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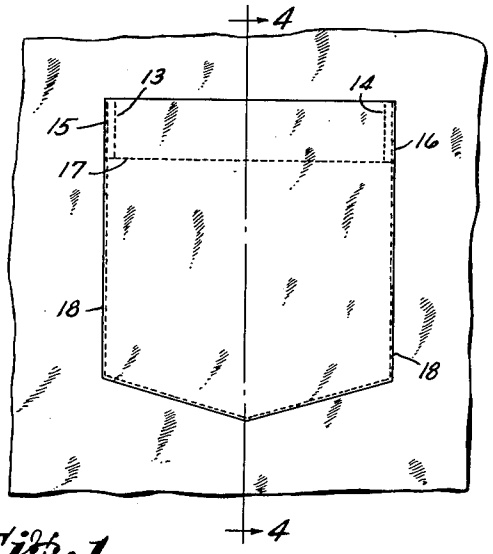


Fig. 1

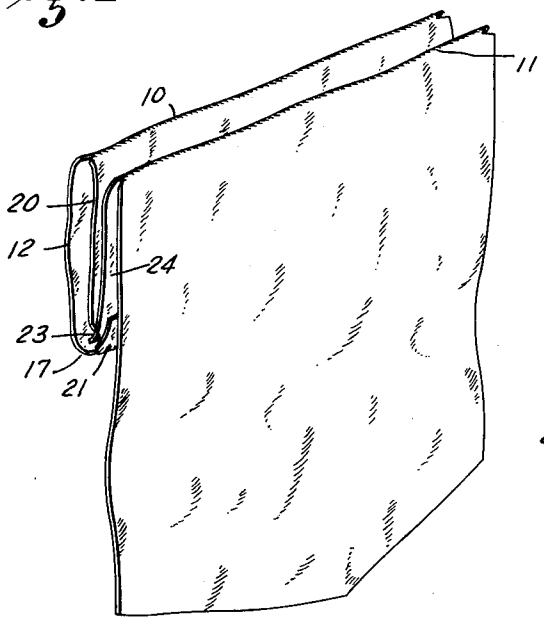


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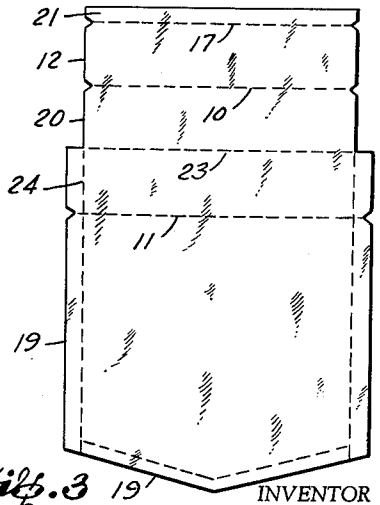


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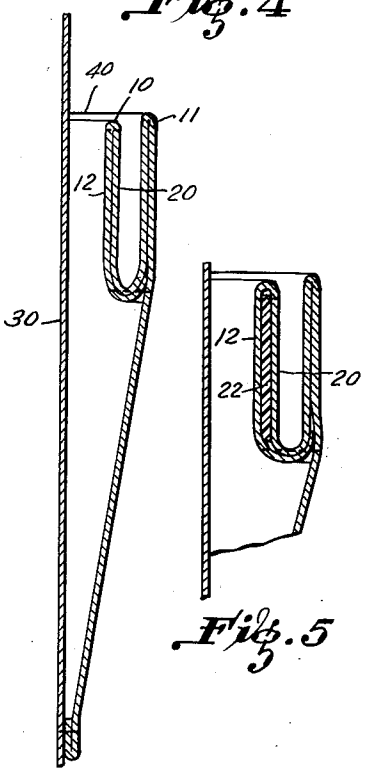


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This invention is concerned with a shirt pocket construction, and is particularly concerned with a means for constructing a shirt pocket, and attaching same to the shirt to provide an auxiliary clip receiving pocket on the upper, inner edge thereof to provide a strip of material to which a pen or pencil clip can be attached.

A primary object of the invention is to provide a shirt pocket containing a fold which extends across the top of the pocket to provide a strip of material attached to the body of the pocket, which when sewed to the garment, provides a strip of material other than the pocket itself to which a pen or pencil clip may be attached, and later removed, without damaging the outward appearance of the pocket.

A further object of the invention is to provide an auxiliary pen or pencil clip receiving pocket on a shirt pocket which, when sewn to the shirt, is concealed from outward view and gives the appearance of an ordinary shirt pocket, and does not in any way reduce the prestige of the garment, and at the same time prolongs the life of the pocket, which will, in turn, prolong the life of the shirt itself.

Still another object of the invention is to provide an auxiliary pen or pencil clip receiving pocket attached to the inner, upper side of a shirt pocket, which, when sewn to the garment, will absorb the constant abrasions resulting from the attachment and removal of pen or pencil clips, thus preventing the tearing or fraying of the upper edge of the pocket itself, so that any tearing or fraying of the auxiliary inner pocket is not seen from outward view, because the upper edge of the inner pocket lies below the edge of the pocket itself so that it is hidden from view.

Still another object of the invention is to provide a shirt pocket, having an auxiliary pocket on the upper, inner side thereof which is arranged to receive the clip of a pen or pencil, and wherein the auxiliary pocket is formed from a series of reverse folds of material, which are cut integrally with the body of the pocket, so as to economize on the material and result in savings of labor in sewing the pocket with auxiliary pen clip pocket to the garment.

Still another object of the invention is to provide an auxiliary pen clip pocket on the upper, inner side of a shirt pocket, which can be cut away from the main pocket at any time without harming the pocket or the appearance thereof.

Other and further objects of the invention will become apparent upon reading the detailed specifications hereinafter following, and by referring to the drawings annexed hereto.

A suitable embodiment of the invention is shown in the attached drawing wherein:

FIGURE 1 is a front elevational view of the pocket with auxiliary pen clip pocket, as it would appear after being sewn to the shirt;

FIGURE 2 is a perspective view of the patch pocket showing the folds at the upper end of the pocket folded in position to be sewn upon the garment;

FIGURE 3 is a front elevational view of the pocket with auxiliary pen clip pocket after it has been cut out of the material, and before folding the pen clip pocket for attachment to the garment;

FIGURE 4 is a cross-sectional view taken on the line 4—4 of FIG. 1;

FIGURE 5 is a cross-sectional view of an alternate form of the pen clip pocket showing stiffening material between the inner and outer folds thereof to strengthen same.

Numeral references are employed to designate the various portions shown in the drawing, and like numerals indicate like parts throughout the various figures of the drawing.

The numeral **10** indicates the folded upper edge of the auxiliary clip pocket, which is slightly below the upper edge **11** of the shirt pocket, so that it is not viewable from the exterior of the pocket. Pen or pencil clips may be engaged with the folded edge **10** which will absorb the constant abrasions resulting from the attachment and removal thereof. Since it is understandable that these abrasions will eventually tear or fray the cloth at this point, the wearer of the shirt is satisfied that this fraying will not be seen from a direct view exteriorally of the pocket, because the folded edge **10** lies at least 1/16 inch below the folded edge **11** of the pocket.

The fold **12** is actually an independent part of the entire pocket and is used solely for the purpose of affixing pen or pencil clips, and it thus can be cut away from the main pocket at any time without harming the pocket itself.

It would thus be optional with the shirt's wearer to use the pocket proper to affix pen or pencil clips to the upper edge **11**, as would be done on any present-day dress shirt pocket, or the pen clip pocket can be restored to its original design by insertion of a new strip of material having dimensions similar to the original fold, whether it is of the same type of material or entirely different. The material may be plastic, cloth, woven, processed, or any suitable fabric.

The method of insertion of this new strip of material may be at the election of the tailor or seamstress.

For instance, the stitching rows **13** and **14** may be opened and a strip inserted between the points **15** and **16**, or stitching rows **13**, **14**, **15** and **16** may be ripped to the line **17**, and a strip of material placed across the entire top of the pocket and stitched thereto through the stitch **17** and then stitched to the shirt by stitching **13**, **14**, **15** and **16**.

In the process of manufacture, a shirt maker might elect to construct the pen clip pocket by placing an extra strip of material beneath the pocket from slightly below the edge **11** (1/16 inch) to the stitch line **17** and stitch it to the pocket at **17**, and then attach the pocket to the shirt at stitches **16**, **18**, **15**, **13** and **14**.

In FIG. 3, the pattern or original cut of pocket is shown with seam allowance **19**, fold allowance **12**, **20** and **24**, and hem allowance **21**.

In FIG. 4 is shown a side view of the pocket showing the fold in its progression to form the edge **10** and folds **12** and **20**, to which the pen clips are attached. The pen or pencil is passed through the opening **40** (FIG. 4) between the shirt **30** and pocket, into the shirt pocket, and the clip is attached to the edge **10**. The auxiliary pocket is preferably about 1⅛ inches deep.

FIG. 5 is a side view of a modified form showing a piece of stiffening or inner facing material **22** which may be employed to strengthen the fold **12**, **20**. The inner facing material **22** may be used at the option of the manufacturer to stiffen the clipping surface, and such a stiffening material might be of any type of suitable material considered appropriate.

In manufacturing the pocket, as shown in the preferred form of FIGS. 2, 3 and 4, the pocket is cut from a single piece of material as shown in FIG. 3. FIGURE 2 shows the folding procedure wherein the folds **20** and **24** are brought together behind the pocket, forming the edge **11** and lower edge **23**. The fold **12** is folded against the fold **20**, forming the upper edge **10**. At this point in manufacture, the edge **10** is arranged to lie behind and slightly below the edge **11**. Hem **21** is then inserted between the fold **24** and the main pocket. The lower edge of the entire fold is then stitched to the pocket as shown

at 17 (FIG. 1). The pocket is then placed on the shirt and stitched in customary fashion, as shown in FIG. 1 by the edge stitches 18, 15 and 16, and stitches 13 and 14, thereby forming the auxiliary pen clip pocket as an integral part of the shirt pocket.

Having described my invention, I claim:

1. In a garment having a patch pocket secured to said garment along the sides and bottom edges of the patch pocket, said patch pocket having an unattached top edge forming an entrance into the pocket, the said top edge having an extension attached thereto extending downwardly into the pocket, and having a plurality of reversely disposed folds defining inner and outer walls of an inner clip receiving pocket, the lower edge of the folds of the clip receiving pocket being secured to the patch pocket, and a stiffening element co-extensive in length and width with the inner fold of the clip receiving pocket, positioned between the folds defining the said inner fold.

2. A garment having a patch pocket of generally rectangular shape secured to said garment along the sides and bottom edges thereof, said patch pocket having an unattached top edge forming an entrance into the pocket, the said top edge having an integral extension, extending

downwardly into the pocket and having a plurality of reversely disposed folds defining inner and outer walls of an inner clip receiving pocket, the innermost fold of the said clip pocket being folded along its edge portion upwardly between the body of the patch pocket and the adjacent wall of the clip receiving pocket, the lower folds of the clip receiving pocket being secured to the patch pocket for the full width of the clip pocket.

3. The garment as set forth in claim 2 in which the upper folds of the inner wall of the clip receiving pocket are positioned at a level below that of the patch pocket.

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