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(54) **Magnetic strip assembly for use with socket-type tools and the like**

(57) A magnetic strip assembly for use with socket-type tools includes a flexible magnetized strip (12) which is releasably attached to a carrier member (14) with pressure sensitive adhesive. The strip is die-cut to form an array of lift-off inserts (20) in various sizes and shapes for selective removal and registered placement within a socket (28) of a drive-tool (26). The insert (20) magnetically holds a metal fastener (30), such as a nut or bolt, for initiating nut or bolt tightening and is especially adapted for applications in hard-to-reach areas. A core (22) of the insert is attachable to an end of a rod to magnetically retrieve small metal objects, such as washers, nuts and screws from similar locations.

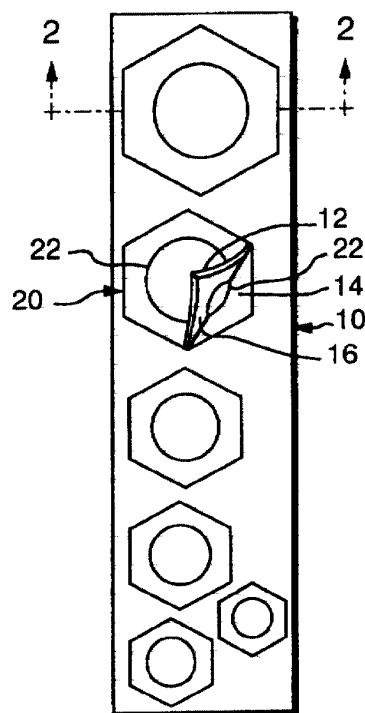
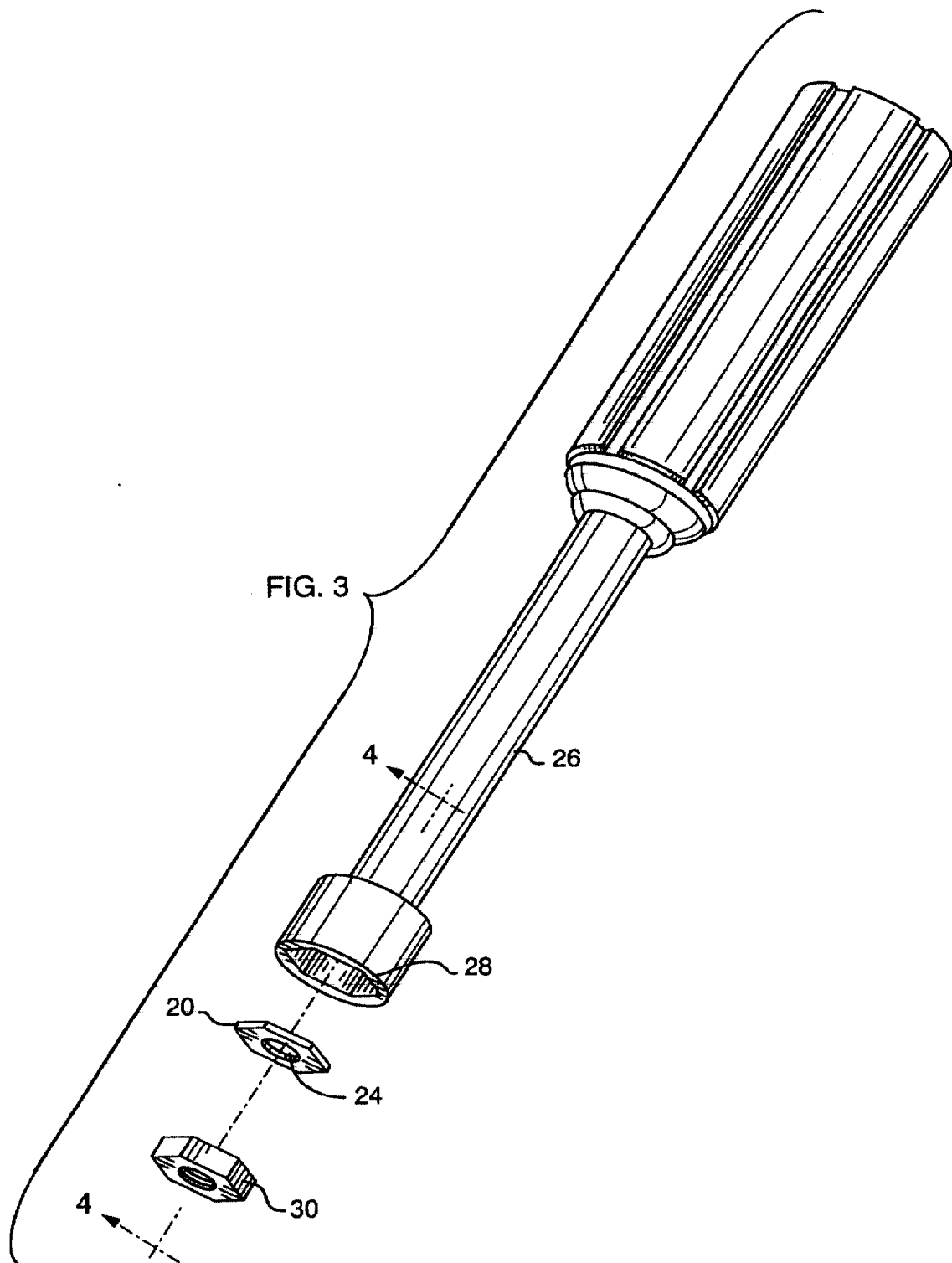


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