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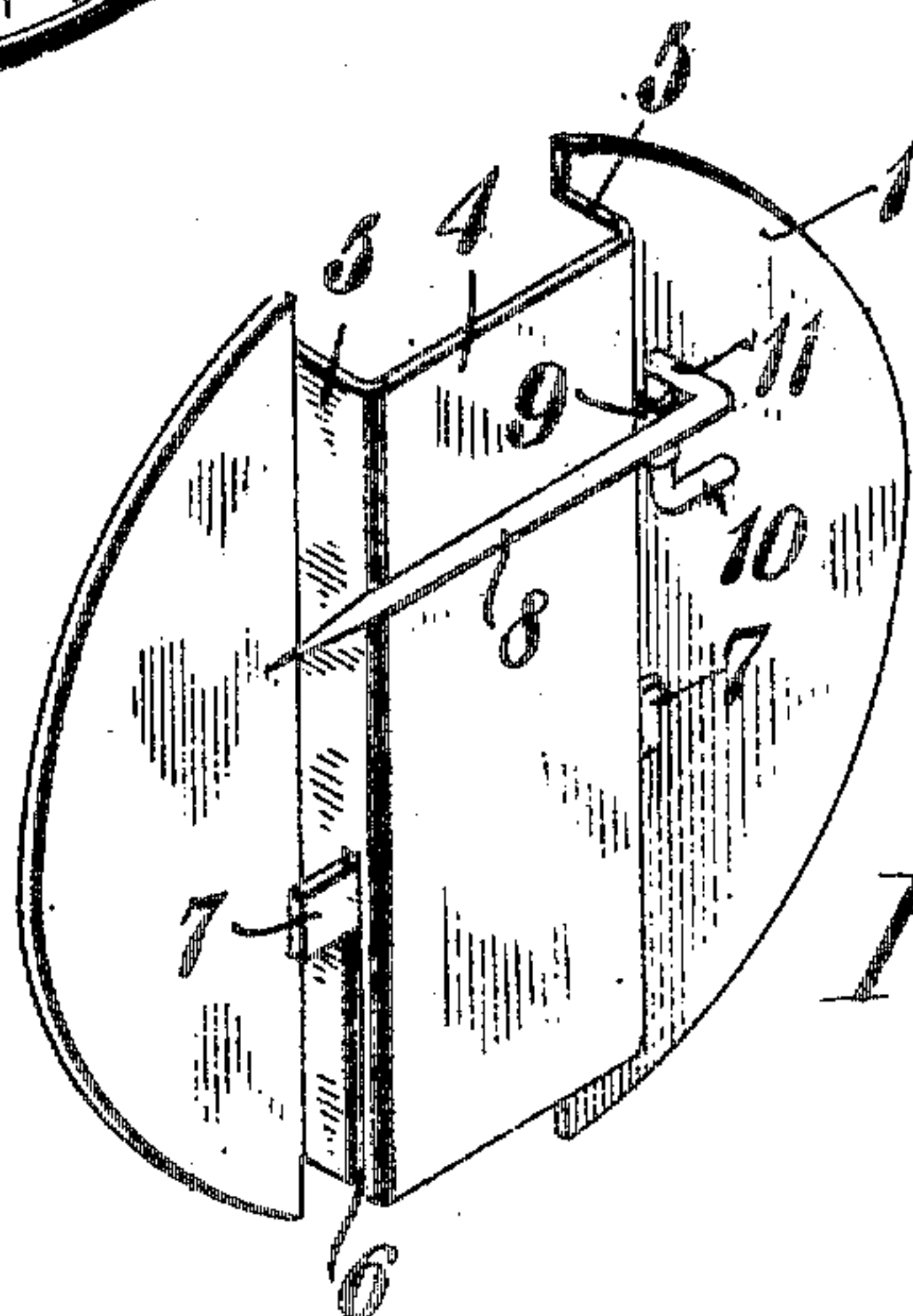
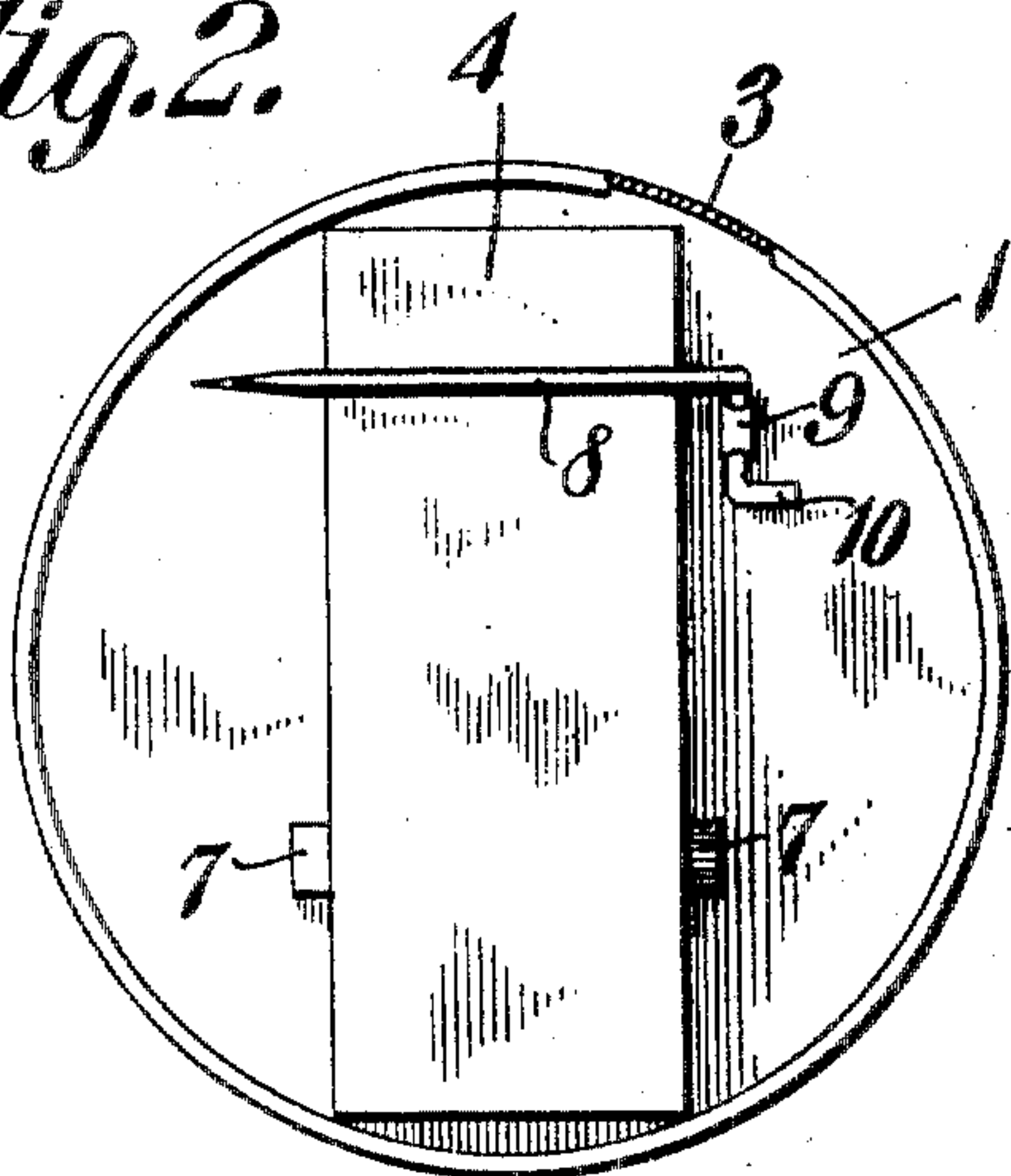
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*Fig. 1.*

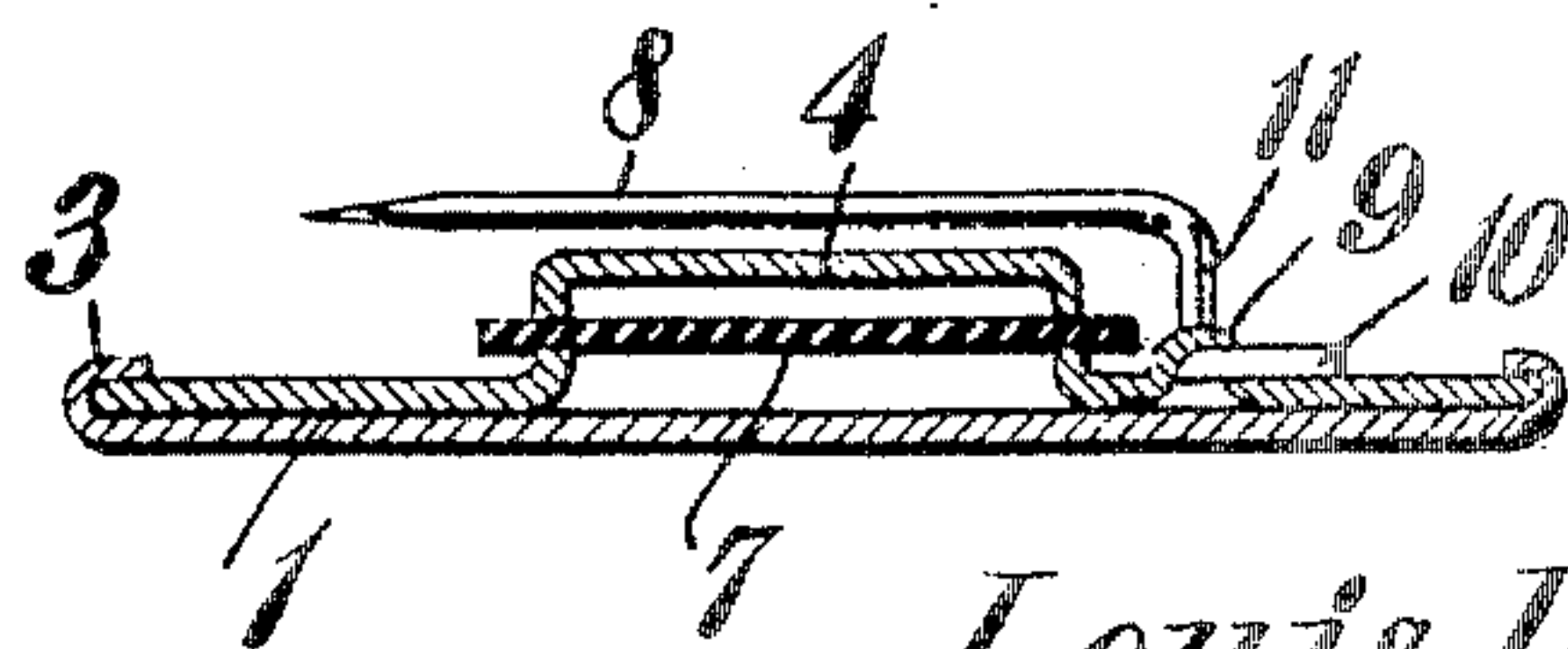


*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*

*Fig. 4.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LOUIS P. WICKLAND, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fremont, in the county of Sandusky and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Badge, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to badges.

The object of the invention is to provide an article of this character which, in addition to any novelty of ornamentation of design, shall include the added feature of being adapted to produce a musical tone, whereby to enhance the attractiveness of the article and add largely to its selling qualities.

With the above and other objects in view as will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in the novel construction and combination of parts of a badge, as will be hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which like characters of reference indicate corresponding parts: Figure 1 is a view in elevation of a badge constructed in accordance with the present invention. Fig. 2 is a rear elevation thereof, partly in section. Fig. 3 is a perspective detail view of a part of the whistle. Fig. 4 is a transverse sectional view through the completed article.

The badge comprises a metallic back or body 1, which is constructed of sheet metal, and has its outer surface suitably ornamented as shown in Fig. 1, as by attaching thereto a front or face 2, preferably, though not of necessity, of metal, and which may be secured in position in any suitable manner, as by incurling its periphery around that of the back plate as shown at 3, thus to effect a stable connection between the parts.

Extending throughout the greater length of the diameter of the back is a three-sided whistle tube 4, which is formed by striking or stamping up the metal of the back, the fourth side of the tube being formed by the front 2. The two side walls of the tube are provided with incisions 6 extending longitudinally thereinto from one end and in which is held by frictional contact with the walls of the incisions, a tongue or reed 7 of the whistle, which may be of any suitable material, preferably of a thin strip of rubber. This arrangement will materially prolong the life of the article as, if its tongue be broken, it may be readily replaced by sliding the ends of a

new one into and longitudinally of the incisions so that said ends will frictionally engage and be held by the walls of the incisions.

As a means for securing the badge upon the coat or other garment of the wearer, there is a pin 8 provided, which is disposed at right angles to the length of the whistle tube and has its point projected beyond the same. The pin may be held assembled with the back in any preferred manner, in this instance, by providing the back with an eye or seat 9 which may be integral with the back, and through which the pin is inserted, and is then bent to form a stop or keeper to bear against the back, and again bent to form an offset 11 which will cause the pin to clear the whistle tube and be spaced therefrom.

As above stated, the face will, by preference, be constructed of metal, but if preferred it may be made from card-board or heavy paper and be pasted or cemented to the back.

When the badge is positioned upon the garment, it will have the appearance of such articles commonly worn, but the added novelty of the whistle will impart to it a feature not commonly found in such articles. It is intended that the badge should be worn upon the lapel of the coat in such position that the wearer may readily apply his lips to the outer end of the whistle tube in order to produce a musical sound.

The device as a whole is simple in construction, ornamental in character and will possess features of novelty that will recommend it to common use.

Having thus described the invention what is claimed is:—

1. A badge comprising a body, and a whistle carried by one side thereof and comprising a tube having one wall formed by the body, the side walls of said tube having longitudinal incisions extending thereinto from one end, a vibratory tongue having its end portions within and movable longitudinally of the incisions for seating or unseating the tongue therein, and means for attaching the body to a garment, the walls of the incisions frictionally engaging and holding the end portions of the tongue.

2. A badge comprising a body, and a whistle carried by one side thereof and comprising an angular tube having one wall formed by the body, the side walls of said tube having longitudinal incisions extending



thereinto from one end, a vibratory tongue  
insertible into the incisions in the direction  
of the length of the tube but transversely of  
the tongue, and means for attaching the  
5 body to a garment, the walls of the incisions  
frictionally engaging and holding opposite  
end portions of the tongue.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as  
my own, I have hereunto affixed my signa-  
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