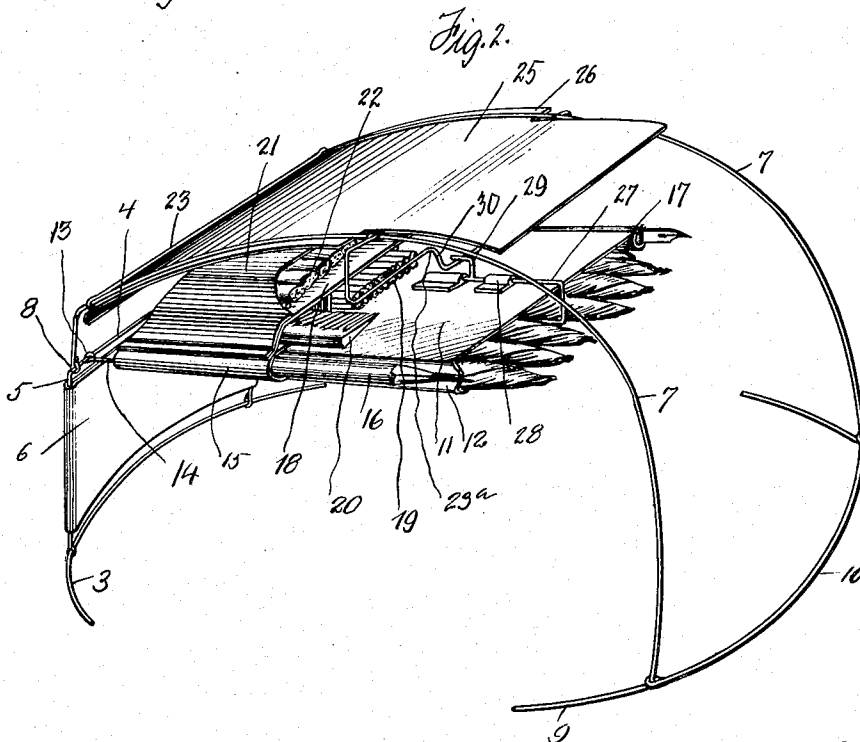
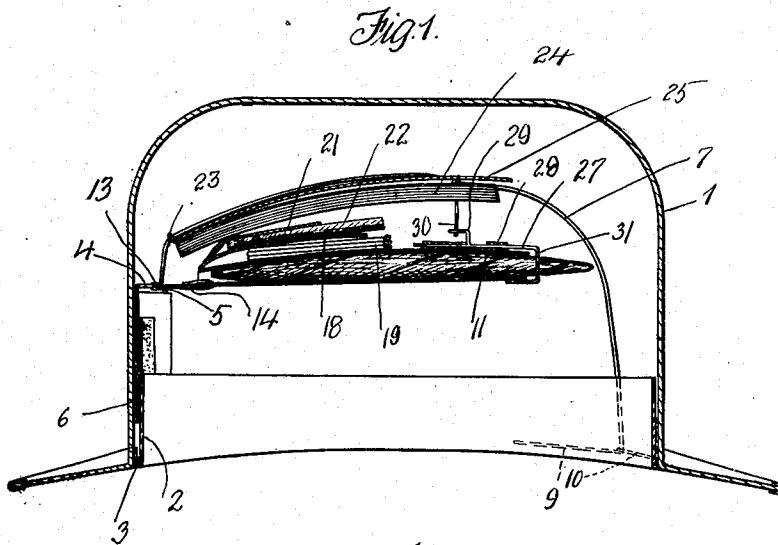


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE LEOPOLD, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Article-Holders for Hats, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

This invention relates to article holders for hats, and the invention has for its primary object to provide a hat with an attachment for holding such articles as cigars, stogies, cigarettes, matches, letters, postal cards, a comb, a pencil, a pen, etc. the attachment being conveniently arranged within the crown of the hat to support these articles, whereby they can be easily obtained and used when desired.

Another object of this invention is to provide an article holder for a hat that can be housed within the crown of a derby or straw hat, without materially increasing the weight of the hat or interfering with the position of the same upon the head.

A further object of this invention is to provide a simple, inexpensive and durable article holder for hats which will prevent the articles held thereby from being injured or crushed, as might happen were articles carried in a coat pocket.

With the above and other objects in view which will more readily appear as the invention is better understood, the same consists in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter described and then claimed.

In the drawings:—Figure 1 is a vertical sectional view of a hat provided with my improved holder, and Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a detached holder.

In the drawings, 1 denotes the crown of the hat, which is provided with a perspiration band or lining 2.

3 denotes a curved piece of wire adapted to fit between the band 2 and the crown 1 at the front side of the hat. Attached to this curved piece of wire is a wire yoke 4 having the vertical portions 5 thereof connected by a stiffening strap 6.

7 denotes curved crown wires having the front ends thereof connected to the yoke 4; as at 8, while the rear ends thereof are bent

outwardly, as at 9, and are adapted to fit between the band 2 and the crown 1 at the rear side of the hat. The rear ends of the crown wires 7 are connected by a curved piece of wire 10, also fitting between the band 2 and the crown 1.

11 denotes a cigar case having flexible expansible edges 12. This case is pivotally connected to the yoke 4, as at 13, by wires 14 having the ends thereof suitably fixed to the front edge of the case 11.

15 denotes holders for a pencil 16 and a pen 17, said holders being located at the flexible expansible edges of the case 11, preferably at the forward or bottom edge of said case.

18 denotes a partition pocket carried by the forward or bottom edge of the case 11, upon the upper side thereof, said pocket being adapted to hold matches 19, a comb 20, or similar articles. This pocket is preferably made by suitably securing a piece of material to the upper side of the case 11, and upon said pocket is an auxiliary pocket 21 for cigarettes 22, cards or similar articles, said auxiliary pocket being formed by securing an additional piece of material to that part of the material forming the pocket 18.

23 denotes a wire connecting the crown wires 7 adjacent to the pivoted ends thereof, and 23^a denotes a frame connected to the lower sides of the crown wires 7. The frame 23^a is adapted to support cards or letters 24, and forming a backing for said cards or letters is an advertisement plate 25, said plate having the upper end thereof upon the upper side of the frame 23^a and the lower end thereof upon the lower side of the wire 23, and to retain the advertisement plate in position, said plate is provided with side extensions 26, these extensions protruding upon the lower side of the crown wires 7 and binding the plate 25 between said wires, the wire 23 and the frame 23^a.

27 designates a rod slidably mounted in bearings 28 provided therefor upon the upper side of the case 11, said rod having a hook-shaped latch 29 for engaging the offset portions 30 of the frame 23^a, to retain the case 11 in proximity to the advertisement plate 25, and partly in a horizontal position, as shown in Fig. 1. The forward end of the rod 27 is bent forwardly and downwardly, as at 31, to provide a handle

which will permit of the latch 29 being moved to release the case 11, when it is desired to remove articles from the frame 23^a.

Numerous articles other than those herein specified, as memorandum books, business cards, tooth picks, match scratchers, etc. can be readily carried by the holder, and while I have herein shown the same as applicable to a stiff hat, as a derby, I would have it understood that the crown wires 7 can be shortened and shaped to permit of the holder being used in a straw hat.

The connecting strap 6 can serve functionally as a name plate or card holder, whereby the owner of the hat can be readily identified, or for an advertisement. The lower side of the case 11 can also be used for advertisements or a mirror can be attached to the same.

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

1. In an article holder for hats, the combination with a hat having a crown and a perspiration band, of crown wires having the forward ends thereof bent to engage between said perspiration band and the crown of said hat, a yoke connecting the rear ends of said crown wires and adapted to extend downwardly between said perspiration band and the crown of said hat, a case pivotally connected to said yoke, pockets carried by said case, holders carried by the side edges

of said case, a frame connecting said crown wires, and a latch carried by said case and adapted to engage said frame.

2. In an article holder for hats, the combination with a hat having a crown and a perspiration band, of crown wires having the forward ends thereof bent to engage between said perspiration band and the crown of said hat, a yoke connecting the rear ends of said crown wires and adapted to extend downwardly between said perspiration band and the crown of said hat, a case pivotally connected to said yoke, pockets carried by said case, holders carried by the side edges of said case, a frame connecting said crown wires, and means carried by said case and adapted to engage said frame for holding said case in a horizontal position.

3. In an article holder for hats, the combination with a hat, of crown wires supported within the crown of said hat, a case movable relative to said wires, pockets carried by said case, a frame carried by said wires, and means carried by said case for fixing said case relative to said frame.

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

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