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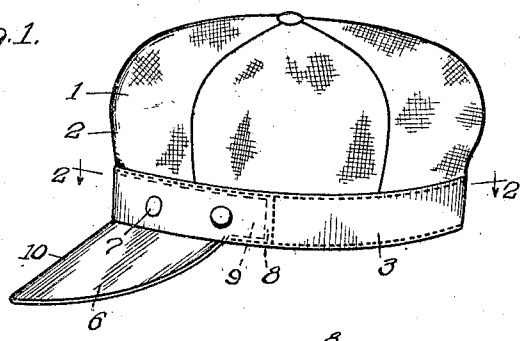


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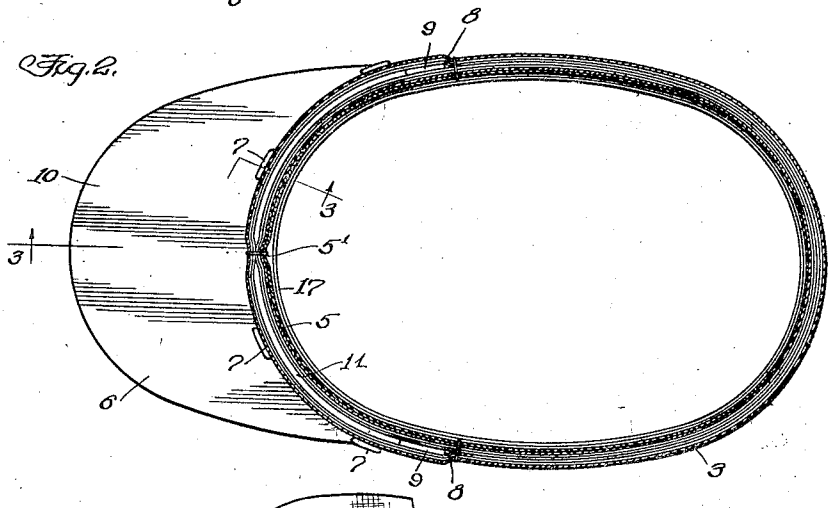


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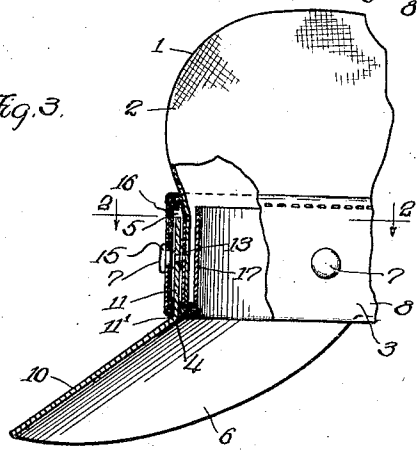
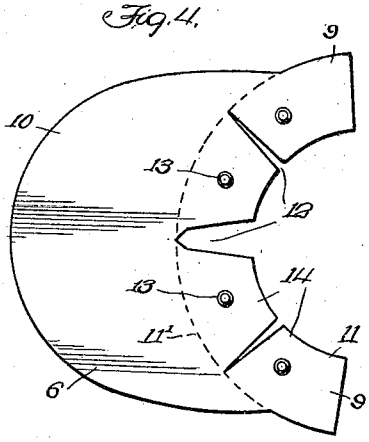


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MAURICE D. KOBEY, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of Chicago, county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Caps, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to vizored caps of the character commonly worn by workmen and especially engineers. The main objects of the invention are to provide an improved form of washable cap having a detachable vizor; to provide such a cap with an improved form of vizor which may be of non-washable character such as enameled leather, celluloid, or the like; to provide improved holding means for the vizor; and to provide in the front part of the cap a pocket of improved form adapted to receive the vizor, or vizors interchangeably, so that when the main body of the cap is to be washed, the vizor may be used with another cap body.

An illustrative embodiment of this invention is shown in the accompanying drawings in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of the cap.

Fig. 2 is a horizontal section thereof at 2—2 on Figures 1 and 3.

Fig. 3 is mainly a vertical sectional detail of the pocket and adjacent parts, on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is a plan of the vizor laid out flat.

In the construction shown in the drawings, the main body or crown 1 of the cap is unitary and comprises a top or cover part 2 and a rim part 3 extending downward therefrom to fit the head. Said rim part is of double walled character, especially the front or forehead part, and the front part is open at the lower edge as at 4 to provide a pocket 5 adapted to receive the rear part of the vizor 6, the vizor being adapted for fastening in place by means of fasteners 7. Said pocket on its sides, right and left, is provided with horizontal extensions 8 to receive projecting tips 9 on the ends of the vizor.

The vizor itself comprises a main body part 10 having a shape somewhat resembling a crescent, the inner edge of which is provided with a flange 11 of arcuate shape foldably joined thereto at the fold line 11′ and adapted for turning upward. Said flange is apertured or notched from the upper edge downwardly to the fold line by gore cutting as at 12 so as to facilitate turning upward to a nearly vertical position, with the main body of the vizor disposed diagonally downward and forward with respect thereto. The middle cut is wide enough to give clearance for a middle seam 5′ dividing the pocket 5 into two equal parts.

The snap fastenings 7 are made in two parts, each with one part 13 set in the vizor flange sections 14 and the other part 15 in the outer wall of the pocket, so that when the vizor flange 11 is inserted into the pocket the fastener parts thereon may be snapped into engagement with the complementary parts respectively on the cap.

In order to maintain a neat and attractive shape to the cap and to better hold the vizor flange in its proper position, the outer part of the cap band including the outer wall of the pocket is reinforced by a stiffening strip 16 preferably in the form of a layer of buckram, duck, canvas or similar material. The inner side of the cap band is also provided with a sweat band 17 sewed thereto at the lower edge.

In order to attach the vizor, the flange 11 is inserted upward into the main pocket 5, one end in each section, and the end tips 9 of the flange are inserted divergently into the pocket extensions 8 which extend backward on each side. The snap fasteners are next engaged and the cap is then ready for use. When the cap assumes its natural position the flange 11 turns upward at the fold line 11′. In order to remove the vizor, the snap fasteners are pulled apart whereupon the vizor may be readily removed by pulling it away from the cap pocket.

A very desirable advantage of this form of cap is that the engineer or other user may at a minimum expense always have ready for use a clean and freshly laundered cap, which as herein described is provided with a good quality of vizor, which vizor may be used every day and interchanged frequently with two or more cap bodies, the latter being adapted to be washed as often as may be desired. By reason of the construction herein shown and described, the cap presents the appearance of an ordinary cap having a permanent vizor, and the shape of the cap is maintained by the peculiar form and construction of the vizor receiving pocket and the interfitting vizor flange.

Although but one specific embodiment of this invention is herein shown and described,

it is to be understood that some of the details of the construction shown may be altered or omitted without departing from the spirit of this invention as defined by the following claims.

I claim:

1. A cap, comprising a body part and a removable vizor, said cap having an upwardly extending pocket at its front lower edge with lateral pocket extensions, one on each side, and the vizor having a foldable flange adapted to fit within said pocket, and provided with flange extensions adapted to fit into the said pocket extensions, and releasable fastening means for positively securing the vizor detachably to the cap body.

2. In a vizored cap, the vizor of which is removable from the main cap body, means for securing the vizor in place comprising a pocket formed in the front of the cap body to receive part of said vizor, said pocket having right and left extensions and said vizor having corresponding tips to fit in said extensions, and positive releasable fastening means to secure the medial part of the vizor removably in said pocket.

3. In a cap body formed and adapted for the detachable connection of a vizor, a pocket opening downwardly in the front part of the cap rim, said pocket being formed with lateral extensions to receive the corresponding end tips of the vizor.

4. A sanitary cap comprising a crown part and an interchangeable flexible visor part, said crown part having forwardly facing side pockets adjacent to its lower edge, and said visor part having an upwardly turned rear edge part with stiff rearwardly projecting extensions thereof to enter said pockets end-thrust-wise for holding the ends of the visor in place, said crown edge part and visor member having medially disposed readily operable coacting means to hold the central body part of the visor in place detachably.

Signed at Chicago this 18th day of November 1920.

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