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Fig. 1.

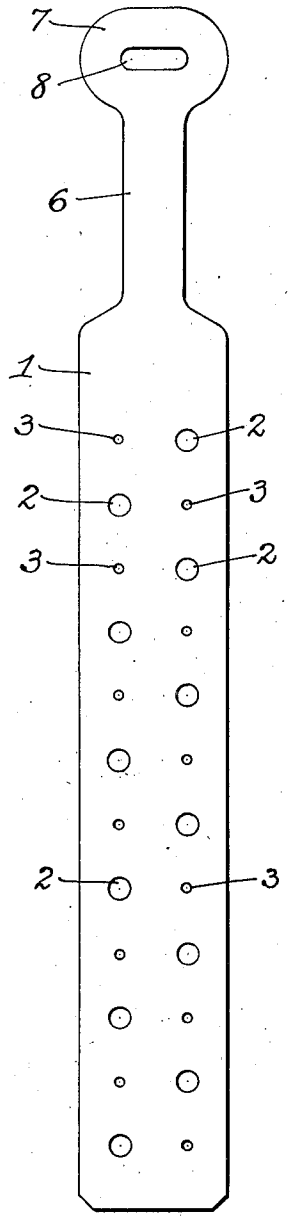


Fig. 3.

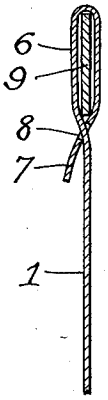


Fig. 2.

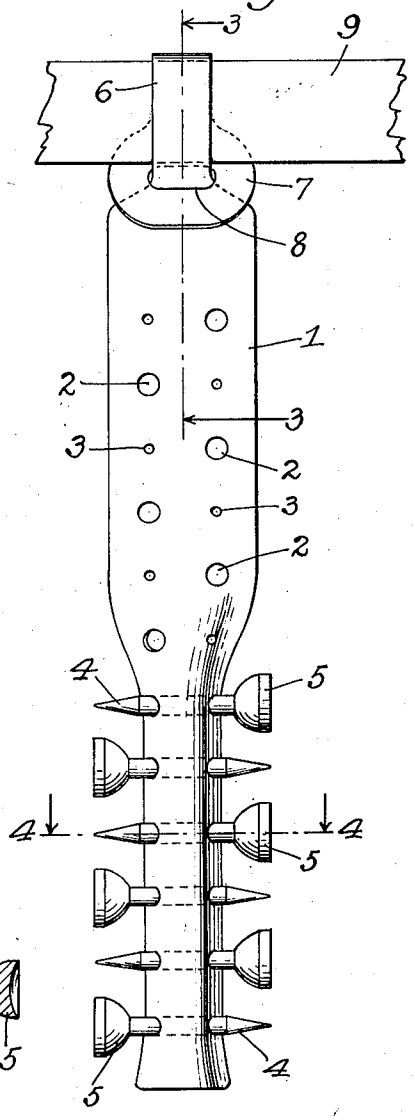
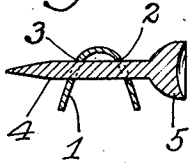


Fig. 4.



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My invention relates to an improvement in means for carrying devices and has for one object the provision of an improved holder for golf tees. It is to be understood, however, that it may be applied to other uses and for carrying or supporting other objects. I illustrate it, however, as applied to golf tees.

One purpose is the provision of a flexible member for supporting golf tees. Another purpose is the provision of a golf tee supporting member which can be readily and removably applied to belts, straps, golf bags, etc. Another object is the provision of means for supporting golf tees at a convenient point with a minimum of interference with the activities of the golfer.

Other objects will appear from time to time in the course of the specification and claims.

The invention is illustrated more or less diagrammatically in the accompanying drawing, wherein:—

Figure 1 is an elevational view of the holder;

Figure 2 is an elevational view of the holder, showing a loop formed at the top and with some of the tees in place;

Figure 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Figure 2; and

Figure 4 is a section on the line 4—4 of Figure 2.

Like parts are indicated by like symbols throughout the specification and drawing.

Referring to the drawing, 1 indicates a support body which is provided with a plurality of holes 2 of maximum size and holes 3 of minimum size. That is to say, there are two different sizes of holes employed. It will be clear from the figures that one hole of each size is adjacent one edge of the body 1, whereas another hole of the other size is opposite it adjacent the opposite edge of the body. It will be observed, therefore, that in connection with any suitable size or proportion of body I may employ pairs of holes, a large hole and a small hole, to receive the stem of each tee.

I find it desirable to make my body 1 of rubber or some such equivalent substance, whereby the stems of the tees are gripped by the material of the body.

In the use of the device the individual tees are applied to the body by thrusting the stem of each tee first through one of the larger holes 2 and thereafter thrusting the end of the stem into one of the smaller holes 3. The smaller hole 3, being of substantially less diameter than the larger hole 2, has a more powerful gripping effect and in fact, if desired, the holes 2 can under some circumstances be made of such size as to have no gripping effect at all, but since the lower end of the stem 4 of any one of the tees passes through one of the small gripping holes 3, it is quite easy to remove the tee for use, since the user has to free only the small length of the stem and can do so readily by simply pulling on the head 5 of the tee.

As the body 1 is made of flexible material and as the tee stems 4 are straight, the body will be bent into the form shown in section in Figure 4. If desired, I can provide a body which is pre-formed to such a bend, but I do not usually find this necessary.

In applying the body to a belt, strap, bag handle or the like, I find it desirable to form unitarily with the body itself the securing means I employ. I thus provide the end of the body with a neck or thin strap 6, which terminates in a loop or eye 7 having therein an opening 8. As will be seen from Figure 2, the body 1 as a whole can be inserted through the eye or aperture 8 and drawn through, leaving the parts in the position in which they are shown in Figure 2, with any suitable strap, belt or handle passing through the loop so formed, as at 9 in Figure 2.

It will be realized that whereas I have herewith shown and described a practical operative device, nevertheless many changes might be made in the size, shape, number and disposition of parts without departing materially from the spirit of my invention and I wish, therefore, that my showing and description be taken as in a sense diagrammatic.

I claim:

1. A golf tee holder, comprising a generally flat sheet of rubber, means integral with said sheet for securing said holder to a belt or its equivalent, said means comprising an integral, reduced neck and a loop member, the body portion being flexible and adapted to be pulled through said loop member, said body portion provided with two rows of perforations, each row including large and small perforations, the perforations of each row so positioned with respect to those of the other row that a large perforation of one row is opposite a small perforation of the other row, the holder, upon the insertion of a tee in the perforations, assuming a curved shape, whereby retention of the tee in the holder is made certain.

2. A golf tee holder, comprising a generally flat sheet of rubber, means integral with said sheet for securing said holder to a belt or its equivalent, said means comprising an integral, reduced neck and a loop member, the body por-

tion being flexible and adapted to be pulled through said loop member, said body portion provided with two rows of perforations, each row including large and small perforations, the perforations of each row so positioned with respect to those of the other row that a large perforation of one row is opposite a small perforation of the other row, the large perforations being of such size as to admit freely the shank of a tee, the small perforations being of such size as to grip it, the holder, upon the insertion of a tee in the perforations, assuming a curved shape, whereby retention of the tee in the holder is made certain.

3. A golf tee holder, comprising a generally flat sheet of rubber, means integral with said sheet for securing said holder to a belt or its equivalent, said means comprising an integral neck and a loop member, the body portion being flexible and adapted to be pulled through said loop member, said body portion provided with two rows of perforations, the holder, upon the insertion of a tee in the perforations, assuming a curved shape, whereby retention of the tee in the holder is made certain.

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