

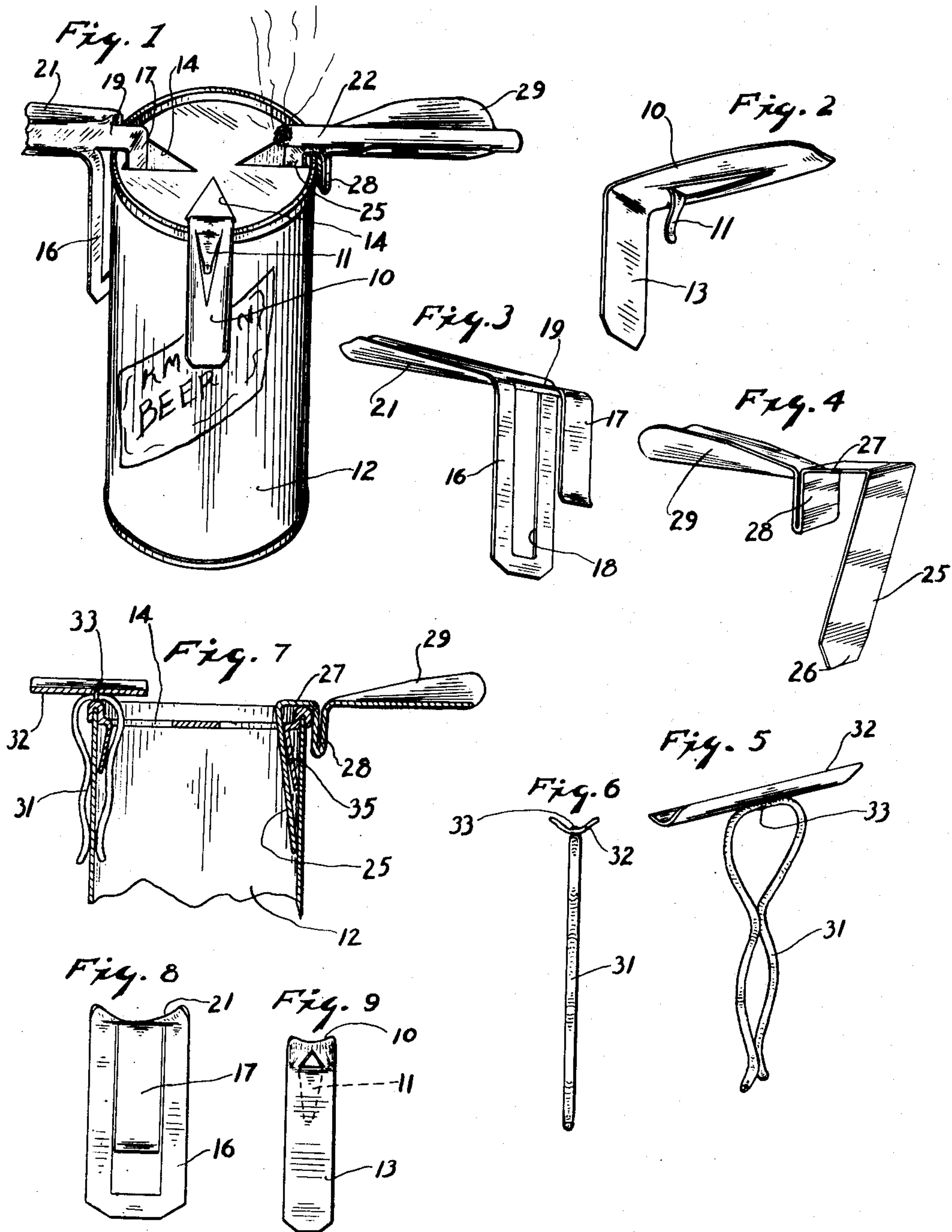
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This invention relates to cigarette holder attachments for beer cans.

It is an object of the present invention to provide a cigarette holder attachment adapted to be clipped through the opening of a beer can and supported in a horizontal manner for receiving a cigarette whereby the cigarette ashes can be dropped through the opening in the beer can and whereby the holder will be retained in a rigid manner thereupon.

Other objects of the present invention are to provide a cigarette holder attachment for beer cans which is of simple construction, inexpensive to manufacture, easy to be fixed upon a beer can, compact and efficient in operation.

For other objects and for a better understanding of the invention, reference may be had to the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, in which

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a beer can with several of the holders of the present invention installed thereupon.

Figs. 2, 3, 4 and 5 are respectively perspective views of different forms of the cigarette holder.

Fig. 6 is an end elevational view of the form of the invention shown in Fig. 5.

Fig. 7 is a sectional view of a beer can and of two of the different holders mounted thereon, the holders being of the form shown in Figs. 4 and 5.

Fig. 8 is an elevational view of the form of the invention shown in Fig. 3.

Fig. 9 is an elevational view of the form of the invention shown in Fig. 2.

Referring now particularly to Figs. 1, 2 and 9, there is shown a form of the invention wherein there is provided a top portion 10 of arcuate section to prevent the cigarette from rolling out of the same and from which there is struck downwardly a clip portion 11 engageable with the side of the can 12 to hold the holder in place there-within, as its depending portion 13 is extended downwardly through an opening 14 in the can. Accordingly, the portion 10 will be supported or retained in a horizontal manner and the cigarette can be rested upon the same so that the lighted end will lie above the opening 14. The downwardly struck portion 11 engages with the outer face of the can in a spring biased manner to positively hold the holder on the can at the upper edge.

Referring now particularly to Figs. 1, 3 and 8, 16 represents an engaging portion of a holder

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from which is struck an elevated and forwardly extended portion 17 providing an opening 18. This forwardly extending portion 17 is thrust through an opening 14 in the beer can 12 so that its upper and horizontal part 19 thereof rests upon the upper edge of the beer can. Extending outwardly from the portion 16 is an upwardly flared horizontal supporting portion 21 for supporting a cigarette 22. The cigarette will be so supported that its lighted end can extend outwardly over the part 19 and its ashes will drop through the opening 14 into the can. The lower end of the struck out portion 17 is turned up. This turned up part will facilitate the entry of the holder into the can.

Referring now particularly to Figs. 1 and 4, there is shown a still further form of the invention wherein there is provided a depending portion 25 tapered at its lower end, as indicated at 26, and which is formed by bending the portion 25 downwardly from horizontal portion 27. Laterally spaced from depending portion 25 and depending from the horizontal portion 27 is a double bent depending portion 28 adapted to engage with the outer side of the beer can while the portion 25 is engaging with the inner side of the can, from which extends outwardly an upwardly flared supporting or concaved horizontal portion 29 adapted to retain a cigarette 22 in the manner as shown in Fig. 1.

This holder as shown in Fig. 4 is formed of a single member. The horizontal portions 27 and 29 are aligned and the depending portions 25 and 28 are spaced a distance corresponding substantially to the space between the outer periphery of the beaded edge of the can 12 and the adjacent edge of opening 14 in the top of the can whereby to provide a rigid connection therewith when the holder is assembled upon the can. The depending portions 25 and 28 converge whereby one of the depending portions is adapted to engage the inner surface of the side wall of the can and the other depending portion is adapted to engage the beaded edge of the can to maintain the holder in assembled relation upon the can. The double bend depending portion 28 extends substantially at a right angle to the horizontal portion 27 whereby the beaded edge is adapted to engage the depending portion 28 and the horizontal portion 27. The horizontal portion 29 is concaved in a direction away from the depending portions and is adapted to provide a rest for the cigarettes so that the portion of the cigarette adjacent the lighted end thereof can rest

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on the concave portion and extend over the free end thereof.

Referring now particularly to Figs. 5, 6 and 7, there is shown a still further form of the invention wherein the holder is made in two parts, one part being in the shape of a hair pin, as indicated at 31, and the other part being in the shape of a trough, as indicated at 32. The hair pin 31 is connected to the trough by a securing pin 33. The hair pin formation 31 has two legs and one of the legs will extend downwardly through the opening 14 of the can and engage with the inner wall face of the can while the other leg will extend downwardly along the outer side of the can and engage with the outer face thereof.

The gripping parts of each of the holders are spaced sufficiently from one another in each of the forms of the invention so as to accommodate the downwardly bent portion of the can top which is indicated at 35.

It should now be apparent that there has been provided a cigarette holder adapted to be extended into openings in a can top and wherein the depending portions may be formed of the same piece of material as by striking outwardly either from one of the depending portions or from the horizontal supporting portion. One of the depending portions will be extended into the can opening in the top thereof and the other portion will be passed downwardly on the outer side of the can whereby the horizontal supporting portion will be held rigidly in a horizontal position to support the cigarette.

While various changes may be made in the detail construction, it shall be understood that such changes shall be within the spirit and scope of the present invention as defined by the appended claim.

What is claimed is:

A cigarette holder for attachment to a can provided with an opening in the top cover thereof and wherein said cover has a beaded circumfer-

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ential edge projecting laterally of the side wall of the can and wherein the opening is adjacent said beaded edge, said holder comprising a single member having aligned horizontal portions and depending portions spaced a distance corresponding substantially to the space between the outer periphery of the beaded edge and the adjacent edge of the opening of said can to provide a rigid connection therewith when in assembled relation thereon, said depending portions converging whereby one of said depending portions is adapted to engage the inner surface of the side wall of the can and the other depending portion is adapted to engage the beaded edge to maintain the holder in assembled relation on the can, one depending portion being in a plane substantially at right angles with the horizontal portion whereby the beaded edge is adapted to engage the said depending portion and said horizontal portion, one of said horizontal portions being concaved in a direction away from the depending portion and adapted to provide a rest for a cigarette whereby the portion of the cigarette adjacent the lighted end thereof can rest on the concaved portion and extend over the free end thereof, and one of the depending portions comprises a double bend to provide rigidity at that location.

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