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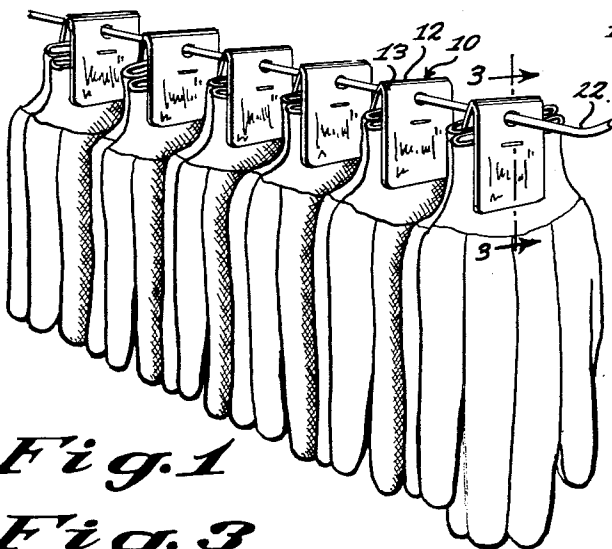


Fig. 1

Fig. 3

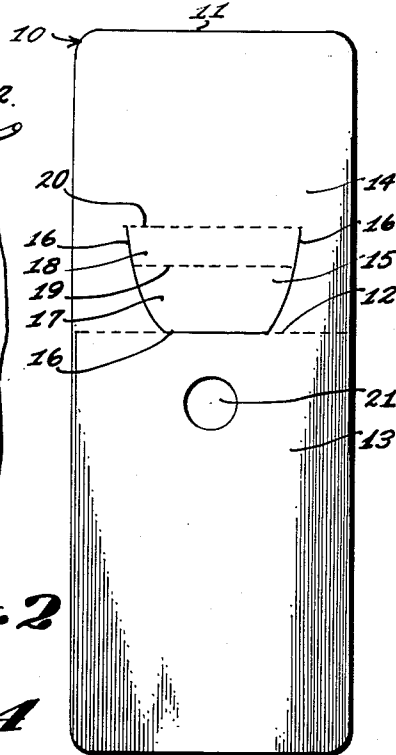


Fig. 2

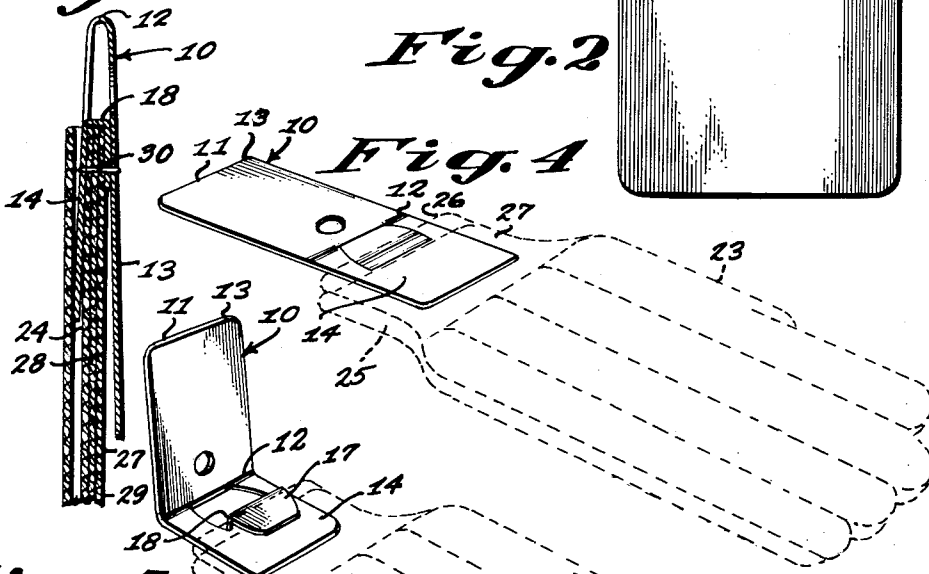


Fig. 4

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This invention relates to a labeling tag for gloves or similar articles, and more particularly to a labeling tag of the type used on pairs of gloves and the like to hold the gloves together, to serve as an attachment for hanging the gloves during display and to provide a surface on which advertising and other information may be displayed.

Labeling tags that have been previously used in the glove industry have had several disadvantages. For instance, the structure of the tags has been such that upon being normally handled by the prospective purchaser the tag would become disengaged from one or both of the gloves and the gloves would be separated from each other, resulting in loss of utility of the tag and inconvenience. Another disadvantage has been that the tag construction did not cause the cuffs and sides of the gloves to be aligned with respect to each other and with respect to other pairs during display so that a display of hanging pairs of gloves would present a neat appearance to prospective customers, and further this mis-alignment has resulted in the cuffs of the gloves occasionally being positioned between the hanger holes of the tags so that the rod of the hanger could not be inserted through the hanger holes. An additional disadvantage with prior tags has been that the top layer of the cuff of the bottom glove often became folded when the operator placed the glove in the machine for tag stapling; thus, the staple missed the top layer of the bottom glove cuff and the stapling operation had to be repeated in order to attach this portion of the glove to the labeling tag.

All of the above problems have been solved by the labeling tag of the present invention, which incorporates an inturned tab at the ends of the glove cuffs properly to position and align the gloves in each pair and the gloves of all pairs.

The labeling tag of the present invention is formed from a unitary, rectangular strip of flexible paperboard or other suitable material. It has a front panel and a back panel, joined along a fold line. An inturned tab, approximately U shaped, is cut from one of the panels. This inturned tab is folded inwardly from the panel and downwardly over the articles to hold them together, to secure their proper alignment, and to prevent the articles from slipping so that they will cover the hanger hole. The increased strength is imparted to this labeling tag because the inturned tab is folded over under the opposite panel to provide an additional thickness of paperboard for retaining the securing staple. Additional strength is provided because the staple is clinched against the paperboard on both sides, rather than against the article, as with some labeling tags. Further, the labeling tag is attached in a manner so that the top layer of the cuff of the bottom glove can no longer be accidentally folded when the operator places the gloves in the machine for tag stapling.

Further details of the labeling tag of the present invention are described hereafter in connection with the accompanying drawings, which illustrate a preferred but non-limiting embodiment of the labeling tag and the manner of using same.

In the drawings:

FIGURE 1 is a perspective view of a number of pairs of gloves, with labeling tags incorporating the present in-

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vention attached, and hung on a rod for display purposes in precise alignment.

FIGURE 2 is a top plan view of the cut, but unfolded, labeling tag blank;

FIGURE 3 is a vertical sectional view taken along line 3-3 of FIG. 1; and

FIGURES 4, 5 and 6 are perspective views of the steps of folding the labeling tag with respect to the gloves, showing the outline of the glove cuffs in dot-dash.

Referring now to the drawings, reference numeral 10 generally indicates a typical specimen of a preferred embodiment of my labeling tag. Referring to FIGURE 2, the preferred embodiment of my invention is illustrated as a blank comprising a substantially rectangular flexible body member 11, having a fold line 12 at the juncture of a longer front panel 13 and a shorter back panel 14, having an inturned tab 15 foldable away from the panel along fold line 20. The tab 15 is formed by cutting along a substantially U shaped line 16 and is composed of an outer portion 17 and an intermediate portion 18 joined along a fold line 19. A hanger hole 21 is formed in the back panel 14 in line with the opening formed by folding the tab 15 away from the panel 14. The hanger hole 21 is provided so that the pairs of gloves can be hung on a hanger rod 22, as shown in FIG. 1.

In order to secure the labeling tag to an article, e.g. a pair of gloves 23, the gloves are superposed with the palms facing one another, as shown in FIGURES 4, 5 and 6. The back panel 14 of the labeling tag 10 is inserted under and against the top cuff 24 of the bottom glove 25 so that the tops 26 of the cuffs are approximately parallel with the fold line 20, as shown in FIGURE 4. The inturned tab is folded upward along the fold line 20 so that the inturned tab is perpendicular to the back panel 14. The outer portion 17 of the inturned tab 15 is then folded downwardly along the fold line 19 so that the outer portion 17 of the inturned tab becomes approximately parallel to the back panel 14 and so that the underside of the outer portion 17 of the inturned tab 15 comes to rest against the top ply 27 of the cuff of the top glove, and the intermediate portion 18 of the inturned tab abuts the tops of the cuffs 28 and 29 of the top glove and the top of the cuff 24 of the bottom glove. The front panel 13 is next folded along the fold line 12, as shown in FIGURES 4, 5 and 6 so that the front panel 13 is finally positioned over the outer portion 17 of the tab 15 approximately parallel to the back panel 14, as shown in FIGURES 3 and 6. A staple 30 is driven through the front panel 13, outer portion 17 of the inturned flap, cuffs 28 and 29 of the top glove, top cuff 24 of the bottom glove, and the back panel 14, and the staple is clinched against the back panel 14.

The tops 26 of the glove cuffs are precisely aligned so that both gloves of the pair are in alignment, and the gloves of all pairs are precisely aligned with respect to each other, as shown in FIG. 1, because the same size labeling tag is used and the tops of all glove cuffs are uniformly positioned by the intermediate portion 18 of the inturned tab 15.

The front panel 13 of the labeling tag 10 extends above the intermediate portion 17 of the inturned tab 15, and is larger than front panels of the labeling tags of the prior art, thus providing more area upon which advertising and sales information may be placed.

While the foregoing is a description of the preferred embodiment of my invention and the preferred method of practicing the invention, it will be realized that my invention may take other forms, may be practiced by other methods, and may be utilized in connection with articles other than gloves. It is also contemplated that my labeling tag may be formed from materials other

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than paperboard, such as plastic, thin metal, etc., and that fastening means other than a staple may be utilized.

I claim:

1. A tag for securing together gloves or the like, comprising a pair of panels hinged together along a juncture line and foldable to position gloves or similar articles therebetween, with said fold line spaced outwardly from the adjacent end of the article, an inturned tab cut from one of said panels and foldable inwardly from said panel along a fold line substantially at the adjacent end of the article for abutment of the ends of the article, against said tab, and means for securing the panels together, with the glove therebetween.

2. A tag for securing together gloves or the like, comprising a pair of panels hinged together along a juncture line and foldable to position the gloves or similar articles therebetween, with the fold line spaced outwardly from the adjacent end of the article, an inturned tab cut from one of said panels and foldable inwardly from said panel along a fold line substantially at the adjacent end of the article and against which the end of the article abuts, said inturned tab having an outer portion and an intermediate portion joined along a fold line spaced from said fold line at the juncture of the tab and panel, said intermediate portion extending from and being substantially perpendicular to the panel, and said outer portion being folded downwardly substantially parallel to the panels with a portion of the article being between said outer portion and the panel from which the tab is folded and with the end of the article abutting said intermediate portion, and means for securing said panels, tab and article together.

3. A tag for securing together gloves or the like, comprising a pair of panels hinged together along a juncture line and foldable to position gloves or similar articles therebetween, with said fold line spaced outwardly from the adjacent end of the article, an inturned tab cut from one of said panels and foldable inwardly from said panel along a fold line substantially at the adjacent end of the article for abutment of the ends of the article, against said tab, and means for securing said tab to the other panel and securing the panels together with the glove therebetween.

4. A tag for securing together gloves or the like, comprising a pair of panels hinged together along a juncture line and foldable to position the gloves or similar articles therebetween, with the fold line spaced outwardly from the adjacent end of the article, an inturned tab cut from one of said panels outwardly of the adjacent end of the

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article, said tab being foldable inwardly from said panel along a fold line substantially at the adjacent end of the article and against which the end of the article abuts, said inturned tab having an outer portion and an intermediate portion joined along a fold line spaced from said fold line at the juncture of the tab and panel, said intermediate portion extending from and being substantially perpendicular to the panel, and said outer portion being folded downwardly substantially parallel to the panels with a portion of the article being between said outer portion and the panel from which the tab is folded and with the end of the article abutting said intermediate portion, and means for securing said panels, tab and article together.

5. A tag for securing together a pair of gloves, comprising a top panel positioned on top of the cuff of the top glove of a pair of aligned gloves, a bottom panel positioned between the layers of the cuff of the bottom glove, said panels being hinged together along a juncture line spaced outwardly from the glove cuffs, an inturned tab cut from the bottom panel and foldable from said panel along a fold line substantially at the top of the glove cuffs for abutment of the top of the glove cuffs against said tab, and means for securing the panels together with the glove cuffs therebetween.

6. A tag for securing together a pair of gloves, comprising a top panel positioned on top of the cuff of the top glove of a pair of aligned gloves, a bottom panel positioned between the layers of the cuff of the bottom glove, said panels being hinged together along a juncture line spaced outwardly from the glove cuffs, an inturned tab cut from the bottom panel outwardly of the adjacent end of the tops of the glove cuffs and foldable from said bottom panel along a fold line substantially at the top of the glove cuffs and against which the glove cuffs abut, said inturned tab having an outer portion and an intermediate portion joined along a fold line spaced from said fold line at the juncture of the tab and panel, said intermediate portion being substantially perpendicular to said bottom panel and extending between the bottom and top panel with the ends of the glove cuffs abutting the intermediate portion, said outer portion being folded over the top of the cuff of the top glove between the top glove and said top panel, and means for securing said panels, tab and glove cuffs together.

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