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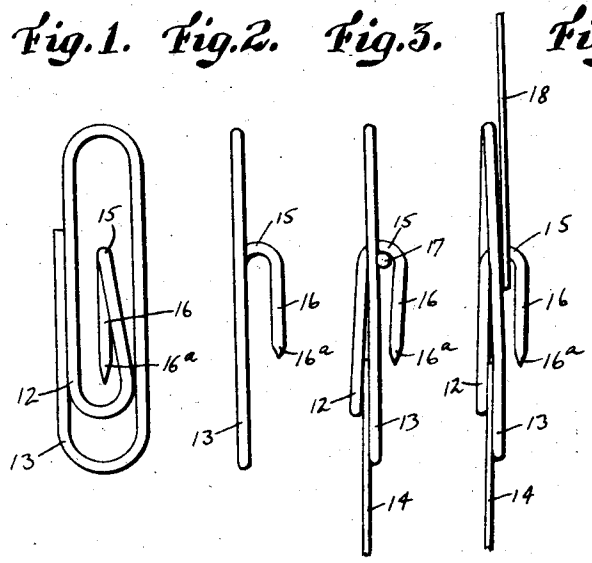
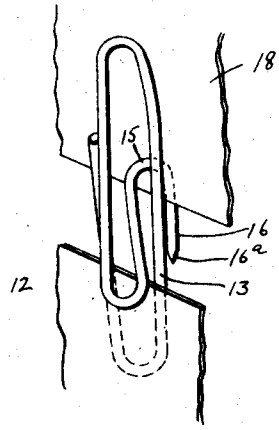


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This invention relates to a clip formed by bending a single length of wire in such manner that an oblong clip is produced, having at one end portion a pair of gripping jaws, adapted to grasp an edge portion of a flat sheet or sheets interposed between the jaws.

The object of the invention is to provide a clip composed of a single length of wire, one end portion of which is adapted to be engaged with a support, such as a horizontal cord or wire, or a sheet of fabric, in such manner that a sheet grasped by the jaws may depend therefrom and be supported in a vertical position, for display.

The clip of my invention is intended particularly for use in schools, to display sheets bearing the handiwork of pupils.

Of the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification,—

Figure 1 is a side view of a clip embodying the invention.

Figure 2 is an edge view of the same.

Figures 3 and 4 are views similar to Figure 2, showing the clip suspended and engaged with a displayed sheet, Figure 3 showing the clip suspended from a cord or wire, and Figure 4 showing it suspended from a supporting sheet.

Figure 5 shows in perspective the clip, the displayed sheet, and the supporting sheet as in Figure 4.

The same reference characters indicate the same parts in all the figures.

The clip shown by the drawings, apart from the neck and terminal hereinafter described, is of well known construction, and made from a single length of wire, bent to form loops constituting opposed jaws 12 and 13, normally in the same plane and adapted to be sprung apart by the edge portion of a display sheet 14, interposed between the jaws, as shown by Figures 3, 4, and 5. The sheet 14 may be a single relatively thick sheet, or a plurality of thinner sheets, arranged side by side.

In carrying out my invention, I provide the wire with an extended bent end portion including a neck 15, projecting laterally from one side of the clip, and a terminal 16, extending from the neck beside the jaws, and offset by the neck from the jaws.

The neck 15 is arranged to bear on a support at one side of the clip, and the terminal 16 is arranged to extend below the support and prevent accidental removal of the neck and clip from the support.

The support may be a horizontally supported cord or wire 17, on which the neck 15 bears, as shown by Figure 3, or the support may be a vertically suspended sheet 18, of puncturable fabric, through which the terminal 16 is passed, the neck 15 following the terminal and bearing on the lower edge of the hole formed in the sheet 18 by the terminal, the latter preferably having a pointed end 16^a.

The portion of the loop shaped jaw 12 on which the neck 15 is formed is inclined as best shown by Figure 1, to locate the neck and the terminal 16 in a central position midway between the longitudinal edges of the clip, so that the clip and a sheet 14 engaged therewith are adapted to hang vertically from the support provided by the cord 17 or the sheet 18.

A row of sheets 14 of uniform size, may therefore, be displayed attractively each sheet hanging vertically so that none of the sheets are askew.

The clip may be of any desired size, and in most cases, will be smaller than that shown by the drawing.

I claim:

1. A clip composed of a length of bent wire including opposed gripping jaws, adapted to grasp an edge portion of an interposed sheet or sheets, the wire being provided with an extended bent end portion including a neck projecting laterally from one side of the clip, midway between the longitudinal edges of the clip, and a terminal extending from the neck beside the jaws and offset by the neck from the clip, the neck being arranged to bear on a support at one side of the clip, and the terminal being arranged to extend below the support and prevent accidental removal of the neck and clip from the support, the arrangement of the neck relative to the longitudinal edges of the clip being such that the clip and a sheet engaged thereby are adapted to hang vertically from said support.

2. A clip as specified by claim 1, the terminal having a pointed end adapted to penetrate a suspended supporting sheet.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature.

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