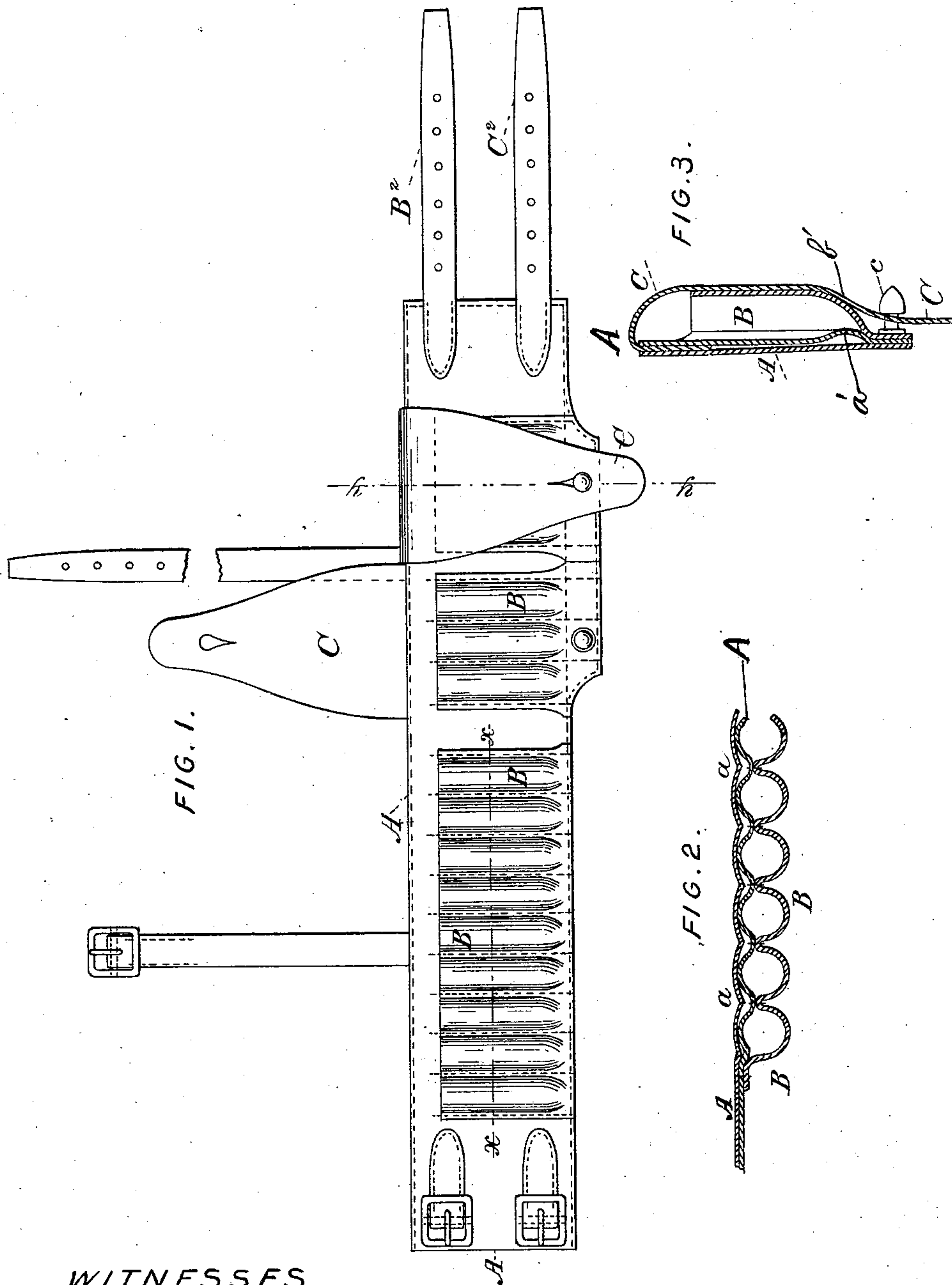


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE CROUCH, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented, made, and applied to use Improve-
5 ments in the Construction of Cartridge-Belts, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification, and to the let-
10 ters of reference marked thereon, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of my improved car-
trudge-belt. Fig. 2 is a section of the same
through the line *x x* of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a
section of the same through the line *y y* of
Fig. 1.

15 In the drawings, like parts of the invention are indicated by the same letters of reference.

This invention relates to leather cartridge-
holders; and it consists in the combination of
a belt with two sheets which have an undulat-
20 ing shape, and are fastened together face to
face, so as to form a series of pockets, as here-
inafter set forth.

To enable those skilled in the arts to make
and use my invention, I will describe the same.

25 A designates a belt, of leather or other flexible material, which is provided at one end with buckles and at the other end with straps B² C², for fastening it around the wearer's waist in the usual manner. To this belt is fastened
30 a sheet or strip, A', of leather or other suitable material, which is stamped or otherwise shaped into a series of undulations, as shown in Fig. 2, each concavity therein forming the rear part of a cartridge-pocket, and B design-
35 nates a front sheet of similar material stamped so as to leave a series of larger undulations

corresponding in position to those above men-
tioned, and forming the front parts of the car-
tridge-pockets. The several parts of the car-
trudge-holding belt are secured together by
40 sewing through them at or near the edges of
sheet B, and preferably, also, on the lines *a a*.
As shown in Fig. 3, the lower part of the ma-
terial of sheet A' is bent outward at *a'* into the
lower end of each pocket, and the correspond- 45
ing part of sheet B is rounded in at *b'*. The
said belt is provided with the usual eyeleted
covering-flaps, C, which extend over the car-
tridge-pockets, and are fastened to studs *c* in
the ordinary manner. These, of course, I do 50
not claim.

It will be seen that the cartridge-pockets are
composed of two reversely-curved sheets, which
are brought face to face. They are more easily
manufactured than a series of pockets bent or 55
formed by bending a single sheet at short in-
tervals till it meets. Furthermore, in case the
outer sheet becomes injured, the inner will still
remain intact and be serviceable with a new
outer sheet. 60

Having thus fully described my invention,
what I claim as new, and desire to secure by
Letters Patent, is—

In a cartridge-holder, the combination of
belt A with sheets A' and B, said sheets be- 65
ing stamped into an undulating shape and fast-
ened together face to face, so as to form a se-
ries of pockets, substantially as set forth.

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