

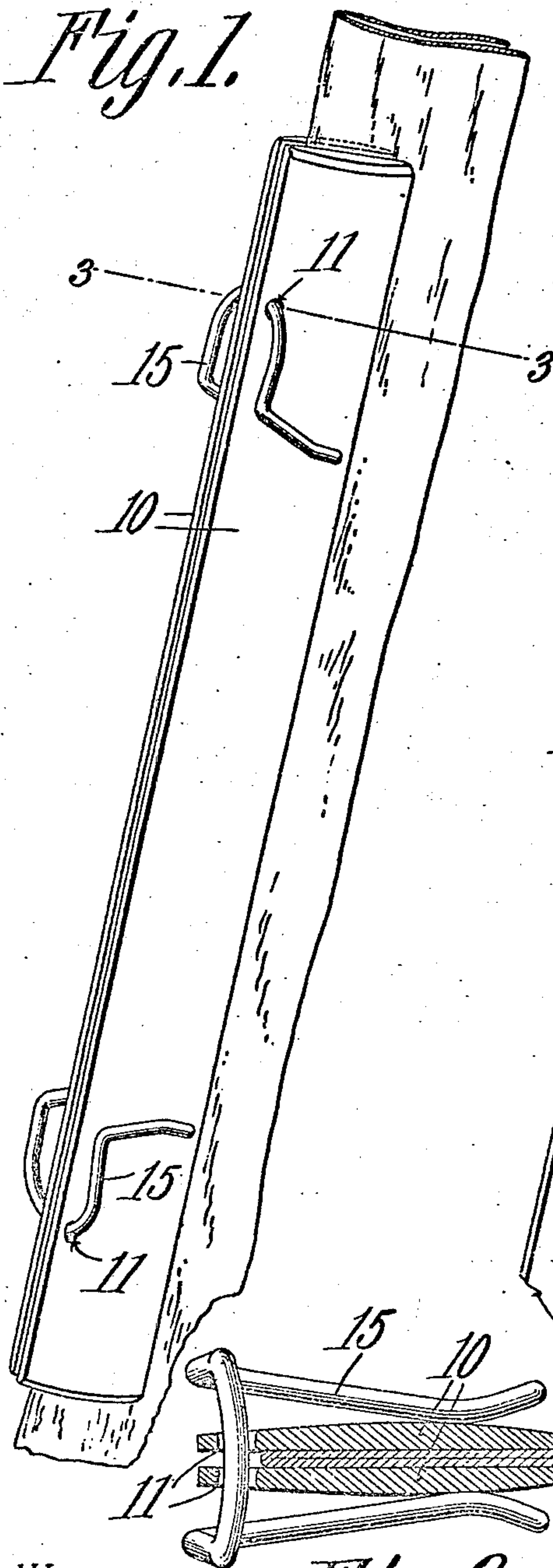
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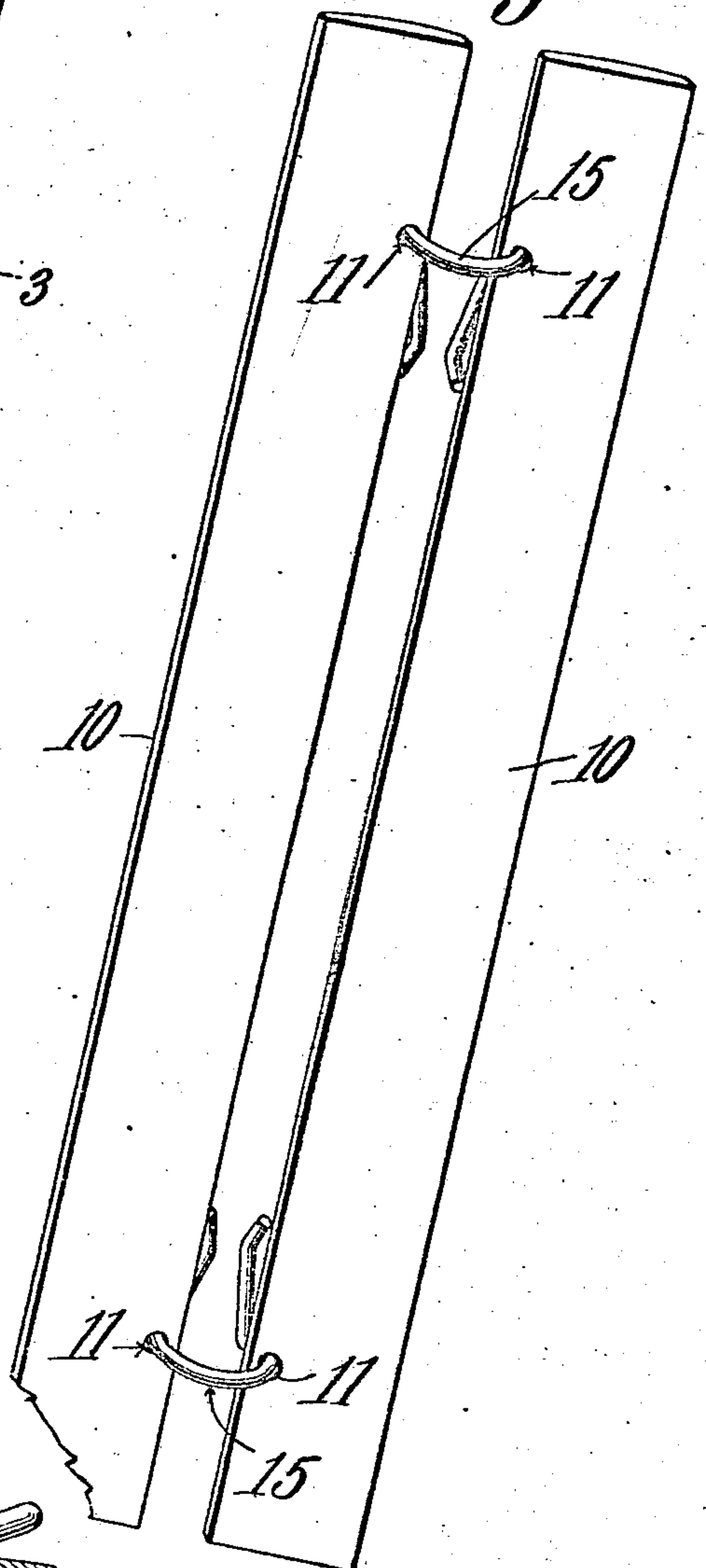
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*Fig. 2.*

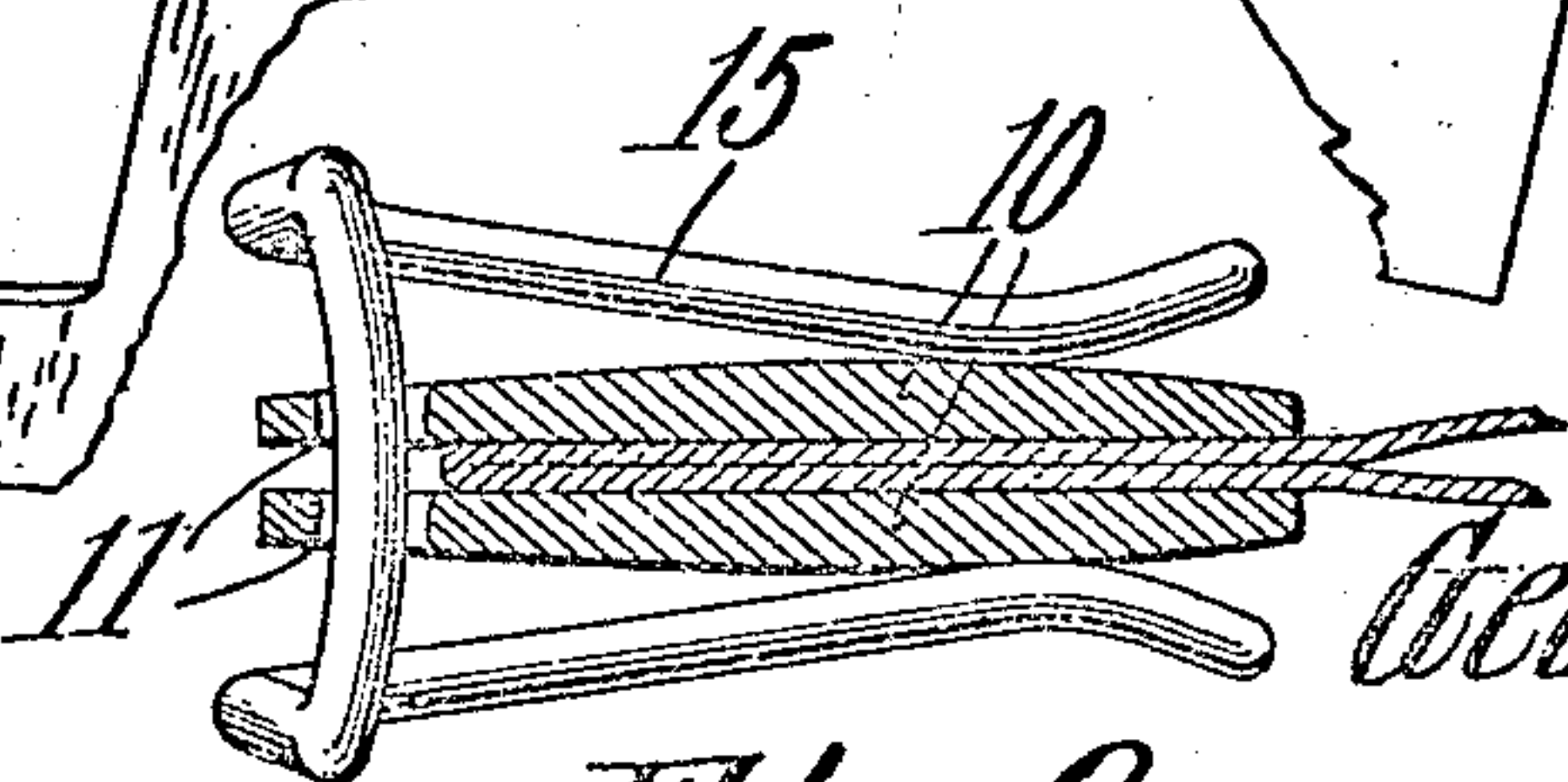


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*Fig. 3.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE L. EDGERTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Goldsboro, in the county of Wayne and State of North Carolina, have invented a new and useful Garment-Creaser, of which the following is a specification.

The principal object of the present invention is to provide a device of simple construction for creasing or preserving the crease in trousers, skirts, and other garments, especially where the garments are packed in suit cases, trunks or the like.

A further object of the invention is to provide a device of this type in which a pair of clamping or creasing members are connected together by hinge or other members which serve, also, as clamping means.

With these and other objects in view, as will more fully hereinafter appear, the invention consists in certain novel features of construction and arrangement of parts, hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims, it being understood that various changes in the form, proportions, size and minor details of the structure may be made without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

In the accompanying drawings:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of a garment creaser constructed in accordance with the invention. Fig. 2 is a similar view, showing the creaser opened. Fig. 3 is a transverse section of the device on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

Similar numerals of reference are employed to indicate corresponding parts throughout the several figures of the drawings.

In carrying out the invention, two strips 10, formed of wood, metal or other material, are employed, and near one edge of each strip is an opening 11, the openings being arranged in alinement with each other. Through each set of openings is passed a combined hinge and clamp member 15, which preferably is formed of spring wire.

The central portion of the section of wire is bent into approximately U-shape, and then the two arms are bent at a right angle to the central portion and are arranged on lines that slightly converge toward the free ends, while the terminals of the wire are bent slightly outward, so that the clamping member may be freely slid over the two strips 10.

The two strips may be opened out flat, as illustrated in Fig. 2, for convenience in placing the garment in position, and after the strips have been folded together, with a portion of the garment between them, the members 15 are turned to the position shown in Fig. 1 and serve as spring clamps to firmly hold the strips against the garment, and thus form or preserve the crease.

The device is especially valuable where garments are packed in suit cases, trunks or the like, inasmuch as it preserves the freshness of the folds of the garments, without occupying unnecessary space.

I claim:—

1. A garment creaser comprising a pair of strips, and a hinge member forming a loose connection to permit free folding and unfolding of the strips, the ends of said hinge member being continued to form a spring clamp movable over the strips to force the same firmly together.

2. A garment creaser comprising a pair of strips having alined openings, and a combined hinge and clamp member formed of spring wire, the central portion of the length of wire being bent into approximately U-shape, the wire being thence bent to form two arms at a right angle to the central portion, said arms being arranged on slightly convergent lines, and their terminals being outwardly curved.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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