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Fig. 1.

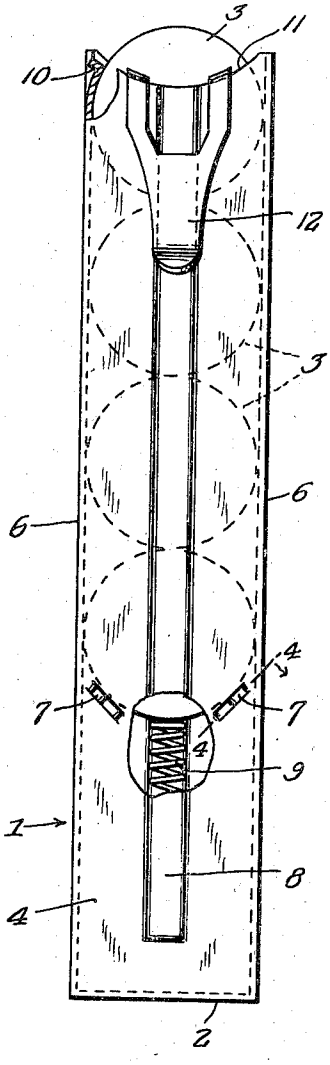
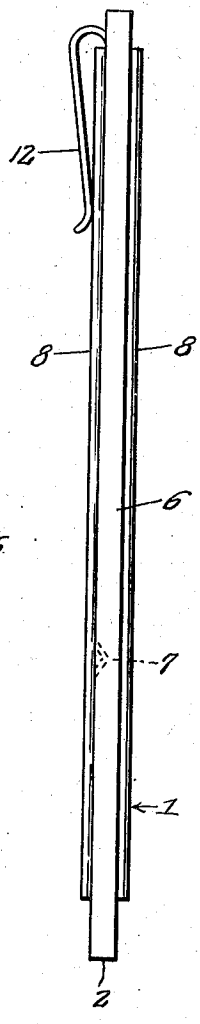


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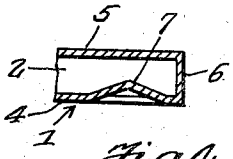


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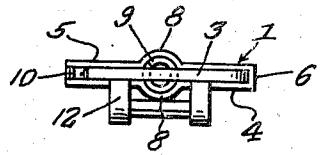


Fig. 3.

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The present invention relates to new and useful improvements in coin holders and has for its primary object to provide, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, a device of this character comprising a novel construction and arrangement whereby coins may be conveniently removed one at a time.

Another very important object of the invention is to provide a coin holder of the aforementioned character which is adapted to be mounted in a purse or pocket and from which the coins may be removed while in said purse or pocket.

Another important object of the invention is to provide, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, a compression type spring for moving the coins toward the discharge end of the holder, thereby reducing or substantially eliminating friction and assuring smooth, positive operation of the device.

Still another very important object of the invention is to provide a holder of the character described comprising novel spring means for feeding the coins toward the open end of the container for convenient removal.

Other objects of the invention are to provide a coin holder of the character described which will be comparatively simple in construction, strong, durable, highly efficient and reliable in use, compact, light in weight and which may be manufactured at low cost.

All of the foregoing and still further objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from a study of the following specification taken in connection with the accompanying drawing wherein like characters of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, and wherein:

Figure 1 is a view in front elevation of a coin holder constructed in accordance with the present invention, portions of the device being broken away.

Figure 2 is a view in side elevation of the holder.

Figure 3 is a top plan view.

Figure 4 is a fragmentary sectional view, taken substantially on the line 4—4 of Figure 1.

Referring now to the drawing in detail, it will be seen that the embodiment of the invention which has been illustrated comprises a container of suitable material which is designated generally by the reference numeral 1, said container being substantially in the form of a flat tube. The container 1 is open at its upper end and closed at its lower end, as at 2. The container 1 is of a width and thickness to receive, in edge to edge abutting relation, a plurality of coins 3 of the desired denomination.

The container 1 further includes a front 4, a back 5 and sides 6. Pressed into the front 4 in the lower portion of the container 1 is a pair of oppositely inclined lugs 7 which constitute supports for the coins 3 when the holder is filled to capacity.

The front and back 4 and 5, respectively, of the container 1 have formed therein opposed, complemental channels 8 in which a coil spring 9 is operable. It may be well to here state that the coil spring 9 constitutes means for moving the coins 3 toward the open or upper end of the container 1.

Struck inwardly from the upper end portion of one of the container side walls 6 is a resilient retaining finger 10 for the coins 3. The upper ends of the front and back 4 and 5, respectively, of the container 1 are recessed, as at 11, to permit a good grip to be readily had on the projecting coin to facilitate pulling said coin past the resilient finger 10. Formed integrally with the upper end of the front 4 of the container is a clip 12 which bears on the adjacent outwardly pressed channel 8.

It is thought that the manner in which the device is used will be readily apparent from a consideration of the foregoing. The coins, when the container is to be filled, are forced past the resilient finger 10 into said container against the tension of the coil spring 9. The lugs 7 constitute positive stops for the coins when the container has been filled. The device may then be placed in a pocket and secured in an obvious manner through the medium of the resilient clip 12. Of course, the pocket is frictionally gripped between the clip 12 and the outwardly pressed channel portion 8 of the front 4. The coil spring 9, working in the opposed, complemental channels 8, yieldingly urges the coins 3 toward the open end of the container but is not of sufficient strength to move said coins past the resilient retaining finger 10. Thus, the uppermost coin is always projecting from the open end of the container 1 where it may be conveniently gripped and pulled past the resilient finger 10. The construction and arrangement is such that this may be done with one hand with the container in the pocket.

It is believed that the many advantages of a coin holder constructed in accordance with the present invention will be readily understood and although a preferred embodiment of the device is as illustrated and described, it is to be understood that changes in the details of construction and in the combination and arrangement of parts

may be resorted to which will fall within the scope of the invention as claimed.

What is claimed is:

A coin holder of the character described comprising a substantially flat, tubular container for the reception of coins, said container being open at one end and closed at its other end and including a front, back and sides, the front and back having opposed, complemental channels therein extending from the open end of the container to a point adjacent the closed end thereof, a compression spring mounted in the channels for yieldingly urging the coins toward the open end of the container, and a resilient finger located near the open end and adapted to engage the edge of a coin against ejection by the compression spring.

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