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Fig. 1.

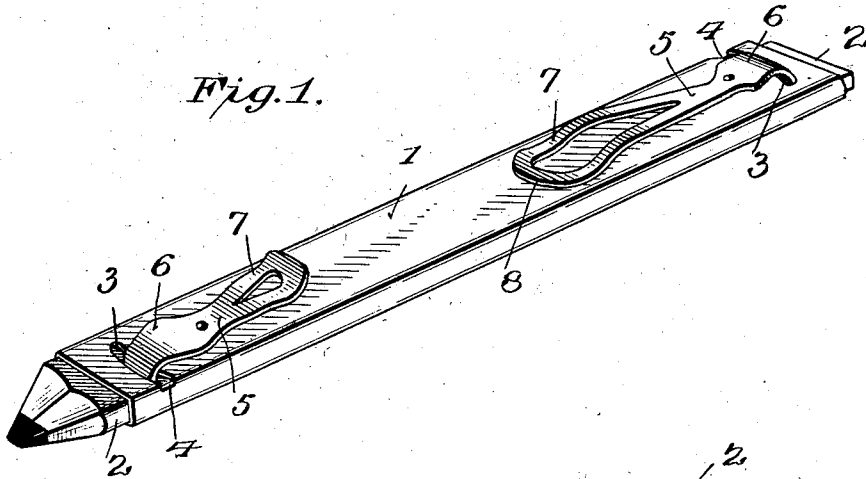


Fig. 2.

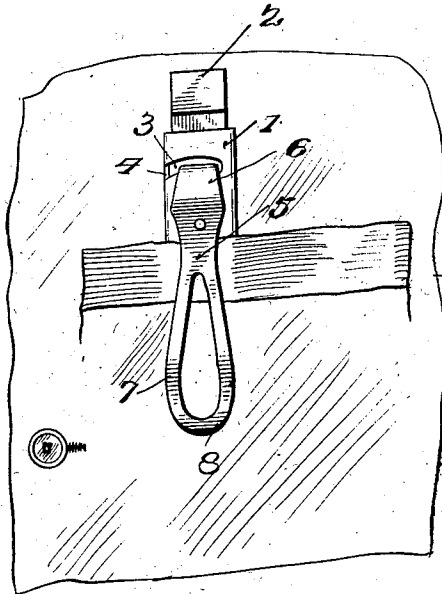
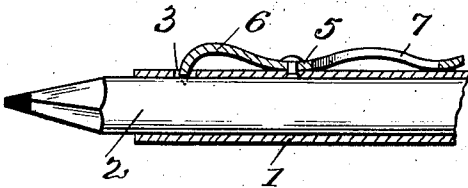


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANKLIN G. KNAPP, citizen of the United States, residing at Pottstown, in the county of Montgomery and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pencil-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to pencil holders, and has for its object to provide an article of this kind so constructed that pencils or marking points of any character may be detachably secured to both ends of the holder, and one which when the marking points are properly secured will permit of their ready manipulation and use by an operator.

The invention consists essentially of a hollow body portion or casing constructed of any suitable material and of proper formation in cross section to receive the marking points, and retaining clips or levers pivotally connected to the casing and arranged to engage the marking points through recesses formed therein, one of the levers being constructed in such manner as to form a retaining clip by which the holder may be secured within a garment pocket.

For a full understanding of the invention and the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction, reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the holder; Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view of a portion of the holder; and, Fig. 3 is a front view of the holder retained within a garment pocket.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the accompanying drawings by the same reference characters.

Referring to the drawings the numeral 1 designates the hollow body portion or casing, constructed of any suitable material and of any desired formation in cross section, and 2 designates marking points secured within the casing 1 at both ends (Fig. 1) and which for purposes of illustration are shown as a pencil and soapstone. The casing 1 on one side near both ends is formed with transverse slots 3 which are preferably of slightly curved formation and which extend into the adjacent edge of said casing at one side thereof as indicated at 4.

The marking points 2 are securely held within the casing 1 by retaining clips or levers 5 pivotally connected to the slotted side of said casing and preferably constructed of resilient material. These clips at one extremity are deflected from the pivotal point as indicated at 6 and the ends of said deflected portions protrude through the slots 3 and bite upon or engage the surface of the marking points 2 when moved to an operative or retaining position. The opposite ends of the clips 5 from the pivotal point are designed as handles 7 by which the deflected ends 6 are moved to a disengaging or inoperative position, and one of said handle portions is deflected as shown at 8 to form a spring retaining clip which when the holder is placed in a garment pocket (Fig. 3), the material forming the pocket is inserted between the casing 1 and said handle portion to securely retain the holder within the pocket and prevent accidental displacement or loss thereof.

In the practical operation of the holder the deflected ends 6 of the retaining clips 5 are swung to a disengaging position by manipulation of the handle extremities 7 and the writing points 2 are inserted or relocated within the casing 1 and protrude therefrom a proper distance for use in marking or writing upon various surfaces. The retaining clips or levers 5 are then turned to an operative or engaging position (Fig. 1), and the deflected ends 6 in their swinging movement enter the slots 3 through the extended portion 4 at the side edge of the casing and engage the marking points 2 to efficiently resist the pressure ordinarily placed upon the point when writing. As illustrated in Fig. 3 of the drawing the holder may be placed in a garment pocket and retained therein by the handle extremity 8 of one of the clips, which in view of its resilient character constitutes a spring and securely holds the garment material when properly inserted between the casing 1 and said handle extremity.

From the foregoing description in connection with the accompanying drawings it will be apparent that a very simple, durable and efficient holder is provided; in which marking points or pencils of various character may be secured and easily and quickly substituted or relocated; and which consists of few parts that may be cheaply manufactured and readily assembled.

Having thus described the invention what is claimed as new is:

As a new article of manufacture, a holder for pencils or other marking points consisting of a tubular casing having a slot formed in one side thereof near the end, a resilient retaining clip pivotally and resiliently connected to said casing, one end of said clip being deflected inwardly to enter said slot and engage the marking point contained within the holder, the opposite extremity of

the clip being longitudinally extended, then inwardly bent against the face of the holder and then outwardly deflected to form a spring finger whereby the holder may be retained within a garment pocket.

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

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