

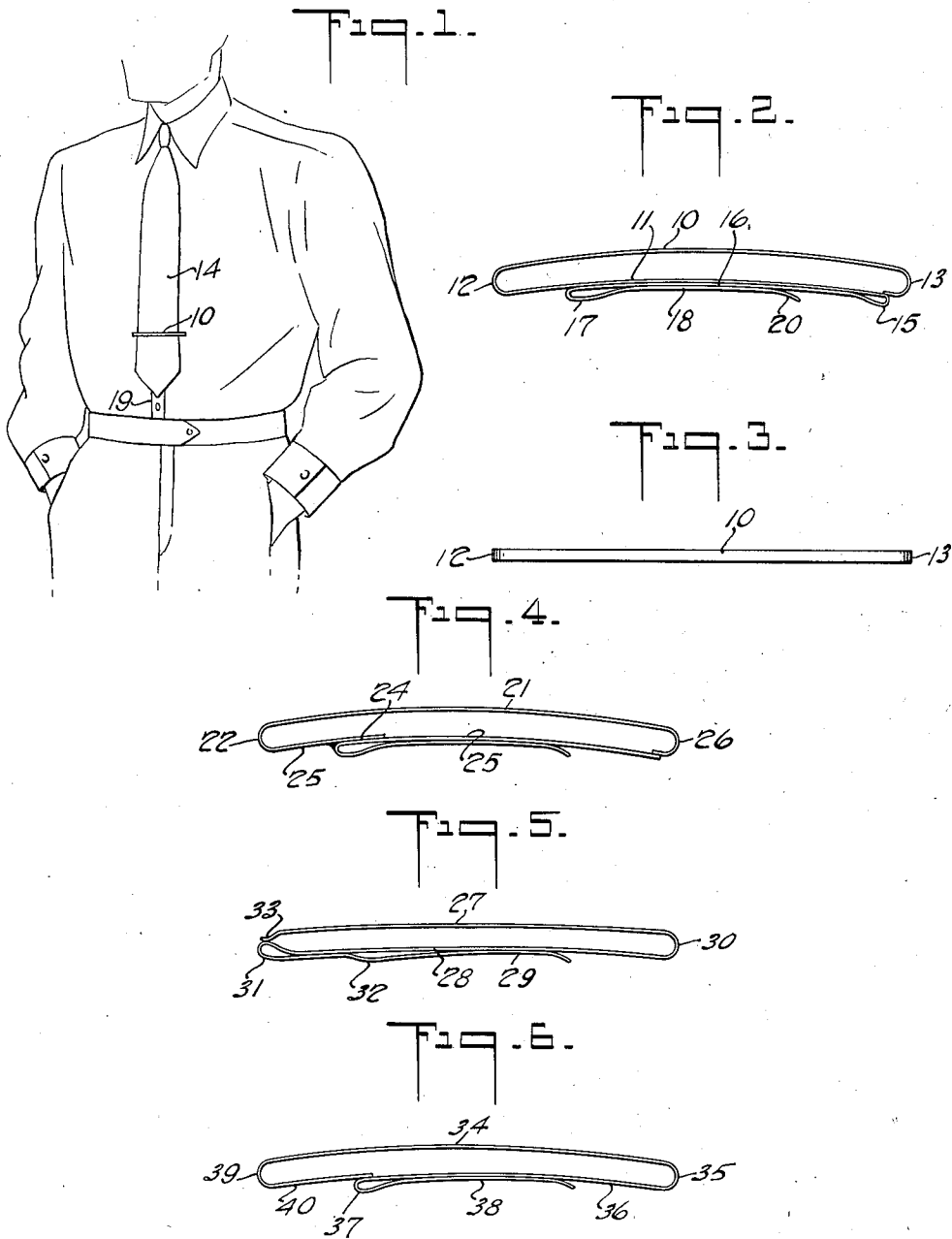
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This invention relates to a necktie holder, and has for an object to provide a simple and inexpensive device for holding a necktie neatly in place on the front of a shirt or other garment.

The device, broadly speaking, comprises two parts, namely: a clasp part adapted to receive and hold down the ends of a necktie; and a spring clip part adapted to grip the front edge or pleat of a shirt or other garment to hold the device in position thereon. These two parts may be made either of a single piece of metal or of several pieces suitably joined together.

The invention will appear more fully from the following description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, in which:—

Figure 1 is a view showing the device as used to hold a necktie down flat and neatly positioned on the front of a man's shirt;

Fig. 2 is a side view or elevation of a device embodying the invention;

Fig. 3 is a top plan view thereof; and

Figs. 4, 5 and 6 are side views of modifications of the same.

The tie holder, in the form shown in Figs. 2 and 3, consists of a single strip of spring metal bent to form an upper arm 10, a lower arm 11 spaced from and extending substantially parallel to the upper arm, and a U-shaped connecting bend 12. The free end of the arm 10 is bent downwardly at 13. These parts constitute essentially the tie clasp portion of the device. In use, the free end of the clasp is sprung open sufficiently to receive the ends of the tie 14 which are slipped into place and confined in the clasp.

The arm 11 is doubled under at 15 to provide an arm 16 which lies against the arm 11 through part of its length, and may be soldered thereto to prevent accidental separation. The arm 16 is bent down at one end to form a spring loop or eye 17 and is carried forward in an arm 18. The arms 16 and 18 together with the spring loop 17 constitute the spring clip part of the device. This spring clip is adapted to grip the front edge or pleat 19 of the shirt to hold the device in place thereon. For convenience in opening the spring clip, the free end 20 of the arm 18 is preferably bent slightly downward.

In the modification shown in Fig. 4, the tie clasp part and the spring clip part are each made of a separate piece of metal joined together. In this instance the strip 21 has a U-bend 22 at one end and continues in a short arm 23, which arm is attached at 24, by solder or otherwise, to the upper arm 25 of the spring clip part. The bent end 26 of arm 21 is free from connection with the arm 25 so as to permit of opening the tie clasp part to receive the tie.

Fig. 5 illustrates another modification in which

the entire device is made of a single length of metal bent to form an upper arm 27 and an intermediate arm 28, and a lower arm 29. The arms 27 and 28 are connected at one end by a bend 30, while the arms 28 and 29 are connected by a loop 31. The arm 29 has a slight downward hump at 32, the purpose of which is to limit the effective gripping length of the arm so that when the device is attached to a shirt it will be centered with the front pleat. The free end 33 of arm 27, at which end the tie holder opens, rests loosely on the loop 31.

A further modification is disclosed in Fig. 6. Here again the entire device is made of one piece of metal bent to provide an upper arm 34, a connecting bend 35, an intermediate arm 36, a spring loop 37, and a spring clip arm 38. The free end 39 of arm 34 is carried around in a short arm 40 which rests loosely on the loop 37.

It will be noted that in the form of device shown in Figs. 2 and 4, both the tie clasp part and the spring clip part open at one and the same end, while in the forms shown in Figs. 5 and 6 the corresponding parts open at opposite ends.

Having now described the nature of my invention and the manner in which it is to be used, I desire to have it understood that I do not limit myself to the precise details herein described and illustrated as the same may be varied within the scope of the invention.

What I claim is:

1. A necktie holder comprising a single strip of spring metal bent to form a front arm for holding the ends of a necktie, an intermediate arm extending parallel thereto, a second intermediate arm of shorter length than the first mentioned intermediate arm and lying against the latter, and a rear arm for engaging the edge of a garment, said rear arm being shorter than the front arm and being substantially centrally located in respect thereto.

2. A necktie holder comprising a resilient clasp arm adapted to lie across the front of the ends of a necktie to hold the latter smooth, and a clip for holding the device in place on a shirt or like garment comprising a pair of spring arms between which an edge of the shirt or like garment may be gripped, said clasp arm being connected at one end to one of the clip arms and being free from connection at the opposite end so that the device may be opened at said end to permit of inserting the ends of a necktie in between the clasp arm and the opposed arm of the clip, said arms being all of substantially the same widths and having their lateral edges parallel to one another in a plane normal to the clasp arm.

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