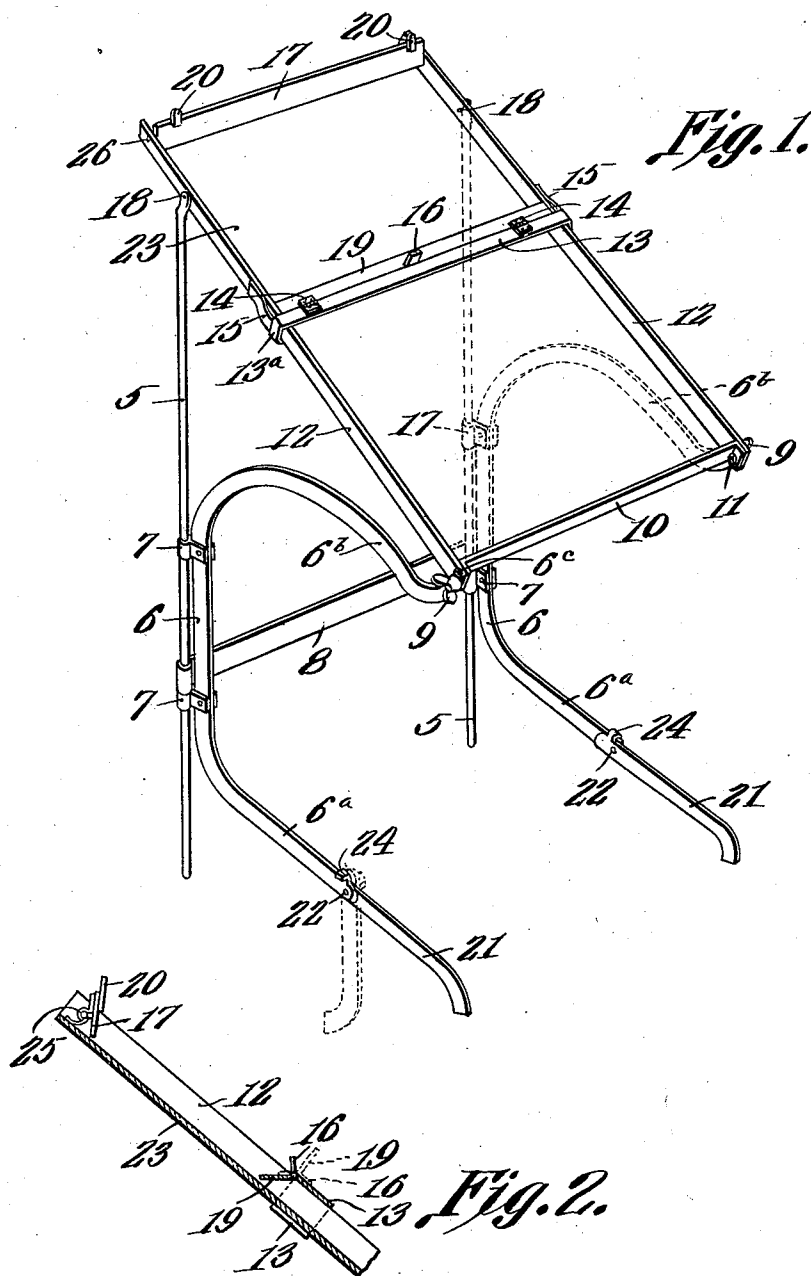


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES C. LONG, a citizen of the United States, residing at Goldthwaite, in the county of Mills and State of Texas, have invented a new and useful Stenographer's Desk, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to stenographers' desks or copy-holders, and has for its general object to provide an improved, simple and inexpensive device of this character, this being a divisional application of the application filed July 12, 1911, Serial No. 638,177 covering the collapsible support.

This invention has for its particular object to provide a novel line guide or marker and book rest.

A further object is to provide means for adjusting the marker and book rest on the desk.

With the above and other objects in view, this invention is embodied in the novel construction and arrangement of parts as hereinafter described and as illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the desk embodying the invention, and Fig. 2 is a sectional view taken longitudinally of the table.

Referring specifically to the drawings, wherein similar reference characters indicate similar parts, 23 indicates the inclined base-board or table which has the upstanding flanges 12 at the sides thereof. At the rear or upper end of the table is mounted a clamping strip 17 having the ends thereof pivoted to the flanges 12 as designated at 26. A spring 25 secured to the said strip presses the lower edge of the said strip against the table 23 and to the upper edge of the strip 17 are secured thumb pieces 20 for manually raising the lower edge of the said strip to receive thereunder the object to be held thereby.

A cross-bar 13 is disposed laterally over the table 23 on the upper edges of the flanges 12 and has the ends thereof bent over and below the flanges 12 to retain the said bar longitudinally slidable on the table. A flat or leaf spring 15 is secured to each end 13^a of the bar 13 and the free ends thereof bear against the flanges 12 to frictionally retain the bar 13 in any adjusted position and permitting the same to be readily shifted longitudinally on the table. To the rear

edge of the bar 13 is pivoted a guide or marker 19 by means of hinges 14, the free ends thereof dropping to normally ride upon the table. This guide or marker 19 is provided with an upstanding stud 16 serving as a finger piece by means of which the said guide or marker may be swung upward and in this event the stud swings against the bar 13 serving as a stop to limit the swing of the guide or marker and retaining the same in upright position, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 2.

Between the lower or forward ends of the flanges 12 is secured a strip 10 by means of the bolts 11 which have their outer ends projecting from the flanges 12 and bearing thumb or wing nuts 9. The flanges 12 and strip 10 serve to retain loose papers and other objects on the table, the flanges 12 also serving to space the bar 13 above the table and to form convenient rails for the said bar to slide upon.

The support for the table which is the subject-matter of the above mentioned application and need not be described in detail, comprises generally rear legs 5 pivoted to the flanges 12 at 18 and a bar 6 having strips 7 secured thereto which receive the legs 5 to pivotally connect the bars 6 to the legs 5, the bars 6 having their upper ends bent forwardly to form arms 6^b to support the forward end of the table and having their lower ends bent forwardly to form legs 6^a to which are connected the extensions 21. A brace 8 connects the legs 5. The extremities of the arms 6^b are bifurcated to receive the bolts 11 and be clamped between the flanges 12 and the wing nuts 9. The extensions 21 are pivoted to the legs 6^a by pins or rivets 22 and have stops 24 bearing normally against the legs 6^a to prevent the extensions from swinging upward and permitting the same to swing downward when the table is swung backward, thus preventing the extensions from striking the typewriter and normally permitting the extensions to pass below the parts of the typewriter to support the table. When the arms 6^b are freed from the bolts 11, the device may be collapsed and folded for convenience in carrying, shipping or storing.

In use, the paper or note book from which the matter is being typewritten, it being understood that the device has been set over the rear of the typewriter, is clamped under

the strip 17 and by sliding the bar 13 the guide or marker 14 may be made to indicate the successive lines being copied. When
 5 book, the book may be laid upon a table and by swinging the guide or marker 19 upward, the book may be conveniently supported at any position on the table, the guide or
 10 marker serving as a book rest. This device is simple in its construction rendering it inexpensive to manufacture, and is both convenient and efficient in its
 use.

What is claimed is:—

- 15 1. In a device of the character described, the combination of a table, upstanding flanges at the sides thereof, a bar slidable on the flanges a marker hingedly connected to the said bar to swing to and from the table,
 20 and means for limiting the swing of the

marker when swung upward, whereby the same forms a book rest.

2. In a device of the character described, the combination of a table, upstanding flanges at the sides thereof, a bar slidable on the said flanges, a marker hingedly connected to the said bar to swing to and from the table, and a stud projecting from the said marker to form a combined finger piece and stop and adapted to strike the bar when the marker is swung upward, whereby the marker forms a book rest.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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