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Fig. 1.

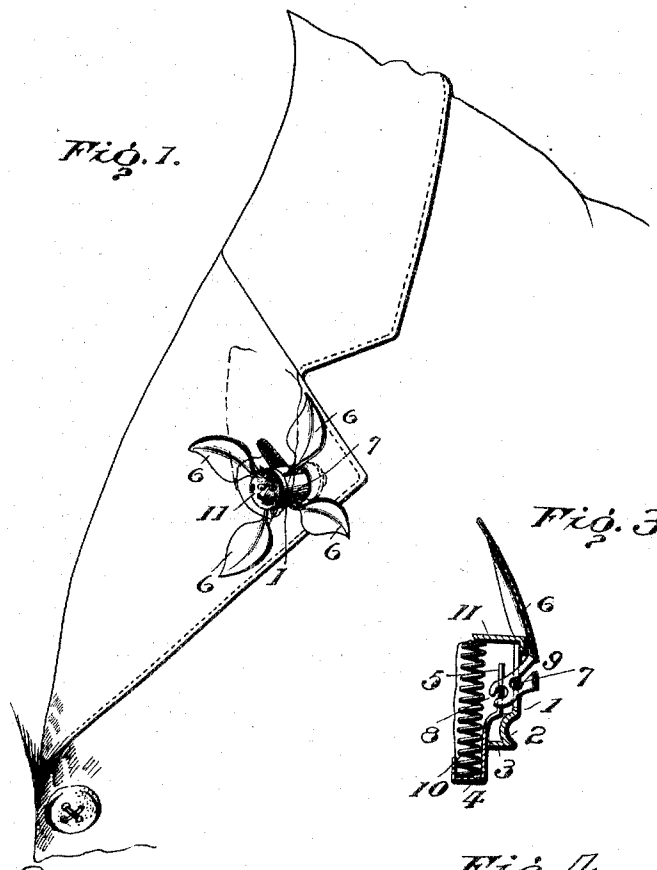


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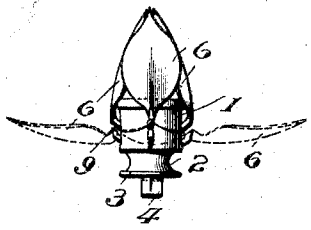


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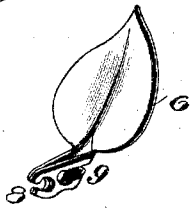
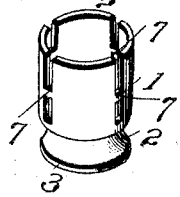


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CAMPAIGN OR ADVERTISING BUTTON.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PAUL KRASTIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Campaign or Advertising Button, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to campaign or advertising buttons, and more particularly to that class of devices having the general configuration of a flower with movable petal-like parts or arms which normally conceal a portrait, legend, insignia, or some advertising matter, but which may be opened or spread apart at will to expose the same.

The principal object of the invention is to provide a novelty of the character stated which shall be composed of few parts of simple construction and operation, which shall not be easily broken, and which can be manufactured and sold at a low price.

The nature, characteristic features and scope of the invention will be more fully understood from the following description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, forming part hereof, and wherein—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a button embodying features of my invention, the same being shown applied to the lapel of a coat and with the petal-like parts spread apart. Fig. 2 is an elevational view of the button, the dotted lines indicating the plane occupied by the petal-like parts when opened. Fig. 3 is a detail sectional view showing the general arrangement of the means for supporting and operating the petal-like parts. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the reciprocating member or device for operating the petals. Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the main support or button, and Fig. 6 is a perspective view of one of the petals.

Referring to the drawings, 1 represents a suitable base, main support, or button for application to the lapel of a coat in any suitable manner. For example, it may have a constricted part 2, whereby it may be seated and retained in a buttonhole. The part 1 may have substantially the form of a cylindrical shell having an inwardly-directed bottom flange 3, which constitutes a guide for a reciprocating member or plunger 4. The member 4 is provided with a series of H-shaped fingers 5, which are bent outwardly and upwardly and serve to connect the reciprocating head or plunger with the petal-like parts 6. The support or button 1 is provided with vertical slots, one for each petal, and with cross-bars 7, upon which the petals rock.

6 designates the petals, the stems or shank portions of which are provided with two sets of jaws 8 and 9, whereof the former engage the cross-bars of the H-shaped fingers 5 and whereof the jaws 9 engage the cross-bars 7 and constitute thereby a hinge or pivotal connection for the petals.

10 is a coil-spring seated in the bottom or socketed part of the reciprocating head or plunger and acting to normally solicit the latter outwardly in respect to the button, and thereby close the petals upon one another. The forward end of the spring bears against a cap 11, which admits of this action. The cap 11 constitutes a closure for the shell or button proper and tends to hold the parts in their proper relative positions. The cap 11 may also bear upon its outer surface a portrait, legend, insignia, or an advertisement, as may likewise the petals, and this matter is exposed to view by simply pushing the plunger 4 inwardly, and thereby opening the petals. It is manifest also that the various parts of the device may be suitably enameled or covered with cloth to simulate as near as possible the coloring and configuration of a natural flower.

It will be obvious to those skilled in the art to which the invention appertains that modifications may be made in detail without departing from the spirit and scope of same. Hence I do not limit myself to the precise construction and arrangement of parts hereinbefore described; but,

Having described the nature and objects of the invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination of a button consisting

of a shell, a legend-plate disposed at one end of the shell, a socketed plunger in the other end of the shell, a spring seated in the socket and bearing against the legend-plate, and a series of petal-like parts operatively connected with the plunger whereby they are adapted to open and close upon the legend-plate, substantially as specified.

2. The combination of a button consisting of a shell, a legend-plate or cap, a part movable in the shell, and petal-like members or arms having two sets of jaws whereof one set engages the walls of the shell and whereof the other set engages said movable part, whereby said arms are adapted to open and close upon the cap or legend-plate, substantially as specified.

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

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