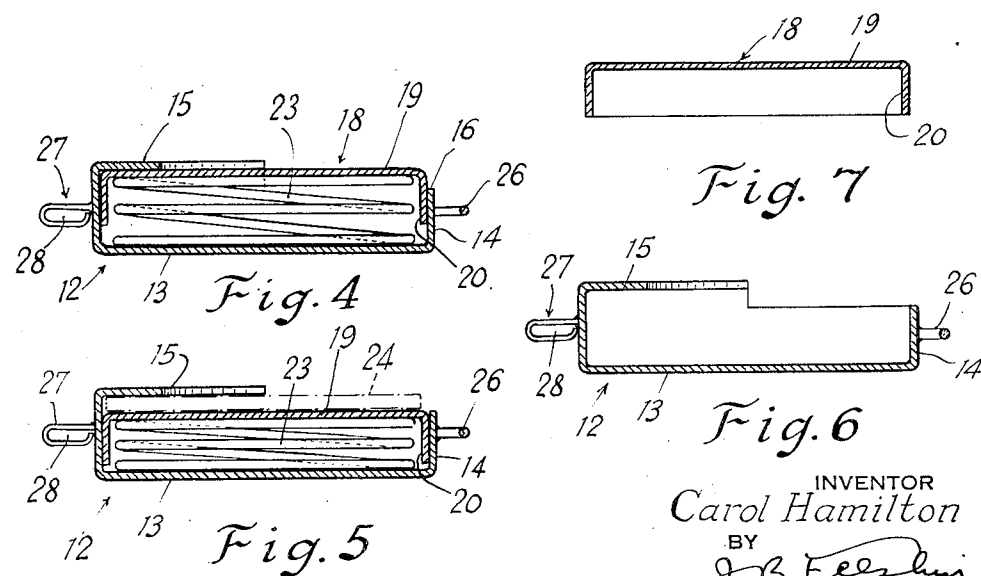
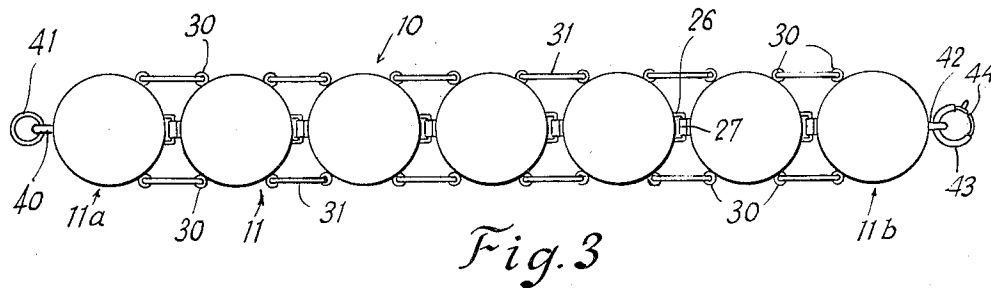
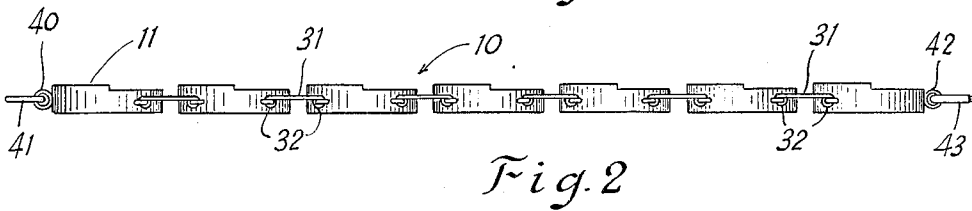
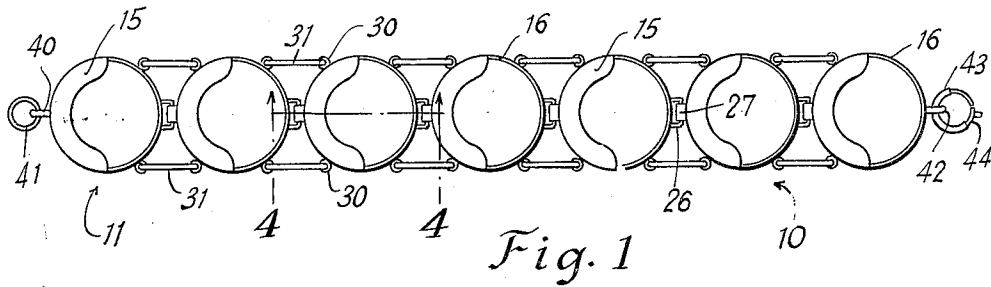


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This invention relates to bracelets.

An object of this invention is to provide a bracelet which comprises coin holders linked together into a bracelet chain.

Another object of this invention is to provide a bracelet of the character described in which each coin holder is designed to receive one coin, means being provided to resiliently retain the coins against accidental displacement.

Yet another object of this invention is to provide a strong, compact and durable bracelet of the character described which shall be relatively inexpensive to manufacture, attractive in appearance and yet practical and efficient to a high degree in use.

Other objects of this invention will in part be obvious and in part hereinafter pointed out.

The invention accordingly consists in the features of construction, combinations of elements, and arrangement of parts which will be exemplified in the construction hereinafter described, and of which the scope of application will be indicated in the following claims.

In the accompanying drawing, in which is shown one of the various possible illustrative embodiments of this invention,

Fig. 1 is a top plan view of a bracelet embodying the invention;

Fig. 2 is a side elevational view thereof;

Fig. 3 is a bottom plan view thereof;

Fig. 4 is an enlarged cross-sectional view of one coin holder taken on line 4—4 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 5 is a view similar to Fig. 4 but showing the position of the parts when a coin is inserted into the holder;

Fig. 6 is a cross-sectional view of the casing for the coin holder; and

Fig. 7 is a cross-sectional view through the plunger disc.

Referring now in detail to the drawing, 10 designates a bracelet embodying the invention. The same comprises a plurality of coin holders 11 linked together in the manner hereinafter appearing to form a bracelet chain. Each coin holder 11 comprises a casing 12 having a bottom wall 13 and a cylindrical wall 14. Extending from the cylindrical wall 14 is a top, substantially semi-annular lip or flange 15 parallel to the bottom wall 13. The cylindrical wall 14 has a substantially semi-annular upper edge 16 at the portion thereof which does not extend to the lip 15. Where the cylindrical wall 14 is connected to the lip 15, it rises to a higher level as shown in the drawing.

Slidably mounted within casing 12 is a plunger

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or follower 18 formed with a top wall 19 and a downwardly extending cylindrical wall 20. The cylindrical wall 20 slidably engages the inner surface of cylindrical wall 14. Interposed between the bottom wall of the casing and the top wall 19 of the plunger or follower 18 is a helical coil compression spring 23 which normally tends to raise the plunger against the lip 15. A coin, indicated by dot-dash lines at 24, may be inserted into each coin holder by depressing the plunger or follower. The coin engages beneath the lip 15 and is pressed thereagainst by the spring 23.

The wall 19 and the cylindrical wall 20 of the follower 18 constitute a housing for a major portion of the helical compression spring 23. The wall 20 also constitutes a stop. When the wall 20 strikes the bottom wall 13 it limits the gap between the lip 15 and the follower wall 19 to the entrance of a single coin 24. The spring 23 is only slightly smaller diametrically than the diameter of the cylindrical wall 20.

Both the spring 23 and the follower 18 are maintained captive in the casing 12. It is not necessary to secure the spring to the casing 12, or to the follower 18. The particular structural relation of the casing, spring and follower maintains them permanently in assembled operative relation. The casing, spring and follower after the initial assemblage become automatically and permanently interlocked in operative condition.

Attached to one side of casing 12 of each of the intermediate coin holders is a strap 26. Fixed to a diametrically opposite side of each intermediate casing 12 is a tongue 27 which may be passed around the strap 26 of an adjacent coin holder. The tongue 27 has a looped eye 28 which slidably receives a portion of a strap 26. The coin holders may thus be hingedly interconnected. Of the two end coin holders 11a and 11b, one is only formed with a strap 26 and the other only with a tongue 27 as shown in Figs. 1 and 3 of the drawing.

The casing 12 of each of the intermediate coin holders 11 is provided at opposite sides thereof with a pair of eyes 30 which may be soldered, welded or otherwise attached to said casing. The end casings are each provided with only one pair of eyes 30 as shown in the drawing. Adjacent coin holders are interconnected by links 31 each formed at the ends thereof with hooks 32 engaging the eyes 30. The links 31 are parallel to each other and are disposed at opposite sides of the engaging loops and tongues 26 and 27.

Attached to the casing 12 at one end of the bracelet as at 11a, is an eye 40 carrying ring 41.

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Attached to the end casing at the other end of the bracelet, as at 11b is an eye 42 carrying a ring 43 having a spring pressed section 44 telescoping within the ring. The rings 40 and 43 may be interengaged in a well known manner as the bracelet is strung around the wrist of the wearer.

It will thus be seen that there is provided a device in which the several objects of this invention are achieved, and which is well adapted to meet the conditions of practical use.

As various possible embodiments might be made of the above invention, and as various changes might be made in the embodiment above set forth, it is to be understood that all matter herein set forth or shown in the accompanying drawing, is to be interpreted as illustrative and not in a limiting sense.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

1. A bracelet comprising a single row of coin holders, means to link said coin holders together in series, means disengageably interconnecting the ends of the bracelet, each coin holder having a mouth into which to insert a coin into the holder and to remove a coin from the holder, a retaining lip for holding the coin, and a spring pressed plunger for pressing the coin against the lip, the mouths of said coin holders being so arranged that the coins may be inserted and removed by movement of the coins in a tangential direction relative to the bracelet circle when the ends of the bracelet are interconnected, said plungers being adapted to contact said lip upon removing the coins from the holders and means on each plunger to prevent it from being depressed as much as twice the thickness of the mouth of the coin holder so that no more than one coin can be inserted into each holder.

2. A bracelet comprising a single row of coin holders, means to link said coin holders together in series, means disengageably interconnecting the ends of the bracelet, each coin holder having a mouth into which to insert a coin into the holder and to remove the coin from the holder, a retaining lip for holding the coin, and a spring pressed plunger for pressing the coin against the lip, the mouths of said coin holders being so arranged that the coins may be inserted and removed by movement of the coins in a tangential direction relative to the bracelet circle when the ends of the bracelet are interconnected, said plungers being adapted to contact said lip upon removing the coins from the holders and means

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on each plunger to prevent it from being depressed as much as twice the thickness of the mouth of the coin holder so that no more than one coin can be inserted into each holder, said coin holders being cylindrical in shape, and the means for interlinking the holders comprising looped members fixed to diametrically opposed sides of each holder, and the adjacent members between each pair of holders being interengaged.

3. A bracelet comprising a row of interlinked coin holders each adapted to receive a single coin only, means to releasably interconnect the ends of said bracelet, and each coin holder having a mouth to slidably receive a coin and to permit the coin to be removed therefrom in a direction tangential of the bracelet circle when the ends of the bracelet are interconnected.

4. An article of manufacture comprising a bracelet link, said link having means thereon whereby it may be connected to a next adjacent link, said link comprising a casing having a partly overhanging retaining lip, the latter constituting a coin retaining means, in combination with a follower and a helical compression spring arranged substantially coaxially in said casing and in the path of said partly overhanging lip, said follower having a depending wall telescopically received by said casing, said spring being located to fit with suitable clearance in and between said casing and follower, whereby when said casing, spring and follower are assembled they become automatically but movably and permanently interlocked, said depending wall contacting with the bottom of the casing to form a limiting means whereby only one coin at a time can be inserted in the link.

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