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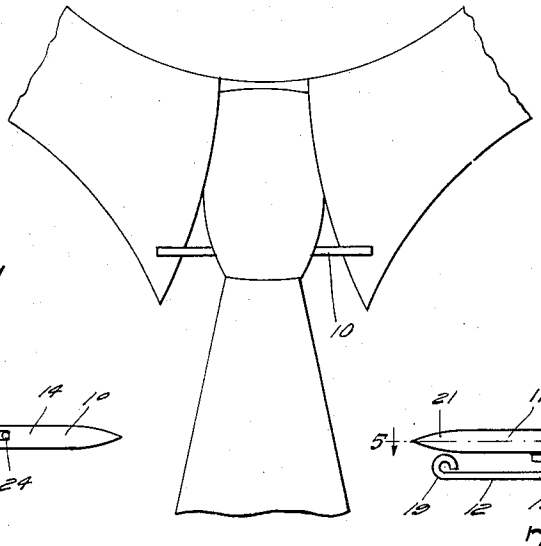


Fig. 1

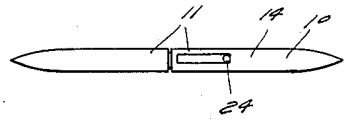


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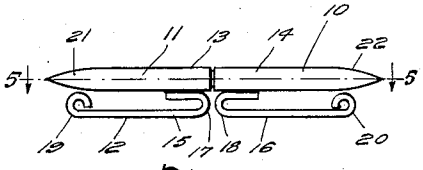


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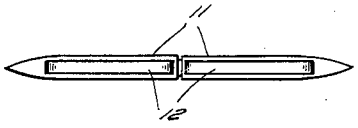


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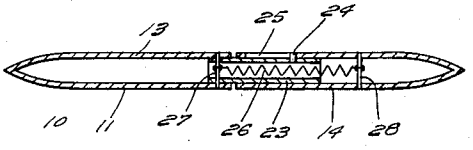


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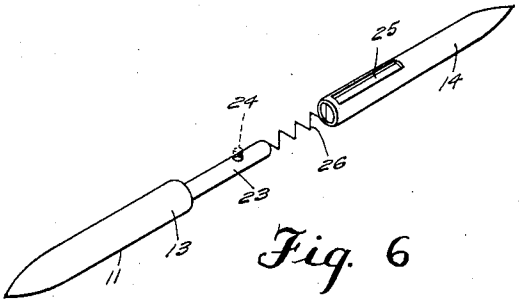


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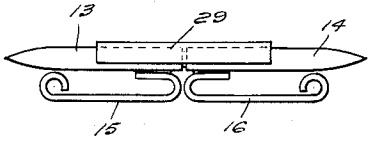


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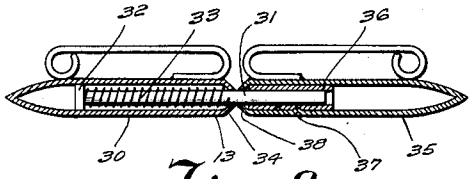


Fig. 8

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My present invention relates to the jewelry art, and has particular reference to collar holder constructions.

Collar holders of standard type include two jaws adapted to grip the collar tabs, distance between the two jaws being fixed. This construction has disadvantageous features, in that movements of the wearer have a tendency to shift the collar tabs, thus changing the mounting of the collar holder, or the grip of the jaws must be strengthened to prevent shifting, whereby the jaws indent the tabs and are relatively difficult to mount on the tabs.

It has heretofore, therefore, been proposed to provide a construction permitting a resilient yielding of the jaws in relation with each other, as described and illustrated in U. S. Patent No. 1,392,582. This construction, however, has jaws movable outwardly from a central housing, whereby the break between the parts is clearly exposed to view when the collar holder is mounted. It is the principal object of my invention to provide a collar holder having relatively movable jaws and a break that is normally concealed from view.

It is a further object of my invention to provide a simple, inexpensive construction that is easily manufactured and assembled.

With the above and other objects and advantageous features in view, my invention consists of a novel arrangement of parts more fully disclosed in the detailed description following, in conjunction with the accompanying drawing, and more specifically defined in the claims appended thereto.

In the drawing:

Fig. 1 is a view showing the novel collar holder in use;

Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the collar holder;

Fig. 3 is a side view thereof;

Fig. 4 is a bottom plan view thereof;

Fig. 5 is an enlarged vertical section through the rear portion of the collar holder;

Fig. 6 is a perspective view of the rear portion, the parts being separated;

Fig. 7 is a view of a modified construction, and

Fig. 8 is a view of a further modified construction.

Referring to the drawing, the collar holder 10 includes a rear portion 11, and a front portion 12, the rear portion including two hollow parts 13, 14 that are relatively separable, as hereinafter explained, and the front portion comprising two spring elements 15, 16, bent at their inner ends 17, 18 and soldered or otherwise secured thereto to the hollow parts 13, 14, the outer ends 19, 20 being curled or bent to resiliently contact the outer ends 21, 22 of the hollow parts 13, 14, whereby the ends 19, 20 cooperate with the ends 21, 22 to form a pair of resilient gripping jaws adapted to detachably receive collar tabs therebetween.

As best shown in Figs. 5 and 6, the hollow part 13 has a reduced end sleeve 23 provided with a lug 24, and the hollow part 14 has a slot 25 adapted to slidably receive the lug 24, see Fig. 2, a tension spring 26 being mounted between and secured to pins 27 and 28 locked in the hollow parts, whereby these parts may yield and be extended with relation to each other, against the tension of the spring 26. The collar holder thus gives whenever movements of the wearer pull the collar tabs, but moves back as soon as the pull is released, the parts separating at the center, where the break is concealed by the tie knot, All the parts are preferably made of metal.

If desired, the separating break may be better concealed by providing an additional sleeve 29, see Fig. 1 secured to the hollow part 13, and extending over the contiguous end of the hollow part 14; or an ornament mounted on the part 13 may extend over the break to serve the same purpose.

If preferred, the collar holder may be formed as illustrated in Fig. 8, the hollow part 30 having a rod 31 mounted therein for sliding movement, to which a head 32 is secured, a coil spring 33 being mounted on the rod and held in place between the head and the rolled over end 34 of the part 30; the other end of the rod is locked in the hollow part 35, as by means of a sleeve 36 secured thereto, and held in the part 35 by means of punch detents 37, the end 38 of the part 35 being rolled to be symmetrical with the end 34.

The above described construction may be used for other jewelry and personal articles, such as scarf pins, lingerie, pins, and the like. While I have disclosed a specific constructional embodiment of my invention, it is obvious that changes in the material used, and in the size and relative proportions of the parts, may be made to suit the requirements for different designs, without departing from the spirit and the scope of the invention as defined in the appended claims.

I claim:

1. In a collar holder, a rear element comprising a part having an extension, said extension having a lug, a second part having a slot for receiving said lug, said second part comprising a hollow tubular member open at one end and

adapted to slide over the extension on said first part to lengthen the collar holder, spring means resiliently urging said parts towards each other to shorten the collar holder, and jaw clips secured to the inner ends of said parts, the outer ends of said jaw clips being resiliently urged towards the outer ends of said parts.

2. In a collar holder, a rear element comprising a hollow tubular member having an extension, said extension having a lug, a second hollow tubular member having a slot for receiving said lug, said second member being open at one end and adapted to slide over said extension to length the collar holder, spring means housed in the hollow of said members resiliently urging said members towards each other to shorten the collar holder, and jaw clips secured to the inner ends of said members, the outer ends of said jaw clips being resiliently urged towards the outer ends of said members.

3. In a collar holder, a rear element comprising a part having an extension, said extension having a lug, a second part having a slot for receiving said lug, said second part comprising a hollow tubular member open at one end and adapted to slide over the extension on said first part, said parts having jaw clips secured to their inner ends and resiliently urged towards their outer ends, a sleeve attached to said first part and extending over said extension in spaced parallel relation thereto, said second part sliding over said extension and under said sleeve.

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