

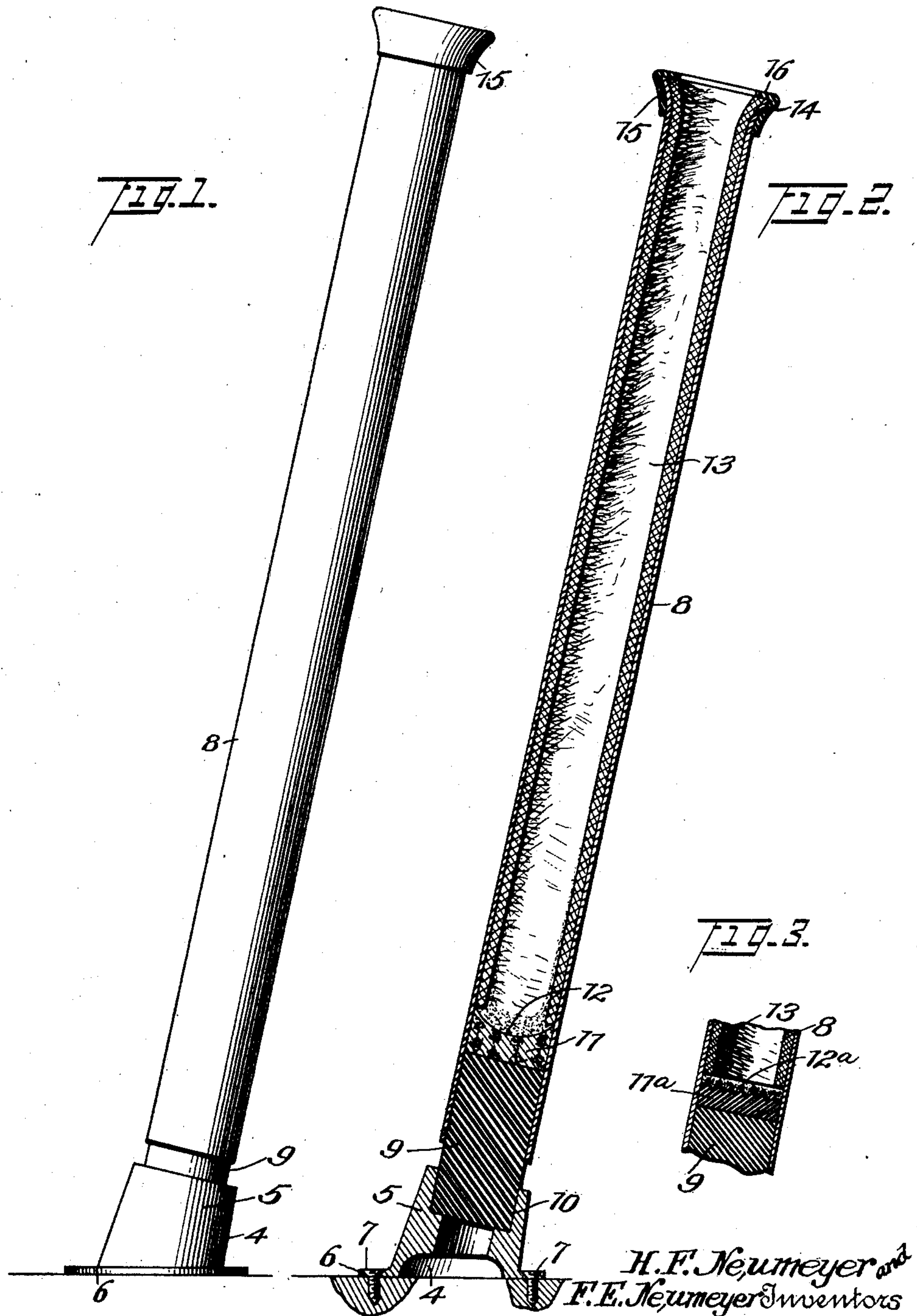
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, HORACE FALK NEUMEYER and FRANK ERDMAN NEUMEYER, citizens of the United States, residing at Macungie, in the county of Lehigh and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Cue-Chalk Holder, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to means for holding chalk employed in connection with billiard and similar cues.

One of the principal objects is to provide a simple and novel holder especially adapted for powdered chalk, thereby doing away with the necessity of the more expensive cubes, though the latter may be employed, if desired, said holder affording convenient means whereby cues may be effectively chalked and eliminating the objectionable practice of using loose cubes, which often become misplaced, are carried off, or are crushed upon the floor.

The preferred embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the improved holder. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view therethrough, and Fig. 3 is a detail sectional view showing a slightly-modified form of cushion.

Similar reference-numerals designate corresponding parts in all the figures of the drawings.

In the embodiment illustrated a base 4 is employed, including an upstanding inclined stem 5 and an enlarged flange portion 6. The latter has openings to receive fasteningscrews 7. In connection with this base there is employed a chalk-holder in the form of an elongated tubular body 8, disposed at an inclination and in line with the stem portion 5 of the base 4. The base and holder are connected by a plug 9, of rubber, though any yielding connection found suitable may be employed. The lower end of this connection is snugly fitted in a socket 10, formed in the upper end of the stem 5, while the upper end is received in the lower end of the tubular body, said lower end constituting a socket portion for the purpose. By this means it will be clear that while the tubular body will ordinarily be held in line with the stem it is capable of swinging laterally with respect thereto.

Located within the lower portion of the tubular body and supported by the yielding connection 9 is a cushion-block 11, which cushion may be of cork, as shown in Fig. 2, in which case the upper face is preferably concaved, as illustrated at 12, to provide a chalk-holding pocket. Instead of a cork cushion a rubber cushion 11<sup>a</sup> may be employed, as illustrated in Fig. 3, the upper surface of the rubber being provided with corrugations or ribs 12<sup>a</sup>, that form between them chalk-receiving pockets. The interior of the tubular body above the cushion is lined with felt 13 or other suitable fabric, and the upper end of the body is enlarged, as shown at 14, said lining extending into the enlarged portion. The protector-ring 15 surrounds the upper enlarged end of the tubular body and has an inwardly-extending annular flange 16, that covers the upper end of the lining. This ring is preferably made of rubber or other yielding material.

In practice the chalk-holding device can be placed in any convenient position, but is preferably located beneath the table, where it is out of the way, the inclination permitting the base being set well back from the edge, while the upper end or receiving-mouth is located in substantial alinement with the side of the table. Powdered chalk is placed in the holder and will be supported on the cushion. To chalk a cue, it is only necessary to introduce the end of the same into the holder, whereupon said end will be brought into contact with the chalk. The expulsion of the air due to the introduction of said end will cause part of the powdered chalk to flow upwardly and become entangled in the fabric lining. Consequently when the cue is revolved not only will the end be properly chalked, but some will adhere to the sides, and the cue will thus be effectively prepared for use by one operation. It will thus be apparent that a simple device is provided which is entirely convenient to use and in which powdered chalk can be employed.

From the foregoing it is thought that the construction, operation, and many advantages of the herein-described invention will be apparent to those skilled in the art without further description, and it will be understood that various changes in the size, shape, proportion, and minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from



the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a cue-chalk holder, the combination with chalk-holding means, of means extending beneath the same for supporting said chalk-holding means and permitting its lateral movement.

2. In a cue-chalk holder, the combination with a support having a lateral yielding movement, of an upstanding chalk-holding receptacle carried by the upper portion of, and laterally movable with respect to the support.

3. In a cue-chalk holder, the combination with a lower base, of a chalk-holder extending above the same, and a yielding connection between the base and chalk-holder that supports the latter over the former and permits the lateral swinging movement of said latter.

4. In a cue-chalk holder, the combination with a base having an upstanding inclined stem portion, of an elongated tubular chalk-holder located at an inclination and in line with the stem, and a connection between the stem and the lower end of the holder that permits the lateral swinging movement of the holder with respect to the base.

5. In a cue-chalk holder, the combination with a base having a socket in its upper portion, of an elongated tubular chalk-holder having a socket portion in its lower end, and a yielding connection between the base and holder, said connection having its ends fitted in the socket and socket portion of the base and holder.

6. In a cue-chalk holder, a tubular cue-re-

ceiving body having a cushion-block of yielding material fixed in its lower end constituting a chalk-support.

7. In a cue-chalk holder, the combination with a base, of a tubular cue-receiving body, a yielding connection between the base and body, and a chalk-supporting cushion located in the body against the said connection.

8. In a cue-chalk holder, a tubular cue-receiving body having a yielding chalk-supporting cushion in its lower end, and a lining in the body constituting a chalk-retainer.

9. In a cue-chalk holder, a tubular body having an enlarged upper end, a cushion in the lower end of the body, a lining in the body, and a yielding protector-ring on the upper end of the body covering the upper end of the lining.

10. In a cue-chalk holder, the combination with a base having an upstanding inclined stem portion provided with a socket in its upper side, of a tubular cue-receiving body having an enlarged upper end, a rubber yielding connection having its lower end fitted in the socket of the stem and its upper end fitted in the lower end of the body, a lining in the body extending to the upper end of the same, and a protector-ring surrounding the upper end of the body and having an inturned annular flange that extends over the upper edge of the lining.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our own we have hereto affixed our signatures in the presence of two witnesses.

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