

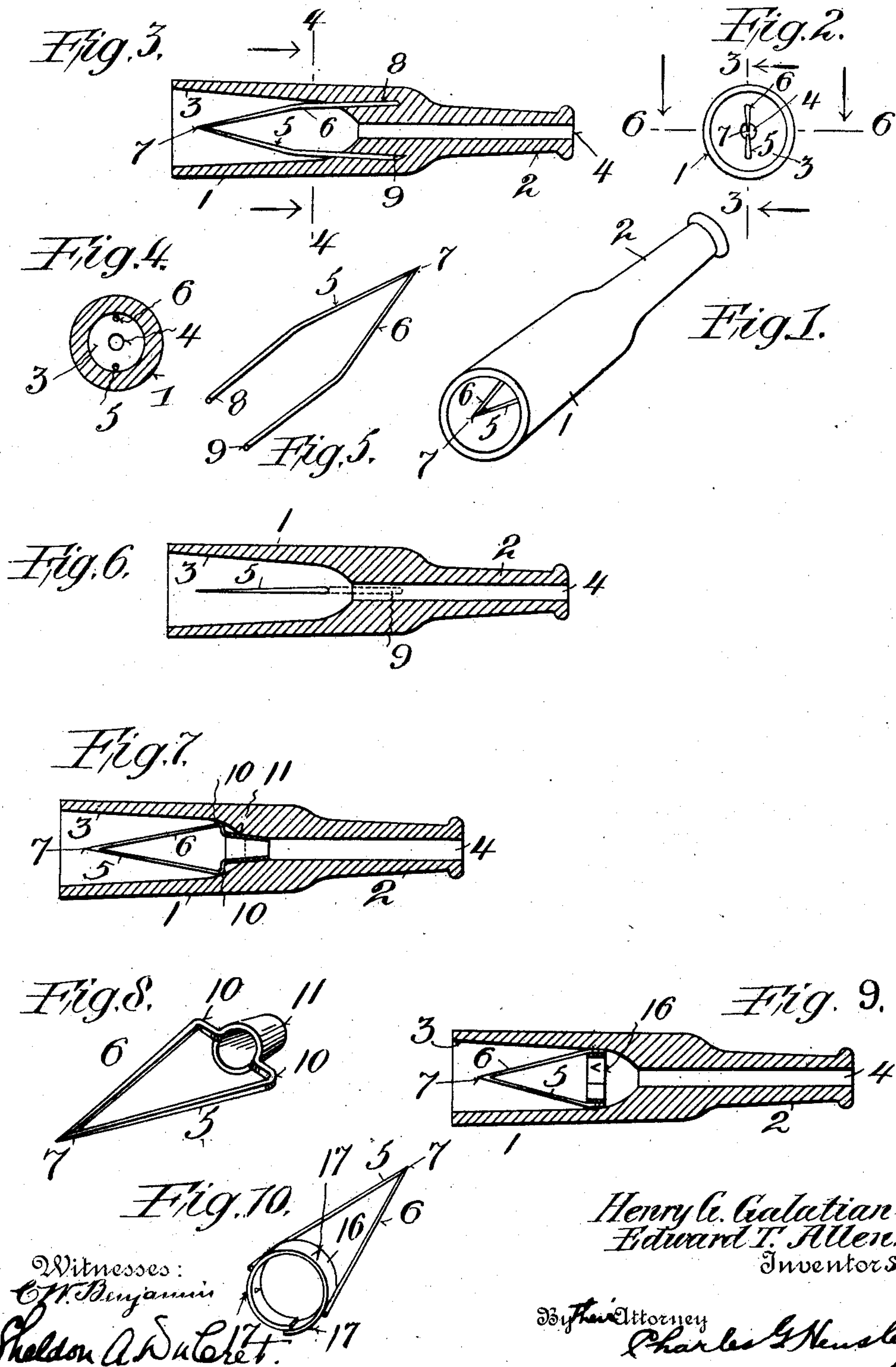
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, HENRY G. GALATIAN and EDWARD T. ALLEN, citizens of the United States, and residents of Flushing and Jamaica, respectively, in the county of Queens and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigar-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

Our invention relates to improvements in cigar holders and the object thereof is to provide a holder which will improve the drawing qualities of the cigar when the latter is placed in a holder.

The holder may be made with our improvements therein or holders already made may have our improvements applied.

The invention in its broad aspect consists in placing a wedge shape member in the bore of the holder which will project into the end of the cigar when the latter is placed in the holder.

The details of our invention will be set forth in the description hereinafter.

In the drawings forming part of this application, Figure 1. is a perspective view of our preferred form of holder. Fig. 2. is a rear end elevation. Fig. 3. is a cross section taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2. Fig. 4. is a cross section taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3. Fig. 5. is a perspective view of the projecting wedge. Fig. 6. is a cross section taken on the line 6—6 of Fig. 2. Fig. 7. is a longitudinal section of a modified form of holder. Fig. 8. is a perspective view of the wedge used in Fig. 7. Fig. 9. is a longitudinal section of a further modified holder, and Fig. 10. is a perspective view of the wedge used in Fig. 9.

It often happens that considerable difficulty is experienced in getting a cigar to draw properly and especially when the cigar is used in a holder as the tendency of the latter is to compress the butt of the cigar and interfere with its drawing qualities.

The object of our invention is to provide a member projecting rearwardly in the bore of the holder which will be forced into the butt of the cigar and form a draft space to increase the drawing qualities of the cigar. The member so provided is preferably wedge shape and such as will form a free space in the cigar head.

In the form shown in Figs. 1. to 6. the holder consists of the body 1. and the mouthpiece 2. which may be made integral or sepa-

rate as desired, and the bore 3. in the body is adapted to receive and hold the butt of the cigar. The bore 4. of the mouthpiece communicates with the bore of the body in the usual way. Within the bore of the body we apply our improvements which in the form shown in Figs. 1. to 6. consists of two wires 5. and 6. secured together at one end so as to diverge from their point of connection. The ends of these wires or rods may be welded together and the end 7. thus formed is pointed so that it will readily pierce the cigar. The member thus formed is disposed in the bore of the holder with the point 7. projecting rearwardly so as to meet and pierce the cigar butt as it is forced into the holder and for retaining the wedge shape member in place we seat the ends 8. and 9. tightly in grooves in the holder body.

In the form shown in Figs. 7. and 8. the wedge member is made so as to be adapted for holders now in stock. In this case the rods 5. and 6. which are secured together as before are bent at 10. to form shoulders which lie against the interior of the holder and the ends of the wires or rods 5. and 6. are provided with a collar 11., of conical shape which is wedged into the reduced bore 4. so as to hold the wedge member in place. This form may be applied to almost any conventional holder.

The form shown in Figs. 9. and 10. is also one which may be applied to the conventional holder. In this instance the wires or rods 5. and 6. are secured to a collar 16. which has pins 17. projecting outwardly therefrom and toward the rear end of the holder, so that the pins will engage the interior of the holder and prevent the removal of the collar.

When a cigar is inserted in the holder, and this may be done without cutting the butt, the point of the rods will pierce the butt of the cigar and as the latter is pressed to its limit in the holder the diverging rods will form an opening in the butt, providing an empty, unobstructed chamber, directly in line with the bore of the mouthpiece, so that the smoke will be drawn freely, from the middle of the butt, and will not be choked by the contraction caused by the pressing of the holder on the cigar butt. This greatly improves the draw, causes the cigar to burn evenly, and is less liable to unroll the end of the wrapper as if it were cut, and does not affect the appearance of the holder.



Having described our invention what we claim is—

1. An article of the class described, comprising a holder adapted to receive a cigar and having a bore, and a rearwardly projecting member in said bore formed of a plurality of rods secured together at their ends and adapted to pierce a cigar placed in said holder and diverging toward the front of said holder, whereby a chamber will be formed in said cigar by said rods while the cigar is in the holder.

2. An article of the class described, comprising a holder having a body 1. and mouth-piece 2. provided with bores 3. and 4. respectively, and rods 5. and 6. secured in the holder and converging toward the rear of the holder, said rods being secured together at their ends 7. in alinement with the bore 4.

3. An article of the class described, comprising a holder having a bore, and a conical collar adapted to engage the interior of said holder and provided with a plurality of rods which converge toward the rear of the holder

and the ends of which come together to form means for piercing a cigar placed in said holder whereby a chamber is formed in the cigar while it is in the holder.

4. An article of the class described, comprising a holder having a bore for the reception of a cigar, and a collar in said holder having projections adapted to engage the interior of the holder and rods on said collar converging toward the rear of the holder.

5. An article of manufacture consisting of a plurality of converging rods having their ends secured together to form means for piercing a cigar and forming a chamber therein and provided with means for securing said rods in a cigar holder.

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