

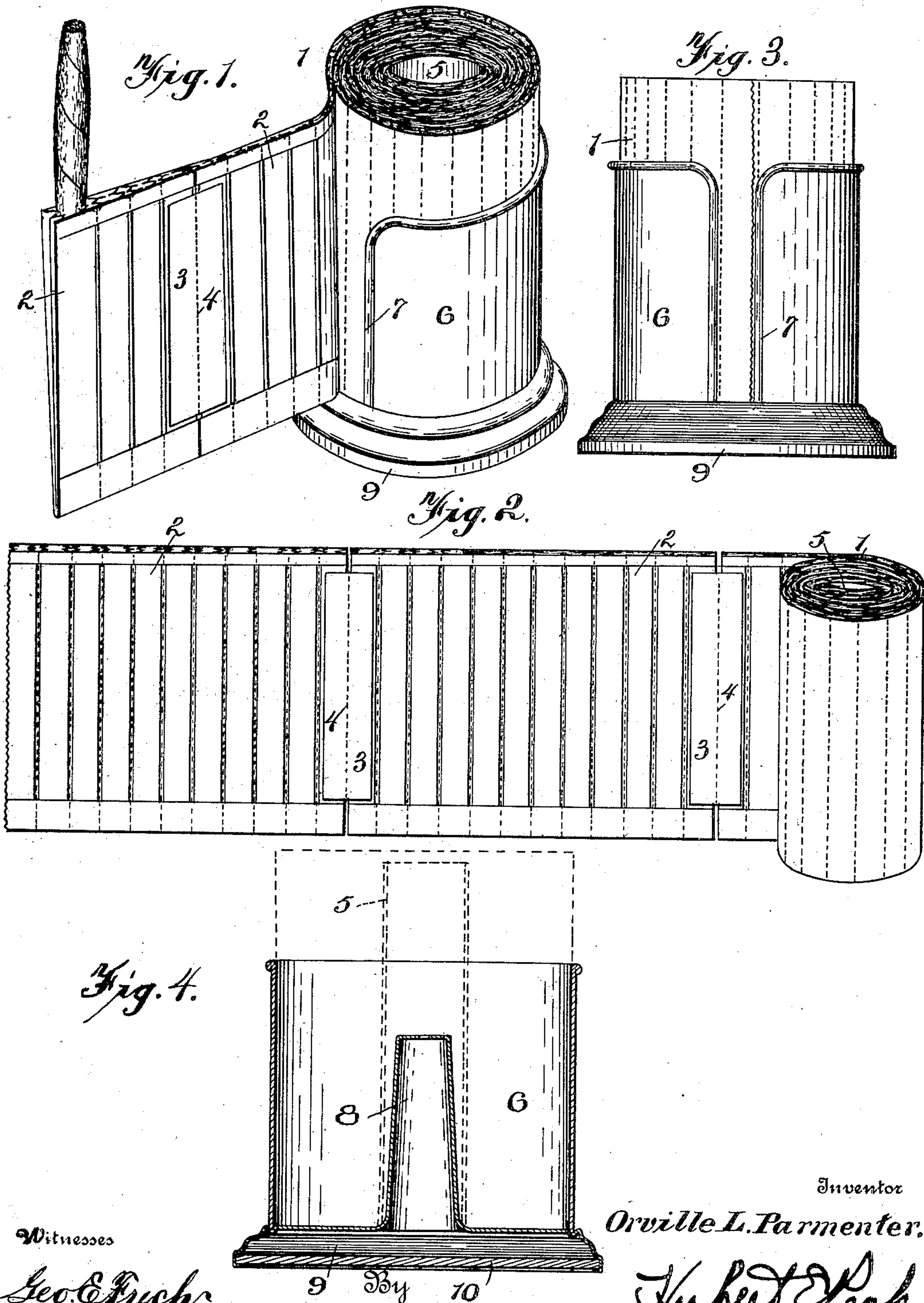
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ORVILLE L. PARMENTER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Racine, Racine county, Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper Cigar-Pockets; 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 certain improvements in sheets of detachable paper cigar-pockets and holding or packing the same.

An object of the invention is to provide a continuous sheet or series of detachably-connected paper cigar pockets or pouches spirally wound into a cylindrical roll, with the open ends of all the pockets of the roll at the one upper or exposed end of the roll, in combination with a holder or support loosely receiving said roll and permitting free rotation thereof for the purpose of unwinding the sheet.

The invention consists of certain novel features in construction and in combinations and arrangements, as more fully and particularly pointed out and specified hereinafter.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a counter stand or holder containing a roll paper cigar-pockets in sheet form, the free end of the sheet being shown withdrawn from the holder to expose several cigar-pockets, a cigar being shown in the act of being inserted in one of the exposed pockets. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the roll separated from the holder, the roll being partially unwound to show a method which can be followed of securing together a number of short sheets of pockets to form the long continuous sheet forming the roll. Fig. 3 is a front elevation of the counter-stand with its contained roll of pockets. Fig. 4 is a vertical central section through the stand and its roll of pockets.

I have heretofore supplied the trade with my detachable cigar-pockets in comparatively short sheets, said short sheets being packed flat in boxes, one sheet on the other. I have found that it is not convenient for the dealer to display the pockets in such separate short-sheet form, nor is it convenient for the dealer to hold and fill a few pockets at a time and

dispense the same in retailing cigars. Also it is usually desirable in retailing cigars from the box that the dealer detach a number of the pockets equal to the number of cigars asked for and place the cigars in the pockets before handing the same to the customer, so that the filled pockets thus handed to the customer will be connected together. Where the pockets are made up in the short sheets it often happens that a sufficient number of pockets will not remain on a sheet to fill the customer's order, requiring the dealer to detach the required series of pockets from a fresh sheet, thereby leaving a number of detached or separated pockets as waste, which is sometimes difficult to properly keep and utilize.

The pockets are usually made up by machinery into sheets of, say, twenty to thirty pockets each, each sheet of pockets being composed of a single long connecting or backing sheet folded to receive the paper tubes which are pasted to and transversely of the plies of the sheet and parallel with each other, the sheet being separable on lines between the tubes, so that the pockets can be torn or detached from the sheet or series. The pockets are closed at their lower ends and open at their upper ends.

In accordance with my present invention I provide a long continuous sheet of the pockets comprising, say, several or many hundred pockets, and I spirally wind or roll this sheet to form the cylindrical roll of detachably-connected pockets, the open ends or mouths of all the pockets being at the same end of the cylindrical roll or bale.

It is usually not convenient to make the pockets by hand or machinery in a single sheet many feet long and of a single unbroken backing-sheet. Hence I can, as shown in the accompanying drawings, detachably connect any desired number of the ordinary short sheets of pockets to form the very long continuous sheet formed into the roll described. For instance, I show the ordinary sheets connected together successively or end to end by strips of paper, lapped and pasted over the meeting ends of adjoining sheets and having the line of weakness (such as a line of perforation) between the meeting-end pockets of the adjoining sheets, so that said pock-

ets are readily detachable. However, I do not wish to limit myself to a roll of pockets made up of such an arrangement of sheets.

If desired, when winding the sheet of pockets into the cylindrical roll form the roll can be started on a hollow core 5, formed of a stiff sheet of heavy paper; but I do not wish to so limit my invention.

Each roll when formed can be held tightly wound by an outside paper wrapping having its ends overlapped and pasted together, so that the rolls can be easily packed, shipped, and stored in such form. When the roll has been placed in its display-holder ready for use, the circumferential wrapping can be severed.

Any suitable means can be provided for displaying and holding such a roll of cigar-pockets on the retailer's counter so that the roll can be freely turned to permit unwinding of the sheet to expose the desired number of pockets and hold the same so that the retailer can slip the cigars thereinto before tearing the filled pockets from the sheet. For example, I show a display-stand consisting usually of a flat heavy base 9, forming the floor of a cylindrical receptacle 6 open at the top and having a vertical opening 7 throughout its length. The base usually is provided with a short central vertical spindle 8, tapering upwardly and adapted to enter the core of the roll of pockets and center the same in the stand. The base and spindle in the specific example shown are spun from a single piece of sheet metal, and the lower enlarged or flaring portion of the base is turned under a heavy piece of metal 10 to form the flat bottom face of the base and to properly weight the same.

The vertical cylindrical wall or receptacle 6 can be formed of a sheet of thin metal bent into the cylindrical form and at its lower edge soldered or otherwise rigidly secured to the base, usually in an annular groove formed in the top face thereof.

The vertical passage or opening extends from the base throughout the length of the vertical wall. This passage is usually in width equal to or slightly greater than the width of a single cigar-pocket, and the vertical end edges of the sheet metal at said opening are usually rounded, to prevent tearing, cutting, or catching the paper pockets. However, I do not wish to thus limit my invention.

The internal diameter of the stand is such as to snugly receive one of the rolls of paper

pockets and permit free rotation thereof. The stand is preferably vertically shorter than the length of the cylindrical roll of pockets, so that the roll of pockets is clearly and prominently displayed and so that the upper projecting end of the roll can be grasped and turned by hand to unwind the sheet from the periphery of the roll and project the desired number of pockets through the side opening and so that by holding the roll the unwound portion can be torn off at any particular pocket by merely pulling on the unwound portion with the necessary force.

The roll of pockets is placed in the stand with the open ends of the pockets at the top. Hence the operator can easily fill the pockets unwound from the roll while with one hand holding the free end of the unwound portion and allowing the lower edge of the unwound portion to rest on the counter.

Material advantages are attained by employing the paper pockets put up in such form in combination with a display stand or holder, and I do not, as at present advised, wish to limit myself to the specific constructions and arrangements described; but

What I claim is—

1. A cylindrical roll formed by spirally rolling or winding a continuous sheet of compressed parallel detachably-connected paper cigar-pockets, in combination with a dispensing-holder shorter than and loosely receiving and displaying said roll, substantially as described.

2. A cylindrical roll formed of an elongated sheet of parallel detachably-connected paper cigar-pockets all having their open ends at the upper end of the roll, in combination with an open-end display-stand having a side opening, said roll rotatable in and at one end projecting beyond said stand, as described.

3. A continuous elongated sheet of parallel detachably-connected paper cigar-pockets wound into a cylindrical roll with the open ends of all the pockets at the upper end of the roll, in combination with a stand having a base and a vertical cylindrical wall with its ends separated to form a vertical side opening, said roll centered and rotatable in and projecting above said wall, for the purpose described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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