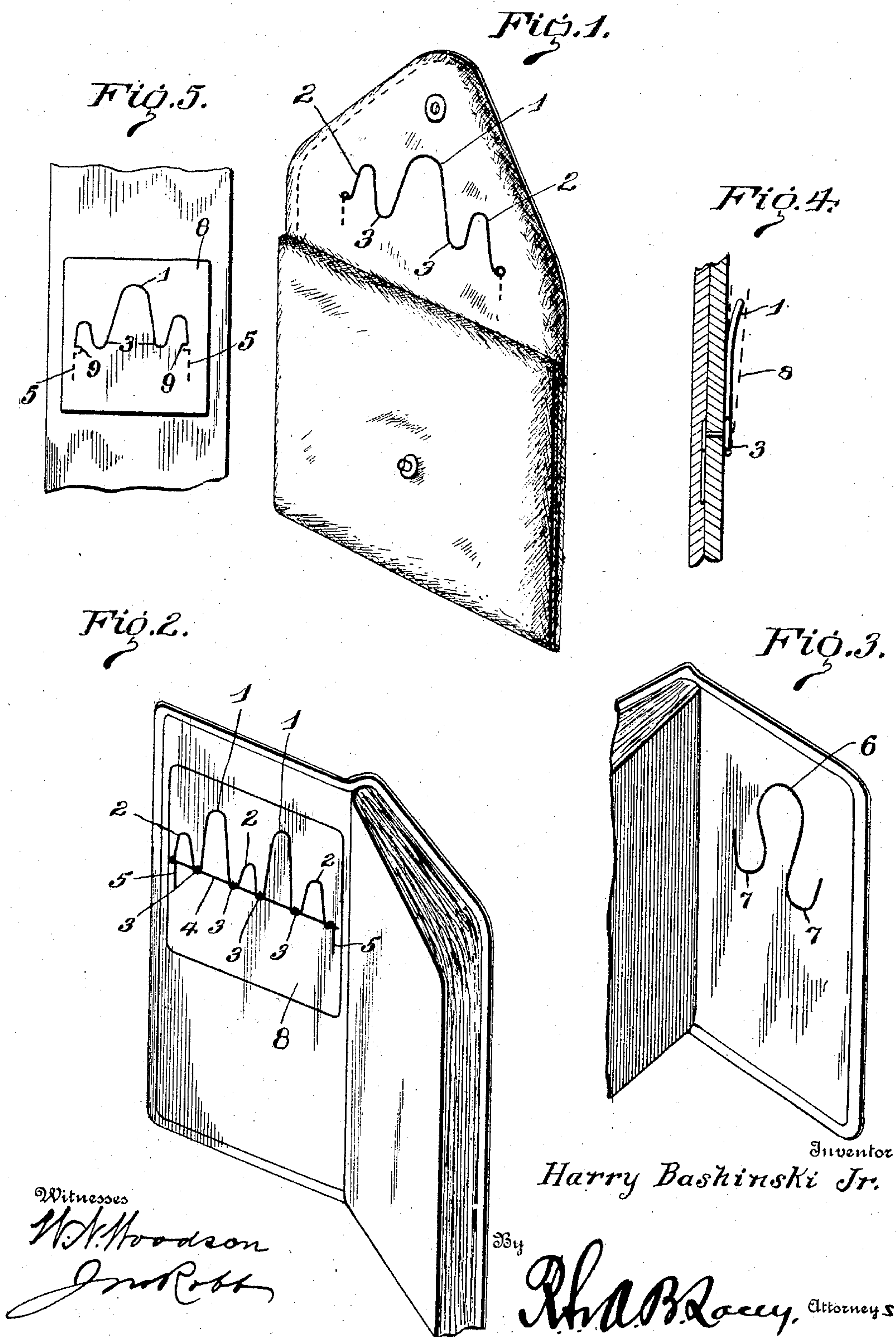


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY BASHINSKI, JR., a citizen of the United States, residing at Tennille, in the county of Washington and State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Postage-Stamp Holders for Pocket-Books, of which the following is a specification.

This invention provides for the safe and convenient carrying of postage-stamps in pocket and memorandum books and like articles, whereby they are readily accessible at all times, are prevented from sticking, and are protected from grit and foreign matter.

The holder is attached to the article in the most convenient position and comprises a series of loops of different lengths pressed against the support by a spring action, so as to securely hold the stamps, the variation in the lengths of the loops admitting of the postage-stamps being readily placed in position.

For a full description of the invention and the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction of the means for effecting the result reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawings.

While the invention may be adapted to different forms and conditions by changes in the structure and minor details without departing from the spirit or essential features thereof, still some of the preferred embodiments are shown in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a detail view of a pocket-book provided with a postage-stamp holder embodying the invention. Fig. 2 is a detail view of a memorandum-book provided with a modified view of postage-stamp holder. Fig. 3 is a further modification. Fig. 4 is a detail view showing one manner of attaching the holder to its support. Fig. 5 is a detail view of a modification.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

The holder is constructed of spring-wire of small gage bent to provide a series of loops 1

and 2 of varying lengths and having an alternate arrangement. The loops 1 are longer than the loops 2, this construction having been found of advantage because of the greater convenience experienced in placing the postage-stamps in position. A holder may comprise any number of loops, and in the event of three loops constituting the number the long loop 1 is arranged intermediate of the short loops 2. The loops are separated by short bends 3, which are in line with the terminal attaching ends of the wire, which are secured to the pocket or memorandum book in any determinate way. In the preferable construction the loops 1 and 2 and the short bends 3 are in the same plane, so as to lie flat against the surface to which the holder is attached. In the construction shown in Fig. 1 the holder is attached to the flap of a pocket-book, whereas in the construction shown in Fig. 2 the holder is secured to a cover of a memorandum-book. In either case the part to which the holder is attached constitutes a support, and the postage-stamps are clamped between said support and the loops.

In the modification shown in Fig. 2 a wire is attached at its ends to the cover of a memorandum-book or other support, and the holder proper is mounted upon said wire, being attached thereto at its ends and its intermediate points corresponding to the short bends, the latter short terminal portions of the wire forming the holder being wrapped about the wire 4. The terminal portions of the wire forming the holder are extended, as shown at 5, and obtain a bearing against the cover or support, thereby serving to press the loops 1 and 2 against said cover. The postage-stamps are passed beneath the loops of the holder and are clamped against the support thereby. The construction also admits of passing the central portion of a postage-stamp beneath a long loop and the end portions over the adjacent short loops. However, this is only a matter of use, the novelty residing in the peculiar formation of the holder and its manner of attachment to the article.

In the modification shown in Fig. 3 the wire is bent to provide opposite loops 6 and 7,

which lie flat against the support, one loop acting as a retainer for the other.

It is proposed to interpose a piece of waxed, paraffined, or oil paper 8 between the clip and 5 its support, as shown in Figs. 4 and 5, and to utilize the holder or clip as means for securing it to the support. The extensions or points 5 of the wire pass through the paper and support and secure all together. As shown in 10 Fig. 5, the points 5 have crimps 9, which make positive engagement with the paper or support and prevent slipping of the holder when placed in position.

Having thus described the invention, what 15 is claimed as new is—

1. A postage-stamp holder consisting of a single length of spring-wire bent to provide a series of loops extending in the same direction and having the terminal portions of the 20 wire projected in an opposite direction to the loops, and means for attaching the holder to

a support at a point intermediate of the loops and terminal extensions.

2. In a postage-stamp holder, the combination of a supporting-wire, a second wire bent 25 to provide a series of loops and end extensions and wrapped about the supporting-wire at a point between the loops and between the end loops and terminal extensions, substantially as set forth. 30

3. In combination, a support, an oiled paper placed against said support, and a postage-stamp holder provided with attaching means passed through said oiled paper and engaged with the support for securing both said holder 35 and oiled paper thereto.

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

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