

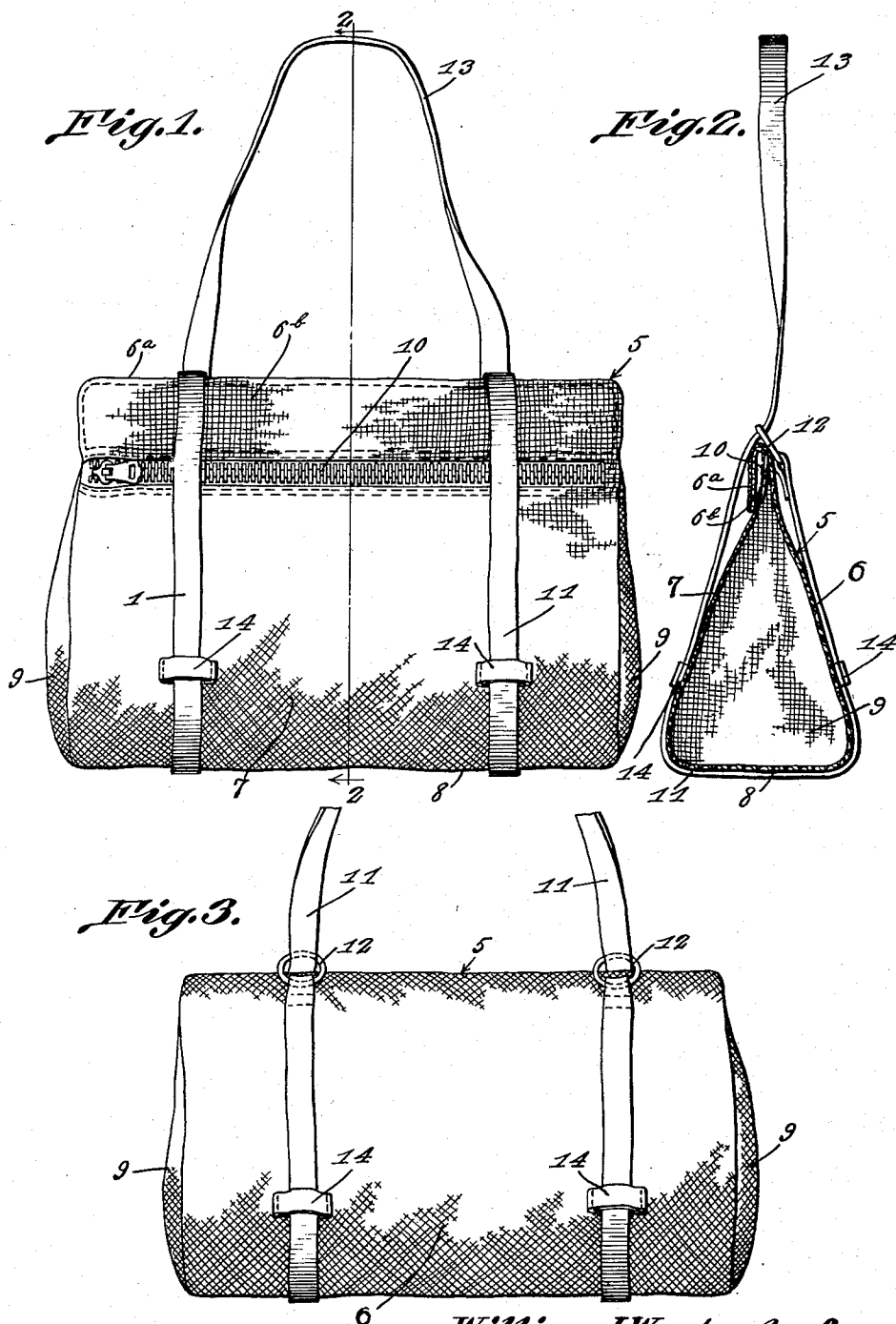
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This invention relates to bags and more particularly to that class known as frameless traveling bags.

One of the principal objects of my invention is to provide a novel construction in a frameless bag having a slide type closure device together with means for protecting and concealing the closure device.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description, appended claims and annexed drawing.

Referring to the drawing wherein like reference characters designate like parts throughout the several views:

Fig. 1 is a side elevation of my invention illustrating the position of the closure or locking device.

Fig. 2 is a sectional view taken on a line 2-2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a similar view of Fig. 1, illustrating the other side of the bag.

My invention comprises, in the preferred embodiment illustrated in the drawing, a bag 5 constructed of waterproof canvas material, although other suitable material may be used, and comprises a length of said material adapted to form the front, rear and bottom walls 6, 7 and 8 respectively, of the bag. Suitable gussets 9 are attached to the walls 6, 7 and 8 and form the side walls of the bag.

The upper ends of the walls 6 and 7 form the mouth of said bag and are adapted to be secured together by a closure device 10, preferably of the well known slide fastener construction, when the bag is in closed or locked condition. The wall 6 is formed at the upper end thereof with a flap 6a which has secured to its inner face a reinforcing strip 6b. The upper end of the wall 7 and the lower or adjacent end of the strip 6b forms an opening communicating with the mouth of the bag. The closure device 10 is provided with laterally extended portions, one of which is secured to a section of the reinforcing strip and adjacent the lower edge thereof, and the other portion secured to an upper section of the wall 7 adjacent the upper edge thereof. Obviously, operation of the closure device 10 opens or closes the mouth of the bag as the case may be.

It is to be noted that the flap, when the bag is in closed condition, is folded over and protects and conceals the closure device.

A strap 11, having end sections inserted through rings 12 and connected to said rings by the ends thereof, enfolds the bag adjacent the lateral ends thereof. The intermediate section of the strap

forms a loop or handle 13. The lower end sections are positioned adjacent the ends of the bag and held against lateral displacement by retaining loops 14, the strap having running engagement therethrough.

From the foregoing, it will be apparent, when the bag is in closed position and the flap and reinforcing strip overlying and protecting the closure device 10, that stress exerted on the strap will tension the loops enfolded about the bag to securely hold the flap and reinforcing member in place.

The bag, through the medium of the strap, may be carried suspended from the shoulder to permit the free use of both hands for other purposes, for instance, as climbing ladders or the like, in the boarding of ships, ascending of docks or the scaling of buildings.

It is known, in the carrying of bags by laborers or the like, that the closure devices, which are ordinarily located on the outside of the bags, are exposed and therefore subject to accidental contact with various objects and as a result are often rendered inoperative thereby. The novel arrangement and positioning of the parts of the bag, as herein set forth, serves to protect as well as to conceal the closure operating device, thus eliminating the difficulty in the operation of the devices which have been impaired.

It is to be distinctly understood that various changes and modifications in construction may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention or scope of the appended claims.

Having described my invention, what I claim is:

1. A traveling bag having front and rear walls having upper ends defining a mouth, one of said walls provided with an integrally formed flap extending from the upper end thereof, a strip secured to said flap, a closure means secured directly to said strip and the other of said walls and adapted to secure the bag in a closed condition and means embracing said flap for concealing said closure means.

2. A traveling bag having front and rear walls having upper ends defining a mouth, one of said walls integrally formed with a flap extending from the upper end thereof, a reinforcing strip secured to said flap, a closure means secured directly to said strip and the other of said walls and adapted to secure the bag in an opened or closed condition and means embracing said flap and said strip whereby said flap and said strip when folded will serve to protect said closure means.

3. A traveling bag having front and rear walls

having upper ends defining a mouth, one of said walls provided with an integrally formed flap extending from the upper end thereof adapted to fold over another of said walls, a reenforcing strip secured to the inner face of said flap when in folded position, closure means secured directly to said strip and the other of said walls and posi-

tioned between one of said walls and said flap when said strip is in folded position and means enfolding said bag and maintaining said strip in folded position when said bag is being carried whereby to protect said closure means.

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