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EXPANSIVE WRIST WATCH BAND

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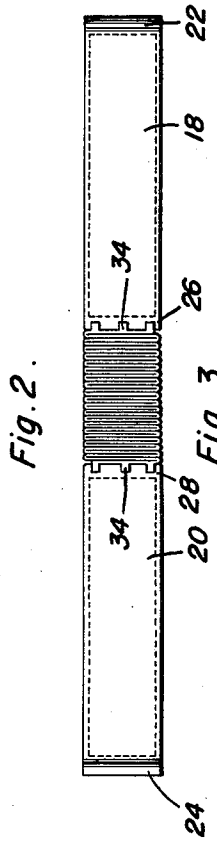


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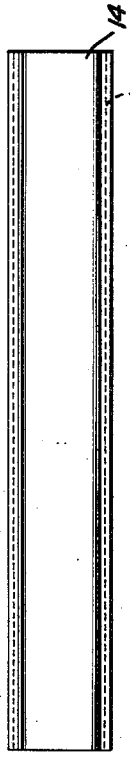


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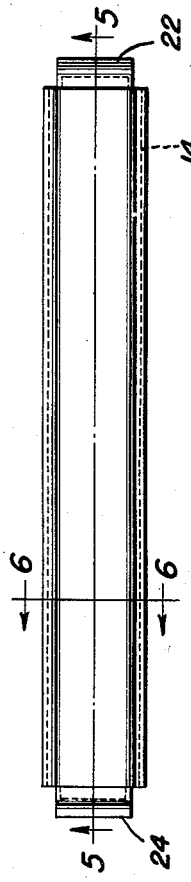


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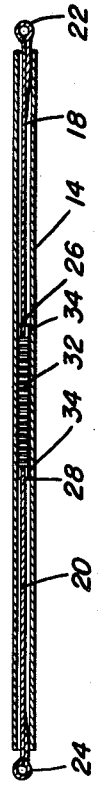


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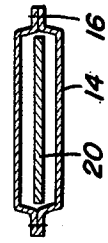


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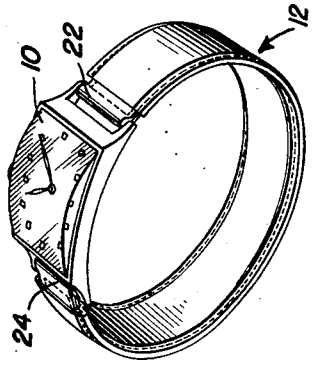


Fig. 1.

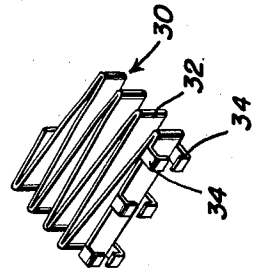


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This invention relates to a novel expansive band for use in securing a watch about the wrist.

The primary object of the invention is to provide a band which may be stretched to accommodate any and all wrist sizes and in which the expansive member is concealed.

Another object of the invention is to provide an expansive wrist watch band which will not catch the hair or pinch the skin.

Yet another object of the invention is to provide an expansive wrist watch band comprising an elongated tubular casing, a pair of oppositely disposed bands positioned within said casing having inner ends terminating in spaced relation in said casing, means for securing the outer ends of said bands to a watch, and resilient means interconnecting the inner ends of said bands.

These, together with various ancillary objects and features of the invention which will later become apparent as the following description proceeds, are attained by the device, a preferred embodiment of which has been illustrated by way of example only in the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the band secured to a watch;

Figure 2 is an elevational view of the inner element of the expansive band;

Figure 3 is an elevational view of the outer member or casing per se;

Figure 4 is an elevational view of the member shown in Figure 2 positioned within the casing shown in Figure 3;

Figure 5 is a longitudinal sectional view taken on the line 5—5 of Figure 4;

Figure 6 is a transverse sectional view taken on the line 6—6 of Figure 4; and,

Figure 7 is a fragmentary perspective view of the resilient member or spring.

Specific reference is now made to the drawings. In the several views in the accompanying drawings and in the following specification reference characters indicate corresponding elements throughout.

Indicated at 10 is a wrist watch having the usual attaching pins for retaining the expansive band of the instant invention shown at 12.

The band 12 consists of an outer member or casing 14 which is in effect a substantially flat tubular casing of leather, metal, plastic, and the like having the conventional longitudinal seams 16.

Extending into the casing 14 is a pair of opposing bands 18 and 20 also substantially flat in construction, the outer ends of which extend outwardly from the casing and are provided with suitable sleeves 22 and 24 for engageably receiving the attaching pins on the wrist watch. The

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inner ends 26 and 28 of the bands are spaced from each other within the casing and are joined by a resilient member 30.

As shown clearly in Figure 7, the resilient member is preferably an accordion spring 32 and secured to the end portions of said spring or integral therewith are a plurality of opposed L-shaped lugs 34 transversely spaced therein for engageably receiving transversely spaced apertures in the inner ends 26 and 28 of the bands 18 and 20.

In view of the foregoing description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings it is believed that a clear understanding of the device will be quite apparent to those skilled in this art. A more detailed description is accordingly deemed unnecessary.

It is to be understood, however, that even though there is herein shown and described a preferred embodiment of the invention the same is susceptible to certain changes fully comprehended by the spirit of the invention as herein described and the scope of the appended claim.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

An expansive wrist watch band comprising an elongated substantially flat tubular outer casing, a pair of oppositely disposed bands positioned within said casing having inner ends terminating in spaced relation in said casing, means for securing the outer ends of said bands to a watch, and resilient means interconnecting the inner ends of said bands, said resilient means including an accordion spring and means for securing the terminal portions of said spring to the inner ends of said bands, said securing means including opposed L-shaped lugs carried by the terminal portions of said spring, the inner ends of said bands being provided with apertures for receiving said lugs.

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