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Fig. 4.

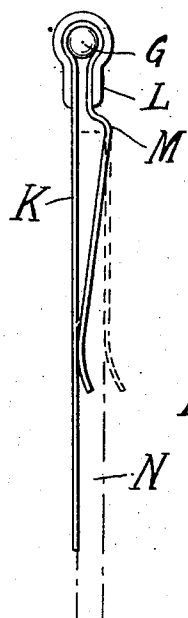


Fig. 1.

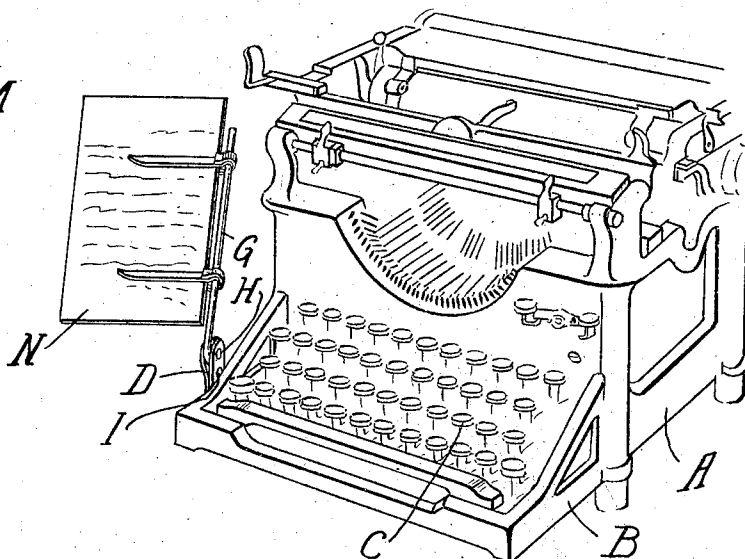


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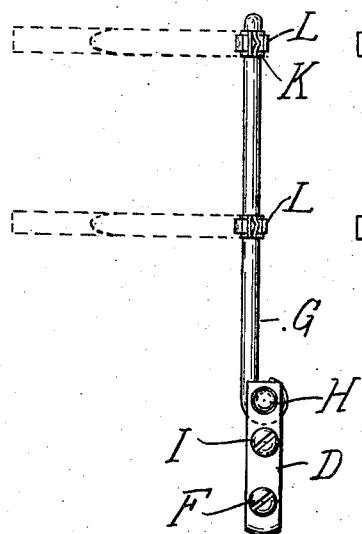


Fig. 2.

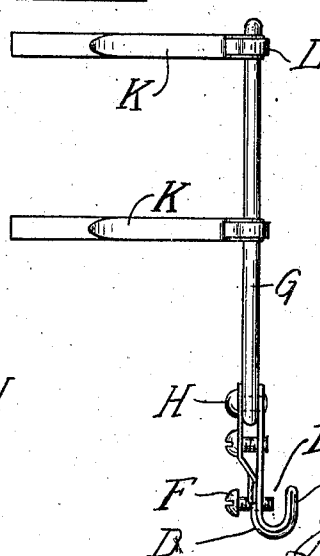
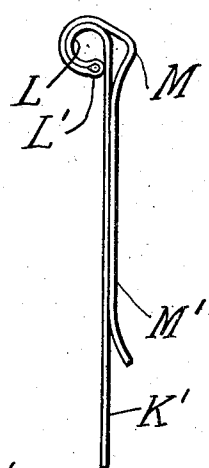


Fig. 5.



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My invention relates to copy-holders.

The object of my invention is to provide a copy-holder of simple construction that may be easily attached to the frame of a typewriter on either side thereof and adapted for use therewith.

Referring to the drawings which form a part of these specifications:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a copy-holder embodying my invention, attached to the left side of a typewriter frame.

Figure 2 is a front elevation view of the copy-holder.

Figure 3 is a side elevation view.

Figure 4 is a plan view of one of the clips mounted on the support rod of the holder.

Figure 5 is a plan view of a clip illustrating my preferred form of construction.

A, indicates a typewriter of usual type and having a portion B of its frame located on each side of the key board C.

D indicates a strip of metal bent back upon itself to form a hook D' having an opening E of greater width than the thickness of the frame B, so that the hook can be slipped upwardly on the under side of the frame B and secured thereto by means of the screw F, as will be readily understood. The upper ends of the strip D are separated from each other a distance corresponding to the diameter of the rod G, to permit the rod G to be clamped in swinging frictional engagement between the said ends. The rod G is bent to form an eyelet at its lower end and a rivet H, extends through the opposite side members of the strip D and eyelet, to form a pivot on which said rod may swing, and the stiffness of the joint may be controlled by means of a screw I, which extends through a hole formed in one side element of the strip D and screws into the opposite side element, thus drawing the sides together to correspondingly clamp the end of the rod G with the required pressure.

The clip elements of the holder illustrated in Figures 1, 2, 3 and 4 are made in two pieces, K and L respectively, the portion K serving to hold the copy and the portion L serving as a spring clamp to hold

the portion K in frictional engagement with the rod G.

In Figure 5, however, I have shown my preferred form, in which the clip is made in a single piece from a strip of metal having spring qualities. The longer limb of the clip, indicated by K', is bent to form a loop L, the inner surface of which frictionally engages the surface of the rod G in such manner as to permit relative movement between the clip and rod and still firmly hold the clip on the rod in the desired position. The strip is also bent back upon itself at L' in such manner as to closely embrace the inner loop, and extends over the top end and outwardly to form a spring at M, and then into contact with the limb K' as shown, to form the short limb M' of the clip.

The construction of the clip shown in Figure 5 has the advantage over that shown in the other figures, in that a longer support is afforded in supporting the copy, since the copy can overlie the element K' substantially its whole length due to the spring portion M being located closer to the loop L. The copy to be held by the copy-holder is indicated by N in Figures 1 and 4, that in Figure 4 being indicated in dotted lines.

In using the holder, the copy is held by the clips and may be adjusted vertically by sliding the clips on the rod G to a higher or lower position, or by swinging the rod G on the pivot H. The copy may also be swung laterally on the rod G. The holder may be attached to either side of the frame B, the clips being reversed in position on the rod G so that the longer clip member will underlie the copy when in use.

It is obvious that this construction is not limited to use with typewriting machines since it may easily be arranged to hold music sheets, books and other such articles.

Having thus described my invention I claim as new:

1. A copy-holder comprising a bracket, a rod supported thereon, and a clip made in a single piece having a spring portion adapted to cling to the rod, and held thereon by frictional engagement therewith only, and

having a curved spring portion formed in one of its limbs and located at the extreme end of the clip adjacent said rod substantially as shown.

- 5 2. A copy-holder comprising a bracket, a rod supported thereon and a clip having a resilient portion adapted to frictionally engage the rod in different radially adjustable

positions, said clip having a curved spring portion formed with one of its limbs and located at the end thereof adjacent said rod substantially as shown.

In testimony whereof JOHN FRIEDRICH SLAVIK has signed his name to this specification this 6th day of September, 1923.

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