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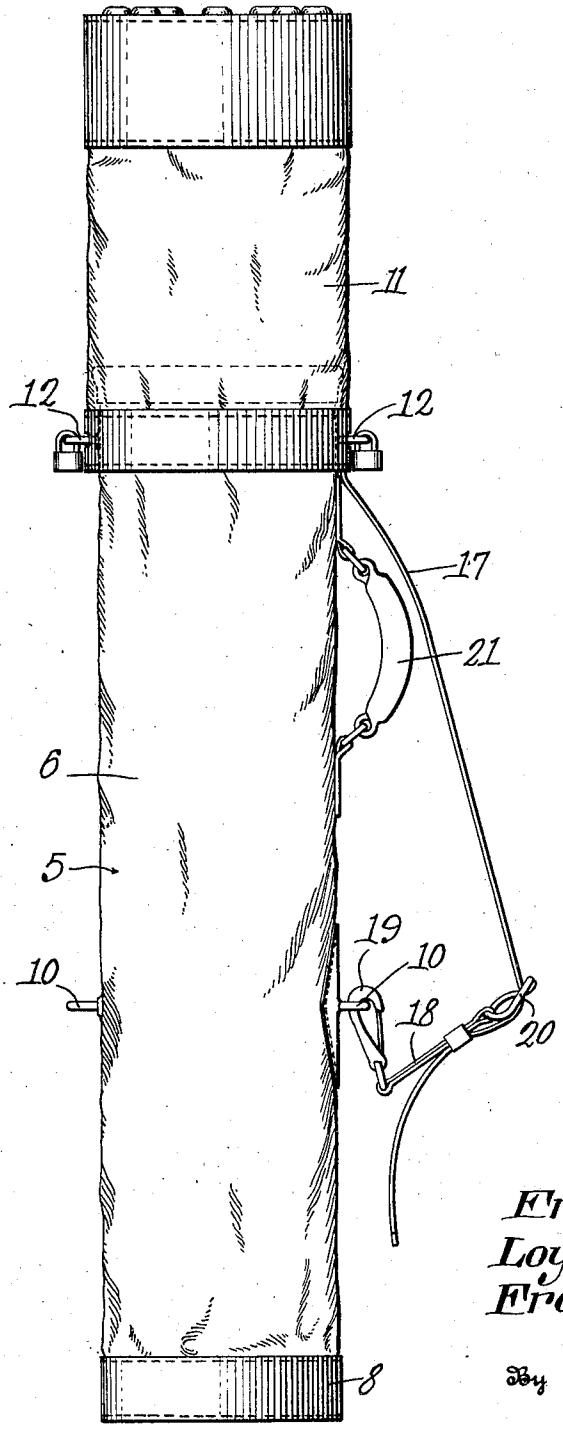
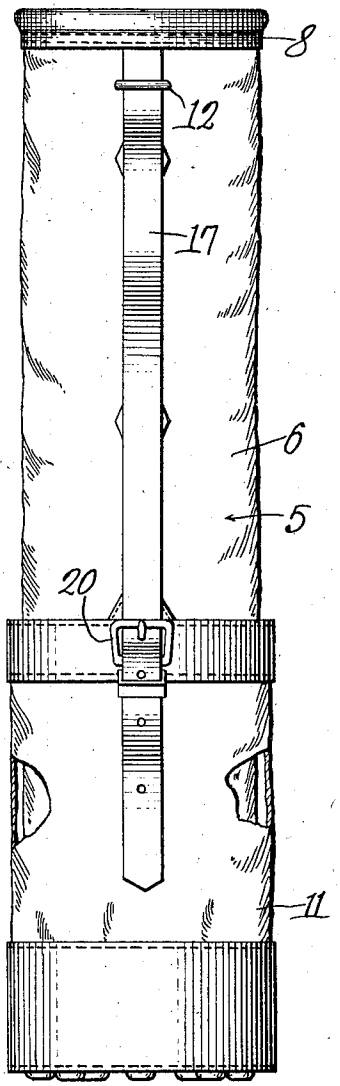


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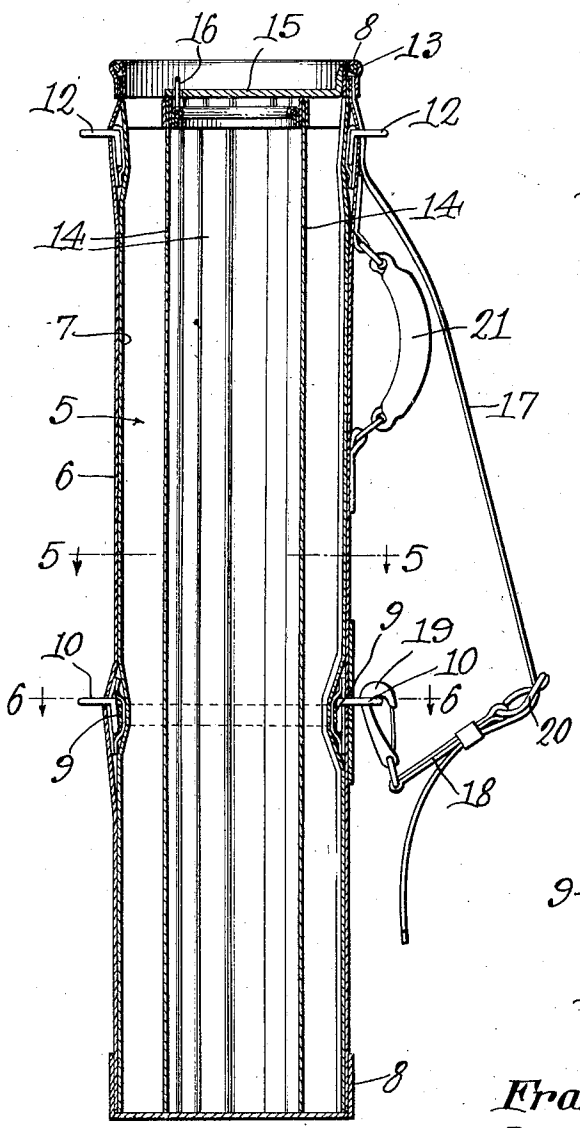


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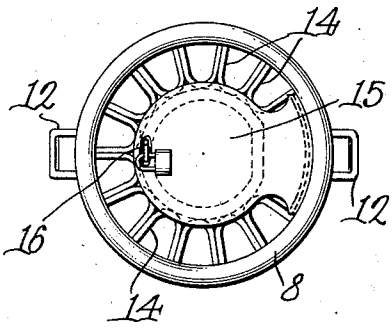


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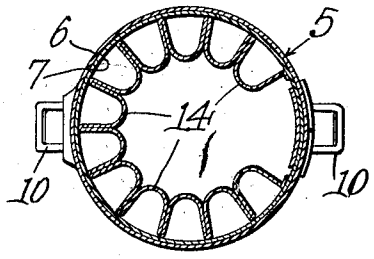


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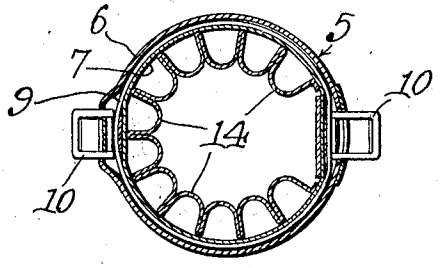
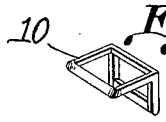


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This invention relates to a golf bag, and aims to provide a bag having novel means whereby the clubs supported therein may be arranged in order according to the numbers of the clubs, to the end that a particular club may be readily and easily selected from the clubs of the bag.

Another object of the invention is to separate the clubs throughout their lengths so that the shaft of one club will not be damaged by contact with the head of the adjacent club.

Another object of the invention is to provide a bag having a central compartment extending throughout the length thereof, the compartment being designed to contain golf balls or other articles.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a golf bag having a removable cover which may be positioned over the lower end of the bag when not in use as a cover.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein disclosed, may be made within the scope of what is claimed, without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Referring to the drawings:

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of a bag constructed in accordance with the invention and illustrating the cover thereof as positioned to close the upper end of the bag.

Figure 2 is an elevational view illustrating the cover as positioned over the lower end of the bag.

Figure 3 is a vertical sectional view through the bag.

Figure 4 is a plan view of the bag.

Figure 5 is a sectional view taken on line 5—5 of Figure 3.

Figure 6 is a sectional view taken on line 6—6 of Figure 3.

Figure 7 is a perspective view of one of the keepers of the bag.

Referring to the drawings in detail, the main or body portion of the bag is indicated generally by the reference character 5 and includes an outer section 6 and an inner section 7, the sections being connected and bound with leather bindings 8 reinforcing the body portion against wear.

Spaced from the lower end of the body portion and arranged between the sections 6 and 7, is a reinforcing band 9 to which the keepers 10 are secured, the keepers passing through the outer section 6 as clearly shown by Figure 2, for the reception of locks, or clasps of the carrying strap, to be hereinafter more fully described.

The reference character 11 indicates a cover which is tubular in formation and of a diameter slightly greater than the diameter of the body portion of the bag so that the cover may fit over the ends of the bag, and as shown, the cover may be positioned over the lower end of the body portion or bag in a manner as shown by Figure 2 when not in use as a cover, reinforcing the lower portion of the bag while it is being carried by a caddy during the golf play.

Adjacent to the upper end of the body portion are keepers 12 which pass through suitable openings formed in the cover, which keepers accommodate padlocks for securing the cover in position.

The reinforcing ring 13 is fitted within the binding 8 at the upper end of the bag, to hold the bag in an extended position.

Arranged within the bag is a length of fabric material formed into loops 14, the loops defining compartments throughout the length of the bag, for the reception of the clubs to be carried therein, thereby insuring against the shaft of one club being injured by the head of the adjacent club, and at the same time separating the clubs in such a way that they may be arranged according to numbers and may be easily removed by a caddy and without the necessity of examining all of the clubs of the bag in order to make a selection.

The space between the compartments provides a central pocket which is closed by means of the closure 15 that is formed with an opening to receive the keeper 16 carried by the metallic ring member which is positioned in the mouth of the central pocket. The

keeper is designed to receive a suitable padlock for locking the central compartment of the bag while in shipment.

The reference character 17 indicates the carrying strap which is secured at one end to the bag, at a point adjacent to the mouth of the bag. The strap also includes a section 18 that has a snap hook 19 secured at one end thereof, the section 18 carrying a buckle 20 that receives one end of the strap 17, so that an adjustment may be made to facilitate the carrying of the bag by the strap.

Secured to the bag is a handle 21 which may be gripped by the person carrying the bag should it be desired to position the bag in an upright position, or possibly relieve the carrier's shoulder of the strain of the weight of the bag.

We claim:

A golf bag comprising a tubular body portion, a length of fabric material secured to the body portion, lines of stitching extending longitudinally of the body portion in spaced relation with each other defining a plurality of longitudinal golf club pockets and a central longitudinal pocket, a metallic ring member secured in the mouth of the central pocket, a closure of flexible material secured to the body portion, said closure having a circular portion of a diameter equal to the diameter of the central longitudinal pocket to close the central longitudinal pocket, and a keeper adapted to extend through an opening in the closure to receive a padlock to lock the closure.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our own, we have hereto affixed our signatures.

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