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Fig. 1.

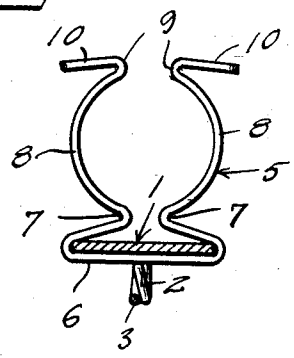


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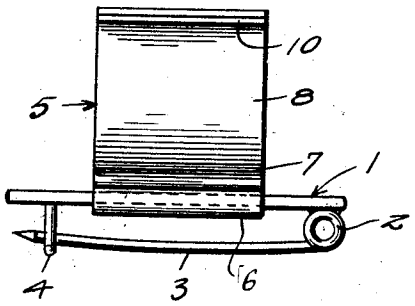
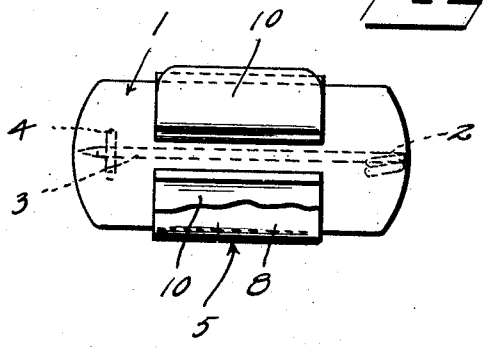


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to the class of buckles, buttons and clasps and pertains particularly to a pin clasp device designed to hold pencils or similar articles.

The primary object of this invention is to provide, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, an improved pencil clasp which may be readily attached to any part of the clothing to permit of the convenient attachment thereto or removal therefrom of a pencil as desired, and which will retain its resiliency and pencil gripping qualities for a long period of time and with consistent use.

The invention will be best understood from a consideration of the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification, with the understanding, however, that the invention is not confined to any strict conformity with the showing of the drawing but may be changed or modified so long as such changes or modifications mark no material departure from the salient features of the invention as expressed in the appended claims.

In the drawing:—

Figure 1 is a view partly in transverse section and partly in elevation of the clip embodying this invention;

Figure 2 is a view in side elevation of the device;

Figure 3 is a top plan view of the same.

Referring to the drawing in detail wherein like numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts throughout the several views, the numeral 1 indicates the back of the present clasp device, which as shown, is in the form of an elongated plate. To one face of this plate 1 at one end is secured a coiled spring end or portion 2 of a pin 3, the free end of the pin being designed to be engaged, in the usual manner, in a hooked keeper 4 secured to the same face of the plate adjacent the opposite end.

The body of the plate or back 1 of the pin extends through what constitutes the yoke portion of a substantially U-shaped pencil clasp indicated as a whole by the numeral 5, the yoke portion which is indicated by the numeral 6 being flat and as shown, extending across the flat under face of the back to which it is secured.

The lower or inner end portions of the side members of the U-shaped clasp 5 are bent sharply inwardly as indicated at 7, over the top face of the back 1, these inwardly extending portions being brought into relatively close relation.

From the portions 7 the side members of the clip are each formed to provide the outwardly bowed or arcuately shaped portions 8 which adjacent their free ends come in again to relatively close relation, as indicated at 9 and finally terminate in the laterally directed tabs 10.

From the foregoing description it will be seen that the pencil clip may be formed of a single body of suitably resilient material and when it is shaped in the manner described and secured, as shown, to the back portion of the pin, the side portions 8 thereof may be sprung in and out an unlimited number of times without weakening or otherwise affecting the serviceableness of the articles. While a great deal of the bending and flexing is taken by the bowed portions 8 of the clip when in use, a great deal of this also takes place at the points 7 and through the portions of the side members lying between the points 7 and the point of attachment of the yoke of the device with the back 1 of the pin.

While in the foregoing description I have specifically described the use of a back plate 1 to which the clip 5 may be attached, it is, of course, apparent that the pin 3 may be attached directly to the back of the yoke portion of the clip and the same results obtained, therefore, I do not wish to be limited to the exact structure shown and described.

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

1. A pencil clip comprising a substantially U-shaped resilient member, a body plate slidably carried by said resilient member at its inner end, and a pin secured to said body member.

2. A pencil clip comprising a substantially U-shaped clip having its outer ends turned outwardly, a body plate frictionally carried

by said clip, and a pin member mounted on said body plate.

3. A pencil clip comprising a substantially U-shaped clip having its open ends turned outwardly, a body plate frictionally mounted within said clip at its inner end, and a pin secured to said body plate.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature.

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