This invention relates to a scarf or muffler intended for personal wear and has for its primary object the provision of such an article of wearing apparel which will, because of its construction, have a more extended and more practical use than similar articles now sold.

Most users of scarves or mufflers prefer an article of this kind made from relatively thin and soft fabric since the same when worn, is brought into contact with the skin, and heavier or denser fabrics, such as wool, while possessing greater protective characteristics from the standpoint of warmth, are often irritating when brought into direct contact with the skin. Hence, a preference for light silk mufflers is indicated not only because of the above-stated reason but also because of the appearance since silk and similar fabrics are available in more attractive colors, styles and patterns. On the other hand, thin silk mufflers often fail to provide commensurate protection and warmth, particularly during cold weather or in cold climates, hence a muffler of wool or other relatively thick and warm fabric has advantages which cannot be disregarded.

The present invention therefore, has for one of its objects, the provision of a scarf, muffler or similar article which shall have an outer covering or body composed of thin and light fabric, such as silk, and which may be worn singly or alone to provide a light scarf of attractive appearance. Such outer covering or body is arranged to contain within it as an insert or lining, a section of wool or similar heavy, warm-giving material, which insert or lining shall, when in place within the outer body or covering be completely hidden or concealed from view so that from the exterior of the scarf it will present the appearance of an attractive, lightweight, silk scarf while in fact it will, because of the contained insert or lining, possess the body and warmth of the bulkier and heavier wool scarf.

The invention further contemplates the provision of fastening means for retaining the insert or lining in position within the outer body or covering, such fastening means being such as to hold the insert securely and flatly in place and preventing it from shifting and bunching, while permitting the insert or lining to be quickly detached and removed from inside of the outer covering or body when desired. A further feature of the invention resides in the fact that the insert or lining extends from one end of the covering or body to its other end and is thus, when removed from within the outer covering or body, usable independently as a separate wool scarf so that the invention in fact provides a duplex structure which can, in an emergency, provide two separate and independent scarves, or can provide a scarf of the desired weight and bulk according to weather conditions.

These and other objects are attained by the invention, a more particular description of which will hereinafter appear and be set forth in the claims appended hereto.

In the accompanying drawing, wherein an illustrative embodiment of the invention is disclosed:

Fig. 1 is a face view, with a portion of the outer covering broken away, of a scarf or muffler constructed in accordance with the invention;

Fig. 2 is a face view of the insert or lining;

Fig. 3 is a face view of one end of the outer body or covering with a portion broken away to disclose construction;

Fig. 4 is a sectional view, taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 1, looking in the direction of the arrows;

Fig. 5 is a sectional view, taken on the line 5—5 of Fig. 1, looking in the direction of the arrows, and

Fig. 6 is a sectional view taken on the line 6—6 of Fig. 3, looking in the direction of the arrows.

Referring to the construction illustrated in the drawing, 1 indicates the outer body or covering of the scarf, the same being preferably made in the known elongated scarf or muffler form and being composed of a relatively thin, lightweight fabric such as silk or the like. The outer body or covering 1 may be constructed in various ways and in the form shown, it is composed of the two facings 3 and 4 stitched together along their longitudinal edges by the stitching 5 and 6 shown in Fig. 5. These facings 3 and 4 are similarly stitched together at one end to provide a closed end 8. The opposite ends of the facings 3 and 4 are not stitched together, so that a sleeve or bag constituting the outer body of the scarf is formed as above described and is closed at the end 9 and open at the opposite end indicated at 7.

Adapted for insertion within the outer body or covering 1 is the lining member or insert 2, the same being of the elongated rectangular form similar in outline to the outer covering or body 1, and when fitted inside of the same, adapted to completely fill the interior of the body and extend from one end of the same to the other. Said insert or lining is preferably formed from a relatively thick, warm-giving material, such as woven or knitted wool or the like. When placed within the outer body or covering 1 it not
only acts as a lining member therefor and prevents the outer body from being unduly wrinkled or crushed, but provides a scarf of density and warmth.

The insert or lining 2 is adapted to be retained in proper position within the outer body or covering and is prevented from shifting or bunching within the same, by means of suitable fastening elements, one set of which is indicated at 12 and is provided at the opposite ends of the insert on one side of the same. These fastening elements 12, which may be of the snap fastener type, are adapted for engagement with complementary fastener members 11 provided within the body 1 near the opposite ends of the same. The fastener elements 11 may, if desired, be sewed directly to the inside of one of the facings 3 or 4, but due to the thinness or lightness of the silk material likely to be employed for these facings it is probably more desirable to provide the fastener elements upon a reinforcing strip 5 of fabric tape which can be sewed to the facing 3 or 4 by stitching 10 and may also be caught by the stitching 5 and 6 which secures together the turned edges of the facings 3 and 4, as seen in Fig. 5. The fastening elements 11 are provided within the scarf at both ends of the same, as indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 1.

When it is desired that the scarf or muffler provide a maximum of warmth and protection, the insert or lining member 2 is inserted within the outer body or covering. This is best done by turning the body or covering 1 inside out and then coupling the fastener members 12 on the insert 2 to those indicated at 11 on the inside of the body or covering 1. After this is done, the covering 1 is then turned back to its former position which will locate the lining member 2 wholly within the covering and completely concealed from view. The interengagement of the fastening members 11 and 12 will hold the lining or insert 2 from crumpling or bunching and it will thus lend body and shape to the outer covering from one end to its other. The lining or insert 2, being completely covered and hidden by the outer covering 1 will not detract from the appearance of the scarf which will, for all intents and purposes, present the appearance of a lightweight, attractive silk scarf, capable of being worn with evening dress, if desired as far as its appearance is concerned. On the other hand, the wool insert will provide all of the warmth and advantages of wool yet without directly contacting the skin of the wearer or detracting from the appearance of the silk scarf.

The open end 7 of the body or covering 1 need not necessarily be closed since this end may project beyond the end of the lining or insert 2 and thus conceal it, but it might be found desirable to close this end and if so, this can readily be done by small, unobtrusive snap fasteners 13 and 14 provided on the inside faces of the facings 3 and 4. When these fastener elements are inter-engaged, the end 7 is closed, but can be readily opened whenever desired for the removal of the insert or lining 2.

Whenever the use of a warm heavy-body scarf or muffler is not required, the insert or lining 2 may be readily removed by opening the end 7, disengaging the fastener elements 11 and 12 and separating the insert and the outer covering and removing the insert. The outer covering 1 is then usable alone as a lightweight scarf.

Since the insert or lining 2 extends for the full length of the covering 1 within which it is primarily intended for insertion, said insert or lining is thus of sufficient size and area to serve also as a separate, heavy-body wool scarf. Thus, the wearer of a duplex scarf of this character can, in an emergency, separate the two scarf elements 1 and 2 in the manner described, at least one of them to a companion who may find himself or herself without a scarf while out in inlement weather.

While I have herein shown one embodiment of the invention, it is to be understood that the invention is not to be restricted thereto since other embodiments are considered as within the scope of the invention as defined by the claims appended hereto. The invention is herein illustrated in its simplest form and may be embellished and ornamented in various attractive ways, all of which is contemplated as within the invention as will be appreciated by those skilled in this art.

What I claim is:

1. A muffler or scarf comprising, an outer covering of sleeve form composed of relatively thin material, an inner insert or lining contained within and enclosed by said outer covering, said insert being flat and conforming in shape to the outer covering and extending for the length of said outer covering, means for detachably securing the insert to the outer covering on the inside of the outer covering to prevent longitudinal shift of the insert within the outer covering, both the outer covering and the insert being independently usable as scarfs or mufflers.

2. A muffler or scarf having a sleeve-like outer, thin-fabric covering, a flat insert or liner of heavier material contained within and concealed by the outer covering, said insert being removable from within the outer covering, and means for detachably securing the lining to the outer covering within the outer covering to prevent shifting movement of the insert and lining, thereby, means for preventing shifting movement of the insert or lining within the outer covering, said means comprising detachable fastener elements carried by the lining and adapted for engagement with those on the outer fabric to thereby prevent the lining from shifting within the outer fabric, both the outer fabric and lining being of a shape and size that the same when separated are independently usable as scarfs or mufflers.

3. A muffler or scarf comprising, an outer covering of relatively thin material and of tubular formation, said covering being closed at one end and open at its other end, an insert or lining member of relatively thick and warmth-giving material of a shape similar to that of the outer covering and adapted to be fitted within the outer covering and when so fitted to extend from one end of the outer covering to its other end and be completely concealed thereby, means for preventing shifting movement of the insert or lining within the outer covering, said means comprising detachable fastener elements carried respectively by the insert or lining near its ends and by an inside face of the outer covering, the separation of the respective fastener elements permitting removal of the insert or lining from within the outer covering.

4. A scarf or muffler as provided for in claim 4, wherein means are provided at the open end of the outer covering for closing said end, the insert or lining member is of a shape and size which...
permits it to be used independently of the outer covering, as a scarf or muffler.

6. A scarf or muffler comprising, an outer covering of relatively thin material and of tubular formation, said covering being closed at one end and open at its other end, an insert or lining member of relatively thick and warmth-giving material of a shape similar to that of the outer covering and adapted to be fitted within the outer covering and when so fitted to extend from one end of the outer covering to its other end to be completely concealed thereby, means for preventing shifting movement of the insert or lining within the outer covering, said means comprising detachable fastener elements carried respectively by the insert or lining near its ends and by a reinforcement located on the inside face of the outer covering, the separation of the respective fastener elements permitting removal of the insert or lining from within the outer covering, and separable means for closing the open end of the outer covering.

7. A muffler or scarf comprising an outer covering of sleeve form composed of relatively thin fabric and being open at least at one end, an inner insert or lining of heavier fabric conforming to the shape of the outer covering, and of a size to enable it to fit within and substantially fill the interior of said outer covering, the said insert or lining being removable from within the outer covering, the opening at the end of said outer covering being of a size to permit the lining to be placed within or removed from the outer covering, and means for detachably attaching the insert or lining to the outer covering, said means being within the covering and concealed thereby.

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