

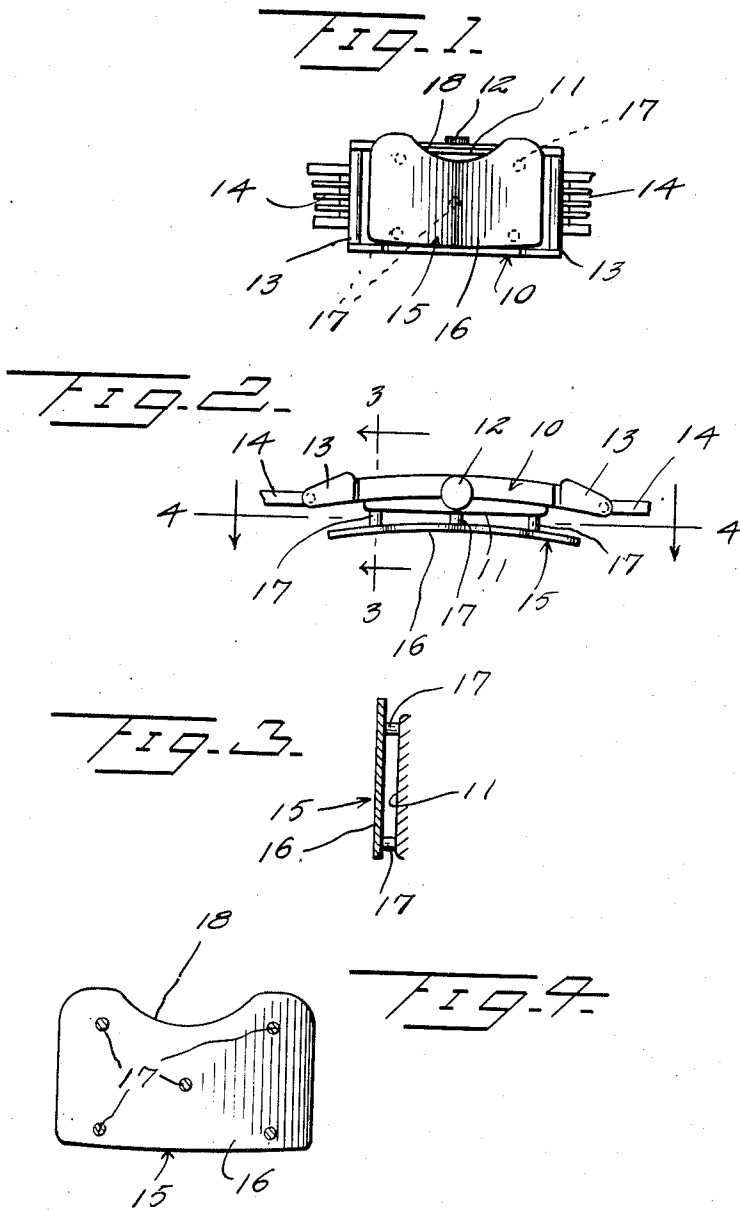
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This invention relates to an attachment for wrist watches and is adapted to be applied to backs of conventional wrist watches and is permanently mounted therebeneath, to provide means for engaging the wrist to hold the watch out of contact therewith, so that the watch will not be damaged by body perspiration.

Wrist watches are frequently ruined due to perspiration from the wearer seeping through the case and into the delicate watch works causing the works to rust and otherwise injured by acid frequently present in perspiration, so that in a very short time the watch is damaged beyond repair.

Other straps for wrist watches have been provided having shields for holding the watch out of engagement with the wrist. However, such shields are primarily intended to form a cushion between the watch and the wrist and do not protect the watch from perspiration due to the fact that the shields will become saturated with perspiration and thus provide a ready means for conveying the perspiration to the watch.

It is therefore the aim of the present invention to provide an attachment for the back of a wrist watch which will space the wrist watch from the wrist and from the portion of the attachment which engages the wrist to effectively protect the watch from perspiration and to enable the watch to be worn on any type of wrist strap, band or bracelet which fastens to the end of the watch.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will hereinafter become more fully apparent from the following description of the drawing, which illustrates a preferred embodiment thereof, and wherein

Figure 1 is a bottom plan view showing a wrist watch with the attachment applied thereto.

Figure 2 is an edge view in elevation of the same.

Figure 3 is a transverse vertical sectional view taken substantially along the plane of the line 3—3 of Figure 2, and

Figure 4 is a horizontal sectional view taken substantially along the plane of the line 4—4 of Figure 2.

Referring more particularly to the drawing, wherein like reference characters designate like or corresponding parts throughout the different views, 10 designates generally a conventional wrist watch having a back 11, a winding stem 12 which projects from one edge thereof, bracelet attaching loops 13 which are connected to and project from the ends of the watch, and 14 designates

portions of a wrist band or bracelet which are attached to the loops 13. The parts previously described form no part of the present invention but are shown and described merely to better illustrate the application and purpose of the attachment, designated generally 15 and comprising the invention.

Attachment 15 includes a plate 16 from one side of which projects a plurality of studs 17. Studs 17 are permanently secured in any suitable manner at their free ends to the back 11, preferably one in each corner thereof and one in the center for permanently attaching the plate 16 to the back of the watch 10 and so that the plate 16 will be spaced therefrom as clearly shown in Figures 2 and 3. Plate 16 is preferably curved longitudinally to fit the curvature of the wrist and its underside is therefore concave and its upper or inner side is convex. The studs 17 project from the upper, convex side of the plate 16. Plate 16 is preferably made sufficiently long to extend beyond the ends of the watch 10 so that the ends thereof are disposed below the loops 13 and is sufficiently wide to extend the width of the watch 10. One longitudinal edge of the plate 16 is provided with an arcuately shaped recess 18 intermediate of its ends which is disposed beneath the winding knob 12, as best seen in Figure 2, to afford ample space for the finger while winding or setting the knob of the watch.

From the foregoing it will be obvious that the plate 16 will engage the wrist for supporting the back 11 of the watch out of engagement with the wrist to thereby prevent the perspiration coming in contact with the watch case. The attachment 15 thus forms a protector especially to protect the watch from any damage due to perspiration or any other injury to a watch that might be caused by contact of the watch with the wrist.

The plate 16 is preferably formed of metal and it may obviously be formed of a metal corresponding to that of the case of the watch 10. However, said plate 16 may be formed of any other suitable material which is sufficiently rigid for accomplishing the purpose for which it is intended. It will be obvious that the studs 17 by connecting with the back 11, permit removal of the attachment 15 from the back 11 to afford access to the works of the watch 10.

Various modifications and changes are contemplated and may obviously be resorted to, provided they fall within the spirit and scope of the invention as hereinafter defined by the ap-

pending claims, as only a preferred embodiment thereof has been disclosed.

I claim as my invention:

1. An attachment for wrist watches comprising a plate, a plurality of studs projecting from one side of the plate and permanently connected at their free ends to the back of a wrist watch for fixedly mounting the plate thereon and in spaced relationship to the back of the watch, said plate being adapted to engage the wrist to hold the watch out of contact therewith, said plate being bowed longitudinally, and the intermediate portion of the plate being disposed closer to the back of the watch than the end portions of the plate.

2. An attachment for wrist watches comprising a plate, a plurality of studs projecting from one side of the plate and permanently connected at their free ends to the back of a wrist watch for fixedly mounting the plate thereon and in spaced relationship to the back of the watch, said plate being adapted to engage the wrist to hold the watch out of contact therewith, said plate being of sufficient length to extend beyond the ends of the watch, and one longitudinal edge of the plate having a recess which is disposed beneath the winding stem of the watch.

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