

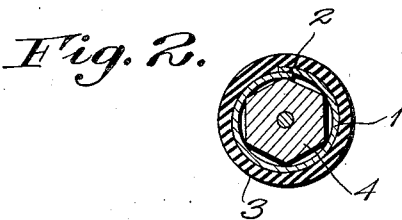
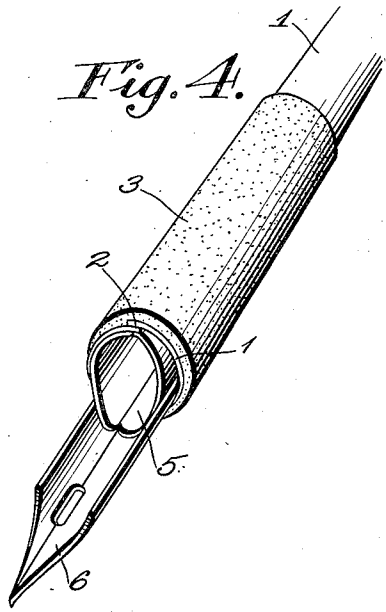
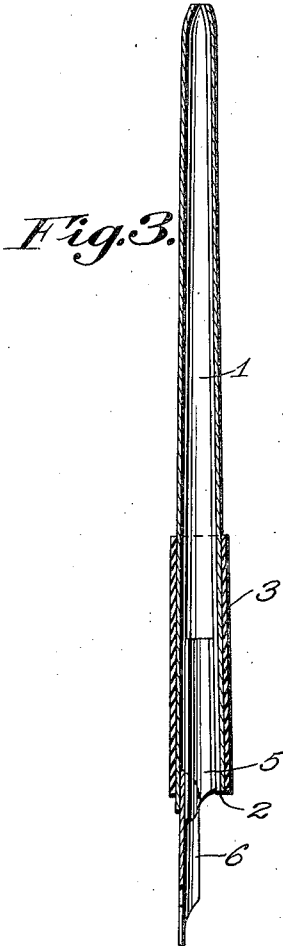
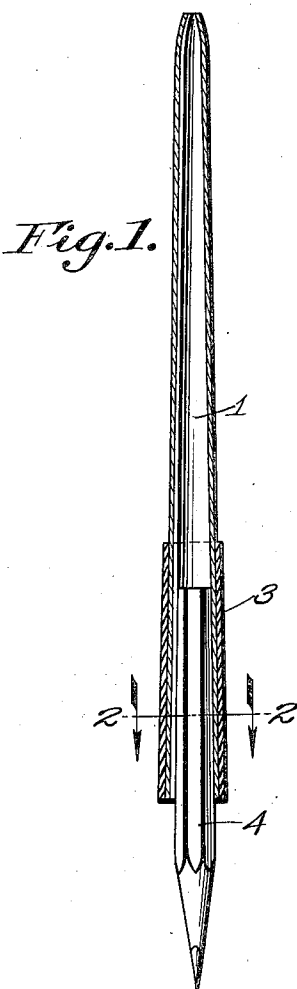
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This invention is a holder for pencils or similar implements and its primary object is to provide a device in which a short length of pencil which cannot be conveniently held in a person's hand may be used until it is not possible to engage it in the holder. The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing and consists in certain novel features which will be hereinafter fully described and particularly defined.

10 In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a longitudinal section through a holder embodying the invention.

Figure 2 is an enlarged transverse section on the line 2—2 of Figure 1.

15 Figure 3 is a view similar to Figure 1 showing the device adapted to hold a pen.

Figure 4 is an enlarged perspective view of the end of the device arranged as a pen-holder.

20 In the practice of the invention, there is provided a tapered tube 1 of light resilient metal which is split longitudinally, as at 2, the edges of the split being held in overlapping relation by a finger hold 3 consisting of a sleeve of cork or other material which may be firmly and comfortably gripped by the fingers of a writer without causing fatigue. The sleeve or finger hold is slidable along the tube 1 from the smaller end of the same and the resiliency of the tube creates
30 such strong frictional engagement with the sleeve

that the latter will remain wherever it is set in the length of the tube.

To secure a pencil or stylus, the writing implement, shown as a short length of pencil 4 in Figures 1 and 2, the sleeve 3 is slid from the larger end of the tube, the butt end of the pencil is then inserted in the end of the tube, and the sleeve then returned to its forward position, compressing the tube about the pencil and firmly gripping the same. By loosening the sleeve and then again gripping the pencil, the pencil stub may be used until it is too short to be engaged in the end of the holder.

When a pen is to be held in the holder, an inner short longitudinally split gripping sleeve 5 is fitted in the end of the tube 1, and the pen 6 is inserted between said sleeve and the tube, as shown in Figures 3 and 4.

The device is inexpensive and its use eliminates the great waste that is now due to the throwing away of short pieces of pencils.

Having described my invention, what I claim is:

A holder consisting of a tapered longitudinally split tube, and a tapered cork sleeve forming a finger hold and slidably mounted on the exterior of the tube to compress the end thereof about a writing implement with the edges of the split in the tube in overlapping relation whereby to grip the implement.

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