

## ABSTRACT

A stapler is provided with: a magazine 3 accommodating a plurality of staples; a handle 5 having a driver plate, which  
5 drives the staples accommodated in the magazine 3 toward sheets of paper to be bound, at the front end thereof; a base 1 having at the front end thereof a clincher groove 6 for bending leg portions of the respective staples driven from the magazine 3. The magazine and the handle are swingably supported by  
10 a supporting shaft formed at the rear end of the base. A protective cover 14 made of a synthetic resin is attached to a base portion of the handle 5. The top surface of the handle and side surfaces of the handle, from which end faces of the supporting shaft 2 is exposed are, covered with the protective  
15 cover 14.