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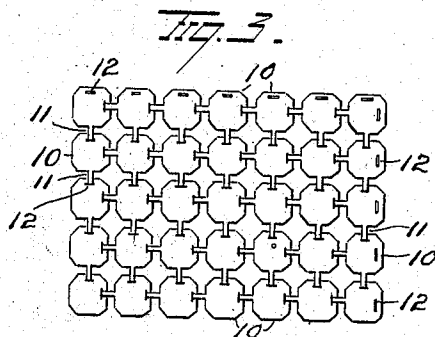
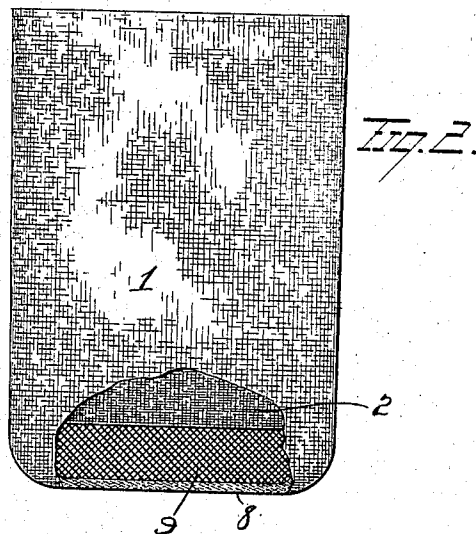
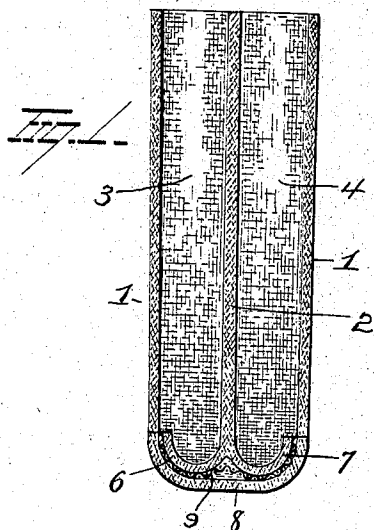


Fig. 4.

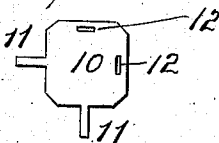


Fig. 5.

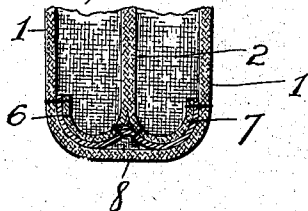
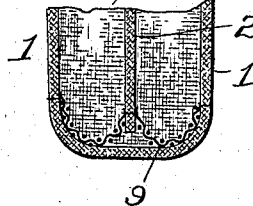


Fig. 6.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM C. FISHER, of Middletown, in the county of Middlesex and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cartridge-Pockets; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to improvements in cartridge pockets,—one object of the invention being to provide simple and efficient means to reinforce the bottom of a cartridge pocket in such manner as to prevent long, sharp-pointed bullets from penetrating the same.

A further object is to so construct reinforcement for the bottoms of the pockets of cartridge belts, that it will effectually resist penetration of pointed bullets and yet have such flexibility that it will at all times, be conformable to the bottoms of the pockets, even after having been subjected to pressure such as might occur when the belt is not in use and is trodden upon while lying on the ground.

With these objects in view, the invention consists in certain novel features of construction and combinations of parts as hereinafter set forth and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings; Figure 1 is a vertical transverse sectional view illustrating one embodiment of my invention as applied to a partitioned cartridge pocket; Fig. 2 is a detail view of one form of flexible reinforcement; Figs. 3, 4, and 5 are views of other forms of flexible reinforcement, and Fig. 6 is a view of a modification.

1 represents the outer and inner walls of a woven fabric pocket, and 2 illustrates a woven fabric partition dividing the pocket into two compartments 3 and 4, each being of proper size and shape to contain a clip of cartridges. The partition 2 is made of two-ply woven fabric except at its lower end, which is formed of two single-ply extensions 6, 7 projecting in opposite directions from the partition and disposed over the bottom 8 of the cartridge pocket. Between the extensions 6—7 and the bottom 8 of the pocket, flexible reinforcement 9 is disposed,—said reinforcement being secured in any

suitable manner to the fabric extensions 6—7 and preferably made to conform to the bottom faces thereof.

In the form of the invention shown in Figs. 1 and 2, the reinforcement 9 is made of wire cloth or netting, preferably of fine mesh, which will effectually resist penetration of sharp-pointed bullets and thus prevent the same from being punched through the bottom of the pocket. The wire cloth will be sufficiently flexible to insure its proper position in the bottom of the pocket, even though the belt may have been mashed by being trodden upon while lying on the ground. With the use of such reinforcement therefore, the bottom of the pocket will, at all times, be in proper condition to receive the cartridges.

If desired, the wire cloth reinforcement, may be secured at its respective edges to the fabric partition 2 and the walls of the pocket, and the extensions 6 and 7 omitted, as shown in Fig. 6.

Instead of using wire cloth, the construction shown in Fig. 3 may be employed. As here shown, the reinforcement consists of numerous small metallic disks 10, each provided on two sides with tongues 11 and near two other sides with slots 12,—the tongues 11 of one disk entering the slots 12 of adjacent disks. All of the disks are thus loosely connected together and, as a whole, constitute a flexible reinforcement,—the edges of which may be secured in place in the bottom of the pocket.

Instead of making the reinforcement of metal, it may be made of tough, flexible material, such as leather, as shown in Fig. 5.

The flexible metallic material may be fastened to the bottom end of the flap into the pocket and securely fastened in the pocket by means of stitching.

Having fully described my invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A woven fabric cartridge pocket provided in its bottom with a lining of wire cloth and a covering of fabric over said wire cloth.

2. The combination with a woven fabric cartridge pocket, of flexible reinforcement in the bottom thereof, and a fabric covering on said reinforcement to separate the pointed ends of cartridges from the latter.

3. The combination with a woven fabric cartridge pocket, of flexible metallic reinforcement within the bottom thereof, and fabric over said metallic reinforcement and adapted to separate the pointed ends of cartridges from the latter.

4. The combination with a woven fabric cartridge pocket, of a flexible reinforcement within the bottom portion thereof and consisting of interwoven metallic members, and a yielding covering over the interwoven metallic reinforcement.

5. The combination with a woven fabric cartridge pocket, of fine-mesh wire cloth secured within the bottom portion thereof and constituting reinforcement for said bottom

portion, and a yielding covering secured within the pocket over said wire cloth.

6. The combination with a woven fabric cartridge pocket, a partition therein, and extensions on said partition disposed over the bottom of the pocket, of flexible reinforcement between said extensions and the bottom of the pocket.

In testimony whereof, I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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