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Fig: 1

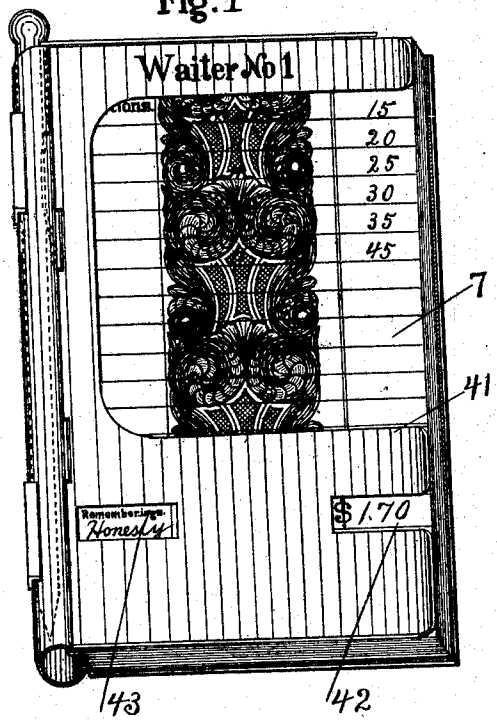
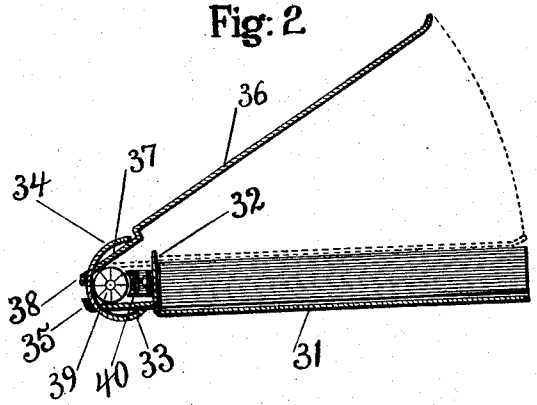


Fig: 2



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUST N. E. BOOS, a citizen of Germany, and a resident of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holders for Bills, Checks, Etc., of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to holders for bills, checks and the like, such as are used in hotels, restaurants and other business establishments for the purpose of keeping accurate sales records, the primary object of the invention being to provide an improved metal holder or case for a check pad which is so constructed as to enable the proper entries to be properly made on the exposed part of the top check which may be readily detached from the pad.

The check itself is covered in a divisional application filed April 9, 1925, Serial No. 21,792.

It is a further general object of the invention to provide a device of the above character which is simple and inexpensive in construction, may therefore be manufactured at small cost and which will be highly convenient and serviceable in practical use.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention consists in the improved bill or check and holder therefor as will be hereinafter more fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings and subsequently incorporated in the subjoined claim.

In the drawings wherein I have illustrated one simple and practical embodiment of the invention and in which similar reference characters designate corresponding parts throughout the several views:

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing a pad of checks enclosed within a holder therefor;

Figure 2 is a transverse section through the holder showing the cover member thereof in open position.

In Figures 1 and 2 of the drawings, I have shown a simple form of holder for a check pad and which consists of a body plate 31 having a flange 32 extending along one of its edges, said flange being provided with spaced laterally projecting tongues 33. The ends of these tongues are adapted for engagement through openings provided in the wall of a split resilient metal tube 34, the extremities of said tongues being angularly bent as at 35 to retain the tube in connection therewith. One edge of the split metal tube engages against one side of the tongues 33 as clearly seen in Figure 2 of the drawings.

The cover section 36 of the holder is also provided upon one edge thereof with spaced laterally projecting tongues 37 adapted to engage through additional openings provided in the wall of the resilient tube 34, the ends of said tongues being also angularly bent as at 38 to retain the tongues in connection with said tube. The other edge of the split tube bears against the upper sides of these tongues 37. The normal tendency of the split resilient metal tube to contract, yieldingly holds the cover member 36 in closed position as seen in Figure 1 and in dotted lines in Figure 2 of the drawings, thus exerting pressure upon the check pad and clamping the latter between said cover plate and the body plate 31.

The split metal tube 34 also provides a convenient holder for a pencil indicated at 39, which is inserted through said tube between the tongues 33 and 37, one side of the pencil being engaged by a suitable leaf spring 40 secured to the flange 32, said leaf spring yieldingly urging the pencil into bearing contact against the inner surface of the wall of the tube 34 whereby said pencil is yieldingly held against accidental displacement from the interior of said tube.

The cover plate 36 has an opening or cut-out indicated at 41 extending inwardly from its free edge over the portions 7 of the check so that the individual entries may be readily made upon the check without lifting the cover plate 36 from its normal position. This plate below the opening 41 is also provided with an additional inwardly extending slot or opening 42 for the entry of the total amount payable upon the check and adjacent to the tongues 37, said plate is provided with a third opening 43 exposing another portion of the check so that the proper entry may be made thereon.

When it is desired to detach the filled-in check, it is only necessary to engage the free edge of the cover plate 36 with the finger and force the same upwardly, thereby expanding the split metal tube 34. Thus the check may be easily detached from the stub

and upon the release of said cover plate it is immediately returned to its normal position upon the check pad by the contraction of the metal tube.

From the foregoing description considered in connection with the accompanying drawings, the form, construction and arrangement of the several parts of my invention will be clearly understood as well as the several advantages thereof. It will be seen that I have devised a novel form of check and also a convenient and serviceable holder for the check pad which may be simply constructed at nominal cost. I have herein described an embodiment of the device which I believe to be entirely practical, but it will be understood that various changes may be made in the form and construction of the several detail parts thereof without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as defined in the appended claim.

I claim:

A holder for check pads comprising a body plate having a flange along one edge thereof, a cover plate, a split resilient metal tube, said flange of the body plate and one edge of said cover plate being provided with laterally extending tongues engaged through openings in the wall of said tube and the edges of said split metal tube bearing against the relatively opposite faces of the tongues on the body plate and the cover plate whereby said tube normally acts to yieldingly urge said cover plate upon a check body positioned upon said body plate.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention, I have signed my name hereto.

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