

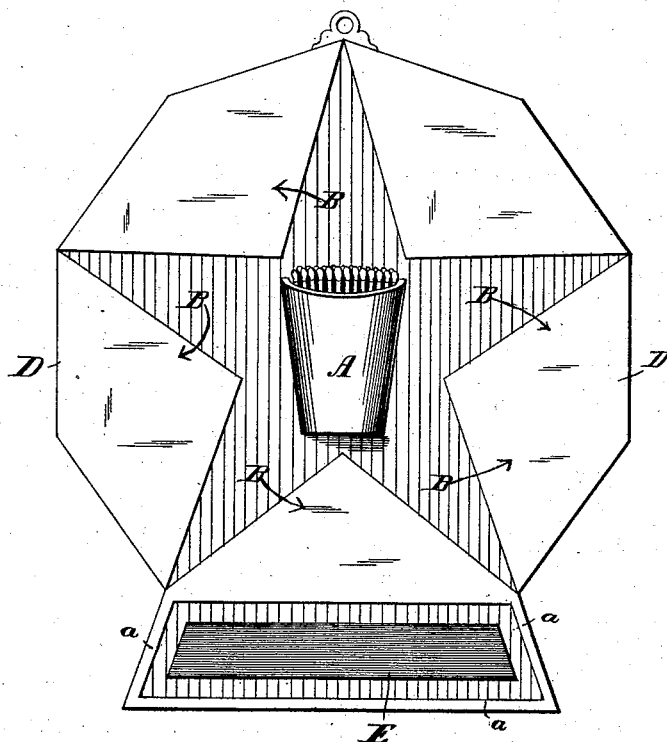
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MATCH SAFE.

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MATCH-SAFE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROLLIN D. HUNTLEY, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Havana, in the county of Schuyler and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Match-Safes, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improved luminous match-safe, constructed, as fully described hereinafter, so as to indicate positively the positions both of the match-holder and of the scratcher, the safe being so constructed as to avoid the necessity of using glass as a covering for the luminous paint.

In the drawing the figure is a face view, showing my improved match-safe.

D represents a board or panel of any suitable stiff material and of any suitable shape, to which, near the center, is secured a holder, A, for matches, and which also supports a roughened sheet or surface, E, upon which the matches may be struck.

Heretofore in the luminous match-safes placed upon the market the match-holder has been secured to or in front of the luminous portion of the safe, which has necessarily been made heavy and covered with a sheet of glass to protect the paint in handling the device. Such safes have also served to indicate the position of the match-holder, but not of the

scratcher, so that the wall is liable to be injured by having the matches struck thereon. I avoid these difficulties by placing the match-holder in the center of the panel, and by coating the surfaces B B around this holder with the luminous paint, thereby indicating the position of the holder without bringing the luminous portions close thereto; and I also coat the surfaces *a* surrounding the scratcher with luminous paint, thereby indicating the position of the scratcher in relation to the match-safe. By these means I avoid all liability of bringing the hands in contact with the paint in handling the matches, and am therefore able to dispense with the glass covering, and I prevent all chance of striking the matches against the wall by mistake.

I claim—

A luminous match-safe provided with a central match-holder, A, and scratcher E, and coated with luminous paint at parts surrounding the scratcher and match-holder, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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