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Fig. 1.

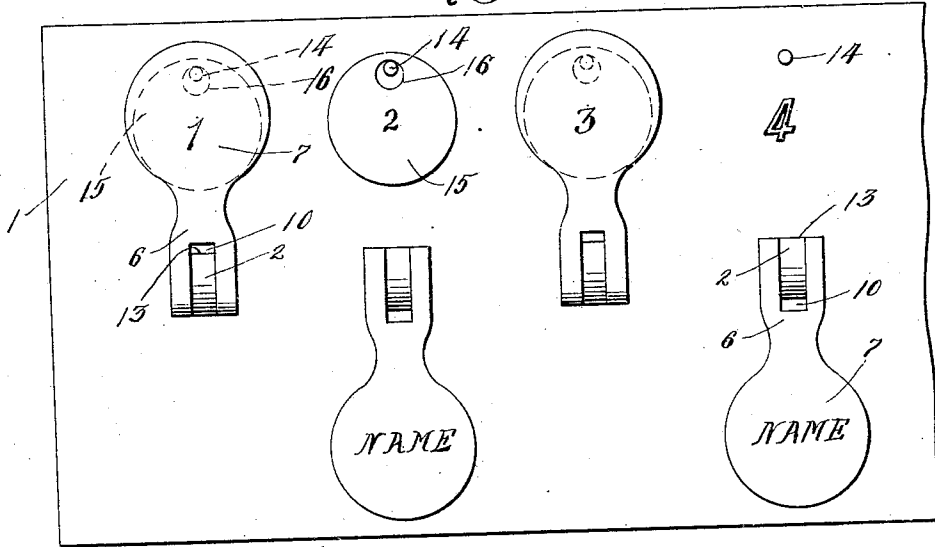


Fig. 2.

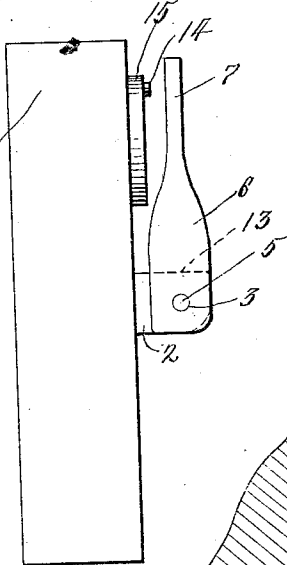


Fig. 3.

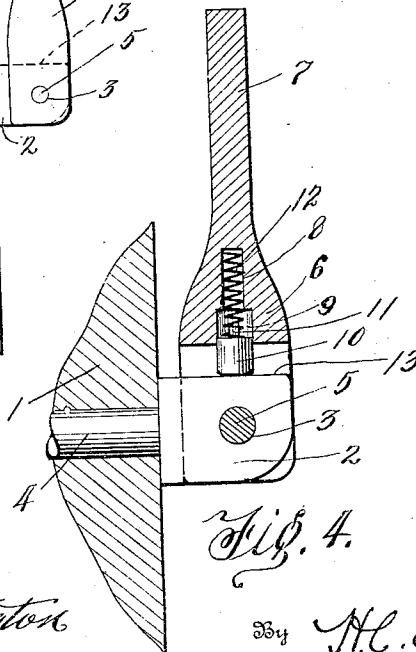
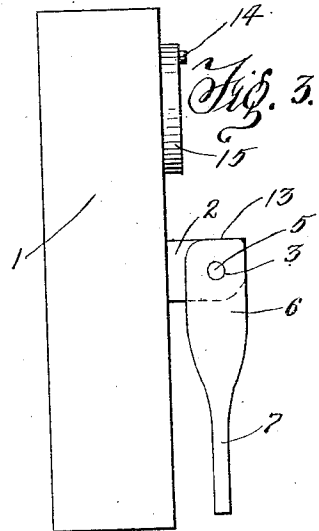


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LESLIE F. WEAVER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Banning, in the county of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Check-Holders for Mines, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

This invention relates to check holders, and more particularly to a holder that can be advantageously used in connection with mines, large manufacturing plants and department stores, and places where a large number of men and women are employed.

The primary object of my invention is to provide a novel holder for retaining checks, whereby the same cannot become accidentally disengaged from the holder or lost.

Another object of this invention is to provide a check holder which will indicate what checks are being used and consequently the number of men or women that are at work.

A further object of the invention is to provide a simple and effective check holder that can be observed at a distance and used as a time board by a time keeper, the holder indicating when certain checks are "in" and "out".

The check holder will be hereinafter described in detail and then specifically pointed out in the appended claims, and reference will now be had to the drawing forming a part of this specification, wherein there is illustrated a preferred embodiment of the invention, but it is to be understood that the structural elements thereof can be varied or changed without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention.

In the drawings:—Figure 1 is a front elevation of a portion of a check holder constructed in accordance with my invention, Fig. 2 is an end view of the same, illustrating the manner in which a check is held, Fig. 3 is a similar view illustrating the check released, and Fig. 4 is an enlarged sectional view of a portion of the check holder.

In the accompanying drawings, 1 designates a board and upon one side of this board are arranged longitudinally alining lugs 2 having openings 3 formed therein. Each lug is provided with a shank 4, which is fixed in the board 1, and the row of lugs is intermediate the upper and lower edges of the board for a purpose that will presently appear. Pivotaly connected to each lug by

a pin 5 is the bifurcated enlarged end 6 of a disk 7 adapted to swing above and below the lug 2 supporting said disk. The enlarged bifurcated end 6 of each disk is provided with two communicating recesses 8 and 9, the recess 8 providing clearance for a button 10 having a shank 11, while the recess 9 houses a coil spring 12 adapted to encircle the shank 11 of the button 10 and maintain said button normally in engagement with the upper, outer or lower edges of the lug 2, according to the position of the disk 7 relative to said lug. As shown in Fig. 4 of the drawings, the disk 7 is maintained in a vertical position above the lug 2 by the button 10 engaging the upper surface 13 thereof and when the disk 7 is swung to a lowered position, as shown in Fig. 3, the button 10 is adapted to engage the lower edge of the lug 2 and lock said disk in a lowered position.

The board 1 above each lug 2 is provided with a projecting pin 14 adapted to support a check 15 provided with an opening 16 to receive said pin, the said pins being arranged near the upper edge of the board 1. The checks 15 are numbered and can be provided with the names of persons adapted to use the same, and the disks 7 upon the outer sides are numbered and upon the inner sides are provided with names corresponding with the names on the checks 15.

In connection with mines, it is the present practice to provide each miner upon entering a mine with an identification check containing the name of the miner and a number, and when the check is presented to the miner the time is recorded, and upon the miner leaving the mine the check is handed in and the time again recorded. Considerable trouble is experienced in connection with this system on account of certain defects, for instance, the checks becoming mixed, also on account of it being necessary for miners to appear and have their checks handed to them.

My invention aims to obviate the above defects by placing the board 1 upon the exterior of the building or upon a suitable support, where the same can be easily observed by the checker or time keeper, and each miner is required to remove his check from the pin 14 upon entering a mine, this operation being observed by the checker or time keeper, who immediately records the time opposite the name of the miner corresponding with

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the number on the board 1 beneath the pin 14, this number corresponding with the number of the disk that has been lowered, also with the check that has been removed. The
 5 lowered position of the disk indicates that the miner is within the mine, and the disk in an elevated position, as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings, indicates that the miner is out
 10 of the mine or has ceased work, the replacing of the disk upon the pin 14 having been recorded by the checker or time keeper.

It will be observed from the novel construction of the check holder, that it is possible for a checker or time keeper to immediately determine just what workmen are at
 15 work, those absent, and just what workmen have been negligent in not obtaining checks when starting to work and replacing the checks when leaving work.

20 The pivoted disks 7 are adapted to prevent the checks from being blown or accidentally displaced from the pins 14, also making it a positive operation on the part of the miner in removing or replacing the check.

25 Having now described my invention what I claim as new, is:—

1. A check holder comprising a board, check-supporting pins carried by said board,

and pivoted disks arranged beneath said pins and adapted to swing to opposite sides of 30 their pivotal point for concealing the checks on said pins in one position of the disks and exposing said checks in the other position of the disks.

2. A check holder comprising a board, 35 projecting pins carried by said board, marked checks adapted to be supported by said pins, and pivoted disks arranged beneath said pins for retaining the checks thereon, each
 40 disk having a name and number corresponding to the name and number upon the check to be retained upon the pin by said disk.

3. A check holder comprising a board, longitudinally alining lugs carried by said
 45 board, disks pivotally connected to said lugs, check holding pins carried by said board one above each lug, and a spring pressed button carried by each disk for engaging the lug
 50 thereof and retaining said disk in an adjusted position.

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

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