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FIG. 1

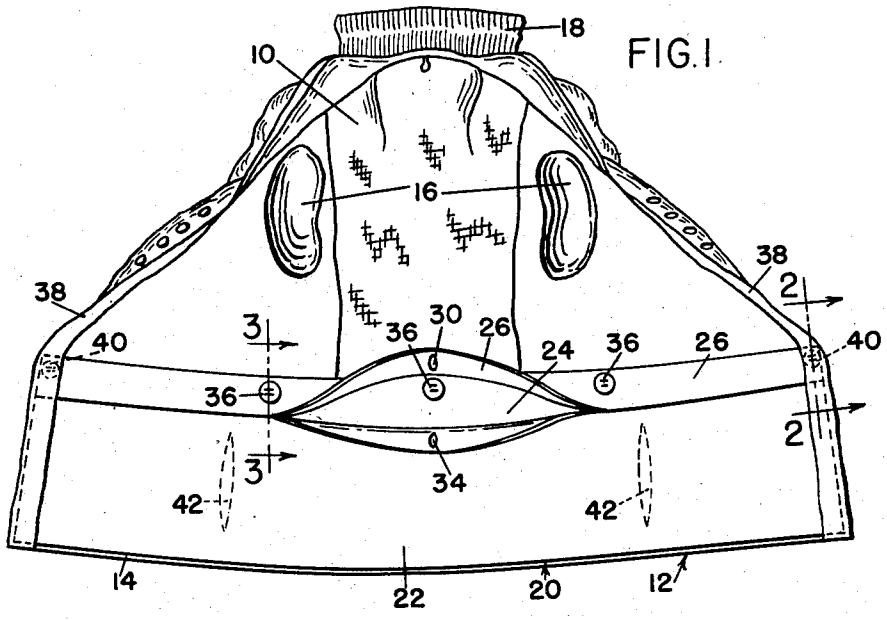


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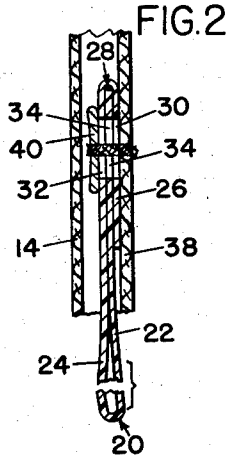


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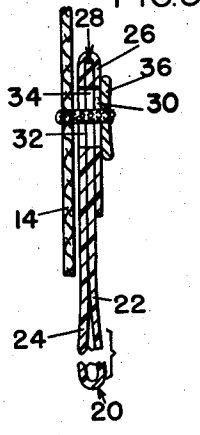


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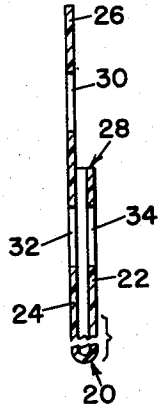
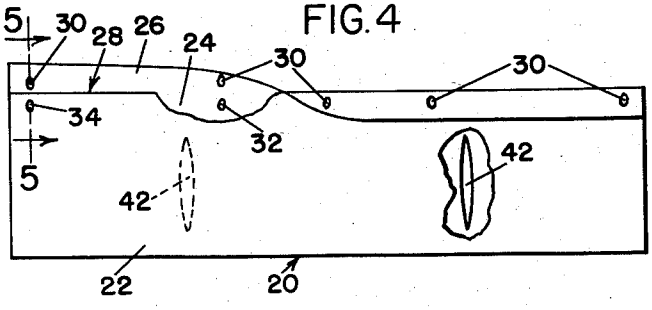


FIG. 4



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This invention relates to a new and improved coat or jacket construction which is particularly adapted for hunting and fishing, and the principal object of the invention resides in the provision of a detachable sanitary game or fish pocket which in general comprises a pair of elongated walls secured together at their ends forming an elongated pocket open along one side edge thereof, there being a flap at this side edge to close the same and the flap and both walls being provided with button-holes which are aligned when the flap is closed to receive buttons or other fasteners located at the interior of the coat or jacket to secure the detachable pocket to the jacket and yet provide it with means whereby the fish or game may be easily inserted.

Other objects of the invention include the provision of a sanitary game or fish pocket or bag which is detachable from its carrying coat or jacket and which is made of an easily cleaned material such as flexible film type plastics, etc. and which may be cleaned and re-used or which may be thrown away after each use and replaced by a new detachable bag.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will appear hereinafter.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, in which

Fig. 1 is a view in elevation showing the interior of a coat or jacket with the detachable game pocket applied thereto;

Figs. 2 and 3 are enlarged sections on the respective lines in Fig. 1;

Fig. 4 is a view in elevation of the game pocket by itself; and

Fig. 5 is an enlarged section on line 5—5 of Fig. 4.

The coat or pocket to which this invention pertains may be of any desired construction. It is preferably provided with a main body portion **10** having a lower edge at **12** defining a skirt portion in the area indicated by the reference numeral **14**. Numerals **16** indicate the arm-holes and **18** the collar. The jacket may be conventional except for the construction of the game pocket to be described.

The game pocket itself is shown in Fig. 4 and it preferably comprises a single member which is folded along an edge forming a bottom **20** and a front wall **22** and a rear wall **24**. The rear wall **24** is preferably a little wider than the front wall **22** so that a foldable flap **26** is provided, said flap being foldable over the open edge **28** of the bag to close the same.

The flap itself is provided with a series of button-holes **30**; the rear wall has a like series of button-holes **32** inwardly arranged from the edge of the flap and below the bag opening as clearly shown in Fig. 4; and the front wall is likewise provided with a series of button-holes **34** which are aligned with button-holes **32** at all times.

When the game pocket is open as in Fig. 5, the button-holes **30** will not be aligned with the holes **32** and **34**, but when the flap **26** is folded over to close the jacket then all three button-holes in each set will be aligned for the reception of suitable fasteners such as buttons **36** secured to the coat or jacket at the interior side thereof as shown in Fig. 1.

The coat is provided with more or less conventional

in-turned hems or flaps at **38**, containing the conventional zipper or other closure fastener for the coat and there are provided in each one of these hems **38** a single button which is indicated at **40**. These buttons face oppositely from the buttons **36** but are used to secure the game-bag in the same manner.

With the game-bag in place as in Fig. 1, all of the button-holes may be secured over the buttons so that the game-bag is not only secured to the jacket but it is also secured in closed position.

However, if it is desired to open the game-bag, one button **36** may be detached from button-holes **30** in flap **26** and this gives access to the bag between buttons. If it is desired to open the bag further, then a button-hole **34** in front wall **32** may be detached from button **36** as shown in Fig. 1; and the game-bag can be opened much wider while still being attached by reason of the fact that the buttons are still secured through the button-holes in the rear wall **24**.

The game-bag may be completely removed from the jacket with the game located therein and the respective series of button-holes may be secured together as by a string or safety-pin and the hunter is then not required to carry the game in the jacket; but the game-filled pocket may be used as a more or less conventional game-bag and carried in the hand or over the shoulder or placed in the trunk of a car, the jacket itself then being usable as any hunting jacket without a game-bag.

It will be clear that the bag may be made of inexpensive paper or thin plastic film and thrown away after use, so that there is no need to wash it; but also the bag may be made in a heavier plastic film from rubber and may be rinsed out and re-used.

Entry holes such as slits **42** may be used in the rear wall to align with the usual entry slits in the rear of the jacket, for receiving the game or fish through this slit into the interior of the bag without opening the bag at the open top edge thereof.

Having thus described my invention and the advantages thereof, I do not wish to be limited to the details herein disclosed, otherwise than as set forth in the claims, but what I claim is:

1. A coat construction comprising in combination a skirt portion for the coat and a detachable game and fish bag therefor, said bag including front and rear flexible walls having end edges secured together, an open edge, and a flap along the open edge on one of the walls, said flap being adapted to fold down over the free edge of the other wall at the open edge to close the bag, a series of spaced fasteners on the skirt portion of the coat, and a corresponding series of fastener-securing means on the bag, each said fastener securing means being located in the flap, in the rear wall, and in the front wall, all three said fastener-securing means being juxtaposed when the flap is folded to simultaneously receive the individual fasteners holding the bag to the coat and the flap closed.

2. The coat construction of claim 1 wherein the fastener-securing means include button-holes through which a single separate fastener may be located when the bag is detached, to close and hold the bag closed while containing game or fish.

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