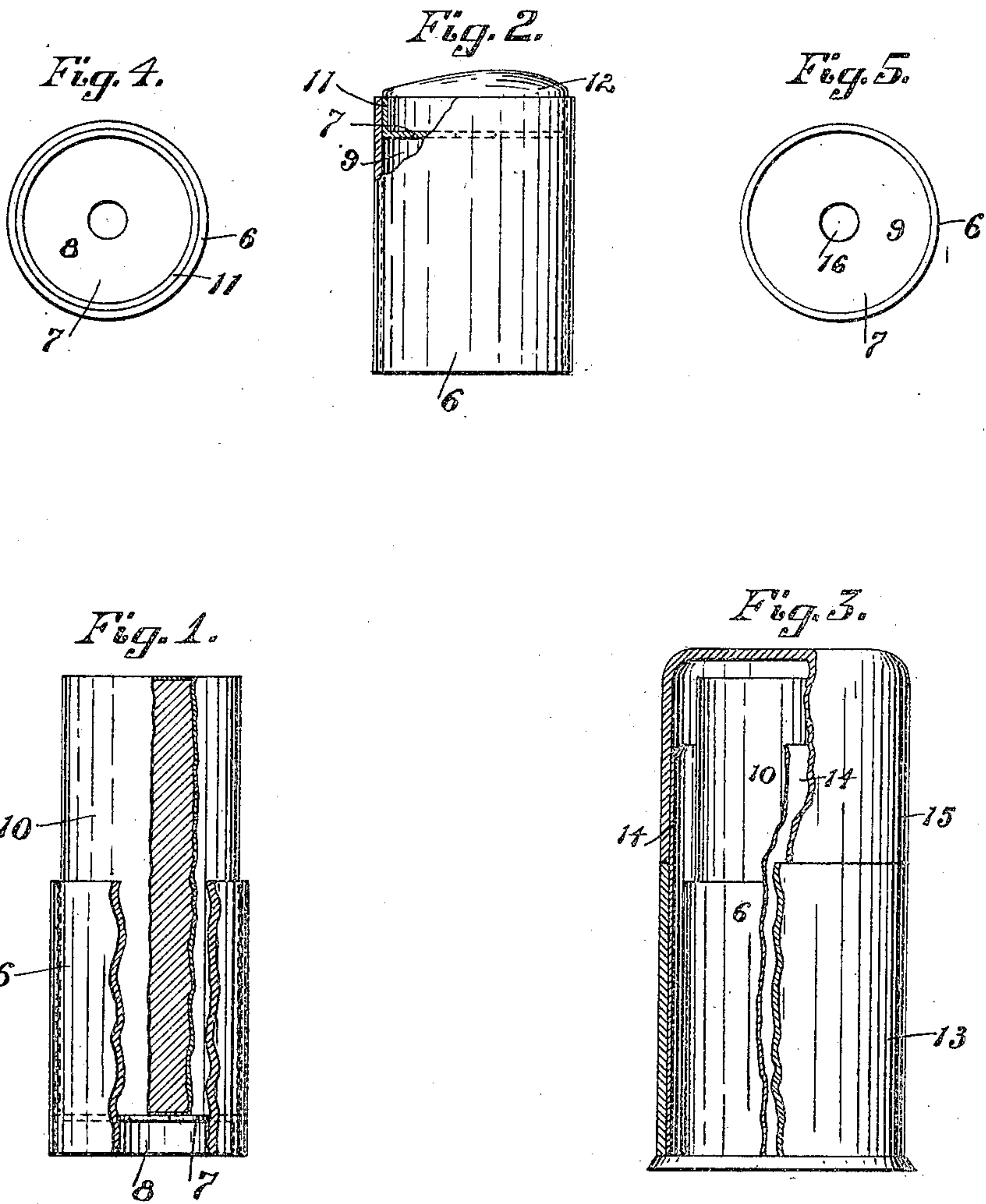


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT L. WARNER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newton Center, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holders for Shaving-Sticks, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to a new and improved holder for shaving-sticks especially adapted to retain at one end a cylindrical stick of shaving-soap from which the tin-foil or paper covering has been removed and which slippery piece of soap would when not used with my holder be difficult to hold and uncomfortable to use. These shorter ends are therefore frequently not used, but thrown away, and thus wasted.

A full understanding of my invention can best be given by a detailed description of a preferred construction of my shaving-soap-stick holder embodying the various features of the invention, and such a description will now be given in connection with the accompanying sheet of drawings, and I attain my object by a holder such as there illustrated, showing such preferred construction, and the features forming my invention will then be specifically pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 illustrates in elevation and partial section my holder supporting a shaving-stick wrapped up in paper, tin-foil, or other covering. Fig. 2 is a view of the same holder in reversed position supporting a short piece of a shaving-stick after it has been removed from its covering. Fig. 3 is an elevation of my holder and the shaving-stick shown in Fig. 1 inclosed in a box, which box is partly in section. Fig. 4 is a plan view of the shorter side of the holder. Fig. 5 is a plan view of the longer side of the holder.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawings by the same reference-numerals.

The numeral 6 represents my improved holder adapted to be used with a cylindrical shaving-stick, and the holder, which is in the form of a hollow tube, is divided into the two compartments 8 and 9 by the partition 7. The two compartments are of different sizes both in diameter and length. The longer compartment 9 is arranged to receive a stick of shaving-soap inclosed within the white paper and tin-foil and allows the easy removal

of the same, while the shorter compartment is of less diameter than the other, so that it will receive and hold firmly the shaving-stick after the removal of the paper and tin-foil, and the partition 7, which divides them, is provided with an opening 16, extending through it, and which opening is preferably circular, its diameter being a trifle larger than the diameter of an ordinary lead-pencil. Sticks of shaving-soap are ordinarily cylindrical in form from two and one-half to three inches long and from one to one and one-fourth inches in diameter. They are almost always put up in white tissue-paper and then covered with tin-foil and inclosed in cardboard or brass boxes of such length that there is a free space above the top of the soap of three-eighths to one-half of an inch and around the soap of one-eighth to one-fourth of an inch. When the tin-foil and paper have been removed from the soap and it has been about half used up, the slippery piece of soap, about one and one-half inches long, is difficult to hold and uncomfortable to use and is frequently thrown away. My holder 6 is of such construction that it can be dropped into such a box 13 over the full piece of soap 10, with the smaller compartment 8 uppermost, or the soap 10 may be placed in the holder and the holder and soap slid into the box, the soap uppermost, as clearly shown in Fig. 3. The box 13 is provided with a cover 15, both of which are ordinarily made of cardboard; but the box 13 has an inner box 14, preferably of metal, which is fitted tightly within the outer box and extends above the top edge of the box 13, and the exterior diameter of the inner box 14 is equal to the interior diameter of the cover 15, so that the cover will fit tightly down thereon. This box and cover are such as are now in common use, and my holder is designed to be used in connection with such a box and shaving-stick, so that it can be dropped over the full piece of soap, so as to be always on hand for use when required without being separately carried. When the soap has been used down to about half its length, so that it is difficult to hold and use—as, for example, the small piece 12, shown in Fig. 2—it can be set into the opposite end 8 of the holder 6 and so used down until only a thin wafer of soap remains. As the tin-foil and paper covering have been removed from this shorter piece of soap before inserting it is necessary that the diameter of the inner cylindrical face be equal to the di-

ameter of the cylindrical stick of soap after the soap has had its outer covering of paper, tin-foil, or other substance removed, and I have therefore provided the partition 7 with
 5 the upward-extending cylindrical rim 11, which exactly fits within the holder 6, extending upward to the outer edge of the holder 6, as shown in Fig. 2; but, if desired, this inner rim 11 may be made as a separate
 10 piece and fitted within the holder 6 or may be a fixed piece of the outer shell 6. A hole 16 is provided through which a pencil may be pushed to remove this thin wafer of soap, thus preparing the holder to be dropped over
 15 the soap in a new box when opened.

My improved holder is convenient and cleanly. It can be manufactured cheaply and is indestructible and will economize the soap to such an extent that it would enable
 20 the manufacturer of such soap to largely increase his sales of the same and encourage its use not only upon the road, but also at home.

It is to be understood that I have shown the preferred form of my invention; but I do
 25 not limit myself thereto, as I am aware that modifications may be made therein without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages thereof, and I therefore reserve the right to make such changes as fairly
 30 fall within the scope of my invention. It is also to be understood that the combinations specifically set forth in the several claims are intended to be separately claimed without limitation to the use in connection therewith
 35 of other features and details of construction illustrated.

Having thus described my invention, I

claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A shaving-stick holder consisting of a 40 tubular case having a fixed partition within said case dividing the same into two compartments of different lengths, the shorter compartment being of less diameter than the longer compartment, the longer compart- 45 ment adapted to receive and firmly hold a cylindrical stick of shaving-soap when inclosed in its paper wrapper, the shorter compartment adapted to receive and firmly hold the stick after the wrapper has been removed, and 50 the fixed partition provided with a central aperture extending through it from side to side, substantially as shown and described.

2. A shaving-stick holder consisting of a hollow cylindrical shell having on its inner 55 side a fixed partition dividing the same into two compartments of unequal length, a rim within the shorter compartment extending from the partition to the outer edge of the case, said shorter compartment adapted to 60 receive and firmly retain a cylindrical piece of slippery shaving-soap which would be freely movable in the longer compartment, and the fixed partition provided with a central circular aperture extending from one 65 compartment to the other, substantially as shown and described.

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

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