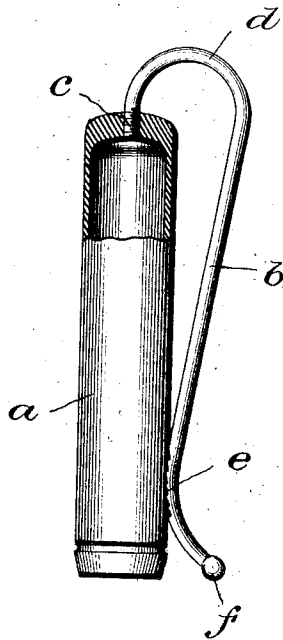


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAY G. RIDER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Rockford, in the county of Winnebago and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fountain-Pen Clips; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to improvements in clips for fountain pens and other pocket utensils, and the object of my invention is to provide a safe means of carrying a fountain pen or other pocket utensil either in the pocket or secure in the clothing, thus preventing the danger of loss and preventing the leaking of the pen and insuring easy access to articles carried by keeping the pen point always in an upright position; it also prevents the pen from rolling from the desk.

With this object in view my invention consists in the construction and combinations of parts as hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, the figure shown is an ordinary cap for a fountain pen partly in section and showing my invention applied thereto.

*a* represents the ordinary cap of a fountain pen provided with a vent-hole in its end, and shown in the drawing as screw threaded, although this is not absolutely necessary.

*b* represents the clip made of a spring wire one end of which is screw threaded, as shown at *c*, to engage the vent-hole in the cap. Said wire is then bent into a large loop as shown at *d*, and its outer end is then bent downwardly so as to spring against the cap, it being roughened, as shown at *e* at this point of contact. This roughness, however, is not absolutely necessary as the clip will act efficiently without it, but is preferably employed. The lower end of the wire is then bent outwardly, terminating in a rounded end *f*.

In putting the pen in the pocket, the user takes hold of the wire and slips the pen into the pocket, whereupon the part *e*, on account of the spring of the clip, holds the clothing firmly between the cap and the clip, thus efficiently securing the pen in the proper position and preventing its loss.

My device is simple and economical in

manufacture, and adapts itself to pockets of different depths so that the bottom of the pen holder will reach the bottom of the pocket, whether the pocket is short or long, thus preventing the holder from separating from the cap and thereby soiling the clothing. It should be noted that the clip is of substantially the same length as the cap so that it will securely fasten the pen, no matter what the depth of the pocket is. My device can be easily adjusted to the pocket or clothing with one hand, and as easily removed. The clip being made in one piece is less liable to get out of order, and being secured in the upper end of the cap a long spring can be used which distributes the tension for a long distance so that crystallization and breaking of the metal of the clip is impossible.

It is well known that the clips now on the market are more or less unsightly, complicated, difficult of adjustment insecure and easily broken. They are also more or less liable to scratch the pen holder. These difficulties have been wholly overcome by my invention.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is:—

1. The combination of a pen cap having one end closed and a spring clip made of a single piece of metal and having one end secured to the center of the closed end of the cap, substantially as described.

2. The combination of a pen cap provided with a screw threaded hole, and a clip composed of a single piece of metal wire screwed in said hole, said clip being bent into a loop, and having a portion near its lower end engaging said cap, substantially as described.

3. The combination with a pen cap, having a screw threaded hole in one end, of a clip, having one end screwed into said hole and composed of a single piece of metal wire bent so as to form a large loop at the top, having a part near its lower end normally engaging said cap, and having a projecting lower end, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses.

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