

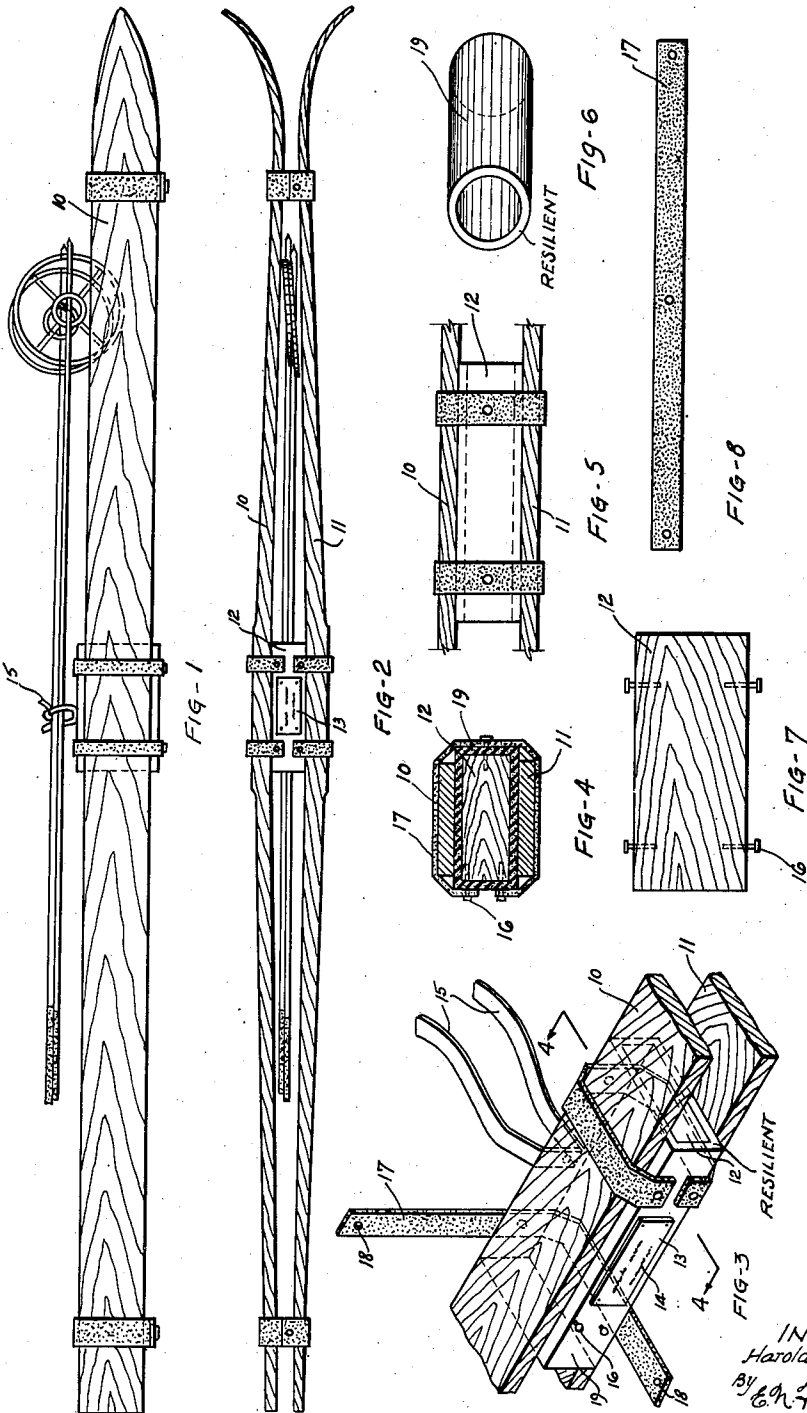
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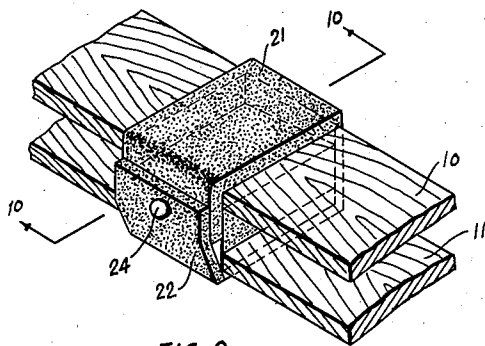


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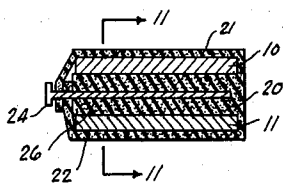


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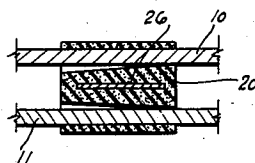


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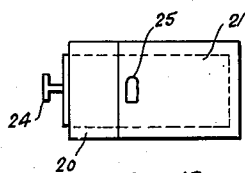


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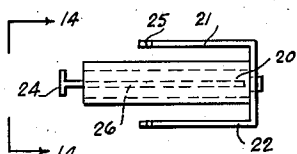


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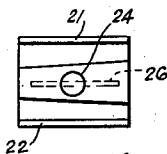


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The invention relates to improvements in ski retainers as described in the present specification and illustrated in the accompanying drawings that form a part of the same.

The invention consists essentially of the novel features of construction as pointed out broadly and specifically in the claims for novelty following a description containing an explanation in detail of an acceptable form of the invention.

The objects of the invention are to ensure retention of proper shape of skis when not in use, as well as to provide great convenience for carrying skis and accessories, these aims being accomplished in an effective simple and inexpensive manner.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a plan view of a pair of skis, from the top, showing the separators and straps in position and one method of securing the ski poles in carrying position.

Figure 2 is a similar assembly to Figure 1 as viewed from one side.

Figure 3 is an enlarged fragmentary perspective detail showing central separator block with resilient surface, identification plate, retainer straps and skis.

Figure 4 is a cross sectional view as taken on the line 4—4 in Figure 3.

Figure 5 shows a similar assembly from the side with the separator block in dotted lines and the skis broken away.

Figure 6 is a perspective resilient cylinder to be used as an elastic stocking for covering the central separator block.

Figure 7 is a plan view of the central separator block with buttons attached.

Figure 8 is a plan view of one of the flexible straps used for fastening the skis to the block.

Figure 9 is a fragmentary perspective view of the ski end retainer assembly, showing the skis broken away.

Figure 10 is a cross sectional view as taken on the line 10—10 in Figure 9.

Figure 11 is a fragmentary longitudinal sectional view as taken on the line 11—11 in Figure 10.

Figure 12 is a plan view of the end retainer member.

Figure 13 is a side view of the end retainer member.

Figure 14 is an end view of Figure 13.

Like numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in the various figures.

Referring to the drawings, the skis 10 and 11 are shown with their under sides facing one another but separated approximately midway by

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the central separator block 12. The latter is rectangular in shape, of a predetermined length and thickness, and is slightly wider than the skis 10 and 11 at their center portions. A resilient covering 13 is placed over the block 12 and being elastic, conforms to the shape of the block. One of the flat side faces of the separator block 12 is provided with an identification plate 14 suitably inscribed, as indicated at 14, and a ski pole retainer strap 15 is secured by a pin or staple to the opposite face. Buttons 16, of any desired type, are arranged to project from the face of the block 12, which bears the plate 14, and to engage with the straps 17 which are secured to the opposite side of the covered block 12 by a pin or similar fastening and which has button holes 18 provided for securing purposes. A resilient covering 19 is provided to encompass the contacting surface of this block 12.

Two end separator blocks 20 are provided to secure the forward and rear portions of the skis. The blocks 20 are made of resilient material tapered on the top and bottom surfaces toward the front or rear, depending on the proposed location of the blocks between the skis. One side of each of the blocks 20 is provided with elastic integral extension portions 21 and 22, which are adapted to be pulled over the skis and to be fastened to the other side of each of the blocks by means of the button-holes 25 and the button 24. The button 24 protrudes from the resilient block and is anchored therein by means of the enlargement 26.

In the operation of the invention the skis 10 and 11 are positioned with their undersides facing one another and the blocks placed in position therebetween. The straps 17 and extension portions 21 and 22 are then secured and the retainer is complete and ski poles may be attached at their shanks by the strap 15 and the snow wheels on the poles are forced in between the closely held skis, thus keeping such accessories in place.

What I claim is:

In ski retainers, the combination of a pair of skis, with running surfaces facing each other, a rigid separator block removeably located between the central portion of said skis, said separator block having a one-piece resilient covering over the top, bottom and sides thereof, strap retaining members projecting from one side of the said covered block, straps secured at their centers to the other side of said covered block and encircling said skis and having their ends removeably secured to said strap retaining members, said re-

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silient end separator blocks each removeably located between said skis at one end thereof, said resilient blocks being less in thickness than said rigid separator block and tapered toward the ends of said skis, elastic extension portions integral with and extending from one side of each of said resilient blocks, a button protruding from the other side of each of said resilient blocks, the said elastic extension portions being stretched around said skis and removeably secured to said button by means of a button hole in each of said extension portions, the said skis being thereby bent longitudinally and retained with the running surfaces thereof held more widely separated at the center than at the ends, a strap secured to one side of said rigid separator block

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and adapted to encircle a pair of ski-poles, and an identification plate secured to the other side of said rigid separator block.

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