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BILLIARD CUE CHALK

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Fig. 1.

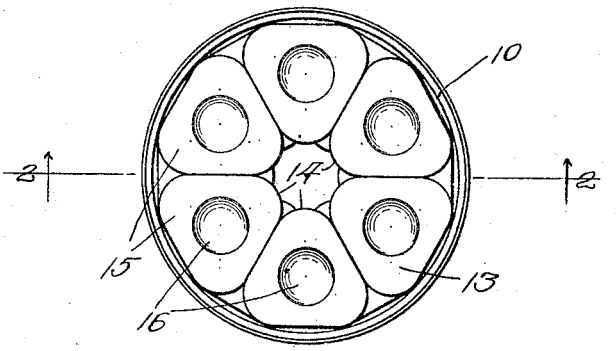
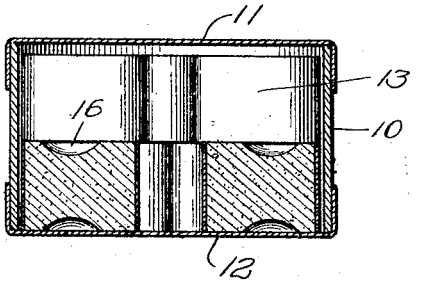


Fig. 2.



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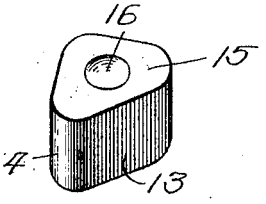

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDMUND F. HOSKIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Billiard-Cue Chalk, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in billiard cue chalk. Among the features of my invention is the provision of chalk of this kind which can be easily and cheaply made, is neat in appearance, and more readily usable than chalk heretofore made. My improved chalk is also especially adapted for packing in containers such as cylindrical boxes or cans.

Other features and advantages of my improved billiard cue chalk will appear more fully as I proceed with my specification.

In that form of device embodying the features of my invention shown in the accompanying drawings, Fig. 1 is a top plan view of a box or container showing twelve pieces of chalk packed therein, Fig. 2 is a view taken as indicated by the line 2—2 of Fig. 1, and Fig. 3 is a view in perspective of a single piece of chalk.

As shown in the drawings, 10 indicates a cylindrical box or container which may be made of cardboard, tin or other suitable material, the ends being closed by an upper and lower cap member 11 and 12, respectively.

An individual piece of chalk is shown in perspective in Fig. 3. It will be seen that the chalk is substantially triangular in cross section so that it has three flattened faces indicated by 13, 13. The edges are rounded as indicated by 14. The ends of the chalk are flat as indicated by 15 and there is provided at each end a centrally arranged circular rounded depression 16.

It will be seen that because of the triangular shape of the chalk providing the three flat faces 13, the chalk may be very firmly and securely grasped between the thumb, first, and second fingers of a user, in applying the chalk to the end of a billiard cue. By placing the thumb, first, and second fingers on the three flat faces 13, the chalk may be very securely held and given the necessary back and forth rotation on the end of the cue in order to apply the chalk. The flat faces prevent the slipping of the chalk in the fingers of the user. Besides this feature, it will be seen that the triangular shape of the pieces of chalk especially adapt them for packing in a cylindrical box or container. It will be seen that six pieces of chalk placed together in a circle will just fill one layer in the box or container. Packing of chalk in this manner in the box, makes the individual pieces fit snugly, so that there is no danger of movement in shipping, and consequently no contact of the pieces of chalk with each other with resulting breaking, or chipping.

Although the container 10 is here shown of sufficient height to accommodate two layers of chalk, it is evident that the container may be made of a sufficient height to accommodate any desired nmuber of layers.

While I have shown and described certain embodiments of my invention, it is to be understood that it is capable of many modifications. Changes, therefore, in the construction and arrangement may be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as disclosed in the appended claims, in which it is my intention to claim all novelty inherent in my invention as broadly as possible in view of the prior art.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patents, is:

1. A billiard cue chalk substantially triangular in cross section having a rounded depression at each end.

2. A billiard cue chalk substantially triangular in cross section, with rounded edges, and having a rounded depression at each end.

3. A plurality of billiard cue chalks in combination with a cylindrical box or container, the pieces of chalk of such size and shape that six placed together in a circle in the box will substantially fill one layer in said box or container.

4. A plurality of billiard cue chalks, each substantially triangular in cross section, in combination with a cylindrical box or con-

tainer, the pieces of chalk of such dimensions that six placed together in a circle will substantially fill one layer in said box or container.

5. A billiard cue chalk substantially triangular in cross-section having a rounded depression at one end.

6. A billiard cue chalk substantially triangular in cross-section, with rounded edges, and having a rounded depression at one end.

Witness my hand and seal this second day of July, A. D. 1924.

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