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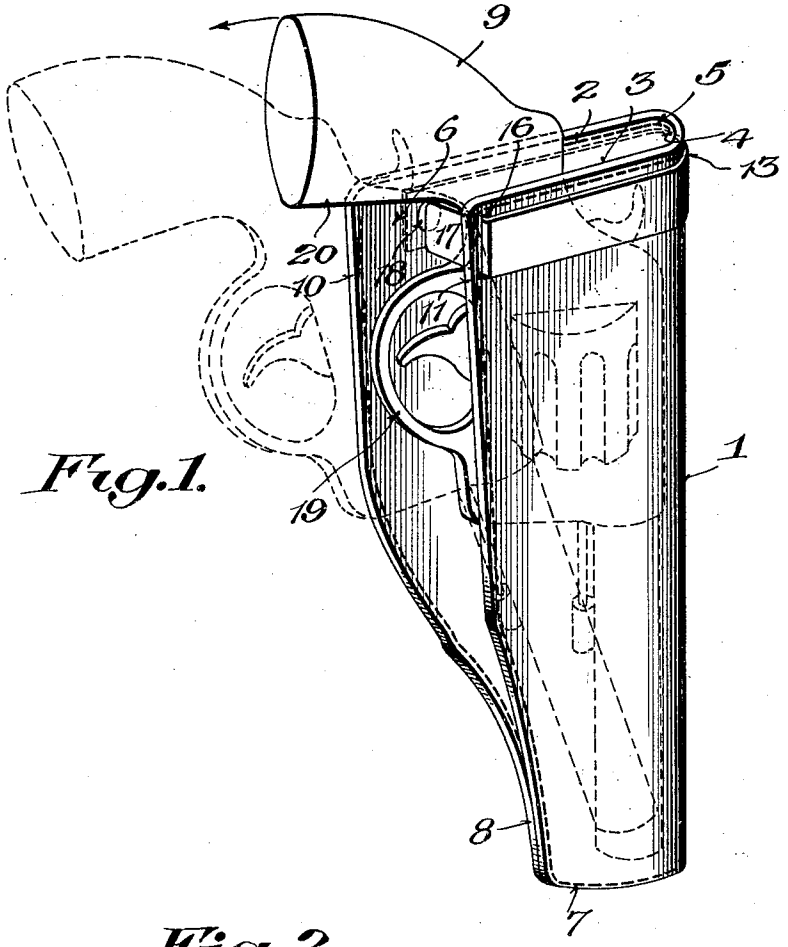
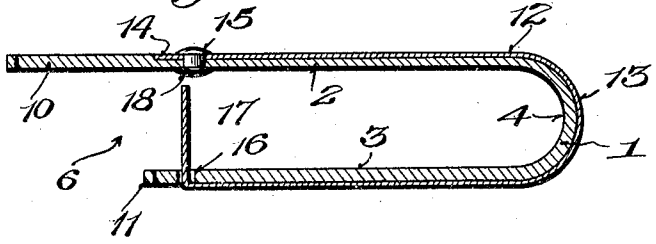


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL S. MORRISON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Roseburg, in the county of Douglas and State of Oregon, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holsters, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to improvements in holsters.

The object of the present invention is to improve the construction of pistol holsters and to produce a simple, practical and comparatively inexpensive pistol holster of strong, durable and comparatively inexpensive construction, adapted to receive and hold a pistol against accidental displacement and capable of enabling the pistol to be easily and quickly drawn without liability of catching or hanging in the holster and capable also of being readily replaced.

A further object of the invention is to provide a pistol holster of this character, which will not require manipulation other than the movements of a pistol, and in which the natural movement of a pistol when the same is being drawn and returned will serve to operate the means for confining the pistol in the holster.

With this and other objects in view, the invention consists in the construction and novel combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawing and pointed out in the claims hereto appended, it being understood that various changes in the form, proportion, size and minor details of construction within the scope of the appended claims may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a holster constructed in accordance with the invention, a pistol being shown in the holster in full lines and partially removed from the holster in dotted lines.

Fig. 2 is a horizontal sectional view of the holster.

Like numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in the several figures in the drawing.

In the accompanying drawing, in which is illustrated the preferred embodiment of the invention, 1 designates a pistol holster designed to be constructed of leather or any other suitable material and composed of sides 2 and 3 and a connecting portion 4, the sides and the connecting portion being preferably constructed of a single, continuous piece of material, but the body of the holster, which is open at the top at 5 and at the back at 6, may be, of course, constructed in any other suitable manner, and it is closed at the lower end 7, the rear edges of the sides 2 and 3 being stitched together at 8 for a sufficient distance above the said lower end 7 to seat securely the muzzle of a pistol 19.

The side 2 of the holster is provided with an extension 10, which projects beyond the edge and plane of the vertical edge 11, as clearly shown in Fig. 2 of the drawing, and the pistol is confined in the holster by a spring clip 12 of approximately U-shaped form, constructed of spring steel or other resilient material and composed of two sides and a connected bend 13 and preferably arranged exteriorly of and partially embedded in the bolster adjacent the top of the same. The U-shaped spring clip is adapted to maintain the sides 2 and 3 of the holster in proper relative position and one end 14 of the spring clip is secured to the holster by a rivet 15, but any other suitable fastening means may, of course, be employed.

The other end of the spring clip is extended through a slot or opening 16 in the side 3 of the holster to form a resilient transversely disposed closure arm 17, having its inner end arranged opposite the inner end or head 18 of the rivet 15 and terminating adjacent to the same, the inner end or head 18 of the rivet being adapted to serve as an abutment should the inner end of the resilient arm 17 be pressed into contact with the side 2 of the holster, whereby wear of the latter, due to such contact, will be prevented. The transversely disposed resilient arm 17 is adapted to be forced backward and forward in drawing or returning the pistol, and it will engage with the pistol between the trigger guard 19 and the handle or grip 20, and hold the pistol against accidental upward movement, as well as accidental backward movement and at the same time will permit the pistol to be drawn backwardly out of the holster or moved forwardly into the holster. The transverse arm 17 also forms a support for the handle of the pistol while confining the latter within the holster. The open back

of the holster will enable the pistol to be easily and quickly removed from the holster and readily replaced therein. In drawing the pistol, the handle is grasped and moved backward sufficient to disengage the pistol from the resilient arm as indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 1 of the drawing, and in replacing the pistol the muzzle is introduced into the lower portion of the holster below the resilient arm which is adapted to be forced inwardly by the pistol to permit the latter to pass it and it forms a secure closure or yieldable locking means for confining the pistol in the holster. While it is preferable to arrange the spring clip as shown, it may be mounted on the holster in any other desired manner.

What I claim is:

1. A pistol holster open at the top and back, and provided at the back with a resilient transversely disposed arm extending substantially across the open back of the holster at the top thereof and arranged between the handle and the trigger guard of a pistol to confine the same in the holster and adapted to be moved backwardly or forwardly by a pistol when the same is drawn or placed in the holster.

2. A pistol holster open at the top and back and provided at the top with a substantially U-shaped spring clip extending around the sides and front of the holster and provided at the open back with a transversely disposed resilient arm connected at one end with the clip and extending substantially across the holster and arranged beneath and supporting the handle of a pistol and adapted to be forced backwardly or forwardly by the pistol in drawing or returning the same to the holster.

3. A pistol holster open at the top and back, and provided at the top with a substantially U-shaped spring clip arranged exteriorly of the holster and secured to the same and provided at the back with resilient transversely disposed means extending substantially across the open back of the holster at the top thereof and arranged to confine a pistol in the holster and adapted to be forced backwardly or forwardly by the pistol and adapted also to form a support for the handle of the pistol.

4. A pistol holster open at the top and back, and provided at the top with a substantially U-shaped spring clip arranged exteriorly of the holster and secured to the same and provided at one end with a transverse extension piercing one side of the holster and extended across the same and terminating adjacent to the opposite side of the holster and arranged beneath and supporting the handle of a pistol and adapted to be forced backwardly or forwardly by the pistol.

5. A pistol holster open at the top and back, and provided at the top with a substantially U-shaped spring clip arranged exteriorly of the sides and front of the holster and provided at one end with a fastening device and having at the other end a resilient arm extending through the adjacent side of the holster substantially across the open back of the said holster and having its inner end free and arranged opposite the said fastening device, said resilient arm being arranged beneath and supporting the handle of a pistol and confining the latter in the holster and adapted to be forced backward or forward by the pistol.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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