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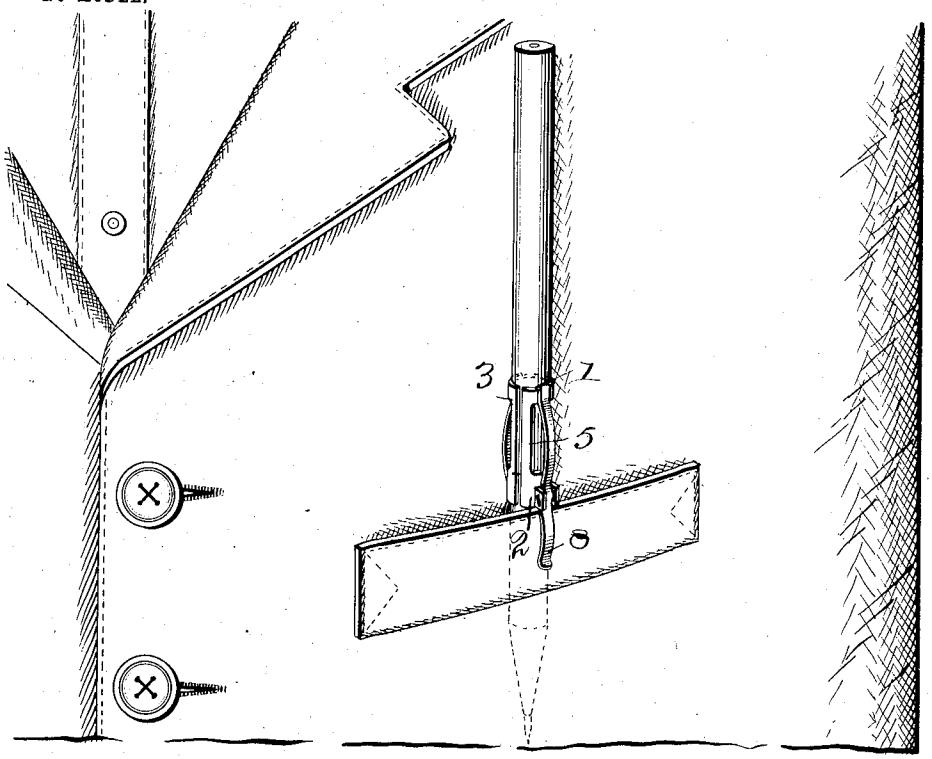


Fig. 1.

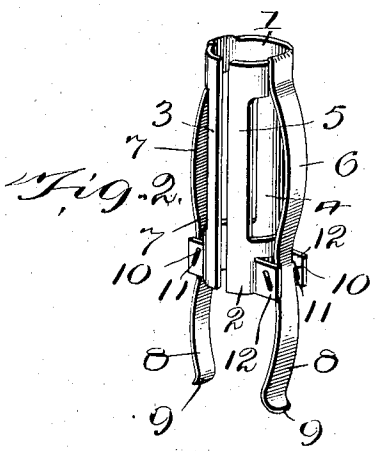


Fig. 2.

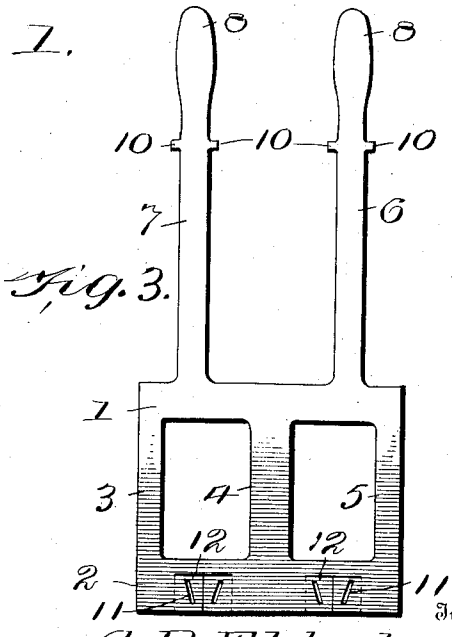


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALVA ROY ELDREDGE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Midland, in the county of Midland and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pencil-Holders; 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 relates to pencil-holders, and more particularly to that variety thereof adapted to secure a pencil within the pocket whereby the pencil cannot become casually lost, but will always be in place ready for instant use; and my invention consists of certain novel features of combination and construction of parts, the preferred form whereof will be hereinafter clearly set forth, and pointed out in the claim hereunto appended.

The prime object of my invention is to provide simple though reliably efficient means for securing a pencil within the pocket and there holding it in such position that it may always be readily available for use.

A further object is to cheaply fashion my holder, whereby it may be manufactured in large quantities at a minimum cost.

Other objects and advantages will be hereinafter made clearly apparent, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which are made a part of this application, and in which—

Figure 1 shows a perspective view of my invention as applied to a pencil for holding it within the pocket. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of my invention complete ready for use. Fig. 3 is a plan view showing the blank from which all of the parts of my pencil-holder may be readily fashioned.

For convenience of reference to the various elements and coöperating features of my invention numerals will be employed, the same numeral applying to a similar part throughout the several views.

It may be stated in this connection that my pencil-holder is formed of any kind of suitable sheet metal, and the entire device is fashioned therefrom, as by stamping the sheet metal with suitable dies and producing a blank, as illustrated in Fig. 3 of the drawings, the parts of which being properly bent and shaped constitute my complete attachment, as shown in Fig. 2.

In materializing my invention I form a pencil-encircling member consisting of a pair of collars 1 and 2, united together by the strips or sections 3, 4, and 5, and when the collars are bent in circular form, so as to extend around the pencil, which latter may be either octagonal, round, or other shape in cross-section, as preferred, the connecting bars or members 3 and 5 are disposed parallel with each other, a slight opening being left between them, whereby the tensile properties of the collars 1 and 2 will insure that the pencil will be firmly grasped thereby, and thus hold the device upon the pencil at an adjusted point. I also form integral with the collar 1 the spring members or arms 6 and 7, having at their extreme ends the pencil engaging or clamping springs 8, the ends of which are preferably slightly curved outward, as indicated by the numeral 9. The spring-arms 6 and 7 are each provided upon each edge with the laterally-extending lugs or anchoring-fingers 10, which are designed to take into slots or apertures 11, formed in the ears 12, said ears being integrally formed by being struck up from a portion of the collar 2, as will be clearly obvious by reference to Fig. 2 of the drawings.

It is obvious that the collars 1 and 2 and the connecting ribs or members 3, 4, and 5 may constitute one continuous piece of suitable sheet metal; but in order to lighten the attachment as greatly as possible I prefer to remove a portion of the metal intervening between said collars and leave only the connecting-ribs 3, 4, and 5, as before explained.

It will thus be obvious that my complete pencil-holder may be readily stamped as one continuous piece of sheet metal, all the parts thereof being integral with each other, and thereby rendering it unnecessary to provide a separate part or attachment as a securing-rivet or a spring, inasmuch as the blank form illustrated in Fig. 3 may be easily fashioned

at a minimum expense into a complete pencil-holder requiring no addition whatever to be made thereto.

Various modifications or changes may, it is obvious, be made in forming the parts of my pencil-holder without departing from the spirit or scope of my invention, and I therefore desire to comprehend in this application such reasonable substitutes and equivalents which may be suggested by expediency. My complete pencil-holder may therefore be very cheaply manufactured, and believing that the advantages and manner of constructing my invention have thus been made clearly apparent further reference to the details is dispensed with.

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

The herein-described pencil-holder fashioned in one continuous piece from suitable sheet metal and comprising the encircling members or collar-sections 1 and 2, united by intervening bars or rib-sections, said collars being of proper size to partly encircle a pencil, pen or the like, one of said collars having extensions designed to be fashioned into the arms 6 and 7 and spring-terminals 8, the opposite collar having a pair of apertured ears to receive the extensions from said arms, all of said parts being integral and combined substantially as specified and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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