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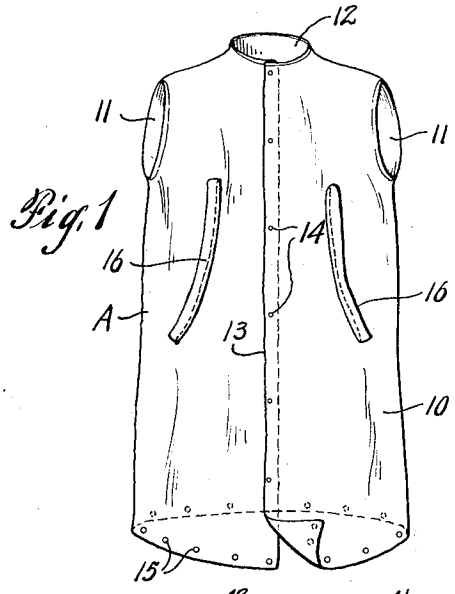


Fig. 1

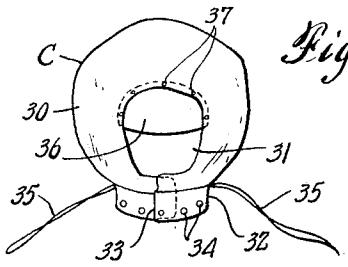


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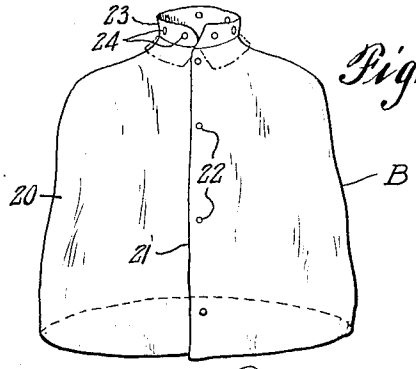


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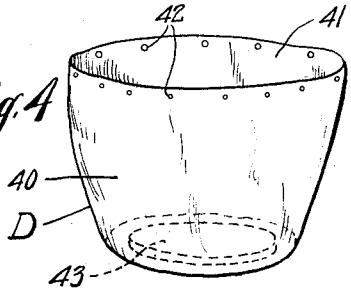


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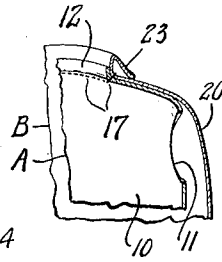


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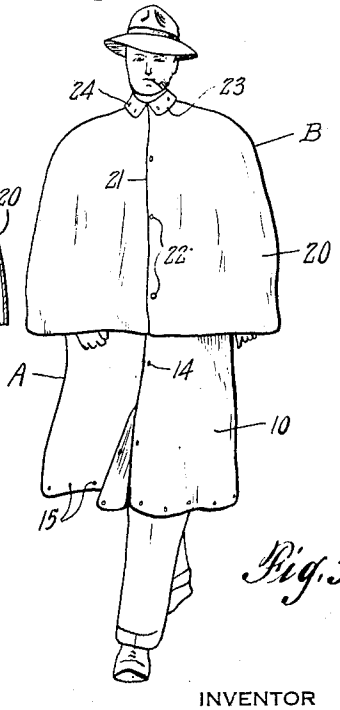


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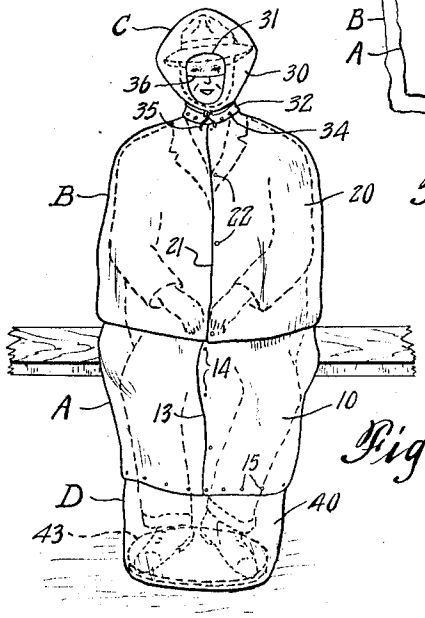


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The invention relates to garments and more particularly to garments for wearing over ordinary clothes for protection against rain.

An object of the invention is to provide a coverall garment suitable for the protection of spectators against rain while seated when attending outdoor football games and the like. It is the object of the invention to provide such a garment for both men and women which may be conveniently slipped on over one's ordinary street clothes, which will not bind and which will be comfortable, and which is suitable for street wear, if desired; a garment which is also of light weight and capable of being rolled into a small bundle.

According to a preferred form of the invention, the ensemble consists of four main garments. The first garment comprises a body coat similar to an overcoat but without sleeves or collar; the second garment comprises a cape with attached collar and fitting over the said coat and arms of the wearer; the third garment comprises a bag-like member into which the wearer steps and which is secured to the inside of the overcoat garment; the fourth garment comprises a hood-like member sufficiently large to wear over one's ordinary hat and which may be secured to the outside of the collar of the cape. If desired, a suitable transparent visor or protector may be either permanently or detachably secured to the hood to protect the face of the wearer.

The invention also consists in certain new and original features of construction and combination of parts hereinafter set forth and claimed.

Although the novel features which are believed to be characteristic of this invention will be particularly pointed out in the claims appended hereto, the invention itself, as to its objects and advantages, and the manner in which it may be carried out, may be better understood by referring to the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing forming a part thereof, in which

Fig. 1 illustrates a perspective of the overcoat or body garment;

Fig. 2 is a perspective of the cape garment;

Fig. 3 is a perspective of the hood garment;

Fig. 4 is a perspective of the bag garment;

Fig. 5 illustrates the ensemble without hood or bag, as used for street wear;

Fig. 6 illustrates the complete ensemble for head-to-foot protection when attending a football game or the like; and

Fig. 7 is a fragmentary section through the side of the neck of the assembled coat and cape members showing how they may be stitched together, if desired.

In the following description and in the claims, various details will be identified by specific names for convenience, but they are intended to be as generic in their application as the art will permit.

Like reference characters denote like parts in the several figures of the drawing.

In the drawing accompanying and forming part of this specification, certain specific disclosure of the invention is made for purposes of explanation, but it will be understood that the details may be modified in various respects without departure from the broad aspect of the invention.

Referring now to the drawing, and more particularly to Fig. 6, the complete ensemble comprises the overcoat or body member A, the cape member B, the hood member C and bag member D, suitably secured together by suitable detachable fastening means, such as ordinary buttons, snap fasteners or zippers. In the following description and in the drawing, snap fasteners are used for illustration but it will be understood that ordinary buttons, slide fasteners or zippers may be used both for fastening together separable portions of the same garment or for fastening together the separate garments to each other, it being understood that in each case the joint or connection between the parts will be such as to provide waterproof protection. The various garments will be made of some suitable lightweight, waterproof material, the several garments being of the same or of different material as desired.

Referring now to Fig. 1, the body garment or member A comprises a body member or sheet 10 closed at the back and sides and open down the front as indicated at 13. The garment is armless and collarless, the arm holes being indicated by 11 and the plain neck by 12. The front is separable, similar to an ordinary overcoat, and the joint 13 may be closed in any suitable manner as by separable snap fasteners 14. The inside of the lower margin of the overcoat is provided with snap fasteners 15 for connection to the bag member D, as described more in detail hereinafter. The front of the body garment A may be provided with slits or openings, indicated by 16, similar to those often found in raincoats, for permitting the wearer to insert his hands into the inside of the garment for access to his street clothes, without unsnapping the garment.

The openings 16 may be considerably longer than those normally used in ordinary raincoats to give easy access to all of the pockets in a man's

ordinary suit and overcoat, that is to say, to trouser pockets, to side and breast pockets of sack coat, vest and overcoat and inside pockets of sack coat and overcoat.

Referring now to Fig. 2, the cape garment B comprises a body member 20 closed at the back and sides and separable at the front, the opening being closed by snap fasteners 22. The cape B is provided with a turn-down collar 23, shown turned down in Fig. 5 for street use, but shown turned up in Fig. 2 in which position it is placed for attachment of the hood C, the collar 23 being provided with snap fasteners 24 all the way around for this purpose.

Referring now to Fig. 3, the hood C comprises a body 30 closed on top, back and sides and made sufficiently large to go over an ordinary man's Fedora or woman's hat. The body 30 is provided with an opening 31 for the wearer's face and a collar band 32. The body 30 is open from the face opening 31 to the bottom of the collar band 32 forming a joint 33, adjustable straps or ribbons 35 being provided on the opposite sides of the joint 33 for drawing the hood C snugly around the head and neck of the wearer. The neck band 32 is provided with snap fasteners 34 all around and is adapted to telescope down and over the neck band 23 on the cape B and to be snapped thereto. If desired, the face opening 31 may be provided with a transparent visor 36, either permanently or detachably secured inside of the top and sides of the face opening, the visor 36 being open at the bottom to provide a complete freedom of ventilation to the face of the wearer and at the same time offering complete protection against rain or snow. Snap fasteners 37 provide for detaching the visor 36 in case it is not desired to be worn. The visor may also be detached to prevent breakage when rolling the ensemble into a small bundle for carrying or storage.

Referring now to Fig. 4, the bag D comprises a body 40 closed on all sides and at the bottom and open only at the top, as indicated at 41. A series of snap fasteners 42 are provided all the way around the top 41, these fasteners being adapted to be secured to the overcoat fasteners 15 when the wearer steps into the bag D and the latter is inserted inside of the overcoat A. If desired, the bag may be made a little smaller at the bottom although it should be roomy enough for complete comfort. In some cases a small insert may be provided on which the feet may rest for insulating the feet from the cold ground or concrete floor on which the feet rest. This member may be in the form of a disc 43 of cork, sponge rubber or other heat-insulating material.

The complete ensemble may be used as follows: The overcoat garment A is worn over the wearer's ordinary street clothes which may include the wearer's ordinary heavy fur or cloth overcoat. The overcoat garment A will be made sufficiently large and loose fitting to fit comfortably without binding and will be of sufficient length to cover the ordinary overcoat, the garment extending preferably down around the knees or below. The absence of overcoat sleeves and overcoat collar helps give the wearer complete freedom of movement, the arm or shoulder holes 11 being sufficiently large for this purpose. The overcoat A will be put on in a manner similar to an ordinary overcoat, after which it will be snapped down the front by the snappers 14.

After the overcoat A is put on, the cape B will be thrown around the shoulders of the wearer and then closed by the snappers 22. In some cases the front detachable joint 21 may be omitted entirely, the cape being then closed on all sides, in which case the entire cape B will have to be slipped on over the head. In this event the collar 23 will have to be large enough to permit passage of the head of the wearer.

In most cases it is preferable to permanently attach garments A and B, this being done, for example, by suitable stitching 17 (Fig. 7) between the edge of neck 12 of coat A and the neck of cape B at or just below the point where collar 23 is attached. With permanent attachment of garments A and B, both will be openable at the front and the joints 13 and 21 will be in substantial register.

In any event, the cape B will be sufficiently long to protect the arms of the wearer, to cover slits 16 and to give added protection to the shoulders and trunk of the wearer where protection is needed most, particularly in a hard driving rain. The cape B will be made sufficiently loose to provide free use of the wearer's arms, the pocket slits 16 in the overcoat body A providing free and easy access of the hands to the inner garments of the wearer.

To put the hood C on, the front detachable joint 33 and the straps 35 are opened up and the hood is placed over the ordinary brim hat of the wearer, as indicated particularly in Fig. 6. The cape collar 23 is turned up, the draw strings 35 are pulled to tighten the hood around the neck and chin of the wearer and the collar band 32 is snapped onto the outside of the cape collar 23 to provide a water-tight joint between these garments. It will be understood that the collar bands on both garments will be sufficiently loose fitting to insure the wearer's comfort. The visor 36 will be attached by the fasteners 37 or it may be omitted as desired.

The wearer then sits down and inserts his or her feet and legs into the bag D which is inserted inside the lower edge of the overcoat garment A and snap fasteners 42 and 15 secured together. The complete ensemble is now assembled on the wearer and the wearer is snugly protected from top of head to shoe soles against rain, snow and wind.

The ensemble, according to the invention, is also applicable for street wear, in which event the bag D will be removed and also the hood C, if desired. The cape collar 23 will then be turned down, the collar being tailored to stand up by itself and fit in an attractive manner, as indicated more particularly in Fig. 5. The hood may be placed inside the bag and both garments rolled up into a small compact bundle. If the weather clears, all four pieces of the ensemble may be removed, the garments A, B and C being placed inside the bag D and rolled into a tight compact bundle.

It will be obvious that the ensemble, according to the invention, is susceptible of many variations and styles in tailoring. The material will be largely optional, depending upon style, price and other considerations. The ensemble may be made in comparatively few different sizes which will be sufficient for all heights and weights of the wearer because of the loose roomy nature of the garment. At the same time the tailoring may be such as to provide an attractive looking garment which will be suitable for street wear, if desired.

It will be obvious that such a garment will have a wide field of use. The garment is particularly advantageous for the attendance, during inclem-

ent weather, at outdoor games, such as football games. The garment may be taken along in threatening weather and, if the necessity should arise, it may be put on very easily and conveniently, and not only is the wearer's person but all of his regular garments thoroughly protected from rain. The garment according to the present invention serves to protect the wearer's legs and feet, even his shoe soles, as well as the wearer's ordinary hat, an advantage not attained by ordinary raincoats.

The garment will also be useful to persons who must move about during inclement weather, such as fishermen, policemen, soldiers, etc., in which event, of course, the bag will not be used, but even without the bag, the advantages of complete protection to head and body and free movement and comfort will still be enjoyed. The complete ensemble may also be used as a sleeping bag.

While certain novel features of the invention have been disclosed and are pointed out in the annexed claims, it will be understood that various omissions, substitutions and changes may be made by those skilled in the art without departing from the spirit of the invention.

What is claimed is:

1. In a protecting ensemble adapted to be worn primarily in sitting position, in combination, a collarless and sleeveless coat member having shoulder holes, a detachable joint down the front, and fastening elements at its lower portion; a cape member adapted to cover the shoulders and trunk of the wearer and having a collar member with fastening elements therein, said cape member extending over and covering said shoulder holes and having a detachable joint down the front; a hood member having a body portion covering the head of the wearer and having a face opening, said hood member having a collar band and a detachable joint extending from said face opening to the bottom of the hood member, fastening elements on said collar band, said collar band being adapted to slide over the collar of said cape and being attachable thereto by means of their respective fastening elements when said collar is in an upturned position; and a bag member closed on sides and bottom and having an open top, said open top having fastening elements cooperating with the fastening elements at the lower portion of said coat member for detachable connection with the inside of said coat member.

2. A protecting ensemble comprising, in combination, a collarless and sleeveless coat member having shoulder holes, a detachable joint down the front and fastening elements at its lower portion, a cape member adapted to cover the shoulders and trunk of the wearer and having a collar member with fastening elements thereon, said cape member covering said shoulder holes and having a detachable joint down the front; a hood member having a body portion closed at the back and sides and being sufficiently large to fit over the ordinary hat of the wearer, the hood member having a face opening, a transparent member over said face opening; said hood member having a collar band, fastening elements on said collar band, and a detachable joint extending from said face opening to the bottom of the hood member, said collar band being adapted to slide over the collar of said cape and being attachable thereto by their respective fastening elements when said collar is in an upturned position; and a bag member closed on sides and bottom and having an open top, said open top having fastening elements cooperating with the fastening elements at the lower portion of said coat member for detachable connection with the inside of said coat member.

3. In a weatherproof ensemble adapted primarily for use in sitting position, a collarless and sleeveless coat member having shoulder openings and fastening openings at its lower portion; a cape member extending over and covering said shoulder holes to protect the shoulders and trunk of the wearer, said cape member having fastening elements thereon; a hood member of sufficient size to fit over an ordinary fedora hat of the wearer and having fastening elements thereon for detachable connection with the fastening elements of said cape member; a bag member for the feet of the wearer and having fastening elements thereon for detachable connection with the fastening elements of said coat member, said coat and cape members permitting walking for street wear when said bag member is detached.

4. In a weather protecting ensemble adapted to be worn primarily in sitting position, a body member comprising a coat member and cape member and adapted to be worn over ordinary street clothes and to cover the shoulders, arms and trunk of the wearer; said coat member having openings covered by said cape member for access to the pockets of said street clothes; a hood member of sufficient size to fit over the ordinary brim hat of the wearer and adapted to overlie said body member and to have weatherproof detachable connection therewith; and a bag member for the feet and legs of the wearer adapted to underlie the lower part of said coat member and to have weatherproof detachable connection therewith.

5. In a protecting ensemble, a cape member covering the shoulders and trunk of the wearer and having a turn-down collar member, said cape member having a detachable joint down the front, a hood member having a sufficiently large body portion to fit over the ordinary brim hat of the wearer, said body portion being closed at back and sides, said hook member having a face opening, said hood member having a collar band connected to said body portion along the back, sides and front thereof, said hood member having a detachable joint extending from said face opening to the bottom of the hood member, a transparent member covering the upper part but not the lower part of said face opening, said collar band being adapted to slide over and have detachable connection with the turned up collar member of said cape.

6. In a rain protecting ensemble for wearing over ordinary street clothes, a coat member comprising a body sheet adapted to cover the trunk of the wearer and having shoulder holes, said body sheet having a detachable joint down the front of said coat member, said body sheet also having elongate openings along the sides thereof, said openings extending from a level corresponding to the breast pockets to a level corresponding to the trousers pockets of ordinary street clothes for easy access to such pockets, and a cape member adapted to be worn over said coat member, said cape member extending below the lower ends of said openings and also covering the arms, shoulders and trunk of the wearer.

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