

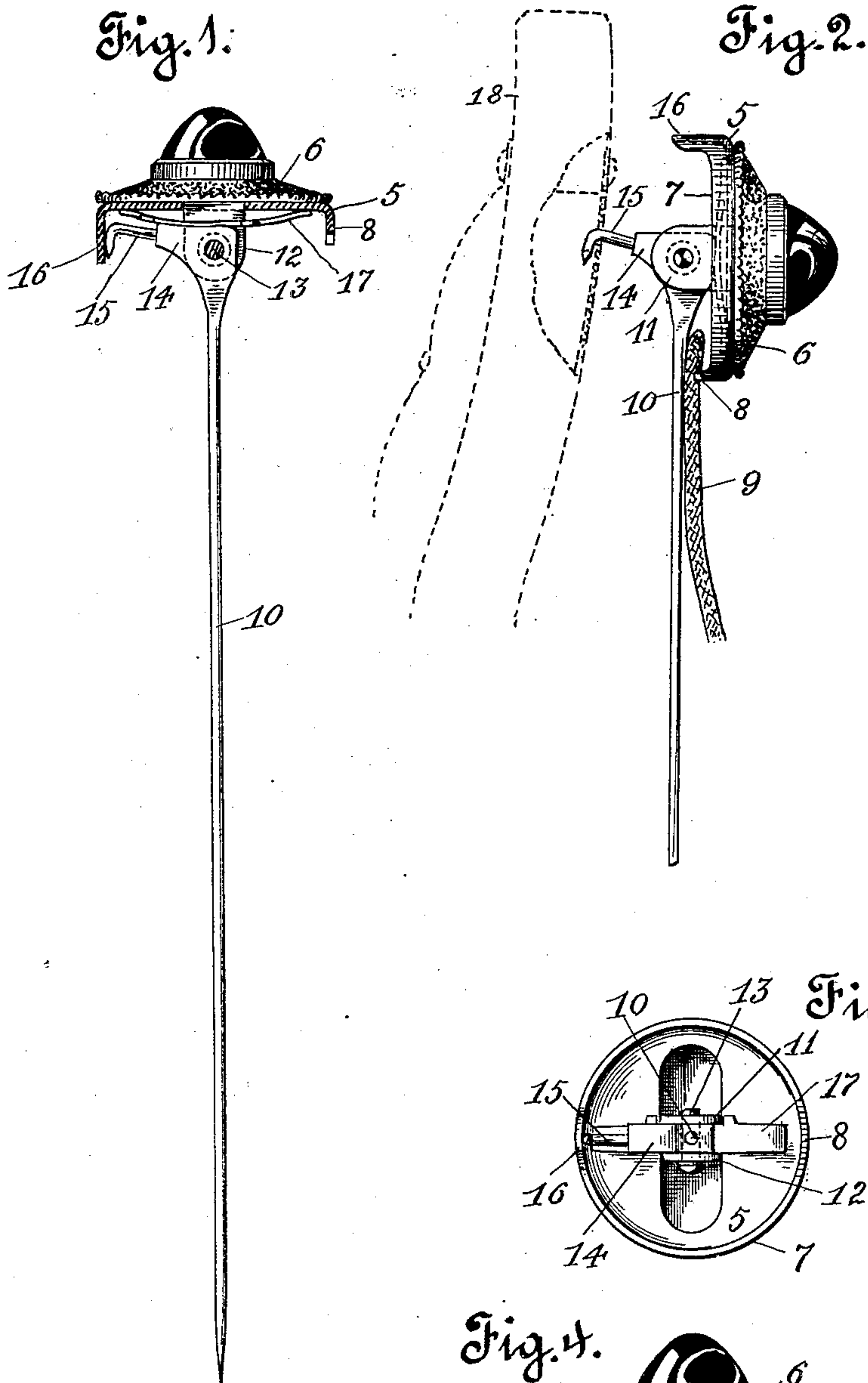
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK S. BUCKMINSTER, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city of Los Angeles, county of Los Angeles, and State of California, have invented new and useful Improvements in Hat-Pins, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a hat pin so constructed that when the hat is off the wearer the pin may be used to secure the hat upon the back of a seat in a theater or other audience room. I accomplish this object by the hat pin described herein and illustrated in the accompanying drawing in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my hat pin with some of the parts in section. Fig. 2 shows the pin in its operative position for securing a hat, partially shown, upon the back of a chair having a fabric back, the chair back being shown in dotted lines. Fig. 3 is a bottom plan. Fig. 4 is a side elevation at right angles to the elevation in Fig. 1.

In the drawings 5 is the base plate of the head of the pin to which is secured the ornamental top 6 of any appropriate construction. The base plate is of any suitable configuration being preferably circular when completed and being provided with a downwardly projecting flange 7, the rear portion of which is preferably prolonged slightly and has the edge serrated as best shown in Fig. 4 and forms a holding lug 8, which engages the rim 9 of the hat and holds the same between such lug and the holding pin 10. From the base plate is struck, or otherwise secured thereto, bearings 11 and 12 in which pin 10 is mounted by rivet 13. The head 14 of pin 10 is flat on the top and at the back as best shown in Fig. 1, and the front part of the head is provided with an L-shaped attaching pin 15 whose free end is pointed for insertion into the fabric of the back of the theater or other seat in a public auditorium. When the hat pin is in the position shown in Figs. 1 and 4, which is its position for use in securing a hat upon the head of the wearer, the point of pin 15 is protected by an apron 16 which projects downwardly from the front of flange 7 and is preferably integral therewith. Passing between bearings 11 and 12 and resting upon head 14 of the pin 10 is a flat spring 17 the free ends of which bear against the base plate 5 as best shown in Fig. 1. This spring holds the head in the position shown in Fig.

1 or in the position shown in Fig. 2 as desired.

In the operation of my device when the parts are shown in the position shown in Fig. 1 the hat pin is adapted for ordinary use. When the wearer takes a seat in a public auditorium where it is required that her hat be removed she removes the same from her head in the usual manner and then places the rim of the hat against the pin 10 and then tilts the head of the pin to the position shown in Fig. 2 where spring 17 holds the hat firmly secured between the pin and the holding lug. She then pushes the end of pin 15 into the fabric of the back 18 shown in dotted lines in Fig. 2 of the seat immediately in front of her and allows the hat to swing down against the back of the seat where it is securely held. If the back of the seat is of wood or iron she places pin 15 upon the top of the back of the seat in front of her and the hat swings against the back of the seat and is firmly held in either case by pin 15.

A hat pin constructed as before described affords the usual means for securing the hat upon the head of the wearer, and also provides convenient means when the hat is removed from the head of the wearer for holding the hat attached to a seat in front of the wearer.

It will be observed that by securing the attaching pin to the holding pin when the attaching pin is placed upon, or pierces the back of the seat the holding pin rests against the back of the seat and operates as a brace to the attaching pin, thereby preventing it from accidentally separating from the seat.

Having described my invention what I claim is:—

1. A hat pin having the head thereof pivotally secured to the holding pin; means for securing the head of the pin in a plane at right angles to the body of the holding pin or in a plane parallel to the plane of the body of the holding pin; and means secured to the head of the holding pin for attaching the same upon the back of a seat.

2. A hat pin comprising a head having bearings secured upon the lower side thereof; a holding pin pivotally mounted in said bearings, said holding pin having a head provided with an L-shaped attaching pin; an apron secured to the head of the pin and projecting downwardly therefrom in front of the attaching pin when positioned for ordinary use; a holding lug projecting down-

wardly from the other side of said head; and
a spring resting upon the head of the holding
pin.

3. A hat pin provided with a tilting head;
5 and means secured to the holding pin for
attaching the same upon the back of a seat.

In witness that I claim the foregoing I

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