

# Swallows

**M**abie, Todd & Co. also made the Swallow pen in great colors, but they did not employ codes. The Swallow was a lower cost pen, filling the same position in the U.S. line as the English-made Blackbird did in the U.K. The first Swallows were basically simple, flat-top pens in traditional jade, lapis, coral, black & pearl, etc. The colors were beautiful and an elegant hump-back clip was used. In 1930, they were advertised as "America's high-quality, low-priced pen." The Swallow combos produced at this time are quite lovely. The hump-back clip was later dropped for a flat one.

*Early Swallows*

