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FIG. 1

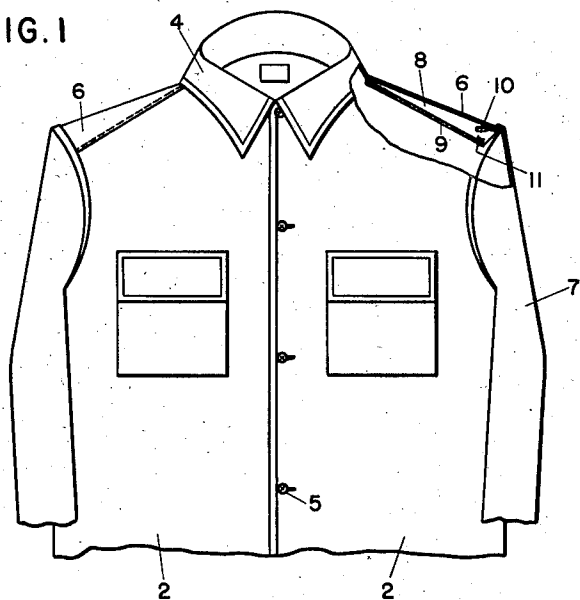


FIG. 5

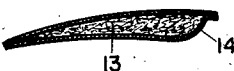


FIG. 4

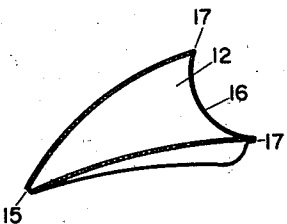


FIG. 2

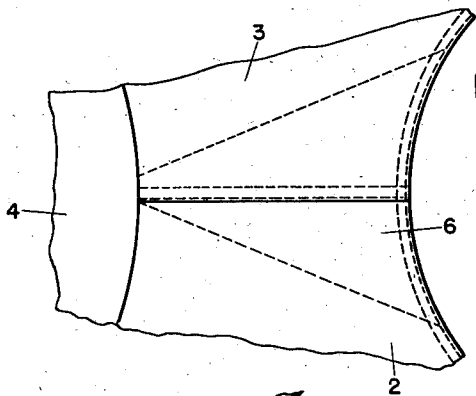
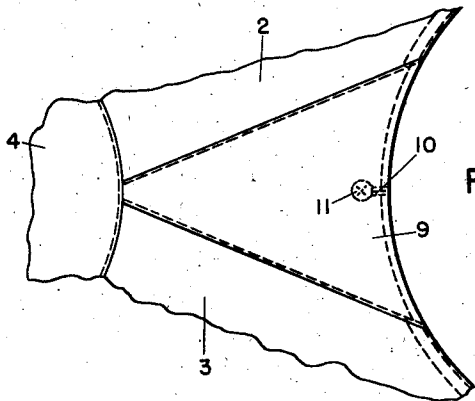


FIG. 3



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This invention relates to garments and more particularly to garments such as shirts for sports wear provided with removable members adapted to impart a desired contour to the shoulders of the wearer.

The chief object of the present invention is to provide a shirt for sports wear including removable padding members disposed in pockets adjacent the shoulders of a wearer to impart a desired contour to the shoulders of the wearer.

An object of the present invention is to provide a shirt for sports wear including wedge-shaped triangular pads easily removable to permit laundering of the shirt and adapted to impart the appearance of breadth and strength to the shoulders of a wearer.

A further object is to provide a shirt for sports wear having interior pockets disposed adjacent the shoulders of the wearer for the reception of padding members which impart a desired contour to the shoulders of a wearer. Other objects of my invention will be readily perceived from the following description.

This invention relates to a shirt for sports wear which comprises front body portions, a rear body portion secured to the front portions, a collar portion secured to the front and rear portions and extending about the neckline of the shirt, removable means adapted to fit over the shoulders of the wearer to impart a desired contour thereto, means within the shirt forming pockets adjacent the shoulders of a wearer for the reception of said removable means, and fastening means retaining said contouring means in said pockets.

The attached drawing illustrates a preferred embodiment of my invention, in which

Figure 1 is a view in front elevation of a shirt for sports wear, partially broken away to disclose the shoulder contouring means of the present invention;

Figure 2 is a plan view of a shoulder of a shirt illustrating the exterior portion of a pocket for the reception of the padding member;

Figure 3 is a plan view of a shoulder of a shirt illustrating the interior portion forming a pocket for the reception of the padding member;

Figure 4 is an isometric view of the padding member; and

Figure 5 is a sectional view through the padding member.

Referring to the drawing, there is shown a shirt for sports wear including front body portions 2, a rear body portion 3 and a collar member 4 extending about the neckline of the shirt and secured to the body portions 2 and 3. The rear

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body portion 3 is secured to the front body portions 2 as is well known in the industry. Any suitable fastening means 5, for example, buttons and button holes may be employed to secure the front portions 2 in closed position about the body of a wearer.

Each shoulder portion of the shirt may comprise two exterior triangular members 6 (refer to Figure 2) stitched to one another and secured, preferably, by stitching, to the body portions 2 and 3. The apex of each member 6 extends adjacent and is secured to the collar portion 4. The base of each member 6, preferably, is stitched in position adjacent the sleeve 7 of the shirt. Members 6 form in effect the exterior walls of pocket members 8. The interior walls of pockets 8 (refer to Figure 3) are formed by fabric members 9 stitched, if desired, to the exterior shoulder portions 6 or to the front and rear body portions 2 and 3 depending upon the type of shirt in which the invention is embodied. Members 9 are triangular in shape, the apex of each member extending adjacent the collar portion 4 while the base of each member extends adjacent the sleeve 7. Members 9 are stitched at the apex and along each side; the base of member 9 is free and permits the insertion of padding members, herein-after described, within the pocket. Preferably, some fullness is employed in member 9 to permit it to conform to the contour of the shoulder. A cord 10 is stitched to member 6 and terminates in a loop adapted to receive a button 11 to permit the pocket to be closed to retain a padding member 12 therein.

Padding members 12 are disposed in the pockets 8 to impart a desired contour to the shoulders of a wearer. Padding members 12 are removable to permit laundering of the shirt, of members 12, or to permit new members 12 to be disposed in the pockets. Each member 12 consists of a wedge-shaped triangular body composed of padding 13 and having a cover 14 stitched in place about the padding 13 to retain it in desired shape. The apex 15 of member 12 is adapted to be disposed adjacent the apex of the pocket 8 while the base 16 extends adjacent the sleeve or proximate the edge of the shoulder. The base 16 is concave in curvature to fit over the shoulder; each member 12 fits snugly against the shoulder of a wearer to impart a desired contour thereto. It will be noted by reference to Figure 4 that member 12 is shaped to permit the ends 17 of base 16 to extend downward below the upper plane of the shoulder of the wearer thus permitting the member to lie snugly against such shoulder.

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It will be understood similar members are disposed in pockets 8 at each side of the shirt to impart the appearance of breadth and strength to the shoulders of a wearer. If one shoulder of a wearer is deformed, it will be appreciated pad members 12 may be so designed as to impart a desired similar contour to each shoulder of the wearer.

While I have illustrated the contour imparting members of the present invention applied to a shirt for sports wear, it will be appreciated the present invention may be employed with other types of garments. For example, the invention may be applied to a shirt having raglan type sleeves and in such case members 9 are disposed interiorly to form pockets for the reception of padding members to impart desired contour to the shoulders of a wearer. Likewise, the invention with little or no adaptation can be applied to similar garments in order to impart the appearance of breadth and strength to the shoulders of a wearer and to conceal deformities if required.

The present invention provides a garment capable of imparting a desired contour to the shoulders of a wearer. The padding members are readily removable to permit laundering of the garment, of the member or to permit substitution of new members in the garment. The padding members are so designed as to impart a desired appearance to the shoulders of a wearer and are adapted to fit snugly over the shoulders of the wearer thereby conveying the impression of being an integral portion thereof. The means provided to secure the padding members in the pockets do not interfere with the appearance of the garment and do not rub against or irritate the shoulder of the wearer.

While I have described and illustrated a preferred embodiment of my invention, it will be understood my invention is not limited thereto since it may be otherwise embodied within the scope of the following claims.

I claim:

1. In a garment of the character described, the combination of a front portion, a rear portion, a collar portion secured to said front and rear portions, exterior shoulder portions of triangular contour secured to each other and to the front and rear portions, each shoulder portion forming the exterior wall of a pocket, an interior member of triangular contour secured to the outer side of each shoulder portion and having its apex secured adjacent the collar portion; said interior member in cooperation with said exterior shoulder portions forming a pocket for the reception of padding means; a padding member resting in said pocket to impart a desired contour to the shoulder of a wearer; and means for retaining said padding member in said pocket.

2. A garment according to claim 1 in which each padding member comprises a wedge-shaped triangular pad, the apex of said pad extending proximate the collar portion and the base of said pad having a concave configuration with the ends of the base extending below the upper plane of the shoulder of a wearer whereby the pad fits over substantially the upper portion of the shoulder of a wearer to impart a desired contour thereto.

3. A garment according to claim 1 in which the retaining means comprise a cord portion stitched at one end to the exterior shoulder portion and terminating in a loop adapted to receive a button stitched in desired position to the inner side of the interior member.

4. In a shirt for sports wear, the combination

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of front body portions, a rear body portion, a collar member secured to said body portions, exterior triangular shoulder portions secured to each other and connecting said front and rear body portions, the apex of each exterior shoulder portion being connected to the collar member and its base joining a sleeve of the shirt, the exterior shoulder portions forming the outer wall of a pocket, an inner triangular member secured adjacent said outer shoulder portions to form an inner wall of the pocket, the apex and sides of each inner member being secured to the shoulder portions, the base of each inner member being free; a removable padding member disposed in said pocket, each padding member comprising a wedge-shaped triangular pad having its apex extending adjacent the collar portion and its base having a concave configuration and extending adjacent the sleeve of the shirt, the ends of the base being adapted to extend below the upper plane of the shoulder of a wearer; said pad imparting a desired contour to the shoulder of a wearer, and means retaining the pad in desired position in said pocket.

5. In a garment of the character described, the combination of a front portion, a rear portion, a collar portion secured to said front and rear portions, sleeve members, an exterior front shoulder member of triangular contour secured to the front portion, an exterior rear shoulder member of triangular contour secured to the rear portion, said front and rear shoulder members being secured to each other to form the exterior wall of a triangular pocket having its apex adjacent the collar portion and its base adjacent a sleeve, an interior member of triangular contour secured to the outer sides of said front and rear shoulder members to form the interior wall of the pocket, a padding member resting in said pocket to impart a desired contour to the shoulder of a wearer, and means for removably retaining the padding member in the pocket.

6. In a garment of the character described, the combination of a front portion, a rear portion, a collar portion secured to said front and rear portions, sleeve members, an exterior front shoulder member of triangular contour secured to the front portion, an exterior rear shoulder member of triangular contour secured to the rear portion, said front and rear shoulder members being secured to each other to form the exterior wall of a triangular pocket having its apex adjacent the collar portion, an interior member of triangular contour secured to the outer sides of said front and rear shoulder members to form the interior wall of the pocket, a padding member resting in said pocket, said padding member consisting of a wedge-shaped triangular pad, the apex of said pad extending proximate the collar portion and the base of said pad having a concave configuration whereby the pad fits over substantially the upper portion of the shoulder of a wearer to impart a desired contour thereto; and means for removably retaining the padding member in the pocket.

7. In a garment of the character described, the combination of a front portion, a rear portion, a collar portion secured to said front and rear portions, sleeve members, an exterior front shoulder member of triangular contour secured to the front portion, an exterior rear shoulder member of triangular contour secured to the rear portion, said front and rear shoulder members being secured to each other to form the exterior wall of a triangular pocket having its apex adjacent the

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collar portion, an interior member of triangular contour secured to the outer sides of said front and rear shoulder members to form the interior wall of the pocket, a padding member resting in said pocket, said padding member consisting of a wedge-shaped triangular pad, having its apex extending proximate the collar portion and its base being concave in configuration whereby the pad fits substantially the upper portion of the shoulder of a wearer to impart a desired contour thereto, a cord portion stitched at one end to an exterior shoulder member, said cord portion terminating in a loop, and a button stitched in desired position to the inner side of the interior member, said loop fitting over said button to close the pocket to retain the padding member therein.

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