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Fig. 1.

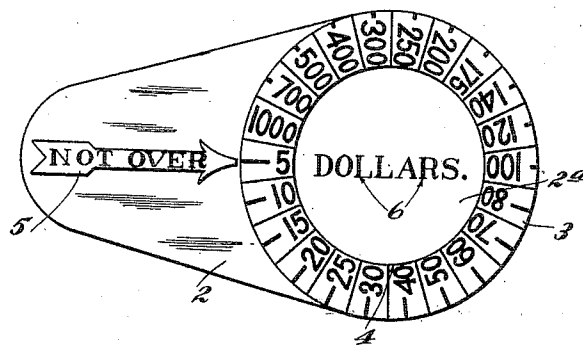


Fig. 2.

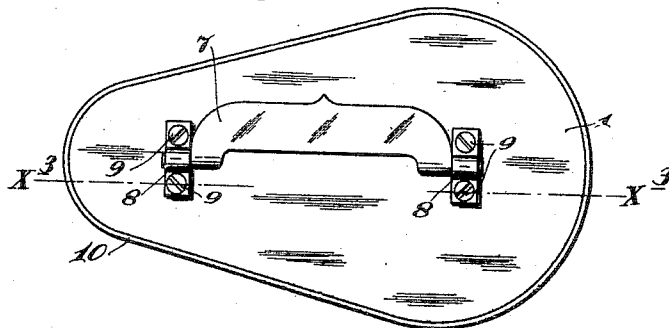
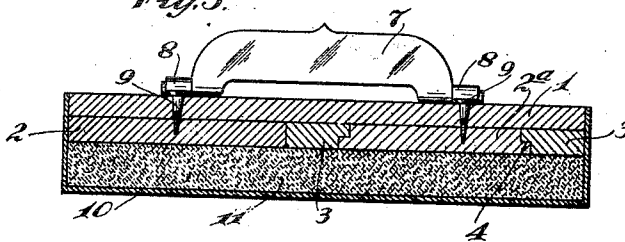


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK S. GEORGE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Hopkins, in the county of Hennepin and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pocket Check-Protectors; 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.

My invention has for its object to provide a simple and efficient check protector of such small size that it may be readily carried in a vest pocket, for example.

To the above end, the invention consists of the novel devices and combinations of devices hereinafter described and defined in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, like characters indicate like parts throughout the several views.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a bottom plan view of the improved device, removed from its case; Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the same; and Fig. 3 is a vertical section taken on the line $x^3 x^3$ of Fig. 2.

The body of the device is shown as made up of two plates 1 and 2, which, in plan view, are elongated, tapered and provided with approximately semi-circular ends. At its large end, the bottom plate 2 is cut to form a seat for an annular printing wheel 3, that is provided, on its lower face, with numeral printing type, preferably arranged as shown in Fig. 1. The said bottom plate 2 is thus formed in two parts, one of the members thereof being in the form of a hub 2^a that engages the printing wheel 3 with a lap joint 4 that holds the said wheel against lateral displacement while permitting free rotation of said wheel, so as to position the proper numeral type in line with the raised arrow 5 on the body of the plate 2, and in line with the latter type 6, spelling "Dollars" on the hub 2^a. Other letter type spelling "Not over" are also preferably provided on the indicator arrow 5.

On the top plate 1, is a folding hand piece or bar 7, the ends of which are of trunnion form and are pivotally seated in bearings 8 that are rigidly secured to the plate 1, by screws 9. The screws 9 of one of the bearings are passed through the plate 1 and into the body of the plate 2, and the

screws of the other bearings are passed through said plate 1 and into the hub 2^a, so that the said screws, directly or indirectly, secure together all parts of the check protector proper.

In connection with the check protector, just described, I preferably provide a combined inking pad and case made up of an open top thin metal shell 10 and an ink saturated pad 11 contained therein. The rim of the case 10 is of such shape and size that the body of the check protector will fit snugly therein, with the printing type thereof bearing upon the inking pad 11, and, hence, always supplied with ink and ready for printing the check, when removed from the case.

The manner of using a device of this character, as a check protector, by printing on the check, the proper "Not over" indication, is too well known to require special comment. This device or check protector is of extremely simple construction, efficient for the purposes had in view, and may be made of such small size that it may be easily carried in the vest pocket.

It will, of course, be understood that a pocket check protector of this character will be found especially serviceable by persons who make it a practice to carry a check book and make a practice of filling out checks at various different places where a large check protector could not always be available.

What I claim is:

A pocket check protector, comprising an approximately flat body plate, a flanged hub and a cooperating plate section secured to said body plate, an annular printing wheel rotatively mounted on said flanged hub, an indicator on said plate section cooperating with said annular printing wheel, a hand piece applied to the top of said body plate, bearings to which the ends of said hand piece are journaled, and screws passed through said bearings, through said body plate and into said hub and plate section, and securing said bearings together, substantially as described.

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

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