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Fig. 1.

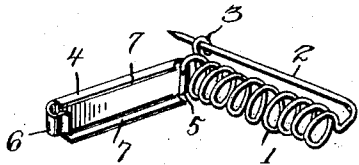


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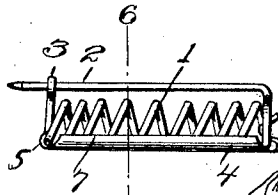


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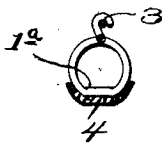


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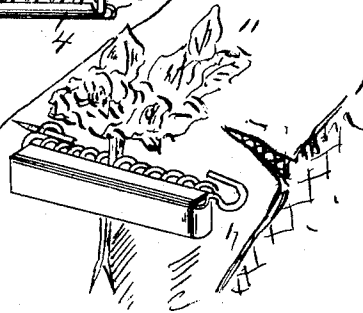


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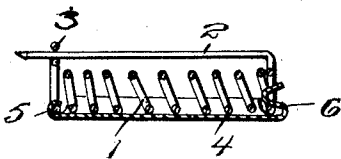


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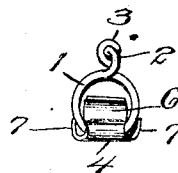
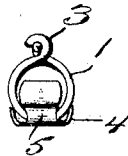


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN J. DEGENHARDT, citizen of the United States, residing at Elkhville, in the county of Jackson and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pins and Flower Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention comprehends certain new and useful improvements in flower attaching devices, and relates particularly to a combination pin and flower holder.

It has as an object to provide a combination flower holder and pin, decorative in its appearance, easy to manufacture, and effective in the performance of its function.

With this and other objects in view as will more fully appear as the description proceeds the invention consists in certain constructions, arrangements and combinations of the parts that I shall hereinafter fully describe and claim.

For a full understanding of the invention reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the combination flower holder and pin in its open position; Fig. 2 is an elevation of the same; Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view of the device; Figs. 4 and 5 are views of the end of the device closed. Fig. 6 is a transverse section on the line 6—6 of Fig. 2. Fig. 7 shows a perspective view of the device holding a flower.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the accompanying drawing by the same reference characters.

Referring to the drawing, the numeral 1 designates a coiled spring with the coils variously spaced from each other, said spring being flattened on one side and having one end bent back upon the spring and pointed at its extremity to form a cloth engaging member or pin 2. The end of the spring adjacent the point of the pin is

formed into a return bend 3, thus producing a hook which engages the pin 2. A plate 4 is pivotally attached at one end to the spring on the flattened side thereof by a lip 5 which is bent around the end turn of the coil and the other end of the plate is provided with a clasp 6 which engages the adjacent end of the spring and is thus retained in its closed position. The plate 4 is formed with lateral inwardly extending, angularly disposed flanges 7 which partially embrace the spring when the device is closed.

From the foregoing description in connection with the accompanying drawing, the operation of my device is apparent.

The device is attached to the garment by the pin 2, and the ends of the spring 1 are pressed together, whereupon the clasp 6 is released and the plate 4, being pivotally attached to the spring at the other end, may be swung to open position and expose the flat side of the spring. The coils of said spring being variously spaced to allow different sized flower stems to be inserted, a suitable space is chosen and the flower is inserted. The plate 4 is then returned to its former position and the clasp 6 placed in engagement with the spring 1. The angularly disposed side flanges of the plate 4 engage the flower stem and pressing against it retain it in its adjusted position. It is of course understood that the plate 4 may be decorated with a design or may bear a monogram or other suitable decoration.

Having thus described the invention what is claimed as new is:

1. A combination pin and flower holder embodying a coiled spring, having an attaching member, and an elongated laterally flanged retaining plate hinged to said spring and having a catch for engagement with the spring the flanges of said plate being adapted to engage the convolutions of the spring.

2. A combination pin and flower holder embodying a single piece of resilient wire coiled to form a spring, one end of the wire being bent back upon the spring to produce

a pin, the other end adjacent to the pin-point being formed into a hook, an elongated plate pivoted at one end thereof to one end of the spring, the other end of the plate
5 being provided with a clasp engageable with the adjacent end of the spring, and inwardly extending lateral flanges formed on the plate and adapted to press against and secure a

flower stem in the holder when the device is closed. 10

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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