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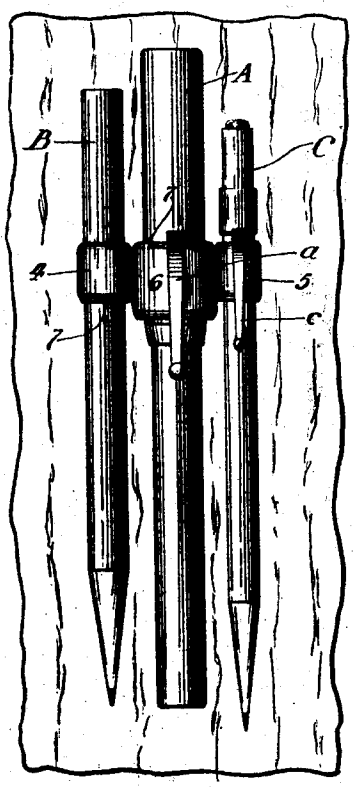


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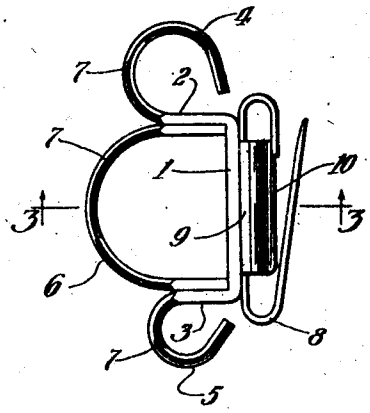


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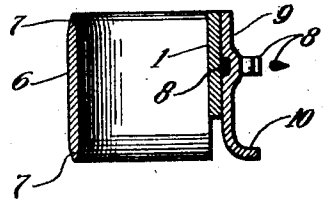


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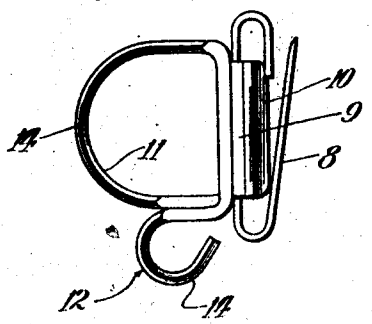


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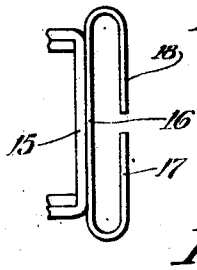
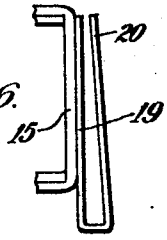


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The object of the present invention is to produce a simple and novel device to be attached, by a pin or otherwise, to a garment to secure pens, pencils and the like.

Viewed in one of its aspects, the present invention may be said to have for its object to produce a simple and novel holder for pen or pencils which, although it may be made of metal, is particularly adapted to be made of celluloid, hard rubber or similar materials.

Generally speaking, my improved device is in the form of a member having a comparatively narrow back that is adapted to rest against the garment to which it is attached and, when such a device is secured to a more or less flimsy garment, such as a shirt, it tends to drop so as to be suspended from the pin, instead of remaining in such a position that the back is vertical. One of the objects of the present invention is to provide a pen or pencil holder of this general type with means to insure that it will remain in the same position, when empty, as it will when containing the pen or pencil or a plurality thereof.

The various features of novelty whereby my invention is characterized will hereinafter be pointed out with particularity in the claims; but, for a full understanding of my invention and of its objects and advantages, reference may be had to the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, wherein:

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved device attached to a garment, and shown as supporting a pen and two pencils; Fig. 2 is a top plan view, on a larger scale, of the holder shown in Fig. 1; Fig. 3 is a section taken on line 3—3 of Fig. 2; and Fig. 4 is a top plan view of a modified form of device.

Figures 5 and 6 are end elevations of means of attachment of the device to a belt.

Referring to the first three figures of the drawing, 1 represents a flat bar preferably of celluloid or hard rubber, although it may consist of any desired material. The ends of this bar are bent laterally to form arms 2 and 3 which terminate in open loops 4 and 5. At least those portions of the bar that constitute the loops should be of resilient material so that when pencils or the like, somewhat larger in diameter than the normal openings in the loops, are inserted in the same, they will be frictionally held in place. Fitted between the two arms 2 and 3 is a U-shaped bridge 6, the open side of which is directed toward the flat portion of the bar 1. This bridge is fastened to the arms 2 and 3 so as to make them rigid. The bridge and the flat straight portion of the bar 1 form an open frame.

It will be seen that the loops are formed by bending the ends of the strips outwardly and rearwardly, so that the gaps are directed toward the rear. The loops may differ in size from each other, as shown, and both may be considerably smaller than the central opening bounded by the bridge and the straight portion of the bar. Furthermore, the loops are preferably not accurately circular.

The bridge is made of a flat strip more or less similar to the bar 1, and that portion of the bridge lying outwardly from the arms 2, and those portions of the bar that constitute the loops are reduced in thickness in the vicinity of each of their long edges, preferably so as to produce blunted knife edges, as indicated at 7.

The central opening is made larger than the largest pen that is to be carried, so that when a pen is placed in the same, such as indicated at A in Fig. 1, the clip *a* with which the pen is provided, will pass down on the outside of the bridge, causing the pen to be supported in the same way that it ordinarily is when clipped to the pocket of the user. By forming knife edges along the top and bottom of the bridge, the clip may readily be engaged with and disengaged from the bridge. Pencils or pens, such as indicated at B and C in Fig. 1, may be frictionally held in the loops 4 and 5, or if one of them is so small in diameter as to be loose in the loop, it may be supported by a clip, similar to that on the pen A; such a clip being shown at *c* on the pen-

cil C. The knife edges at the top and at the bottom of the pieces forming the loops permit clips, when used on the pens or pencils, to be readily attached thereto and detached therefrom.

It will thus be seen that three different pens or pencils may be supported in my improved device, one or more by being held frictionally, and the others by being suspended from their clips.

For the purpose of fastening the device to a garment, I have secured on the rear side of the straight portion of the bar 1 a simple safety pin 8, the body member of which is clamped between the bar 1 and an overlying flat plate 9 cemented to the bar. The lower marginal portion of the plate 9 is bent rearwardly, as indicated at 10 to form a lip that will bear against the garment below the pin and it will prevent the device as a whole from swinging downward when the pin is fastened to a thin garment.

If only two holders are desired, the device may be made as shown in Fig. 4, namely by bending a single flat strip or bar to form a closed frame 11, one end of the strip or bar overlapping and being secured to the other, and then being bent outwardly and rearwardly to form a loop 12. The strip or bar is tapered at its long edges, as indicated at 14, for the same reason that the tapered edges are employed in the other form. The same fastening device may be used on this device as on the other.

It will be seen that in both constructions a large frame-like member that is adapted to hold a pen of any diameter is stiff and strong and will not deteriorate with use because it is not required any time to be flexed. The only parts that require resiliency are the smaller loops which are so fixed to the larger frame that the resilient portions are short and have their free ends terminating at their rear side, so that they will not be likely to catch on external objects and cause damage to the loops.

Instead of fastening the holder by a pin, it may be supported in any suitable way, not necessarily from wearing apparel. However, if it is to be worn on the person it may be attached to the belt or to the suspenders.

In Figs. 5 and 6 I have shown portions of the holder supplied with means to support them from a belt or the like.

In Fig. 5, 15 represents the back member of a holder, and 16 is a bar or plate secured thereto and having its ends bent inwardly, as indicated at 17 and 18. The belt is slipped between the ends 17 and 18, and the body of the bar when the holder is to be attached to a belt. The members 17 and 18 may be resilient so as frictionally to lock the holder in any portion into which it may be brought along the belt.

In Fig. 6, the holder 15 has secured to the back thereof a resilient plate folded upon itself at the middle to produce two wings, 19 and 20, one of which is cemented or riveted to the holder. The belt is inserted edgewise into the resilient jaw thus formed on the back of the holder.

While I have illustrated and described only two simple forms of my invention, made of individual molded strips and other pieces secured together, I do not desire to be limited to these particular forms or this specific mode of constructing them; but intend to cover all forms and constructions that come within the definitions of my invention constituting the appended claims.

I claim:

1. A device of the character described, comprising a flat bar having its ends bent laterally to form arms and then outwardly and rearwardly to form open loops, and a bridge piece extending between and attached to the outer ends of said arms and forming with the body of the bar a frame to receive a pen or the like, the loop portions of the bar being resilient, and a supporting device on said bar.

2. A device of the character described, comprising a member having on the back an element for fastening it to a garment, means on the front of said member for holding a pen or the like, and a flange at the bottom of said member to serve as an abutment to prevent the device from swinging downwardly.

3. A device of the character described, comprising a member having on the back an element for fastening it to a garment, means on the front of said member for holding a pen or the like, and a part on said member below said means to serve as an abutment to prevent the device from swinging downwardly.

4. A device of the character described comprising a flat resilient strip having its ends bent forwardly and then outwardly and rearwardly to form a flat central portion with the resilient open loops at the ends thereof, those portions of the strip constituting the loops being beveled along their top and bottom edges to permit the ready passage of the free end of a clip on a pen or pencil.

5. A device of the character described comprising a body member, means on the rear of the body member to support the same, a flat strip supported from said body member and having its long edges at the top and at the bottom, said strip being beveled at both the top and the bottom.

6. A device of the character described comprising a flat bar having its ends bent forwardly and then outwardly and rearwardly to form open loops, a bridge piece extending across the front of said bar and engaged with parts thereof that are bent

forwardly, the loop portions of the bar being resilient, and a supporting device on the rear of said bar.

7. A device of the character described comprising a flat strip having resilient ends bent forwardly at approximately right angles to the original plane of the strip and then outwardly away from each other and rearwardly to form open resilient loops, and means on the rear of the strip to support the device.

In testimony whereof, I sign this specification.

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