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FIG. 1

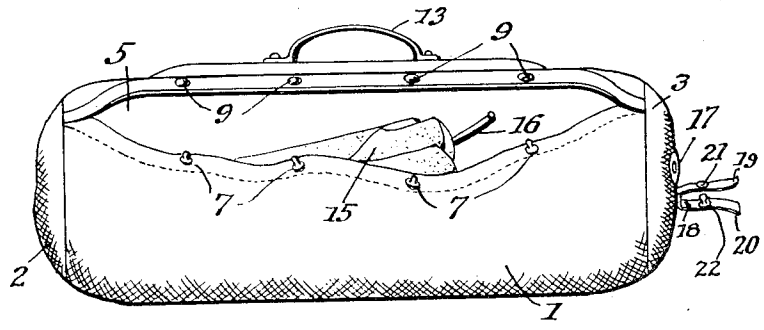


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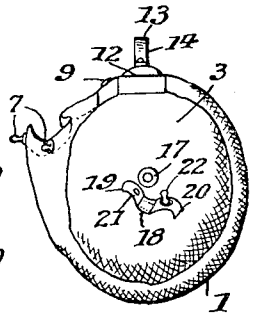


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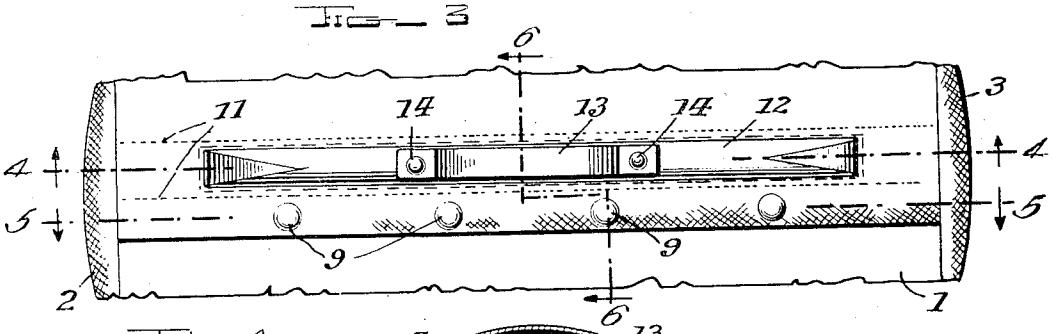


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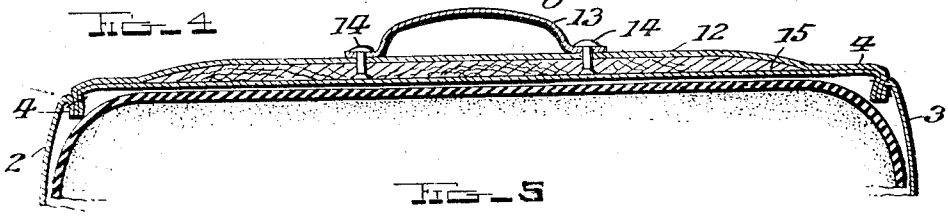


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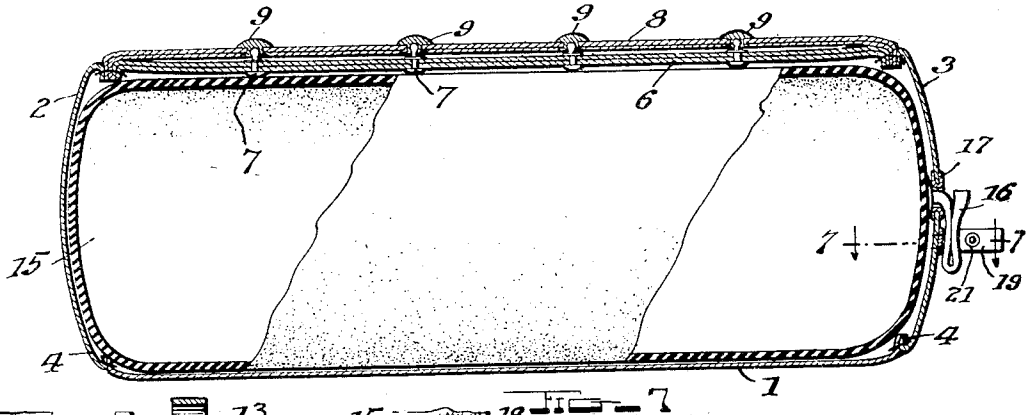


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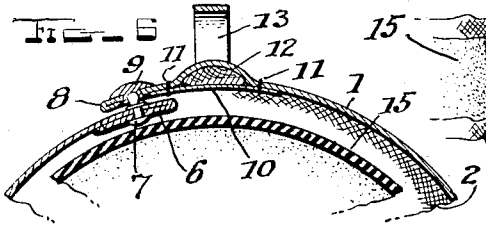
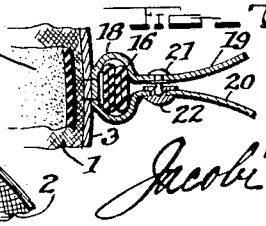


FIG. 7



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1 Claim. (Cl. 9—17)

This invention relates to a combination bag and pillow and one object of the invention is to provide a device of this character which may be used as a receptacle in which to carry a bathing suit and other articles used when swimming and may also be inflated and used either as a pillow or as a surf ball or life preserver.

Another object of the invention is to so form the combined bag and pillow that when it is not in use as a pillow there will be ample room in its casing or body to receive a rubber bladder to be inflated when the device is used as a pillow and also a bathing suit, beach pajamas and other articles of apparel.

Another object of the invention is to provide a device of this character in which the outer casing or body may be formed of rubber, oilcloth or waterproof fabric thereby permitting a wet bathing suit to be placed in the container or casing without danger of water leaking through the casing.

Another object of the invention is to provide the casing with means whereby the inflating neck of the rubber bladder within the casing may be extended through one end thereof and the neck secured in a folded position after the bladder has been inflated and very effectively prevent escape of air but at the same time permit the neck or inflating tube to be easily released when it is desired to allow the air to escape.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing wherein:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved combination bag and pillow with the casing shown in an open condition.

Figure 2 is a view showing the pillow bag in end elevation.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary top plan view of the pillow bag with the casing closed.

Figure 4 is a longitudinal sectional view taken through the upper portion of the pillow bag along the line 4—4 of Figure 3.

Figure 5 is a longitudinal sectional view through the pillow bag taken along the line 5—5 of Figure 3.

Figure 6 is a fragmentary sectional view taken transversely through the upper portion of the pillow bag along the line 6—6 of Figure 3, and

Figure 7 is an enlarged fragmentary sectional view taken along the line 7—7 of Figure 5.

The casing or body portion 1 of this improved combination pillow and bag is preferably formed of a soft waterproof fabric but it will be understood that it may be formed of rubber, oilcloth or any other material found suitable for the purpose. In the present illustration the container or body has been shown cylindrical in shape and provided with heads or end walls 2 and 3 which are secured by inturned seams 4 about their margins but it will be understood that the bag may be of any shape desired and may also be of any length and diameter.

The circumferentially extending walls of the cylindrical body or casing are formed from a single sheet of fabric having its side edges seamed to the heads 2 and 3 are previously explained and its meeting edges left free from each other in order to form an entrance 5 through which access may be had to the interior of the bag. One of the meeting edge portions is folded under back upon itself as shown at 6 to form a reinforced edge portion through which studs 7 are secured and the other meeting edge portion is folded inwardly back upon itself as shown at 8 to form a similarly reinforced edge portion through which sockets 9 are secured, the last mentioned inwardly folded portion being extended as shown at 10 to provide a flap which is secured by lines of stitching 11 and form a pocket in which is disposed a strip 12 formed of wood or any other suitable material. This strip serves as a longitudinally extending reinforcement for the bag and permits it to be easily carried when grasped by the handle 13. Referring to Figure 4 it will be seen that the handle is secured by rivets 14 which extend through the strip 12 thereby serving to firmly secure the handle and also preventing the strip from moving longitudinally or transversely in the pocket. Ends of the strip are beveled as shown in Figures 3 and 4 in order to provide the strip with tapered ends and eliminate wear which would be liable to cause the ends of the strip to cut through the fabric. While snap fasteners consisting of the studs 7 and sockets 9 have been employed to releasably connect the meeting edges of the casing or bag and releasably close the entrance 5 it will be understood that buttons, slide fasteners of the zipper type, or any other means desired may be employed.

Within the bag or casing 1 is placed a bladder 15 formed of rubber and in order that this bladder may be inflated there has been provided an inflating tube or neck 16 which projects from one end of the bladder and is of sufficient length to be passed outwardly through an eyelet 17 engaged through the head or end wall 3 of the bag. A strip 18 formed of fabric is sewed intermediate its ends to the outer face of the head 3 near the eyelet 17 with its end portions 19 and 20 free. One of these end portions carries a socket

21 while the other carries a stud 22 and by referring to Figures 5 and 7 it will be seen that after the bladder has been inflated the tube or neck 16 may be folded back upon itself and then extended across the secured intermediate portion of the strip 18 after which the end portions of this strip may be brought toward each other about the folded tube and the stud 21 engaged with the socket 22. Therefore, the inflating tube will be secured in a folded position and escape of air through this tube will be prevented. When it is desired to release the air it is merely necessary to grasp the free ends of the strip 18 and draw them apart thereby releasing them and permitting the inflating tube to unfold. Air may then pass freely through this tube and the bladder will collapse. By drawing the inflating tube inwardly the entire bladder and its inflating tube will be disposed within the bag or container where it will be shielded from accidental damage.

When this device is in use the bladder and its tube are placed within the bag or container. A bathing suit and other apparel or articles which it is desired to use when swimming are placed in the bag together with the bladder and the entrance side then closed. When a person arrives at a bathing beach it is merely necessary to open the bag and the bathing suit and other articles may then be removed after which the entrance will be again closed and the bladder inflated by blowing air inwardly through the tube which has been passed outwardly through the eyelet. The tube will then be secured and the device may be used as a pillow or life preserver. When returning a wet bathing suit may be placed in the bag together with the deflated bladder and since the bag is formed of waterproof fabric there will be no danger of leakage.

From the foregoing description of the construction of my improved invention the operation thereof and the method of applying the same to use will be readily understood. It will be seen that I have provided a simple, inexpensive and efficient means for carrying out the objects of the invention.

While I have particularly described the elements best adapted to perform the functions set forth, it is obvious that various changes in form, proportion and in the minor details of construction may be resorted to, without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the principles of the invention.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

A combined pillow and bag comprising a container formed of flexible water-proof material and having a cylindrical body portion and heads at its ends, the body portion consisting of a sheet of material having meeting edges free from each other to provide an entrance for the container, one of the meeting edge portions being folded back upon itself and secured to form a pocket, a reinforcing strip disposed in said pocket and extending longitudinally of the container, a handle having fasteners engaged through said reinforcing strip to retain the handle and strip in place, an inflatable bladder in said container having an inflating tube extending outwardly through a passage formed in one head and of a length to be folded back upon itself and disposed against the outer face of the head after the bladder has been inflated, and means carried by the last mentioned head externally thereof to engage about the folded neck and secure the same in a folded position to prevent escape of air from the bladder.

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