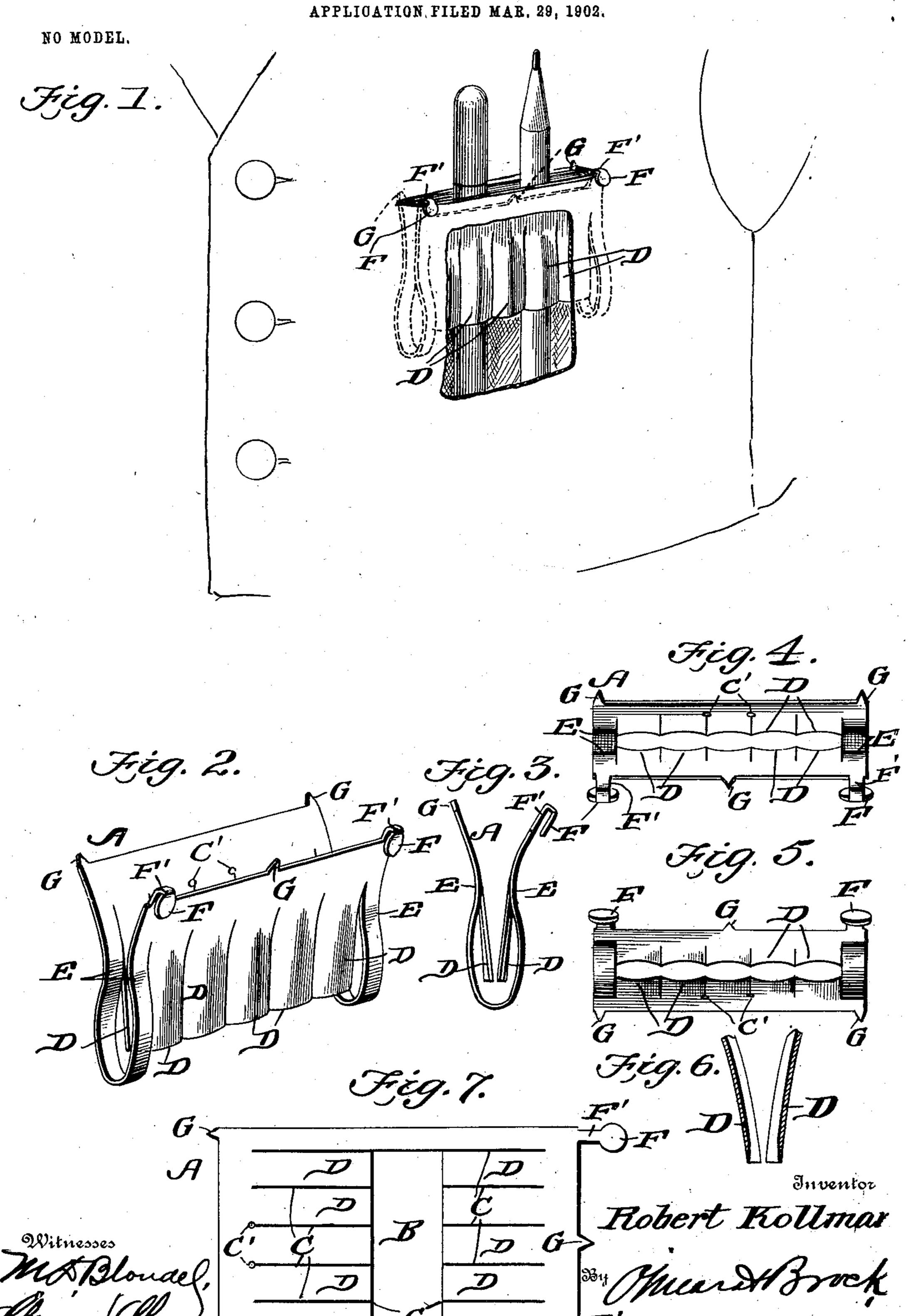
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Robert Kollmar, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Pocket Pen and Pencil Retainer, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improved construction of pen and pencil holder adapted to be armore ranged within the pocket of a garment for the purpose of securely holding a pen or pencil within the pocket and preventing the said pen or pencil dropping from the pocket in case the person should lean over or be subjected to any unusual movement.

The object of the invention is to provide an exceedingly cheap and simple device which can be quickly and easily applied to any pocket and in which a pen or pencil can be quickly and easily inserted and safely grasped and one from which the pen or pencil can be quickly and easily extracted whenever desired.

With these objects in view the invention consists in the novel features of construction and arrangement of parts, all of which will be fully described hereinafter and pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view illustrating the practical application of my invention, a portion of the vest being broken away to illustrate the construction and arrangement of the device within the pocket. Fig.

2 is a perspective view of the holder complete and ready for introduction into the pocket. Fig. 3 is an end view of the same. Fig. 4 is a top view. Fig. 5 is a bottom view. Fig. 6 is a detail sectional view taken through the

40 lower end of two opposing gripping members. Fig. 7 is a plan view of the blank prior to bending or shaping.

In constructing a holder in accordance with my invention I employ a plate A, of spring sheet metal, essentially rectangular in form, and remove the central portion thereof, as shown at B in Fig. 7, and upon opposite sides of the said opening the plate is slitted longitudinally, as shown at C, said slits being arranged in parallel order and extending nearly to the ends of the plates, thereby dividing the plate into a series of oppositely-disposed

strips or members D, the inner ends of which are free, their outer ends being integrally connected to the remaining portion of the 55 frame, which in reality consists of an essentially rectangular-shaped frame. At the corners of one end of the frame are formed the two prongs G, a similar prong being formed at the other end of the plate midway its cor- 60 ners, and adjacent these two remaining corners are formed circular lugs F, connected to the main frame by rectangular necks F'. At the inner ends of the slits C they are slightly enlarged to form perforations C' large enough 65 to permit the passage of a fine needle in case it is desired to sew the holder to the vest. Each strip D is curved longitudinally, and the rectangular-shaped frame is bent in the form of a U, the said side members being 70 pressed somewhat toward each other, as shown at E, and when the frame is bent in this manner the curved strips D are brought opposite each other, as most clearly shown in Figs. 3, 4, and 5, thereby producing gripping 75 members arranged in oppositely-disposed pairs and between which the pen or pencil can be forced and held. One side of the frame is provided with lugs F, which are bent over, as shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 3, for the 80 purpose of clasping the front edge of the pocket, and the barbs or prongs G are also arranged upon both sides of the frame for the purpose of engaging the lining of the pocket and preventing the frame being pulled out of 85 the pocket.

In operation the holder, shaped as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, is inserted into the pocket and the lugs bent down or clasped upon the front edge of the pocket, as most clearly 90 shown in Fig. 1, and pens and pencils can then be inserted between the spring gripping members and securely held against dislocation; but the said pens and pencils can be quickly and easily removed whenever degister.

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

A device of the kind described comprising 100 oppositely-arranged spring-metal members, each member having a plurality of vertically-arranged, longitudinally-curved strips connected at their upper ends, the free ends of

said strips converging toward the strips of the opposite member, integral U-shaped side strips connecting the two members, the bow portion of said side strips lying below the free ends of the strips before mentioned, the opposite portions of each side strip being bent inwardly intermediate the bow portion and

the ends of the strips, prongs carried by one of said members, and downwardly-bent lugs carried by the opposite member.

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