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Fig. 1.

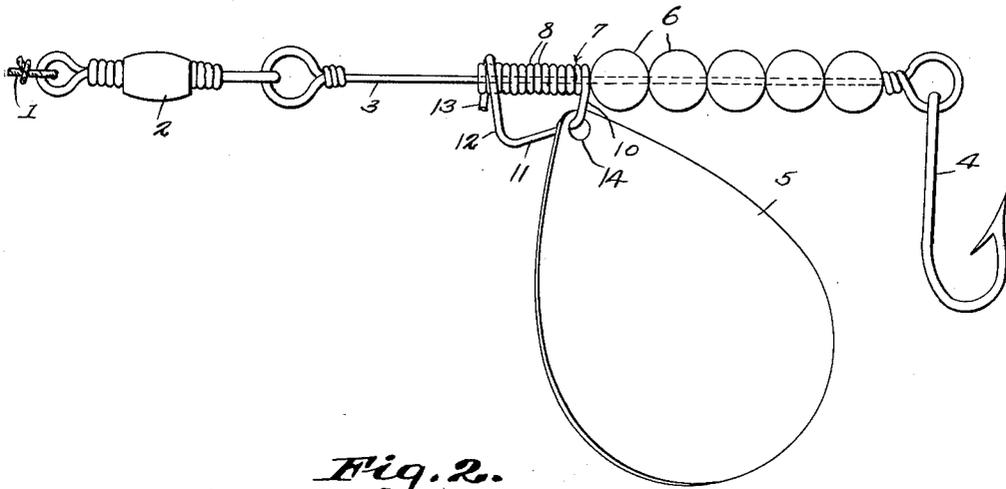
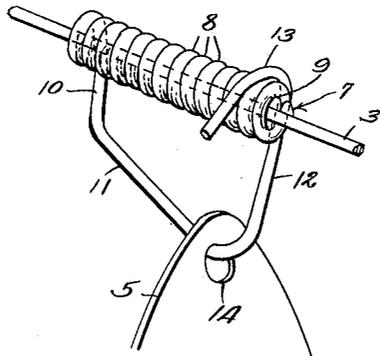


Fig. 2.



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This invention relates to a fisherman's spinner, and more particularly, has reference to a fisherman's spinner having a novelly designed clip assembly permitting ready interchangeability of the spinner blade.

An important object of the present invention is to provide, in a fisherman's spinner, a clip assembly fashioned from a single piece of wire material in a manner to permit swift attachment or detachment of a blade.

Still another object is to provide a clip assembly as described which will nevertheless be freely rotatable upon the rod comprising a part of the lure, thus to detract in no way from the spinning action of the blade after attachment thereof.

Still another important object is to provide a spinner as described which can be manufactured at no greater cost than other spinners presently in use.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention consists of certain novel details of construction and combinations of parts hereinafter more fully described and pointed out in the claim, it being understood that changes may be made in the construction and arrangement of parts without departing from the spirit of the invention as claimed.

Referring to the drawings

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of a spinner formed in accordance with the present invention.

Fig. 2 is an enlarged fragmentary perspective view showing the details of the clip assembly.

Referring to the drawing in detail, to a leader 1 is connected the swivel 2, whereby there is swivelly connected to the leader the elongated rod 3 having at its rear end the hook 4. A spinner or blade 5 is mounted for spinning or swivelling movement upon said rod 3, and said blade 5 is spaced from the hook 4 as desired by a selected number of beads 6.

Considering now the clip assembly which is the main feature of the present invention, the clip is fashioned from a single piece of stout spring wire material 7, one end portion of which is wound in a substantial number of closed convolutions 8 the internal diameters of which are substantially greater than the diameter of the rod 3 so as to define a large opening 9 through which the rod 3 extends, thus to permit free swivelling movement of the clip upon the rod whenever the blade 5 is caused to spin as the lure is run through the water.

From the rear end of the series of convolutions 8 is extended the blade engaging portion comprising the straight base member 10 extending laterally from the rear end of the convolution series 8, said base portion 10 being rather short in length and being angularly related to, and merging into, the straight side portion 11 of the clip, that is spaced from, and diverges forwardly from, the series of convolutions 8. The front end of the side portion 11 merges into, and is angularly re-

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lated to, the straight head portion 12 of the clip, this extending back to the front end of the convolution series 8 and being looped thereover by reason of the formation of the free end of the head portion 12 with a U-shaped loop 13.

In use, the user presses the side portion 11 toward the convolutions 8, and this lifts the loop 13 off the convolutions, so that the free end of the loop 13 can be extended through the opening 14 of a spinner blade 5. After the blade has been properly positioned upon the clip assembly, the loop 13 is returned to place, and the inherent springiness of the clip assembly will hold the loop 13 firmly in place against and between two adjacent convolutions 8. The lifting of the loop off the convolutions 8 is, of course, against the spring action of the clip assembly.

With the blade 5 so mounted, the lure is ready for use, and appears as in Fig. 1. As the lure is drawn through the water, the blade 5 will swivel or rotate rapidly, the entire clip assembly rotating upon the rod 3 to permit this action of the spinner blade.

At such time as it is desired to use a different blade, the blade already on the lure is swiftly removed in the manner described above and a new blade substituted.

What is claimed is:

A clip for rotatably attaching a spinner to a leader comprising an integral group of juxtaposed convolutions defining an elongated tubular body, an integral extension carried by one of the convolutions and projecting laterally therefrom adjacent one end of the body, a resilient arm carried by the extension and projecting laterally therefrom in spaced relation to the body, said arm diverging from the body as it recedes from the extension, a leg carried by the arm remote from the extension and projecting laterally therefrom toward the body, and a hook carried by the leg and adapted to be engaged between adjacent convolutions of the body adjacent the end thereof remote from the extension.

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