

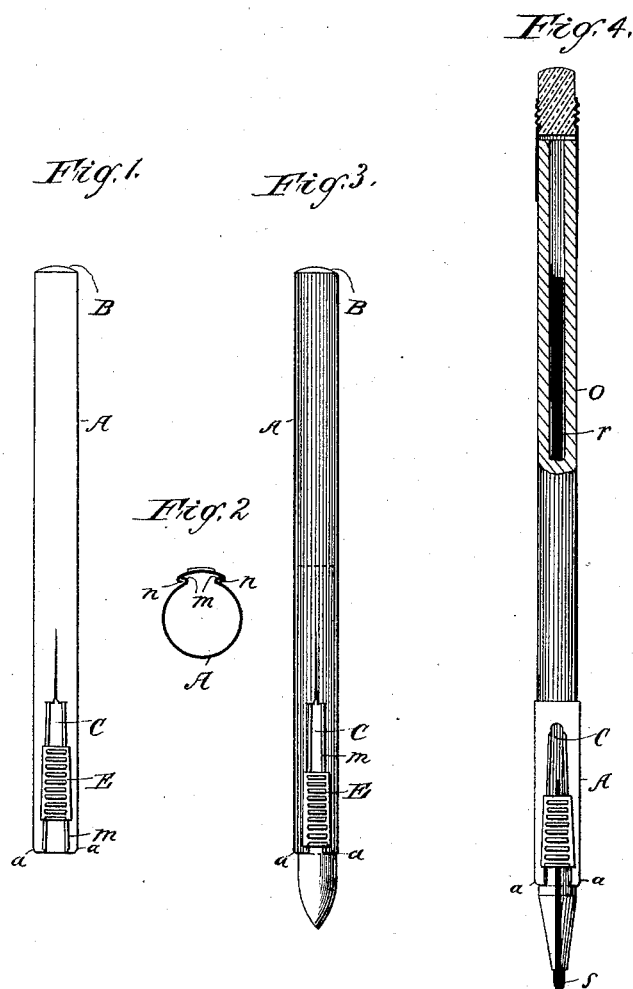
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, OSCAR A. WEISSENBORN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Lead-Pencil and Crayon Holders, of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a full, clear, and accurate description.

The object of my invention is to provide a cheap and effective holder for lead and slate pencils, crayons, rubber, and other like articles; and it consists in a tube of metal or other suitable material for holding said pencil, crayon, or rubber, provided with a wedge-shaped slot or aperture, giving elasticity to the end of the tube, and also furnished with a slide, by means of which the edge or sides of the aperture or slot can be brought together when desired.

In the drawings, Figure 1 shows a side elevation of my invention; Fig. 2, a plan view of the same; Fig. 3, my improved holder used on crayon, and Fig. 4 the same used as a pencil-holder.

Similar letters of reference represent similar parts.

A represents a tube of suitable material, preferably metal, which may be closed at the end B, if desired. C is a slot or aperture caused by cutting from said tube a wedge-shaped portion. The tube A may be slitted partly or entirely through its length, if desired, at the interior end of the slot C.

The edges *m m* of the slot C are turned backward upon the tube A. E is a wedge-shaped slide fitting over the slot C, and having its edges *n n* turned over and engaging in the space formed by turning the edges *m m* of the slot C upon the tube A.

The operation of my invention, as illustrated in Figs. 3 and 4, is as follows: The crayon in Fig. 3, being inserted in the tube A, which it fits loosely, when the slide E is pushed toward the end B, is drawn out to the desired length for use beyond the end of the tube. The slide E is then pushed forward, and by its motion draws the ends of the slotted tube to-

gether, thus binding the crayon and holding it in the desired position. The open end of the tube A may in this case have its edges turned slightly inward, as shown at *a*, said turned edges serving by their slight friction with the crayon to hold it temporarily in position until the slide E is pushed forward.

In Fig. 4 the tube A is represented as having both ends open and as applied to that class of lead-pencils in which the lead *r* moves freely in the wooden case, said case *o* being slitted, so as to allow such movements. When the slide E is pushed back, the lead *r* drops into the wooden case *o*. When it is desired to use the pencil, the lead is allowed to move forward and project, as shown at *s*, and the slide E, being moved forward, presses the open ends of the slot C together and clamps the lead in the desired position.

A cylindrical piece of rubber may be substituted for the crayon in Fig. 3, and thus form a neat and useful protector for said rubber.

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

1. A pencil or crayon holder consisting of a metallic or elastic tube with a slotted wedge-shaped opening and a wedge-shaped slide, the sides of said wedge opening and slide interlocking into each other, substantially as described.

2. A pencil or crayon holder consisting of the tube A, with the slotted wedge-shaped opening C, having turned-down edges *m m*, and a wedge shaped slide, E, with the turned-down edges *n n*, substantially as described.

3. A pencil or crayon holder consisting of the tube A, with inclined or turned-in edges *a*, and with the slotted wedge-shaped opening C, having turned-down edges *m m*, and a wedge-shaped slide, E, with the turned-down edges *n n*, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 21st day of March, 1888.

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