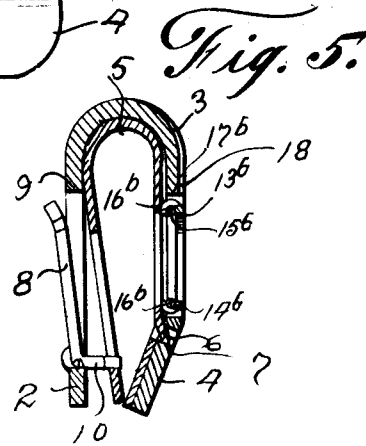
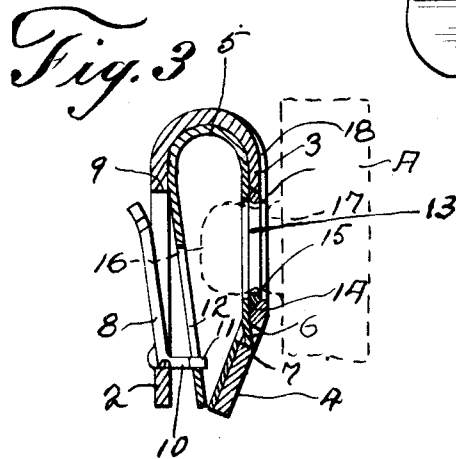
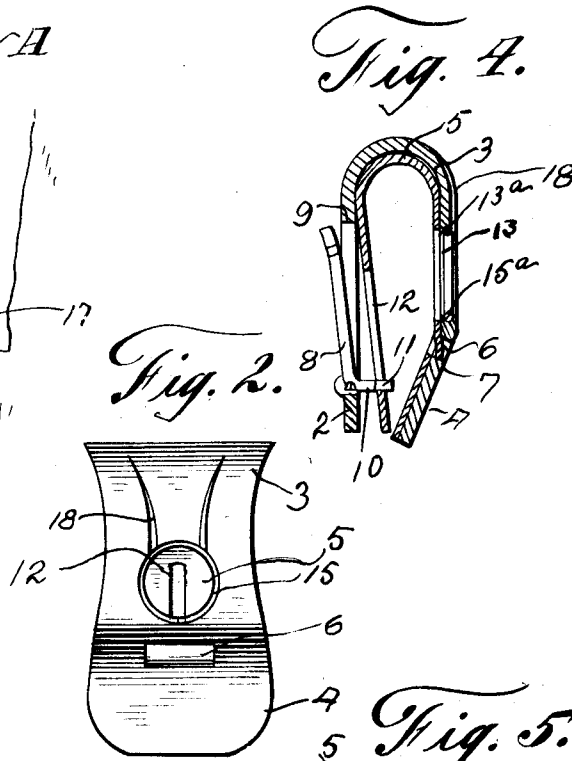
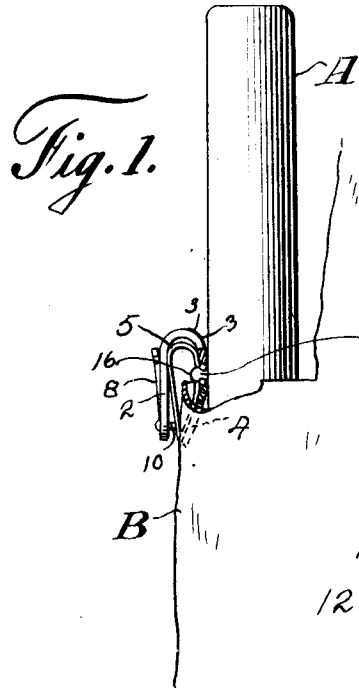


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES C. ROBINSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fairport, in the county of Dekalb and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holders for Fountain-Pens, Pencils, and the Like, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to devices for retaining fountain pens, pencils, and the like in the pocket, and has for its object the provision of a device that will securely hold the pen or pencil in the pocket and at the same time may be easily released when it is desired to use the pen or pencil.

My invention consists in the provision of a spring clasp adapted to engage the edge of the pocket and provided with means for engaging a stud secured to the fountain pen or pencil, said clasp being constructed with an angular portion on which the clasp is capable of being rocked when it is desired to release the stud from engagement therewith.

My invention will be described in detail hereinafter and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which,

Figure 1 is a view of a fountain pen inserted in the pocket and having a stud mounted thereon and shown in engagement with a clasp secured to the upper edge of the pocket; Fig. 2, a rear view in elevation of the clasp; Fig. 3, a central vertical sectional view of the clasp; Fig. 4, a view of a modified form of clasp; and Fig. 5, a view of another modified form.

In the drawings similar reference characters will be used to designate corresponding parts throughout the several views.

Heretofore in the construction of devices used for securing fountain pens, pencils and the like in the pocket, one of the difficulties has been that the clasp does not secure the pen or pencil to the pocket sufficiently to prevent the pen or pencil from dropping out of the pocket when the coat is overturned or shaken, and my invention is intended to overcome this defect of the securing means heretofore in use by providing a stud secured to the pen or pencil that is adapted to engage an opening in a spring clasp that can be secured to the upper edge of the pocket.

In the drawings a spring clasp is designated at 1 and consists of a substantially inverted U-shaped member 2 having its rear portion 3 provided with a substantially ver-

tical portion at the upper end, while its lower end is formed with an inwardly bent portion 4.

5 indicates a U-shaped leaf spring mounted in the U-shaped member 2 and having a tongue 6 that engages the slot 7 in the inwardly bent portion 4.

8 indicates an annular lever pivotally mounted in a slot 9 in the front portion of the U-shaped member 2 and having its shorter arm 10 provided with a reduced extremity 11 that engages the slot 12 in the spring 5, said lever being adapted to move the end of the spring 5 into engaging position with the upper edge of the pocket as shown in Fig. 1.

The rear portion 3 of the U-shaped member 2 is formed with a circular opening 13 and the inner side of said U-shaped portion 3 surrounding said opening 13 is beveled inwardly as shown at 14 to form a recess in which is mounted a circular spring 15, said spring being held in engagement with the beveled portion 14 by means of the spring 15 engaging therewith.

In Fig. 1 I have shown a fountain pen A mounted in the pocket B of a coat or other garment and having secured thereto a stud 16 provided with a circumferential groove 17. The stud 16 is adapted to be inserted through the opening 13 in the U-shaped member 2 and to be held in engagement therewith by means of the spring 15 engaging the groove 17 therein. 18 indicates a groove in the rear face of the portion 3 that communicates with the opening 13 and operates to guide the stud 16 into said opening when inserting the pen or pencil into the pocket.

In use, it will be apparent that after the pen is inserted in the pocket and the stud 16 is engaged by the clasp member, the pen is securely held in the pocket and prevented from accidental displacement. When it is desired to remove the pen from the pocket without releasing the clasp, the lower portion of the U-shaped member 2 is pressed inwardly toward the pen so that the rear portion of the clasp rocks on the angular portion thereof until the lower terminal 4 engages the pen or pencil when the stud 16 will be released from engagement with the opening 13 and spring 15 and the pen or pencil may be removed from the pocket.

In Fig. 4, I have shown a modified means for securing the spring within the opening

consisting in forming the walls of the opening with circumferential groove 13^a in which the spring 15^a is mounted.

In Fig. 5 I have shown still another modified form in which the opening 13^b has its walls provided with an inwardly beveled portion 14^b and the spring 15^b is held in engagement with said beveled portion by means of tongues 16^b formed by cutting out openings 17^b and bending the metal so cut out, forming said tongues, into engagement with the spring 15^b.

Having thus described my invention what I claim is:—

15 1. A securing device for pens and pencils comprising a headed stud adapted to be secured to the pen or pencil, a garment clip provided with an opening adapted to receive said headed stud, the walls of said opening
20 having a beveled portion forming a recess, a circular spring mounted in said recess, and a clamping spring mounted in said clip and provided with an opening in alinement with the opening in the clip aforesaid, said clamping spring being adapted to hold said circular spring in said recess and in engagement
25 with said beveled portion, said headed stud being adapted to enter the opening in the garment clip and to be engaged by said circular spring.

30 2. A securing device for pens and pencils comprising a headed stud adapted to be secured to the pen or pencil, a garment clip consisting of a U-shaped casing having an opening in one of its sides adapted to receive said headed stud, the walls of said opening
35 beveled inwardly and forming a recess, a circular spring mounted in said recess, and a U-shaped leaf spring mounted in said U-

shaped casing and secured at one of its terminals to the perforated side thereof, said U-shaped spring having an opening in alinement with the opening in the casing and engaging the circular spring aforesaid to hold it in position in the beveled recess, the free terminal of said U-shaped spring being adapted to be actuated to form a clamping member.

3. A securing device for pens and pencils comprising a headed stud adapted to be secured to the pen or pencil, a garment clip provided with an opening adapted to receive said headed stud, means mounted on said garment clip to engage said headed stud, and the garment clip provided with an angular portion adjacent to said opening to admit of rocking the clip to release the stud from engagement therewith.

4. A securing device for pens and pencils comprising a headed stud adapted to be secured to said pen or pencil, a garment clip comprising a U-shaped member having one of its legs formed with its lower terminal bent toward the other leg, an opening in said leg adjacent to said inwardly bent portion and adapted to receive the stud aforesaid, and means mounted on said U-shaped member to engage said stud, said stud being adapted to be released from engagement with said U-shaped member by rocking the lower extremity thereof on said inwardly bent portion.

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

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