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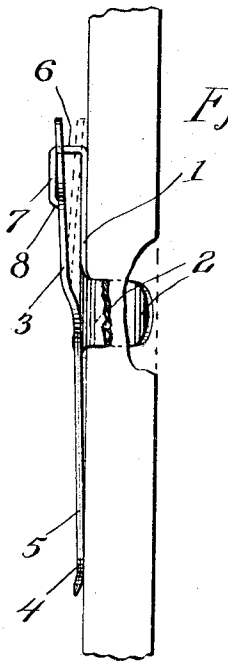


Fig. 1.

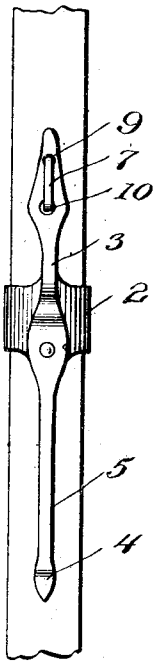
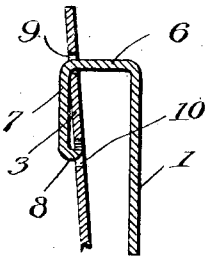


Fig. 2.

Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, RUDOLPH LEWIS, a citizen of the United States, and JOHN STRAKA, a subject of the Emperor of Austria-Hungary, both residing at Kansas City, in the county of Jackson and State of Missouri, have invented new and useful Improvements in Pencil-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to pencil holders or clips and the object of the invention is the provision of a simple, efficient and durable device which may be cheaply constructed and which may be readily attached to and detached from a garment and which will prevent the loss or accidental or displacement of a pencil, pen or other similar device.

Further objects of the invention will appear as the following specific description is read in connection with the accompanying drawing, which forms a part of this application, and in which:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation. Fig. 2 is a rear elevation. Fig. 3 is a detailed longitudinal section.

Referring more particularly to the drawing, 1 represents the body of the device which is constructed preferably of spring metal and has its lower end broadened out into clamping arms 2 which are bent around in the form shown so as to clamp around a pencil, pen or other similar device. Riveted to the back of the body is a bar 3 whose lower end is extended into a finger 4 having sharpened side edges 5 which are adapted for severing the flaps of envelops from the body thereof.

The upper end of the body is extended at right angles, as shown at 6, and bent downwardly, as shown at 7, the downward portion terminating in an inwardly extending prong 8. The right angular portion 6 extends through an aperture 9 in the bar 3 and the prong 8 extends through a similar aperture 10 arranged immediately below the aperture 9. In normal position the upper end of the bar lies against the downwardly extending portion 7 with the prong 8 seated in the aperture. When the device is attached to a garment the upper portion of the bar is sprung back against the body 1 so as to leave a space between the prong and bar for the entrance of a portion of the garment to which the device is to be attached. When the garment is in this space the bar is released and allowed to spring back against the portion 7 which forces the prong and a part of the garment in the aperture 8.

Having thus described the invention, what we claim as new is:—

A pencil holder comprising a body member, spring pencil clamping arms formed thereon, a spring bar riveted to the body member and extending in both directions therefrom with one end diverging therefrom, said spring bar having a pair of apertures therein, a hook member on the body member passing through one of the apertures and being bent downwardly to limit the movement of the bar, and an inwardly extending prong on the hook member adapted to enter the other aperture in the spring bar to clamp the fabric of a support therein.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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