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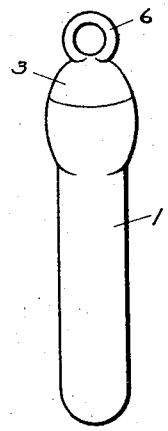


FIG. 1.

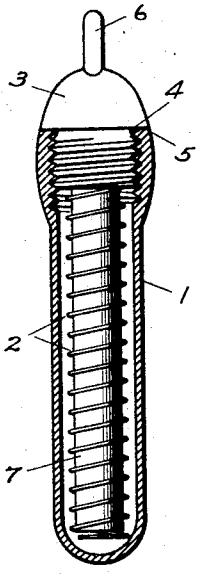


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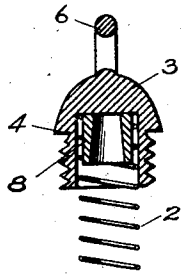


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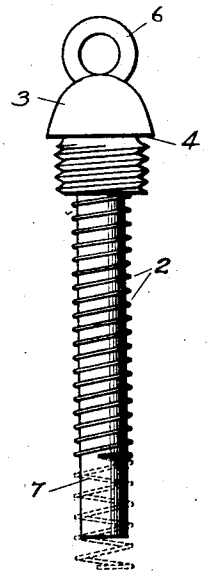


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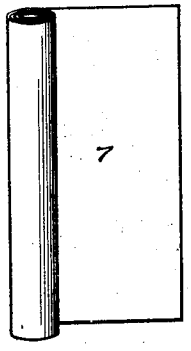


FIG. 5.

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INFORMATION-TAG CASE.

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This invention relates to an improved case for holding an information-tag and has for its primary object to provide a relatively small, inconspicuous, and conveniently manipulated device particularly adapted for carrying on the person, which will efficiently protect a tag or slip of paper containing indicia for identification etc.

The invention has a further object to provide a casing having a removable resilient holder of such character that, it is only necessary to compress the holder longitudinally to disclose the end of the tag or slip of paper held therein, when it may be readily withdrawn.

It is also the object of my invention to provide a device of the nature indicated which is simple in construction, practically impervious to water, and has to a degree the means for resisting fire.

The foregoing and other features of my invention will be understood by referring to the accompanying drawings forming part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views, and in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a case for holding an information-tag, and having the present improvements incorporated therewith.

Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view of the case showing more particularly the arrangement of the parts.

Fig. 3 is a view in elevation of the detached resilient holder.

Fig. 4 is a central longitudinal sectional view in detail of the cap, and

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the partially rolled tag or slip of paper.

In constructing a practical embodiment of my invention, a protecting outer casing 1 is provided, and a longitudinally yielding resilient holder 2, which is integral with a closure cap 3, whereby it is supported in concentric spaced relation within the outer casing to provide a convenient and readily accessible depository for matter containing indicia for identification. The various parts may be made of any suitable material, but preferably a metal, highly resistant to oxidation or corrosion, which is a desideratum in a device of the kind, and moreover one that is liable to cutaneous contact when carried on the person.

Essentially the outer casing is of hollow construction, and preferably comprises an elongated cylinder which, at one end is provided with a radial flange coincident with an internally-threaded portion adapted for screw-threaded engagement with the cap 3, while the opposite end terminates in a rounded closure.

The cap 2 is provided with a screw-threaded portion coincident with an annular flange 4 which is adapted for engagement with the radial flange 5 to form a water-tight joint with the outer casing 1. Formed in the cap 2 is an eye or ring 6, to which may be attached a chain or other suitable flexible element for making fast to the person or personal property.

Adapted to slide freely within the outer casing 1 is an elongated helical-spring, one extremity of which is held fast within the recessed cap 2, by the bushing 8, as shown in detail in Fig. 4. The spring is adapted to form the resilient holder 2, and is of sufficient length to bear in contact with the closed end of the outer casing 1, and prevent or retard the cap 2 from readily turning and becoming detached therefrom.

Within the resilient holder 2 is inserted the folded or rolled tag 7, which has been conventionally shown in Fig. 5, and may comprise a strip of paper or any material suitable to receive indicia for identification etc. By compressing the resilient holder 2 longitudinally the extancy may be readily grasped by the fingers and the tag withdrawn, as shown in Fig. 3.

The resilient holder 2 is adapted to support the tag concentrically within the outer casing 1, and provide an intervening airspace, which is advantageous in providing the fire resisting element of the device.

While the foregoing shows the preferred embodiment of the invention, it will be understood that variations may be made in the relative proportions of the device to meet different requirements.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A device of the character described including a protecting outer casing, a resilient tubiform holder open at one end to receive a tag and compressible longitudinally so that a part of the tag is extant beyond the con-

fines of said holder, a closure cap, and said holder adapted to engage said outer casing in telescopically-detachable relation.

2. A device of the character described including a protecting outer casing, a resilient tubiform holder open at one end to receive a tag and adapted to yield longitudinally so that a part of the tag is extant beyond the confines of said holder, and a closure cap adapted to support said holder in concentric spaced relation within said outer casing.

3. A device of the character described including a protecting outer casing, an elongated helical-spring to form a holder adapted to receive a tag in longitudinally yielding relation so that the extancy may be grasped by the fingers and said tag withdrawn therefrom, a closure cap, and said holder adapted to engage said outer casing in telescopically-detachable relation.

4. A device of the character described including a protecting outer casing having a closed end, an elongated helical-spring adapted to form a holder open at one end to receive a tag and compressible longitudinally so that a part of the tag is extant beyond the confines of said holder, a closure cap adapted for screw-threaded engagement with the open end of said outer casing, and said helical-spring adapted to engage said closed end of said outer casing.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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