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Fig. 1.

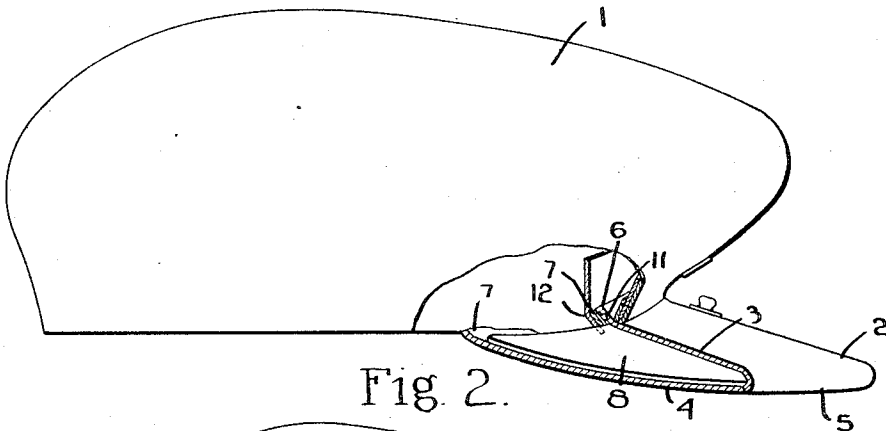


Fig. 2.

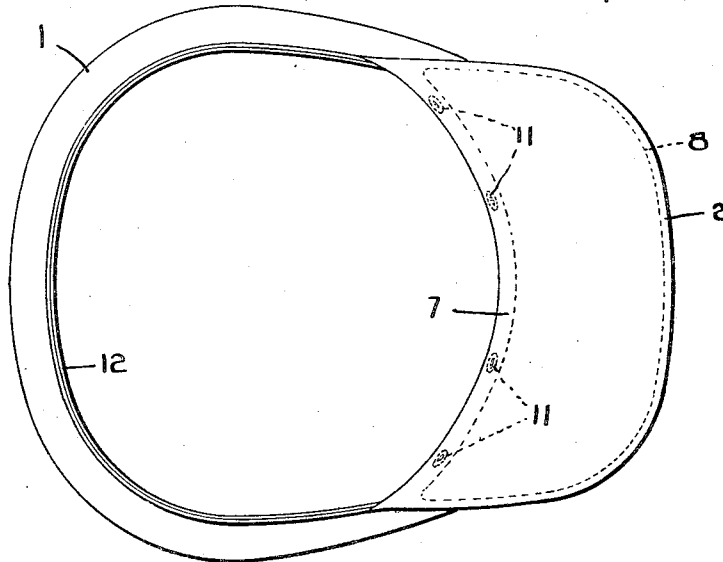
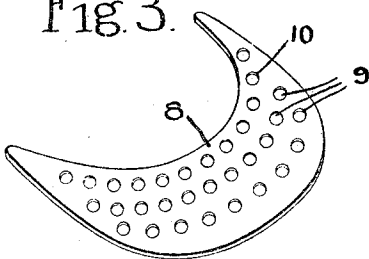


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALTER J. CORMAY, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Auburndale, county of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improvement in Caps with Removable Visors, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawing, is a specification, like characters on the drawing representing like parts.

This invention relates to improvements in caps and the principal object thereof is to provide a cap with a visor stiffener which may be removed through an opening concealed within the body of the cap. The invention, therefore, contemplates the production of a cap from which the visor stiffener may be removed to enable the cap to be cleaned or laundered and also to permit the cap to be more readily packed for shipment in which case the visors can be packaged separately from the cap itself, and further, by removal of the visor, to enable the cap to be rolled and stored in the pocket of the user, the visor stiffener being more readily insertible into the same or another pocket, thus avoiding the necessity of checking the cap in public places.

A further object of the invention is to provide a novel visor stiffener for caps formed of a material which will not corrode, rust, or otherwise discolor the material of the visor or cap and which will be unbreakable, but sufficiently pliable to enable it to be bent to proper form if for any reason it becomes bent from its proper shape.

More specifically the invention comprises a visor stiffener made of sheet aluminum.

A further object of the invention is to provide a visor stiffener of the character above described having a series of perforations adapted to reduce the weight of the visor and preferably so arranged as to ventilate the visor so that it may be more comfortable in warm weather and worn in hot climates.

A preferred embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which,

Fig. 1 is a side elevation of a cap, a portion of the body and visor thereof being broken away and shown in section more

clearly to illustrate the construction by means of which the visor stiffener is removably secured within the visor;

Fig. 2 is an underneath plan view of the cap illustrated in Fig. 1 on a somewhat slightly reduced scale;

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the visor stiffener removed from the cap.

The cap embodying the invention as illustrated herein comprises a body portion 1 which may be of any suitable material, such as, cloth, the body having a forwardly extending visor portion 2 comprising an upper layer 3 and a lower layer 4, the upper layer 3 being stitched or otherwise secured to the body of the cap to form a continuation thereof. The lower layer of the visor may be continuous with the upper layer of the visor or may be secured to it along the outer edge 5, while the inner edges 6 and 7 of the upper and lower layers 3 and 4 are not secured together, thereby providing an opening from the inside of the cap through which the visor stiffener may be inserted into the visor. The visor stiffener 8 comprises a sheet, preferably of aluminum or, of other suitable material which is unbreakable, rustless, non-corrosive, water-repellant and pliable, of suitable form to fit within the visor and maintain its proper shape and stiffness, the material of the visor stiffener, therefore, being such that it will not be affected by water or dampness and will not break, but will be capable of being restored to proper form if it becomes bent. The visor 8 desirably is provided with perforations 9 in order to lighten the weight of the visor without seriously interfering with its rigidity. Preferably a series 10 of such perforations is located adjacent to the inner edge of the visor and provide ventilation for the cap which will make it more comfortable when worn in the summer and also adapt it better for use in hot climates.

The inner edges 6 and 7 of the visor desirably are secured together by snap fasteners 11 located closely adjacent to the inner edge of the visor stiffener so that the visor stiffener will not become displaced, but may be readily removed by separating the snap fasteners.

The usual sweat band 12 is secured along the inside of the body of the cap and to the

lower layer 4 of the visor so that when in its normal position it covers and conceals the opening between the rear edges 6 and 7 of the upper and lower layers 3 and 4 of the visor. Thus a cap embodying my invention presents the same appearance as the usual form of caps.

By reason of this construction the visors may be readily removed and the caps packed for storage in a minimum space, the visors being nested in a separate package.

Where the cap is worn to public functions the visor can be removed and placed in the pocket and the cap then readily rolled and placed in the same or another pocket where it will occupy a minimum amount of space thus avoiding the necessity of checking the cap during the attendance at such functions.

It will be understood that the embodiment of the invention specifically disclosed herein is of an illustrative character and is not restrictive and that various changes in form, construction and arrangement of parts may be made within the spirit and scope of the following claims.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, and desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is:

1. A cap formed of flexible material having a body provided with a visor having an upper layer secured to said body and a lower layer, said layers presenting a continuous outer edge and separated at their inner edges within said body, a visor stiffener removably inserted through the opening between the inner edges of the visor whereby the visor may be inserted and removed from the inside of the cap and detachable means

for securing the visor stiffener within the visor.

2. A cap formed of flexible material having a body provided with a visor having an upper layer and a lower layer presenting a continuous outer edge and separated at their inner edges, a visor stiffener removably inserted through the opening between the inner edges of the visor and a series of snap fasteners for securing the upper and lower layers together at the rear of said visor stiffener.

3. A cap formed of flexible material having a body provided with a visor having an upper layer secured to said body and a lower layer, said layers presenting a continuous outer edge and separated at their inner edges within the body of the cap, a visor stiffener removably inserted through the opening between the inner edges of the visor and a sweat band secured to the body and to the inner edge of the lower layer of the visor whereby the opening between the inner edges of the upper and lower layers of the visor is concealed.

4. A cap formed of flexible material having a body and a visor portion comprising an upper and a lower layer presenting a continuous outer edge and separated at their inner edges, a visor stiffener of sheet aluminum removably inserted through the opening between said inner edges of the visor and a series of snap fasteners for securing the upper and lower layers together at the rear of said visor stiffener.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification.

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