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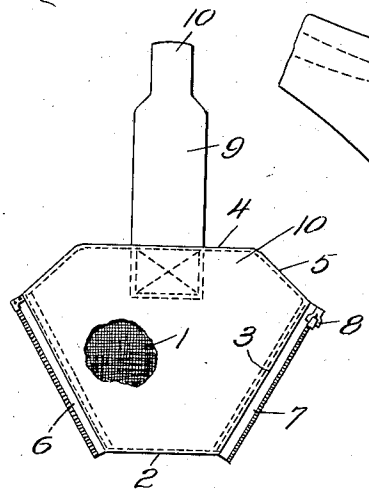


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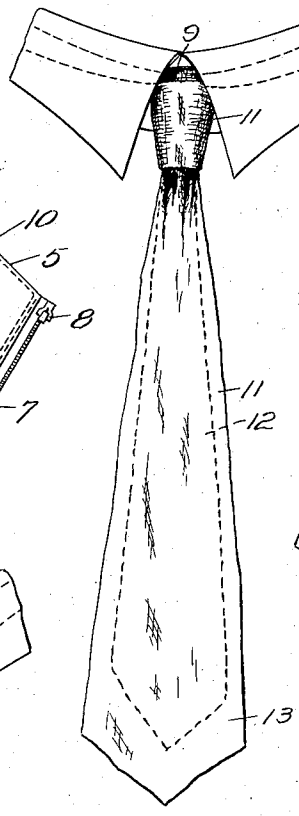


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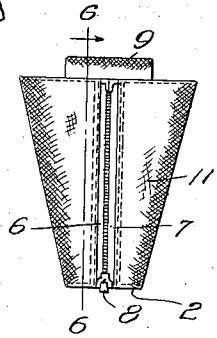


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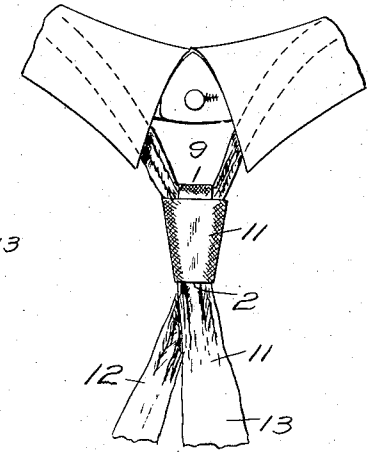


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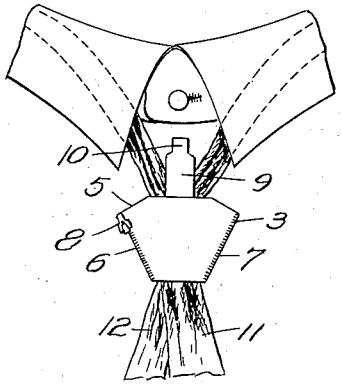
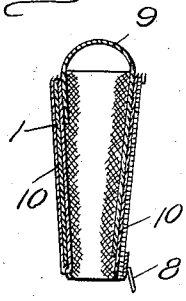


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1 Claim. (Cl. 2—150)

This invention relates to neckwear, and its general object is to provide a holder that is designed for use with neckties, cravats, scarfs or the like, in a manner to simulate a knot or that the neckwear is actually tied in the usual manner, yet the holder is merely disposed about the free portions of the neckwear after the latter is arranged upon the neck of the wearer, and then secured thereto and adjusted in close association with the collar or the like of the wearer, consequently it will be seen that the holder with the neckwear not only gives the appearance that the later is neatly tied but such can be accomplished in an easy and expeditious manner, and of course the life of the neckwear is materially prolonged as it is not put under the strain which is brought about by tying and untying the same from time to time in the usual manner.

An important object of the invention is to provide a neckwear holder that includes means which not only cooperates with the fastening means for the holder to secure and fix the latter in proper position, but adds to the appearance, that the neckwear is actually tied.

A further object of the invention is to provide a device of the character set forth, that makes it possible to manufacture neckwear that is relatively shorter than that now in general use, in that no part of the neckwear is used for making a knot, and the holder is simple in construction, inexpensive to manufacture, and extremely efficient in operation, use and service.

This invention also consists in certain other features of construction and in the combination and arrangement of the several parts, to be hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawing and specifically pointed out in the appended claim.

In describing the invention in detail, reference will be had to the accompanying drawing wherein like characters denote like or corresponding parts throughout the several views, and in which:

Figure 1 is a view illustrating my holder in use and adjusted in proper position.

Figure 2 is a view showing the holder in open position.

Figure 3 is a rear view of the holder in closed position.

Figure 4 is a view illustrating the holder applied to the free portions of a necktie prior to being disposed about the same.

Figure 5 is a similar view with the holder secured about the free portions, but prior to being adjusted to proper position.

Figure 6 is a sectional view taken approximately on line 6—6 of Figure 3, looking in the direction of the arrows.

Referring to the drawing in detail, it will be noted that the holder as shown includes a body 1 which may be made from some relatively stiff material, such as heavy paper, cardboard, canvas, or the like, so that the holder will be pliable, yet will retain its shape.

The body, as well as the major portion of the holder is provided with a straight lower end 2, inclined sides 3 which converge toward the straight lower end, while the upper end includes a straight portion 4 and inclined end portions 5. It will be obvious that the tapered shape set forth and shown, will present a substantially conical formation, when the holder is rolled upon itself, with the apex or small portion lowermost, so as to simulate a knot.

The body 1 is of course covered by suitable material disposed upon both sides thereof and stitched together, and in the form as shown it will be noted that I employ slide fastening means for securing the holder in conical formation and in position for use, the slide fastening means being of usual construction and including companion portions 6 and 7 secured to the inclined sides 3, with a sliding member 8 for securing the companion portions together, as will be apparent. However, I may employ any type of fastening means for the purpose intended, such as for instance, snap fasteners or even hooks and eyes.

Stitched or otherwise secured to the inner side of the holder is a relatively narrow elongated flap 9 that has a reduced free end 10, and the flap extends outwardly from the straight upper portion and midway the ends thereof, as best shown in Figure 2, for a purpose which will be presently described.

The covering for the body or form 1, is indicated by the reference numeral 11, and of course follows the shape thereof, and may be formed from a single piece of material, or two pieces, one disposed on the front of the form, and the other on the rear thereof. The covering 11 may be of any kind of material, but of course it is preferably of the same kind, color and design as the neckwear to which the holder is to be applied. However, it may be of a different kind, in order to provide a contrast between the holder and the neckwear.

In applying the holder to the neckwear, it being apparent that the latter is disposed about the neck in the usual manner, to provide free and depending portions 12 and 13, the holder is first arranged as shown in Figure 4, thence the in-

clined sides are secured together by the fastening means, and the flap is disposed over the portions of the neckwear as shown in Figure 5, and inserted between the same and the rear portion of the holder, as shown in Figure 6, thence the holder is adjusted to proper position or to that shown in Figure 1.

From the above description and disclosure of the drawing, it will be obvious that my holder not only truly simulates a knot for neckwear of the four-in-hand type, when applied to the free portions thereof, but the holder will remain in its adjusted position as shown in Figure 1, due to the use of the flap 9 and the clasping association of the conical formation of the holder with respect to the free portions of the neckwear. The flap not only produces the function referred to, but adds materially to the appearance, that the neckwear is actually tied, as will be apparent upon inspection of Figure 1. The flap is of course of the same kind of material as the covering for the holder.

It will be further obvious that my holder is preferably used with neckwear that is shorter than that now in general use, and the shorter neckwear is less expensive to manufacture. In fact, the material saved from the manufacturing of the neckwear can be used as the covering material for my holders.

It might be further mentioned that the holder can be made without the body or form 1, from certain kinds of relatively stiff materials now generally employed in making neckwear, as a holder made from such materials will retain its shape, especially if used with the sliding fastening means, as shown.

It is thought from the foregoing description that the advantages and novel features of the invention will be readily apparent.

It is to be understood that changes may be made in the construction and in the combination and arrangement of the several parts, provided that such changes fall within the scope of the appended claim.

What I claim is:

A knot simulating holder for a four-in-hand necktie, and comprising a flat body covered with suitable material and shaped for disposal about looped portions of the tie to assume a substantially conical formation to simulate a knot, fastening means for securing the body about the looped portions, and a flap secured to the inner face of the front portion of the body at its upper end and extending upwardly, then inwardly between the looped portions and then downwardly within the conical body for disposal between the rear portion of the latter and said looped portions for cooperation with the fastening means for holding the body on the looped portions against displacement.

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