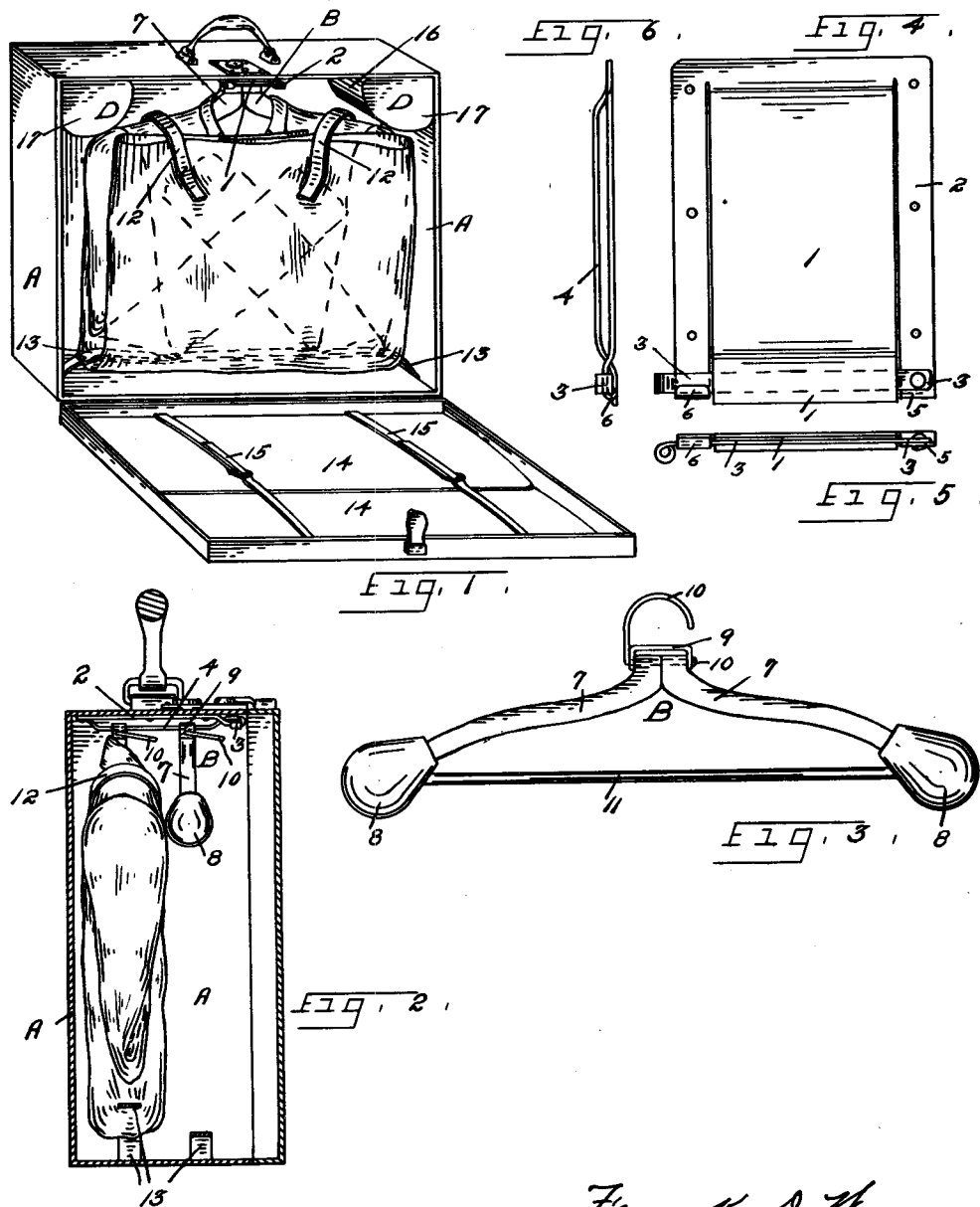


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK D. WARREN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Salt Lake City, in the county of Salt Lake and State of Utah, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Wardrobe-Suitcases, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to suit cases, and has for its object to provide a suit case within which one or more suits of clothing and other wearing apparel may be packed and carried without creasing or wrinkling and in such convenient position that the different articles may be readily accessible. These objects I accomplish with the device illustrated in the accompanying drawings in which similar letters and numerals of reference indicate like parts throughout the several figures and as described in the specification forming a part of this application and pointed out in the appended claims.

In the drawings in which I have shown a substantial embodiment of my invention, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of the device partially opened and with a suit of clothes in place therein. Fig. 2 is a vertical section, transverse of the suit case showing a suit of clothes in place therein and one hanger without clothing. Fig. 3 is an elevation of one of the clothes hangers. Fig. 4 is a plan view in detail of the suspension plate. Fig. 5 and Fig. 6 are side or edge views of said plate.

My purpose is to provide a wardrobe suit case wherein one or more suits of clothing for man or woman may be conveniently packed and carried in such position as not to become pressed into creases or wrinkles and suitable for immediate use without pressing, and by which each article is held readily accessible to the user. To attain these conveniences I change the form of the ordinary suit case slightly by increasing the depth of the case A, in order to suspend the suit on the hanger B which is detachably carried by the tongue portion 1 of a suspension plate 2. Said plate is cut from a sheet of metal and struck or pressed into the form shown in Fig. 4. The said tongue portion 1 is bent or pressed downward from the plane of said plate at the attached end and is bent near its free end upward and curved to fit over a pivoted hasp 3 thus forming a depending loop portion 4 of said tongue on which the said hangers B are car-

ried. Said hasp 3 is pivoted to the uncut portion of one side of said plate shown at 5 and the end portion of the other side of said plate is bent upon itself to form a hook 6 to engage with the free end portion of said hasp 3 to hold it from turning outward on its pivot when the free end portion of the tongue is carrying the weight of the suspended clothing. Said suspension plate is fastened to the handle side of the suit case preferably to or adjacent the lock of said case. Said hangers B consist of the usual curved shoulder bar 7 on the ends of which are fastened the resilient bulbs 8. The said shoulder bar 7 has secured centrally thereon a U-shaped metal hook 9 which is slidably carried on said tongue 1 to suspend said hangers on the said plate 2. Said metal hook 9 is pivoted to said shoulder bar by the pin 10 which has one end portion extended and bent into hook form by which said hanger B may be secured over other supports, as within a clothes closet. A cross bar 11 acts as a brace for said shoulder bar 7 and is used to hang the trousers of the suit on. Clothes clamps 12 are provided which are slipped over the shoulder portion of the suit after it is hung on the hanger and clasps the ends of the sleeves and the tail of the coat to hold them up in the folded position. A strap 13 has one end fastened to one end of the suit case and connected by a buckle to the other end of said case after being inserted through the fold of the garment. In the top side of said suit case are provided the over-lapping garment leaves 14, which are held in contact by the usual straps 15. In the corners of the handle side of said case A is provided two flexible cases D, each formed of a flexible piece of material 16, preferably soft leather, which is attached to the end and handle side of said case A. Each of said cases D has a cover 17 with fastening means similar to glove fasteners. When said cases D are not in use as receptacles their flexible side walls 16 may be pressed or folded inward against the end and handle sides of said case A and the cover 17 fastened thereto to hold it in place. In use as a wardrobe suit case the hangers B, of which there may be one or more as desired, are suspended from said tongue 1 by sliding said U-shaped metal hook 9 over said tongue and securing it in place by engaging the free end of said hasp 3 in the hook 6. The trousers of the suit are looped

over the cross bar 11 and the coat and vest suspended on said shoulder bar 7, with the bulbs 8 inserted within the shoulders of the suit to hold them extended. The sleeves
5 of the suit and the tail are clamped at and against the shoulder portion of the suit by the clamps 12. When the suit is thus suspended the strap 13 is inserted through the fold of the suit and secured by the buckle.
10 Collars needed for use in the near future by the owner may be carried with other small articles of apparel in the cases D. One or more suits may be likewise suspended and secured in place if desired and the flat form
15 of the said tongue prevents swaying of the hangers when suspended on the tongue 1. The strap 13 holds the medial portion of the clothing in place and the clamps 12 hold the tail and sleeve ends in place.
20 Having thus described my invention I desire to secure by Letters Patent and claim:—
1. A wardrobe suit case consisting of a

case; a suspension plate secured within said case; a portion of said plate bent to carry
25 clothes hangers thereon; a hasp pivoted to said plate to lock said hanger carrying portion against depression; and a strap secured in said case opposite said suspension plate.

2. A wardrobe suit case consisting of a
30 case; a suspension plate within said case and secured thereto on the handle side thereof; a tongue member integral with said plate; clothes hangers slidably suspended
35 from said tongue member; resilient bulbs on the ends of said clothes hangers; and a strap fastened to said case opposite said suspension plate.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my
40 signature in presence of two witnesses.

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