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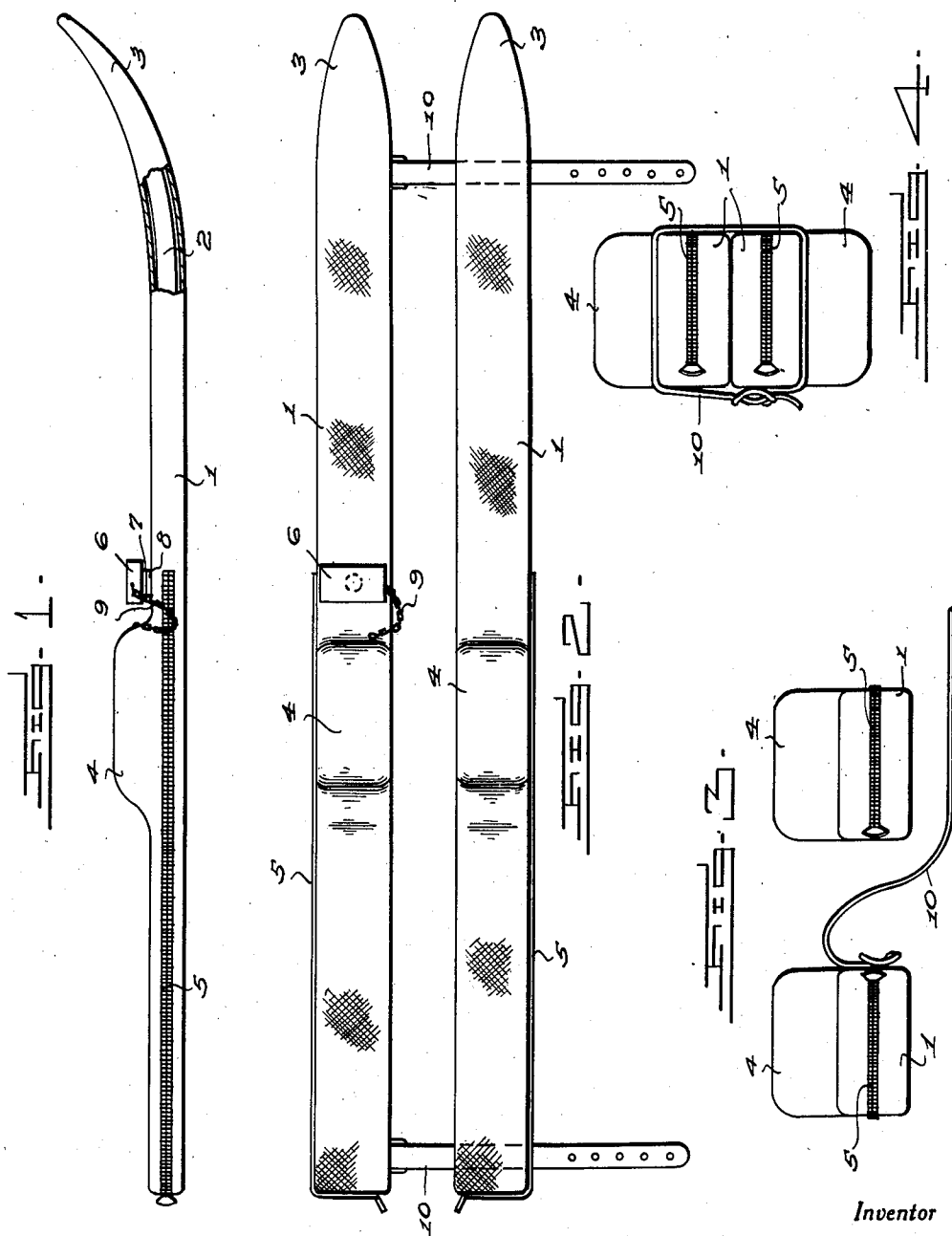
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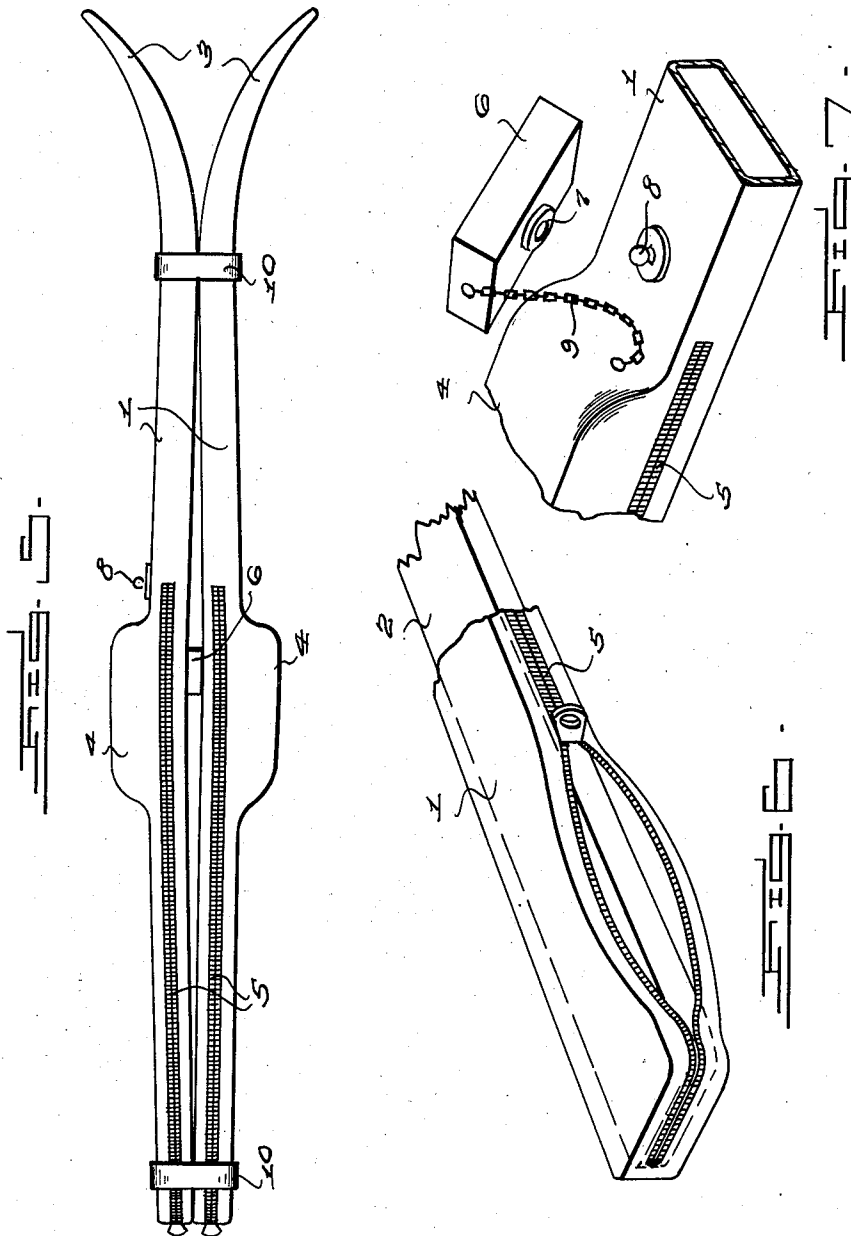
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The present invention relates to new and useful improvements in ski protectors and has for one of its important objects to provide, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, novel means for protecting a pair of skis from the weather while being transported, as, for example, in a rack on top of an automobile.

Another very important object of the invention is to provide a ski protector of the character described embodying novel means for arching and protecting the skis when they are not in use, as during warm weather.

Other objects of the invention are to provide a ski protector of the character set forth which will be comparatively simple in construction, strong, durable, highly efficient and reliable in use, compact, light in weight, attractive in appearance and which may be manufactured at low cost.

All of the foregoing and still further objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from a study of the following specification, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings wherein like characters of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, and wherein:

Figure 1 is a view in side elevation of one of the covers, showing same broken away in section at an intermediate point.

Figure 2 is a top plan view of the invention.

Figure 3 is an elevational view, looking at the rear end of the invention.

Figure 4 is a view in rear end elevation, showing the skis bound together.

Figure 5 is a view in side elevation, showing the skis bound together.

Figure 6 is a perspective view of the rear end portion of one of the covers with a ski therein, showing said cover partially open.

Figure 7 is a perspective view of an intermediate portion of one of the covers.

Referring now to the drawings in detail, it will be seen that the embodiment of the invention which has been illustrated comprises a pair of covers 1 of canvas or other suitable material. Of course, the covers 1 are for the reception of the skis, as at 2. The covers 1 conform substantially to the shape of the skis 2 and toward this end said covers include upwardly curved forward end portions 3. The covers 1 further include enlarged or raised intermediate portions 4 which accommodate the ski binders. The covers 1 have formed in their rear ends and extending longitudinally along the rear portion of one side thereof openings for the insertion and removal of the skis 2, which openings are closed through the medium of "zipper" fasteners 5.

The reference numeral 6 designates a block of suitable material which is adapted to be inserted between the skis in the manner shown to advantage in Fig. 5 of the drawings. The block 6 has mounted thereon a socket element 7 for the reception of a head element 8 on one of the covers 1 for detachably securing said block thereto when it is not in use adjacent the enlargement or raised intermediate portion 4 of that cover. A suitable flexible tie 9 connects the block 6 to this cover to prevent loss of said block.

It will thus be seen that a pair of covers has been provided which may be expeditiously slipped on a pair of skis and which, when so mounted, will completely protect said skis from the weather when being transported as well as in storage. When the skis are not in use, as during the summer, they are placed bottom to bottom and bound together with flexible straps 10 on the end portions of one of the covers 1 with the block 6 therebetween. Of course, to remove the covers 1 from the skis it is only necessary to open the "zipper" fasteners 5.

It is believed that the many advantages of a ski protector constructed in accordance with the present invention will be readily understood and although a preferred embodiment of said protector is as illustrated and described, it is to be understood that changes in the details of construction and in the combination and arrangement of parts may be resorted to which will fall within the scope of the invention as claimed.

What is claimed is:

1. A ski protector of the class described comprising a cover of flexible material for the reception of a ski, said cover having an opening extending across its rear end and along the rear portion of one side for the insertion and removal of the ski, and means for closing the opening, said cover conforming substantially to the shape of the ski and including a curved forward end portion accommodating the corresponding end portion of the ski and further including a raised intermediate portion accommodating the ski binder.

2. A ski protector comprising, in combination, a pair of flexible covers for the reception of a pair of skis, means for binding the end portions of the covered skis together with their bottoms in opposed relation, and a spacing block connected to one of the covers and insertable between the bound together covered skis at an intermediate point for holding the intermediate portions of said covered skis apart, said binding means including flexible straps secured on the end portions of said one cover and adapted to encircle the end portions of the covered skis.

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