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Fig. 1.

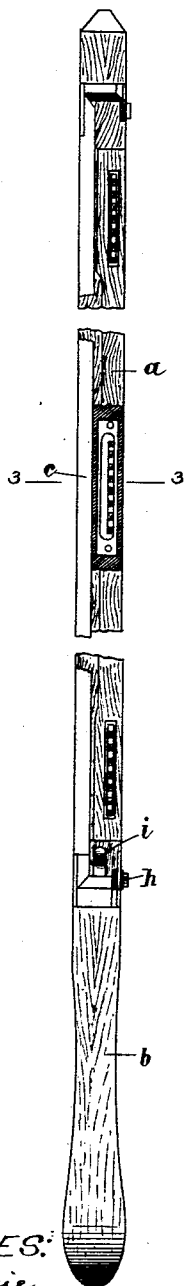


Fig. 3.

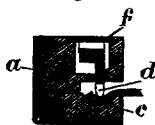


Fig. 4.

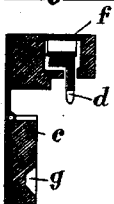


Fig. 5.

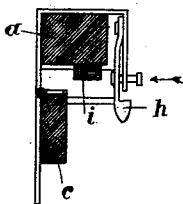
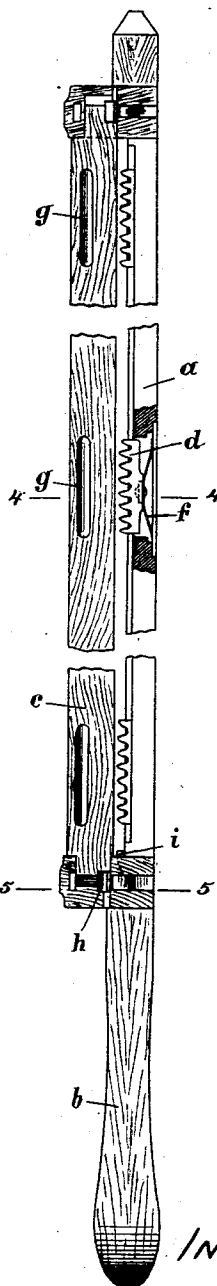


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHANN RISCHERT, a citizen of Germany, residing at Baden-Baden, Germany, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Newspaper-Files; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to temporary holders or files for newspapers, periodicals, and the like, the object of the same being to make a holder which is easily opened and closed, and is otherwise convenient of manipulation, and, moreover, is adapted to clamp or hold in place very thin as well as very thick newspapers and other periodicals with equal facility.

It is also the object of this invention to adapt the newspaper holder to securely clamp the papers by grasping only a very narrow rim or margin of the same, so that all danger of covering any part of the printed matter by the holder is entirely obviated. For this purpose, my invention consists in the features and combinations of parts now to be described and more particularly to be pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, I have shown a newspaper holder which I consider the preferred embodiment of my invention.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents a side view of the holder, partially in section and represented as opened. Fig. 2 represents a similar view at right angles to the plan of Fig. 1, the holder being represented as open. Figs. 3 and 4 represent transverse sections of the holder on the lines 3 3, Fig. 1, and 4 4, Fig. 2, respectively; while Fig. 5 represents a transverse section of the holder on the line 5 5, Fig. 2.

As appears from the said drawings, the newspaper file consists of a rod, *a*, provided with the handle, *b*, and the clamp or cover, *c*, hinged thereto, so as to swing in a plane at right angles to the rod as shown. The rod, *a*, is provided with several spring-pressed devices, preferably in the form of clamping jaws, *d*, arranged in recesses in the rod, *a*, provided for them, and mounted upon springs, *f*. (See Figs. 2, 3 and 4.) These clamping jaws, *d*, are suitably toothed or otherwise roughened on their

active surfaces, and they are adapted to enter recesses or mortises, *g*, in the clamp or cover, *c*, when the latter is closed or folded down into the position indicated in Figs. 1 and 3.

The hinged clamp or cover, *c*, when the file is closed, is held in place by spring latches, *h*, on the rod, *a*, as shown best in Fig. 5. Upon pushing these spring latches back in the direction of the arrow in Fig. 5, they release the cover or clamp, *c*, and the latter is thereupon thrown open, by the action of one or more of the springs, *i*, arranged in the rod, *a*, whereby the newspaper file is opened. (See Figs. 1, 2 and 5.)

The newspapers are placed into the open holder (Fig. 4) and are held in place by the spring clamping jaws, *d*, when the clamp or cover, *c*, is closed (see Fig. 3), no matter whether the said papers are thin or thick.

As appears from Fig. 3, only a very small margin or rim of the paper is grasped by the newspaper holder. Moreover, the manipulation of this file, as appears from the above description, is exceedingly simple.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a newspaper holder, the combination, with a rod having a recess, and a clamp hinged to said rod so as to swing in a plane at right angles to the length of the rod, said clamp having a recess arranged to register with the recess in the rod, of a spring-pressed device located in the recess in the rod and normally extending into the recess in the clamp, substantially as set forth.

2. In a newspaper holder, the combination, with a rod having a recess, and a clamp hinged to said rod so as to swing in a plane at right angles to the length of the rod, said clamp having a recess arranged to register with the recess in the rod, of a rack located in the recess, and a spring normally tending to press the teeth of said rack into the recess in the clamp, substantially as set forth.

3. In a newspaper holder, the combination, with a rod having a recess, and a clamp hinged to said rod so as to swing in a plane at right angles to the length of the rod, said clamp having a recess arranged to register with the recess in the rod, of a spring-pressed device located in the recess in the rod and normally extending into the recess in the clamp, a

spring normally tending to force the clamp away from the rod, and means for holding said clamp and rod together, substantially as set forth.

- 5 4. In a newspaper holder, the combination, with a rod having a recess, and a clamp hinged to said rod so as to swing in a plane at right angles to the length of said rod, said clamp having a recess arranged to register with the
10 recess in the rod, of a spring-pressed device located in the recess and normally extending

into the recess in the clamp, and a spring-pressed latch engaging the clamp and normally locking the same to the rod, substantially as set forth.

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

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