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Fig. 1.

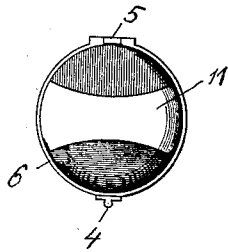


Fig. 2.

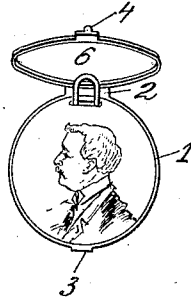


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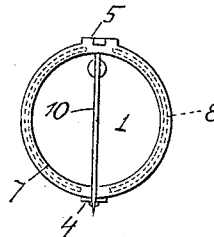
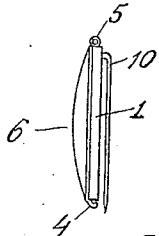


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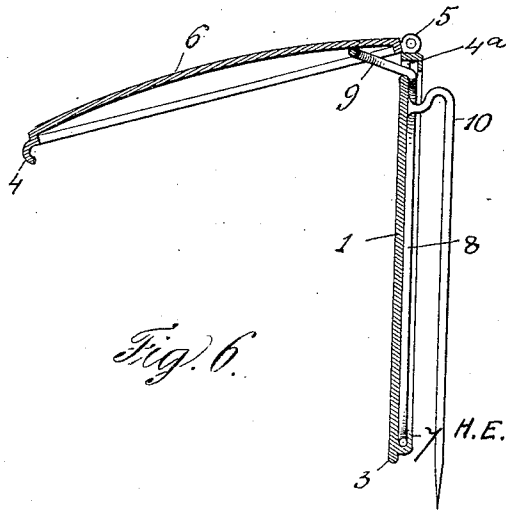
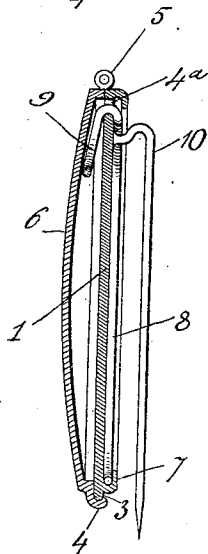


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARVEY E. ADAMS, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Hockingport, in the county of Athens and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Locketts, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

10 This invention relates to a locket or like article of manufacture, particularly designed for campaign purposes, but adaptable for use by members of lodges, secret organizations and as an advertising medium.

15 My invention aims to provide a locket that can be suitably ornamented and embellished in accordance with one's esthetic taste. The locket is constructed, whereby the picture, emblem or insignia carried thereby will not be exposed, unless desired, the 20 wearer of the locket having full and complete control over such exposure.

As a national political campaign novelty, the locket is designed whereby a partisan 25 can wear the same on the lapel of his coat without disclosing to the public the photograph or representation of his candidate or revealing the politics of the wearer.

As a locket for use by members of secret 30 organizations, lodges, and as a novelty for advertising purposes, the locket can be made of various forms and designs to attract the attention of the observer and arouse a desire for investigation.

35 The many other advantages of the locket will be apparent from the following description, wherein the detail construction of the same is set forth.

Referring to the drawing forming a part 40 of this specification, Figure 1 is a front elevation of a locket constructed in accordance with my invention, Fig. 2 is a similar view of the same in an open position, Fig. 3 is an edge view of the locket, Fig. 4 is a rear elevation of the same, Fig. 5 is an enlarged vertical sectional view of the locket in closed 45 position, and Fig. 6 is a similar view of the locket in an open position.

To put my invention into practice, I provide 50 a disk 1 which may be of metal or a similar durable material. Upon the front side of this disk is printed or otherwise marked the representation of the political candidate, an emblem, an insignia, motto or 55 advertisement. The disk is provided with two oppositely disposed lugs 2 and 3, the lug

2 constituting one of the hinge members of a hinge 5 by which a concave lid or cover 6 is attached to the disk 1. The other lug 3 serves functionally as a catch for engagement by a resilient latch 4 carried by the 60 lower edge of the lid or cover 6.

The disk 1 has its rear face formed with an annular flange 7 which projects inwardly and has its free edge bent inwardly, as 65 clearly shown in Figs. 5 and 6, to form an annular recess between the inturned edge of the flange and the rear face of the disk. This construction may be obtained in any 70 preferred manner, as by reaming out the recess, in which case the inturned portion of the flange would not be actually turned in but the result would be a construction in which the flange has its free edge turned 75 inwardly.

For the purpose of causing the lid to open when the catch thereof is released, I provide a spring, said spring having an intermediate portion bent to form a loop 9, the remaining 80 portion of the spring being in the form of two curved arms or portions 8 which lie within the recess, as shown in Figs. 4, 5 and 6, the loop 9 extending in a direction at substantial right angles to the plane of the remaining 85 portion of the spring and passing through an opening 4^a formed in the disk 1 adjacent the point of hinge connection 5, the loop being of a width substantially equal to the length of the opening 4^a, this particular 90 construction retaining the spring against a movement in the recess of the disk. The loop 9 not only extends through the opening 4^a but is of a length to permit a portion thereof to project beyond the plane of the 95 disk 1 a distance sufficient to provide a portion thereof in constant contact with the inner face of the lid during each of the movements of the latter, such movements carrying the contact portion of the loop from one side 100 to the other of the plane of the axis of the opening 4^a, this result being obtained by reason of the fact that said projecting portion of the loop normally extends in a plane angular with respect to the plane of the axis 105 of the opening, thereby placing the normal position of the lid-contacting portion of the loop on one side of the plane of such axis, this normal position being between the plane 110 of the opening-axis and the point of hinge connection, and supporting the lid in its open position; when the lid is closed, the loop is caused to move to the opposite side of the

plane of the opening-axis, thereby placing an increasing tension on the loop. By this construction it will be understood that the spring required may be very light in character, the range of movement of the contact portion of the loop being of sufficient length to cause the necessary movements of the lid without liability of an abrading action of the loop and lid such as would be provided by a spring of considerable tensional or torsional pressure.

In order that the locket can be secured to a person's garment, I provide the rear face of the disk 1 with a conventional form of pin 10. The front side of the lid or cover can be provided with the national colors, as indicated at 11, these colors either being attached to the lid or cover by a piece of fabric, or printed directly upon said lid or cover.

It is thought from the illustration of my invention that the manipulation of the lid or cover will be clearly understood, especially the manner of opening and closing the cover or lid 6 of the button, to expose the portrait, emblem or printed matter carried by the disk 1.

Having now described my invention what I claim as new, is:—

1. In combination, two members hingedly connected and movable to a position in substantially parallel planes, one of said members having a symbol-receiving face and also having an opening therethrough adjacent the point of hinge connection, the rear face of said latter member having an annular flange formed with an annular recess adjacent the plane of said face, and a spring having its ends lying within said recess and having an intermediate portion bent to form a loop, said loop extending through said opening in a direction at substantially right angles to the plane of the remaining portion of the spring and projecting beyond the plane of the spring-carrying member, said projecting portion normally extending in a plane angular with respect to the plane of the axis of the opening and positioned to retain the opposing member in one extreme of its length of movement, said loop being of a length to provide a portion in contact with the inner face of the opposing member during each of the movements of the latter, said movements causing the contacting portion of the loop to pass from one side to the other of the plane of the axis of the opening.

2. In combination, two members hingedly connected and movable to a position in sub-

stantially parallel planes, one of said members having a symbol-receiving face and also having an opening therethrough adjacent the point of hinge connection, the rear face of said latter member having an annular flange projecting from said face, said flange having its free edge turned inwardly to provide an annular recess adjacent the plane of said face, and a spring having its ends lying within said recess and having an intermediate portion bent to form a loop, said loop extending through said opening in a direction at substantially right angles to the plane of the remaining portion of the spring and projecting beyond the plane of the spring-carrying member, said projecting portion normally extending in a plane angular with respect to the plane of the axis of the opening and positioned to retain the opposing member in one extreme of its length of movement, said loop being of a length to provide a portion in contact with the inner face of the opposing member during each of the movements of the latter, said movements causing the contacting portion of the loop to pass from one side to the other of the plane of the axis of the opening.

3. A locket comprising a disk provided at the upper edge of its periphery with a lug and at the lower edge of its periphery with a catch, said disk being provided at a point directly beneath said lug with an opening, a lid hinged to said lug and provided with a latch to engage said catch, an annular flange carried by the rear face of said disk, said flange having its edges turned to provide an annular recess between the inturned edge of the flange and the disk, a spring for opening the lid when said latch is released from the catch, said spring embodying body-portions seated in said recess and a loop portion projecting through said opening in the disk and engaging the inner face of said lid, said loop being of a length to contact with the inner face of the lid during each of the movements of the latter, such movements of the lid carrying the contacting portion of the loop from one side to the other of the plane of the axis of the opening, and a securing member secured to the rear face of said disk.

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

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