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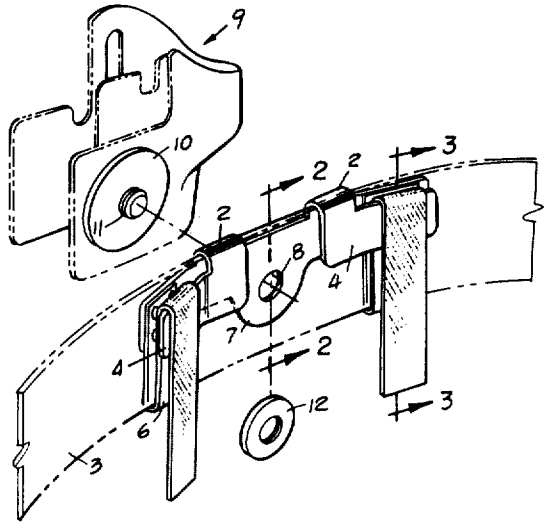
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[57] **ABSTRACT**

The herein attachment for attaching a gun holster or flashlight, or other articles to the belt of a person for easy access, includes a longitudinally flexible frame with a supporting base fitting along the outside face of the belt, a pair of curved fittings which fit over the top edge to the inside face of the belt, lateral extensions from the inner ends of the fittings, and a pair of flexible strips attached to the ends of the supporting base and adapted to be drawn under the belt and played over said lateral extensions of the fittings to hold the attachment in position; the supporting base has a hole located in the space between the fittings for adjustably mounting thereon the supported item, such as items which are utilized by security personnel such as a gun holster, a flashlight, a club or the like.

4 Claims, 3 Drawing Figures



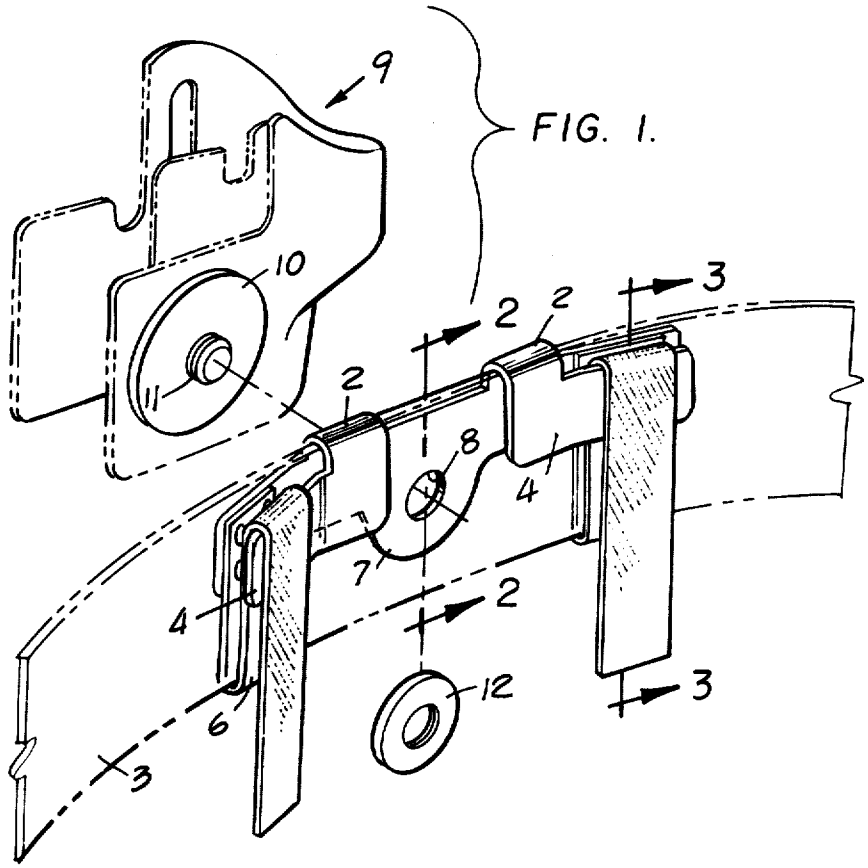


FIG. 1.

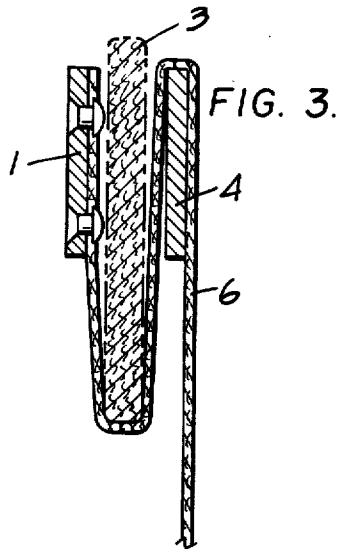


FIG. 3.

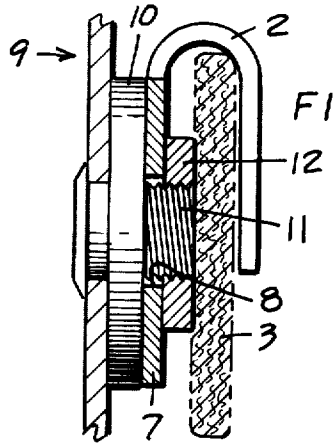


FIG. 2.

BELT ATTACHMENT

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The existence of the problem of attaching items such as a gun holster to a belt is illustrated by prior patents of which applicant is aware. For instance, the Kippen U.S. Pat. No. **3,565,303** attempts to solve the problem by an integral tongue which can be folded over the belt and then by another strap secured again to the holster while still another strap extends downwardly and through a slit in the tongue to fasten the attachment in position; Hendricks U.S. Pat. No. **3,642,184** utilizes two laterally spaced clamp arms which are fastened around the belt, holding the attachment in fixed position; Fink U.S. Pat. No. **2,049,293** and Hier U.S. Pat. No. **3,379,349,** and the Bennet U.S. Pat. No. **2,731,179** provide a loop through which the belt can slide, but none are adapted to hold an article in adjustable position, or to use the pressure of the body on the belt to hold the fastening strips in place.

An object of the invention is to provide a quickly but firmly attachable base member to the belt of a person, to which base an article such as a gun holster or the like can be secured in adjustable position at a suitable angle, and which attachment does not require the use of any buttons, slits, or such fastening elements.

Another object of the invention is to provide a belt attachment in which a longitudinally flexible but stiff base has clamp members which can be fitted over the edge of the belt, and foldable straps which can engage the belt and can engage suitable extensions on the inside of the clamp members firmly for securing the attachment to the belt, utilizing the pressure of the body on the belt; and which provides for easy attachment to the belts of different widths.

Brief Description of the Drawings

FIG. **1** is a perspective view showing the attachment on the belt and indicating a holster to be mounted on the attachment.

FIG. **2** is a cross-sectional view, the section being on lines **2—2** of FIG. **1.**

FIG. **3** is a cross-sectional view, the section being taken on lines **3—3** of FIG. **1.**

Detailed Description

A flat longitudinally flexible elongated plate **1** has on it a pair of clamping members **2** turned over and spaced from the elongated plate **1** so as to form generally "U" shaped clips which fit over the upper edge of a belt **3.** Each clip has a lateral extension **4** on its inner end which extensions **4** extend oppositely from each other and are parallel with the outer plate **1.** Said clips or clamping members **2** and said extensions **4** being also

longitudinally flexible to conform to the curvature of the belt. From the ends of the plate **1** extend a pair of foldable straps **6.**

The plate **1** has an enlarged hub portion **7** thereon with a transverse hole **8** therethrough for suitable adjustable mounting of a supported item such as in the herein illustration, a gun holster **9.** The same type of mounting can be utilized for support of a flashlight, a club, a canteen, a walkie-talkie or radio, or other usual items preferably of the type utilized by security personnel, and of the type which must be held in a convenient position for rapid usage.

A mounting disk **10** has a threaded bolt **11** thereon fitting through the hole **8** to be secured by a usual nut **12.**

In operation the item to be mounted on the base is secured in place as heretofore described. Then the assembly is attached to the belt by placing the "U" shaped clamping members **2** over the top edge of the belt **3** and then by placed the straps **6** under the lower edge of the belt **3** and from the inside over the extensions **4** so that the ends of the belt are between the body of the wearer of the belt and the extensions **4.** The straps **6** are pulled tight and are held in that position by the pressure of the belt around the body.

I claim:

1. A belt attachment for an object holder comprising

an elongated plate,

a pair of spaced substantially inverted "U" shaped clamping members attached to the top if said plate and being adapated to fit over the top edge of the belt,

a lateral extension from each clamping member extending parallel to and spaced from said plate,

foldable straps attached to said plate and extending therefrom and being adapted to be placed around the lower edge of the belt and over the respective adjacent extensions to be held in place by the belt pressure on the body of the wearer,

and means attaching said object holder to said plate.

2. The invention specified in claim **1,** and said plate being longitudinally flexible.

3. The invention specified in claim **2,** and

said attaching means including a hub portion on said elongated plate,

a means on said hub portion for mounting said object holder on said plate,

4. The invention specified in claim **3,** and

said clamping members and said extensions being integral with said plate and each being longitudinally flexible, and said extensions extending outwardly from the respective clamping members.

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