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FIG. 1

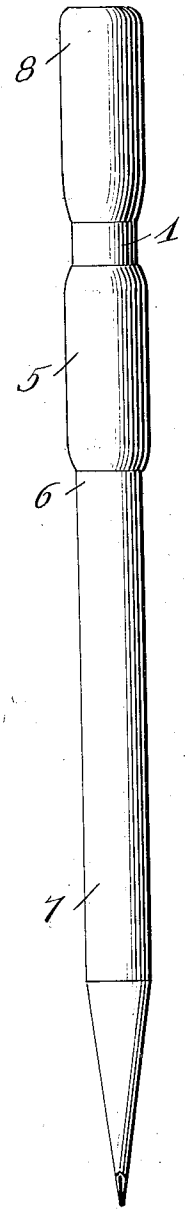


FIG. 3

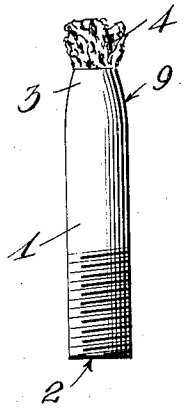
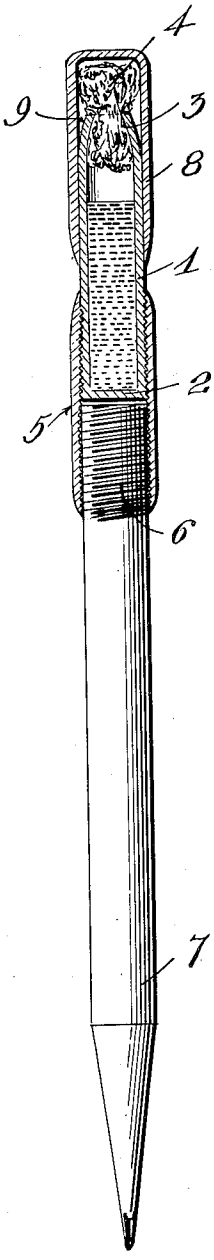


FIG. 2



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, RAY L. NICHOLS and LEO C. KLEIDON, citizens of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pencil Attachments; and we do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to attachments for pencils, and has for its object to provide a reservoir for water, which reservoir may be detachably connected with an indelible pencil, and provided with means, as a sponge, whereby a surface may be moistened before writing thereon with the pencil.

Another object is to provide a device of this kind which may be cheaply manufactured and which may be conveniently operated.

In the drawing forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a pencil fitted with our attachment; Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view; and Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the reservoir or barrel.

As shown, our device comprises a reservoir or barrel, 1, provided with a closed lower end, 2, and an open end, 3, with a sponge in said open end, the barrel, 1, being adapted to hold a liquid as, for instance, water.

In order to detachably connect the barrel 1 to the pencil, we provide a tube or sleeve, 5, internally threaded at both ends and adapted to receive the threaded upper end, 6, of the pencil, 7. The barrel, 1, is also threaded at its lower end and is screwed into the upper end of the tube, 5. When the sponge, 4, is not in use it is desirable that the same be covered to protect it from dust or the like, and to prevent the same coming into contact with the clothing of the person using the pencil. To this end is provided a cap, 8, adapted to fit over the upper end of the barrel, 1 and the sponge, 4, and frictionally engaging the sides of the said barrel, whereby the cap is retained in place. To adapt the cap to be quickly and easily fitted over the barrel 1 the latter is tapered at its outer end as shown at 9 and this tapered end also forms a contracted mouth for holding the sponge 4.

A pencil fitted with this attachment may be operated as follows: The barrel, 1, having been filled with water, the sponge 4 is inserted in the open end thereof and is moistened with the water. The cap, 8, is removed and the sponge, 4, used to moisten the surface to be written on, as by rubbing the sponge thereon. The indelible pencil is then used to write on said moistened surface and the moisture thereof causes the substance of said indelible pencil to readily unite with said moistened surface, whereby an indelible writing or signature is easily made.

While in this description minute details of the invention have been described, we do not limit ourselves to these, as the same may be greatly varied without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Having thus particularly described our invention, what we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is:

1. The combination of a tubular reservoir having a closed lower end and an open upper end, an absorbent element arranged in said open upper end, a cap for said end adapted to slide on said reservoir and an interiorly threaded sleeve attached to the lower end of said reservoir and adapted to detachably engage the end of a pencil.

2. In combination with a pencil having a threaded end, of a barrel having a closed end threaded on its exterior, the other end of said barrel being open, a sponge disposed in said open end, a cap fitting over said open end, and an interiorly screw threaded sleeve engaged with the threaded lower end of said barrel and with the upper end of said pencil.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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