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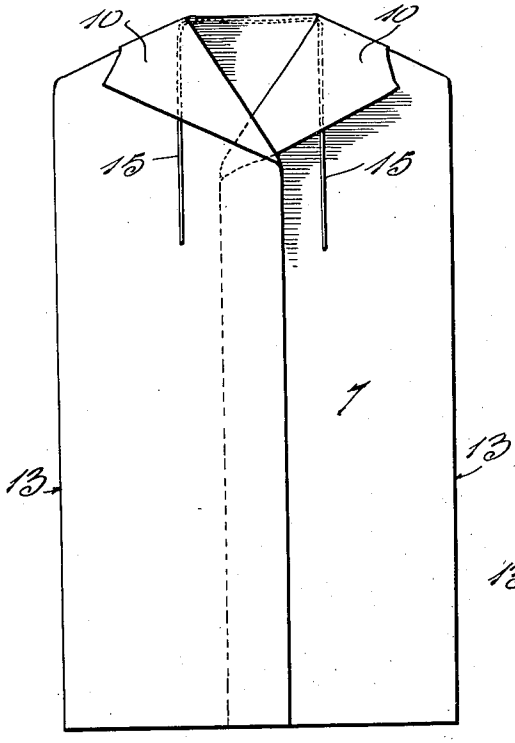


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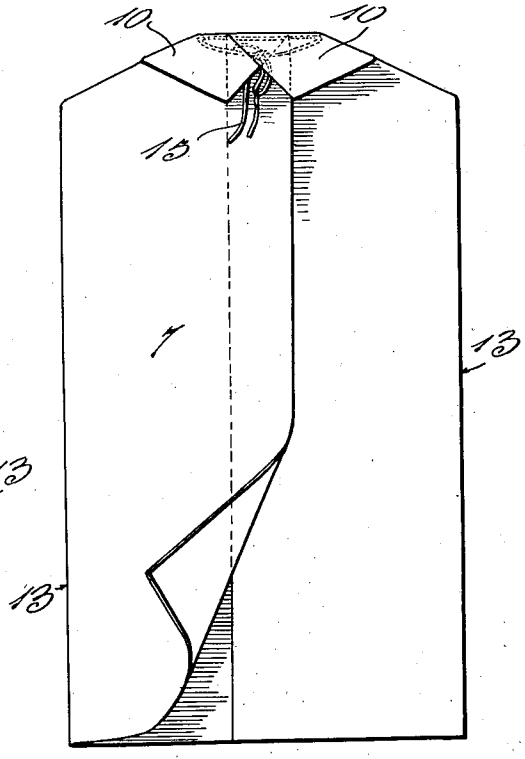
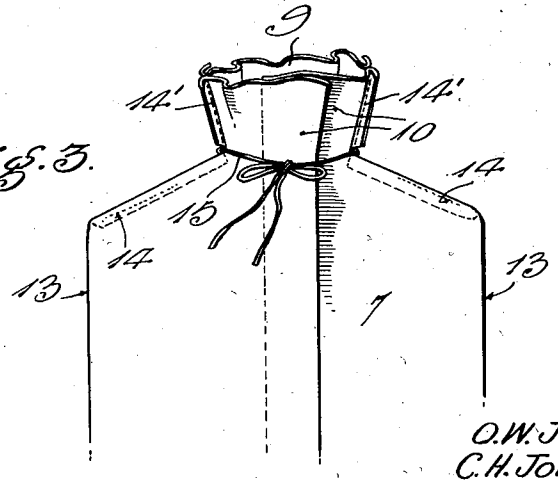


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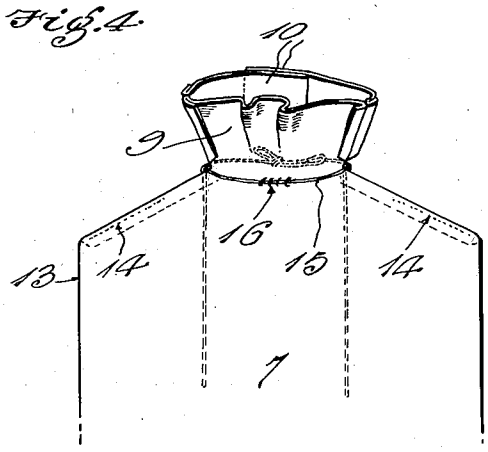
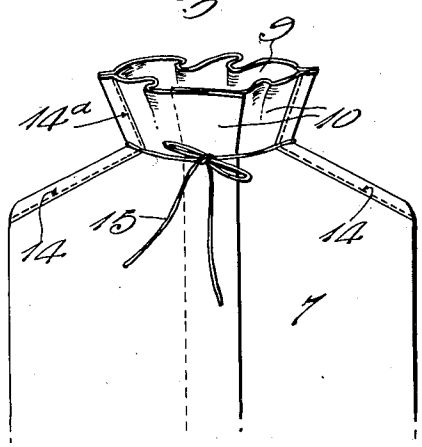


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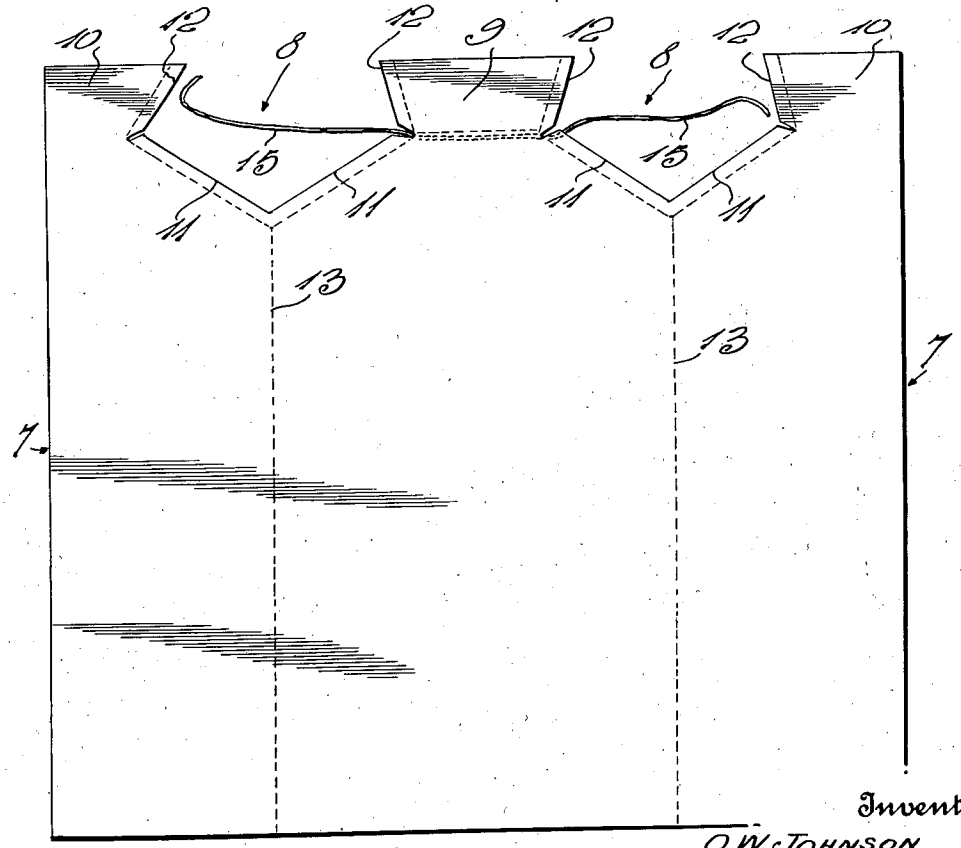


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The invention aims to provide a new and improved raincoat which may be easily and inexpensively manufactured and hence sold at small cost, the device being in most instances, made from waterproof paper, as it is intended to be used once, in case of emergency, and then discarded.

With the foregoing in view, the invention resides in the novel subject matter hereinafter described and claimed, the description being supplemented by the accompanying drawing.

Figs. 1 and 2 are front elevations showing the collar in two positions.

Figs. 3 and 4 are perspective views illustrating a third position of the collar.

Fig. 5 is a plan view of the blank from which the coat is made.

Fig. 6 is a view similar to Fig. 3, but illustrating a slightly different construction.

In the drawings above briefly described, the numeral 7 designates a sheet of desired material, such as waterproofed paper. Two notches 8 are formed in the upper end of this sheet 7, leaving three upstanding collar sections 9—10. Preferably, the bottom of each notch 8, consists of two downwardly converging halves 11, while the opposed sides of each notch preferably converge upwardly, said sides being indicated at 12.

The sheet 7 is folded on two vertical lines 13 extending to the points at which the downwardly converging halves 11 of the notch bottoms meet each other, and said halves 11 of each notch bottom are secured together by suitable means such as the stitching 14, providing the shoulders for the coat. Similarly, the three collar sections 9 and 10 are secured to each other by appropriate means such as the stitching 14′, providing a complete collar.

After folding the sheet 7 on the lines 13, the stitching 14 may be done, after which the coat is turned inside out and the stitching 14′ produced, leaving the shoulder seams on the inner side of the garment as will be clear from Figs. 1, 2, 3 and 4. If desired, however, instead of turning the garment after forming the stitching 13, this same stitching may be upwardly continued as at 14^a in Fig. 6, to unite the collar sections 9 and 10. The two seams thus formed may be left either at the exterior of the garment or disposed at the interior thereof, by turning said garment inside out.

We provide an appropriate cord 15 which is preferably connected at 16 with the back of the collar, and by tying this cord around the neck, as will be clear from Figs. 2, 3 and 6, the collar may be held snugly in place. This collar may then stand upright, similar to a slicker collar, as in Figs. 3, 4 and 6, or it may be turned down over the cord, as shown in Fig. 2. When the cord is not tied, the collar may be downwardly folded in a manner similar to an ordinary collar with lapels, as shown in Fig. 1.

The coat may be easily and inexpensively manufactured and hence may be sold at small cost. Thus, it may be advantageously sold at ball parks, amusement resorts and other places of public gathering, in case of unexpected rainfall. In such emergency, the garment will afford effective protection, even though it may be constructed from paper treated with oil or in some other way, to render it waterproof.

We claim:—

1. An emergency raincoat comprising a sheet having two spaced notches in its upper end, leaving three collar sections at said end, the sheet being folded on vertical lines intersecting the centers of the notch bottoms, means securing the two halves of each notch bottom together to form the shoulders of the coat, and means securing said collar sections together to provide a complete collar.

2. An emergency raincoat comprising a sheet having two spaced notches in its upper end, leaving three collar sections at said end, the bottoms of said notches each consisting of two downwardly converging halves, said sheet being folded on vertical lines at the meeting points of said converging halves of the notch bottoms, means securing said halves of each notch bottom together to provide the two shoulders of the coat, and means securing said collar sections together to form a complete collar.

3. A structure as specified in claim 1; together with a cord attached at its central portion to the back of the collar, said cord when tied around the neck, serving to hold the collar snugly in place.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our signatures.

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