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Fig. 1.

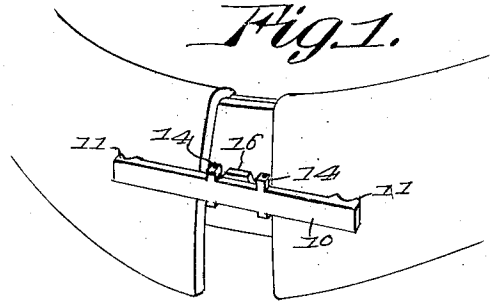
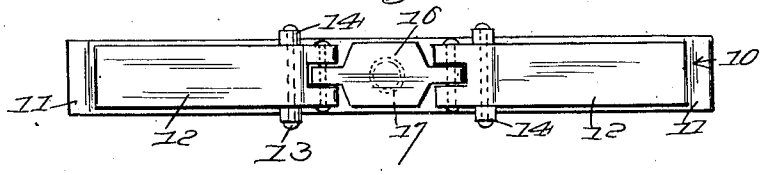



Fig. 2.



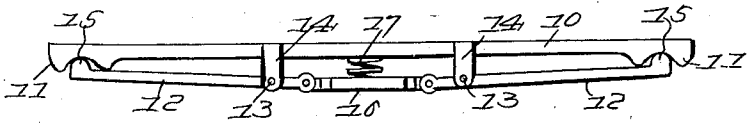




Fig. 3.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that FRANK GUIDRY, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Orange, in the county of Orange and State of Texas, has invented new and useful Improvements in Soft-Collar Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the invention is to provide a soft collar holder for men's wear as a means for retaining or securing the front edges of the collar flap or fold, and the particular object in view is to provide a device for the purpose which can be readily applied and removed but which effectively holds the collar in the proper position when applied thereto; and with this object in view the invention consists in a construction and combination of parts of which a preferred embodiment is shown in the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a view of a collar holder embodying the invention applied in the operative position to a collar.

Figure 2 is a plan view of the holder detached.

Figure 3 is a side view of the same.

The device consists of a base plate or strip 10 having terminal jaws 11, arms 12 pivotally mounted as at 13 upon ears 14 upstruck from the base plate or strip and provided at their outer ends with jaws 15 which are complemental to the terminal jaws of the base plate or strip, and a follower plate 16 having terminal pivotal connection with the inner ends of said arms and is provided with an actuating spring 17 interposed between the plane thereof and that of the base plate or strip to yieldingly hold said follower plate in spaced relation with the base plate or strip and thereby hold the jaws at the outer ends of the arms in operative or engaging relation with the jaws at the extremities of the base plate or strip.

The complemental jaws carried respectively by the base plate or strip and the pivotal arms are preferably provided with interlocking faces as for example and as shown in the drawing by having the jaws of said arms convexed for reception by cavities in the jaws of the plate, to the end that an effective engagement of the jaws with the ends of the collar may be secured.

To separate the jaws in the application of the device to the collar or in the removal of the same therefrom it is only necessary to press the follower plate toward the plane of the base plate, and upon the release of said follower plate the spring serves to close the jaws and thereby clamp the interposed portions of the collar and maintain the same in the proper relation.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new and useful is:—

1. A soft collar holder having a base plate or strip provided with terminal jaws, arms pivotally mounted upon the base plate or strip and provided at their remote ends with jaws cooperating with those at the extremities of the base plate, and a common actuating means for the arms.

2. A soft collar holder having a base plate or strip provided with terminal jaws, arms pivotally mounted upon the base plate or strip and provided at their remote ends with jaws cooperating with those at the extremities of the base plate, and means for yieldingly holding the jaws in their closed relations, and including a spring actuated follower plate connected with the inner ends of said arms.

3. A soft collar holder having a base plate or strip provided with terminal jaws, arms pivotally mounted upon the base plate or strip and provided at their remote ends with jaws cooperating with those at the extremities of the base plate, and means for yieldingly holding the jaws in their closed relations and consisting of a follower plate having terminal pivotal connection with the inner extremities of said arms and a spring interposed between the follower plate and the base plate.

In testimony whereof he affixes his signature.

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