

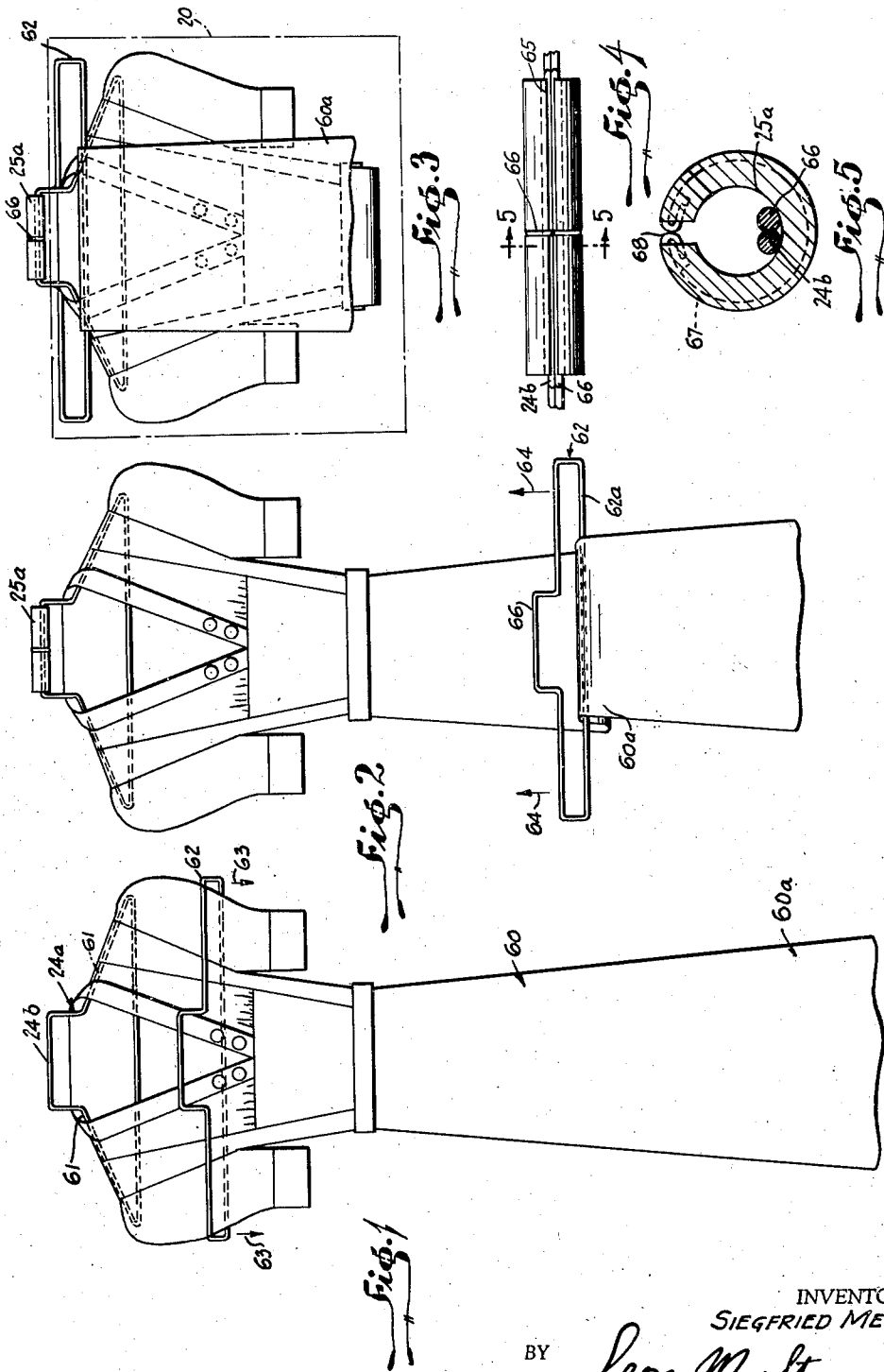
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This invention relates to hanger devices and more particularly to garment hanger means, especially for use in connection with paper bags or other receptacles.

It is an object of the present invention to provide hanger means adapted to support a garment thereon in folded condition and to simultaneously brace the upper part of a bag made preferably of flexible or paper material which bag may be used to enclose said garment.

It is another object of the present invention to provide garment hanger means including a hand grip for facilitating carrying of the folded garment.

Still a further object of the present invention is to provide a garment hanger which includes a hand grip which may be removably attached to the remainder of said hanger.

Yet, a further object of the present invention is to provide a hanger device for use in a paper bag or the like, which device permits the transport of a garment or garments of a length greater than the length of the bag; the depending portion of said garment or garments being foldable about a bar or rod of said device and being folded in position in said bag without being crushed or crumpled.

Still another object of the present invention is to provide a hanger device for a garment or a plurality of garments which device enables a person to conveniently and easily pack said garments and to carry them in a bag preferably made of paper or similar inexpensive flexible material, a portion of said device forming a hand grip by which said device and garments thereon accommodated in said bag may be carried by the hand of a person or may be suspended from a suitable support.

It is yet a further object of the present invention to provide hanger means particularly adapted for use in paper or like bags and which is economical, efficient, practical, inexpensive and capable of supporting a garment in compact form.

Yet, another object of the present invention is to connect garment shoulder hanger means with a garment folding member, one or more garment portions depending from said shoulder hanger means being folded over by said folding member, which is positioned in a plane different from that of said shoulder hanger means and projects preferably laterally therebeyond.

These and other objects and advantages of the invention will appear from the following disclosure thereof together with the attached drawing which illustrates certain forms of embodi-

ment thereof. These forms are shown for the purpose of illustrating the invention since the same has been found in practice to give satisfactory and reliable results, although it is to be understood that the various parts of which the invention consists can be variously arranged and organized and that the invention is not limited to the precise arrangement and organization of the instrumentalities as herein shown and described.

In the drawing:

Figs. 1 to 3 show garment hanger devices incorporating the invention and illustrating various stages in folding a garment.

Fig. 4 is a detailed view of the hand grip portion of a garment hanger device employable in connection with the invention.

Fig. 5 is a detailed sectional view taken along line 5-5 of Fig. 4.

Referring now to the drawing numeral 20 indicates a conventional bag made of paper or similar material used in the tailoring, cleaning and dyeing trade, and which may have closure means (not shown) at the sides of the bag 20 to hold the front and rear walls together.

Disposed within the bag 20 is a hanger device 24a shown as being made of one piece of wire material and having a handle or hand grip 24b projecting from within said bag therewithout through a slot (not shown) of bag 20. Hanger 24a has the downwardly directed and diverging garment shoulder supporting parts 61, which may be joined together by a bar or rod as clearly seen in Fig. 1.

Referring to Figs. 1 to 3, there is disclosed a garment hanger 24a with grip portion 24b. The garment depicted in form of a dress 60 is supported at its shoulders by said garment shoulder hanger device 24a and rests on its inclined portions 61 from which dress 60 depends. A folding member 62 is employed which, in this instance, is of sufficient width that it may be threaded over hanger device 24a (as shown in Fig. 1) and moved downwardly in the direction of arrows 63 from a position illustrated in Fig. 1 to, say, a position shown in Fig. 2. It is to be noted that the depending portion 60a of dress 60 rests on bar or folding means 62a of member 62. Member 62 is now moved upwardly in the direction of arrows 64 in a side by side position with shoulder hanger 24a to be then supported by separable grip handle 25a which may engage grip position 24b of said of hanger device 24a (Fig. 2) for which purpose grip handle 25a is longitudinally slotted as indicated at 65 (Figs. 4

and 5) for the reception of the substantially U-shaped upper portion 66 of member 62. Grip handle 25a is further provided with a transverse annular channel or groove 66a in which is received a spring member 67 having its opposed curved ends 68 projecting within slot 65 and in close proximity with one another, so that in inserting portion 66 into hollow handle grip 25a, ends 68 will give, thus permitting passage of said portion 66 which will then be disposed adjacent U-shaped upper portion 24b of hanger device 24a, as clearly shown in Fig. 3. Thus, dress 60 is maintained in neatly folded condition and may be carried in a bag, as indicated by dot and dash lines of Fig. 3.

It can be seen from the above disclosure that the instrumentalities employed in this invention maintain a garment or a plurality thereof in compact folded condition thereby permitting the use of a relatively short bag 20, as illustrated in Fig. 3, thus taking up a relatively small space therein and further making the garment package unusually simple and easy to carry. The garment folding means hereinabove referred to together with the garment shoulder hanger means form a kind of stiffening means for the upper part of the preferably flexible bag 20 provided with a slot (not shown), through which the handle protrudes and which is prevented from crumpling.

It can thus be realized that there has been achieved, according to this invention, a garment supporting device which comprises a member for engaging the shoulder parts of a garment having a portion depending from said member, said member including a substantially U-shaped upper portion, folding means adapted for positioning side by side with said member and engageable with the latter, the depending portion of said garment being adapted to be carried by said folding means when the garment shoulder parts are engaged for support by said member, and separable handle means adapted for engagement by the hand of a person and for receiving said U-shaped upper portion and said folding means in said side by side position with said garment in folded condition.

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not desire to be limited to such details since changes and modifications in the form, arrangements, proportions and sizes thereof may well be made without departing from the spirit and scope of my invention in its broadest aspect.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new and desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is:

1. A device for carrying garments and the like in folded condition comprising garment shoulder hanger means having downwardly directed diverging lateral ends, and substantially rectangular folding means extending beyond the lateral ends of said shoulder hanger means and adapted to be slipped over a garment when suspended from said shoulder hanger means, said folding means comprising a substantially U-shaped yoke and a transversely directed bar below said yoke and engaging the ends of said U-shaped yoke to fold the lower portion of said garment over said bar, said yoke being adapted for positioning side by side with said shoulder hanger means and being engageable with the latter, whereby said lower garment portion placed on said bar may be lifted to the folded position of said garment in which said yoke of said folding means engages said shoulder hanger means, said bar being arranged substantially above the lateral ends of said shoulder hanger means when said yoke is in said engagement position, said U-shaped yoke being adapted for abutment against the end wall of a garment bag for protecting said folded garment.

2. A garment supporting device comprising a member for engaging the shoulder parts of a garment having a portion depending from said member, said member including a substantially U-shaped upper portion, folding means adapted for positioning side by side with said member and engageable with the latter, the depending portion of said garment being adapted to be carried by said folding means when the garment shoulder parts are engaged for support by said member, and separable handle means adapted for engagement by the hand of a person and for receiving said U-shaped upper portion and said folding means in said side by side position with said garment in folded condition.

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