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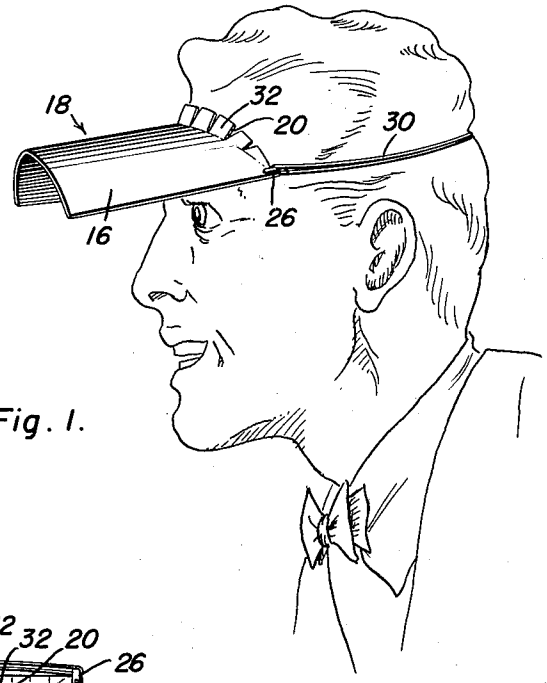


Fig. 1.

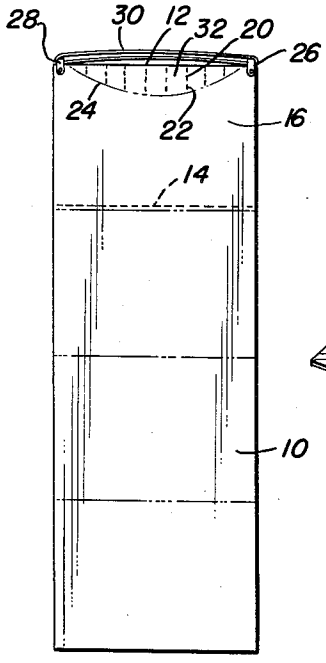


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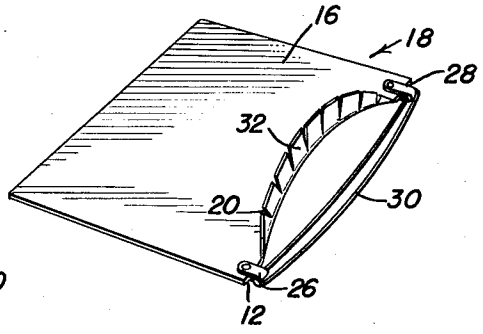


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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in eyeshields and the primary object of the present invention is to provide a printed program for athletic events and including an eyeshield carried by said program and separable therefrom.

Another important object of the present invention is to provide a combination program and eyeshield so designed as to facilitate the eyeshield to be quickly and readily separated from the program in a convenient manner to be applied in a comfortable manner upon the forehead of a wearer.

A further object of the present invention is to provide a combination program and eyeshield that is extremely neat and attractive in appearance and which will shield a user's eyes and provide the user with a program indicating the interesting features of a sport event.

A still further aim of the present invention is to provide a combination program and eyeshield that is small and compact in construction, reliable and practical in use, relatively inexpensive to manufacture, and otherwise well adapted for the purposes for which the same is intended.

Other objects and advantages reside in the details of construction and operation as more fully hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings forming part hereof, wherein like numerals refer to like parts throughout, and in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the present eyeshield applied to a user's head;

Figure 2 is a plan view of the blank forming the present invention; and,

Figure 3 is a perspective view of the eyeshield portion of the present invention.

Referring now to the drawings in detail, wherein for the purpose of illustration, there is disclosed a preferred embodiment of the present invention, the numeral 10 represents a substantially rectangular sheet of material such as paper, cardboard or the like having suitable indicia printed on either or both faces to provide a program for a suitable athletic event. Adjacent one transverse edge 12 of the sheet of material 10, there is provided a transverse, perforated tear line 14 to provide a substantially rectangular portion 16 that forms the eyeshield of the present invention which is indicated generally by the numeral 18.

A plurality of transversely spaced longitudinal tear lines 20 are provided in the transverse edge 12 of the portion 16 and the inner ends 22 of the lines 20 terminate in an arcuate plane which is indicated by the section line 24.

Fixed to the portion 16, adjacent the transverse edge 12, is a pair of spaced U-shaped clips 26 and

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28 that slidably engage an endless, resilient head band 30.

In practical use of the device, the portion 16 is torn from the sheet of material 10 along the tear line 14 and the lines 20 are also torn to provide a plurality of tabs 32 that are turned outwardly to comfortably bear against a user's forehead as shown best in Figure 1 of the drawings.

In view of the foregoing description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings it is believed that a clear understanding of the device will be quite apparent to those skilled in this art. A more detailed description is accordingly deemed unnecessary.

It is to be understood, however, that even though there is herein shown and described a preferred embodiment of the invention the same is susceptible to certain changes fully comprehended by the spirit of the invention as herein described and the scope of the appended claims.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. An eyeshield comprising a substantially rectangular blank of flexible material having inner and outer longitudinal edges, a pair of substantially U-shaped clips having their ends fixed to said material adjacent the inner longitudinal edge of said material, the webs of said U-shaped clips being spaced from the inner longitudinal edge of said material, a plurality of spaced parallel tear lines provided in the material and extending from and perpendicular to the inner longitudinal edge of said material and constituting forehead contacting tabs, and an endless elastic band trained about said clips and having spaced portions disposed between the webs of said clips and the inner longitudinal edge of said material.

2. The combination of claim 1 wherein said tear lines include inner end portions, the inner end portions of said tear lines lying in an arcuate line.

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