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Fig. 1.

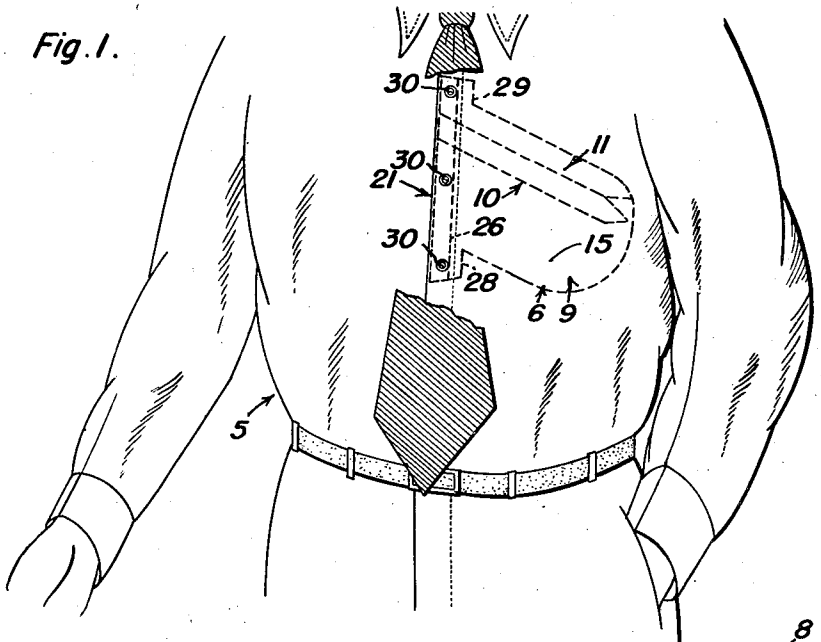
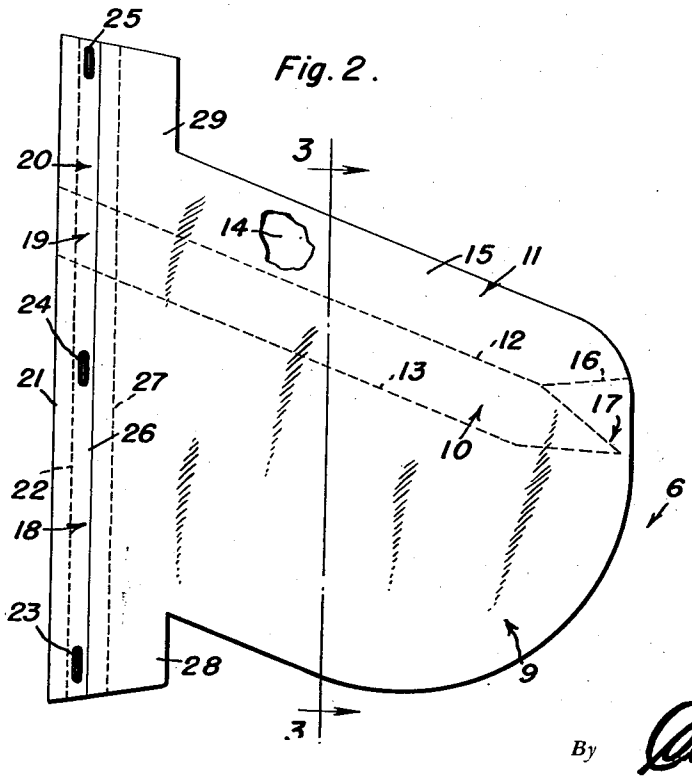


Fig. 2.



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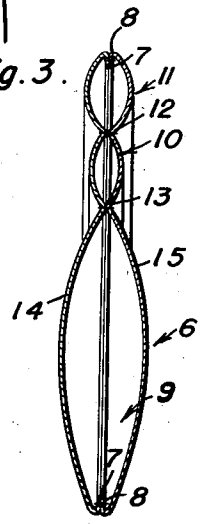

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The present invention relates to apparel accessories of the attachment type and has more particular reference to a simple and economical shirt pocket of an insertable and removable type; that is, a pocket which may be readily attached and detached and which, when in use, extends, in a concealed manner, into and is concealed by the stated shirt.

It is a matter of common knowledge that in summer weather when men go about in shirt sleeves they rely upon shirt pockets, with or without complemental cover flaps, to accommodate and carry miscellaneous articles such as cigars, cigarettes, eye glasses, pens, pencils, and so on. Men's negligee and work shirts are fashioned in divers ways, some with one pocket, others with two or more pockets. Then, too, there are many styles of shirts which are made without pockets. My invention is usable, of course, with any of these types of shirts but is primarily useful when the shirt is of a pocketless type.

In carrying out my invention, I provide a simple and inexpensive open-mouthed pocket which takes the form of an attachment and which is adapted to be fitted to take a concealed position inside of the shirt, preferably a slightly canted position and which, by reason of a button-hole flap, with which it is provided, is detachably connectible with the usual button equipped edge of the shirt.

Another object of the invention has to do with the stated attachment-type shirt pocket which is divided interiorly into auxiliary pockets.

Other featured characteristics and advantages will become more readily apparent from the following description and the accompanying illustrative drawings.

In the accompanying sheet of drawings, wherein like numerals are employed to designate like parts throughout the views:

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing a shirt as it appears when worn, the same being without exterior pockets but provided with my improved insertable and removable interior pocket, portions being broken away.

Figure 2 is an enlarged elevational view of the pocket per se.

Figure 3 is a transverse section on the line 3—3 of Figure 2, looking in the direction of the arrows.

Referring now to the drawings by distinguishing reference numerals and complemental lead lines, it will be seen, in Figure 2, that my unique-multiple purpose or utility pocket is in the form of an attachment, that is, it is a made-up pocket which may be optionally worn on the shirt 5 in

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Figure 1. The overall pocket is denoted by the numeral 6 and is fashioned from two plies of material marginally stitched together, the marginal edge portions being denoted by the numerals 7 and the stitchings by the numeral 8, as shown in Figure 3. Any suitable materials may be utilized, that is, regular fabrics employed in making men's shirts, or heavier stock such as duck, blue denim, or even tougher materials such as leather. Preferably, however, the material should be strong but of a readily washable character. My pocket is preferably a three-in-one type and includes a main receptacle 9 and smaller auxiliary receptacles 10 and 11 which are in parallel relationship. These are defined by rows of stitchings 12 and 13 which run longitudinally and serve to stitch the two plies 14 and 15 (see Fig. 3) together. The closed end portions of these auxiliary pockets 10 and 11 are pointed or otherwise narrowed as denoted at the points 16 and 17 in Figure 2. These provide snug-fitting pockets for pencils, fountain pens or similar instruments, (not shown). To further identify the several "pockets within a pocket," the open-ended mouth portions are denoted by the numerals 18, 19 and 20, respectively. The numeral 21 denotes an extension with a suitably stitched hem with the stitching denoted at 22. This extension is provided with suitably formed button-holes 23, 24, and 25 and therefore said extension may be identified as a button-holed flap. The edge of the pocket which is spaced from the corresponding edge of the flap is denoted by the numeral 26 and the hem forming stitchings are denoted at 27. The numerals 28 and 29 designate lateral projections at the mouth of the pocket, the overall pocket 6, which permit the use of a pocket which is not too broad or wide but, nevertheless, has a button-hole strip sufficient to be attached to at least several shirt buttons, for example, the buttons 30 on the shirt 5, as seen in Figure 1. It is desirable that said pocket be slightly canted or slanted, and therefore it is at a depending angle to the longitudinal dimension of the button-hole flap. The flap is superimposed on the underlying button strip of the shirt and is buttoned in place so that the flap and pocket are concealed within the confines of the shirt front, all as brought out in dotted and full lines in Figure 1.

It will be appreciated that since my novel pocket is attached and suspended in a downwardly slanting position and is between the body of the wearer and the portion of the shirt which conceals and covers it, it is reasonably safe for storing a package of cigarettes, matches, a smoking pipe,

and such items as are commonly deposited and carried in shirt pockets by men.

In view of the foregoing description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, it is believed that a clear understanding of the device will be quite apparent to those skilled in this art. A more detailed description is accordingly deemed unnecessary.

It is to be understood, however, that even though there is herein shown and described a preferred embodiment of the invention, the same is susceptible to certain changes fully comprehended by the spirit of the invention as herein described and within the scope of the appended claims.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. A readily attachable, detachable and launderable shirt pocket for use on the interior of a man's shirt comprising a pocket which is comparable in size and shape with pockets such as are commonly stitched on men's shirts, said pocket embodying two plies of shirting material superimposed on one another and stitched together in pocket forming relationship, the edge portion of one of said plies, adjacent to the mouth of the pocket, projecting well beyond the corresponding edge of the remaining ply and defining an adapter and attaching flap, the latter having a plurality of buttonholes, said pocket being at an oblique angle to the longitudinal axis of said flap, portions of said plies having longitudinal rows of stitchings joining said plies together and providing auxiliary receptacles for pens, pencils and the like.

2. For use in connection with an open front shirt for masculine wear wherein, as usual, the open front portion of said shirt has a button-equipped strip and a complemental overlapping strip, the latter having button holes for the buttons on the first-named strip; an emergency type

readily applicable and removable pocket for said shirt, said pocket being comparable in size with a common patch pocket such as is exteriorly provided on men's shirts, said pocket being of launderable shirting material, embodying complemental plies marginally stitched together, and having a constantly open mouth portion, one edge of one ply of said mouth portion projecting beyond the corresponding edge of the other ply defining an attaching and retaining flap for the pocket, said pocket being substantially oblique to the longitudinal axis of the flap, said flap being adapted to be interposed between said strips and having button holes, said button holes being spaced apart distances conforming to the distances existing between the aforementioned buttons, whereby said buttons may be simultaneously engaged with the button holes in said flap and the button holes in said second-named strip, allowing the buttons to have the dual function of buttoning the shirt and also the flap to the shirt.

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