange to fric-

tionally engage a cigarette inserted in the holder, a reinforcing liner within the other end of said tube and a filter contained in said liner.

3. A cigarette holder comprising a tube of moisture-proof cellulosic material having slightly spaced from the cigarette receiving end thereof a tuck extending obliquely away from said end and forming within said tube a frusto-conical flange to frictionally engage a cigarette inserted in the tube.

4. A cigarette holder comprising a tube of moisture-proof cellulosic material having slightly spaced from the cigarette receiving end thereof a tuck extending obliquely away from said end and forming within said tube a frusto-conical flange to frictionally engage a cigarette inserted in the holder, a reinforcing liner within the other end of said tube and a filter contained in said liner.

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