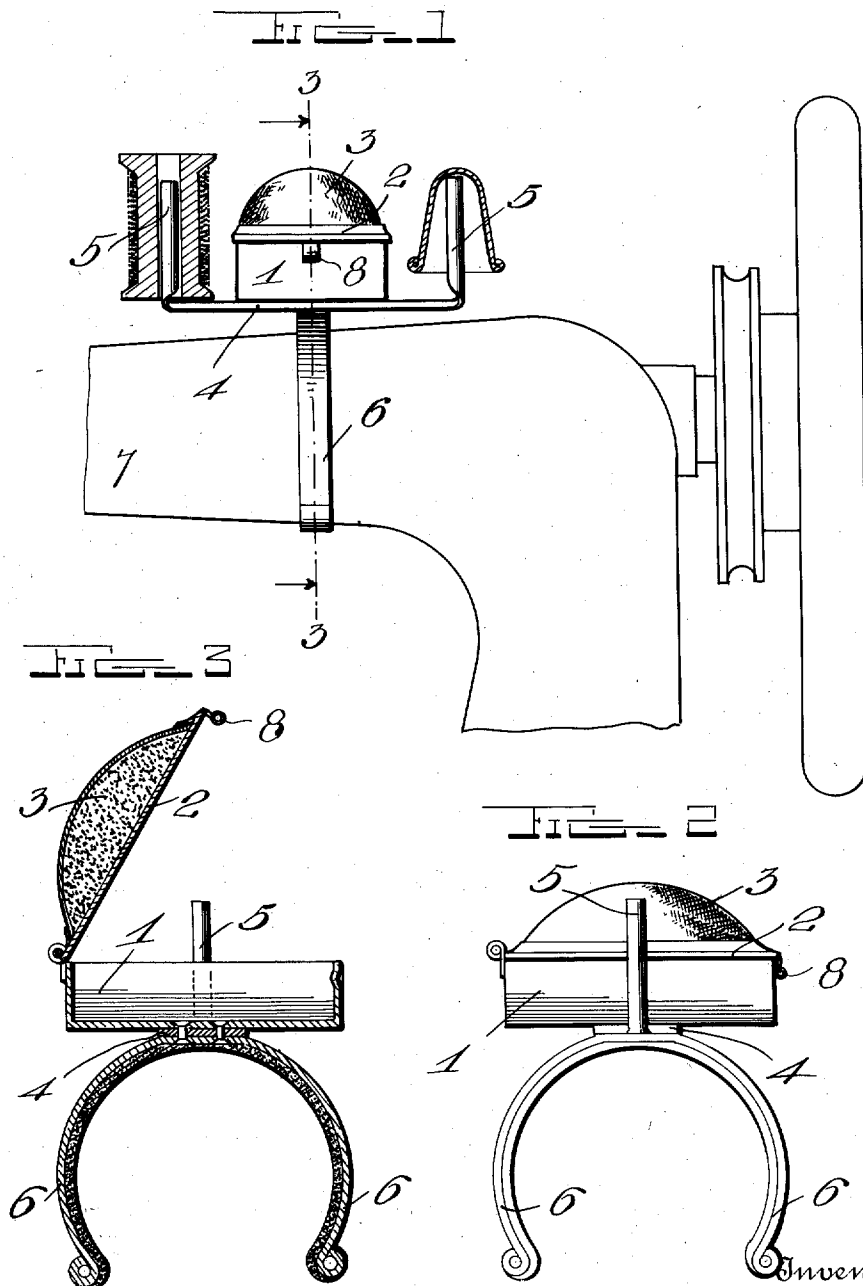


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CYNTHIA THARP, a citizen of the United States, residing at Hornell, in the county of Steuben and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Implement-Holders; and I 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 improvements in implement holders, and more particularly to an attachment for sewing machines.

The object of the invention is to provide an attachment of this character comprising a pin cushion and needle case, a spool holder, and a thimble holder and having means whereby the same may be readily applied to a sewing machine to support these articles within convenient reach of the machine operator.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will be more fully described and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side view of a portion of a sewing machine head showing the application of the invention thereto; Fig. 2 is a side view of the attachment taken at right angles to the view shown in Fig. 1; Fig. 3 is a central vertical sectional view of the attachment on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1, showing the cover of the needle case in open position.

In carrying out my invention, I employ a needle case or receptacle 1, which is preferably in the form of a rectangular box of suitable depth and of a convenient size for holding papers of needles or loose needles. The case 1 is provided with a cover 2 which is preferably hingedly connected thereto, as shown, and on the top of said cover is arranged a pin cushion 3, which is preferably stuffed with emery powder, whereby said cushion also serves as a means for cleaning and sharpening pins and needles.

On the under side of the case 1 and extending diametrically across the same is a flat bar 4 adapted to extend longitudinally of the sewing machine head, the ends of this bar being bent upwardly beyond the case at substantially right angles and having their edges rolled together to form cylindrical

pins 5. To the flat side of the case 1 and the bar 4 is secured by rivets or similar fastenings a spring clip 6 which is arranged at a right angle to the bar and depends therefrom to be sprung into engagement with the arm 7 of the machine head to securely hold the attachments in place. The clip is of an inverted U-shape, and is secured at its center to the bar 4 and the case 1 in such a manner that a single set of rivets or similar devices will secure the spring to the bar and the bar to the case. The arms of the clip are preferably lined with felt or similar material to prevent the clip from scratching or marring the finish of the sewing machine head, and to prevent the loss of the needles when the machine head is dropped. The cover 2 of the case is provided with a suitable catch 8.

By means of an attachment constructed in accordance with my invention, a support is provided for holding the articles herein enumerated or other similar articles employed by a seamstress in an out of the way position but within convenient reach of the operator of the machine. The device is constructed in such a manner that the cost of manufacture is very slight, while it possesses strength and durability. The pins 5 may be utilized for holding spools of thread, thimbles or other devices. The thread may be carried from a spool on one of the pins to the needle of the machine so that it may be readily fed in the usual operation of the machine. As the device will be supported on the sewing machine head longitudinally of the same, it is not apt to be struck and dislodged by the operator using the machine, and may be readily removed from the machine when the same is to be cleaned or repaired, and may be easily applied to any sewing machine.

From the foregoing description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction and operation of the invention will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

Various changes in the form, proportion and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of this invention as defined in the appended claim.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is:—

An implement holder comprising a flat bar having its ends turned upwardly and

the edges of said turned ends rolled together
to form cylindrical pins, a case arranged on
said bar between the pins, an inverted U-
shaped spring clip depending from the bar
5 at a right angle thereto, and means for se-
curing the case and clip to the bar.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set

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