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APPAREL MONOGRAM ATTACHMENT

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Fig. 1.

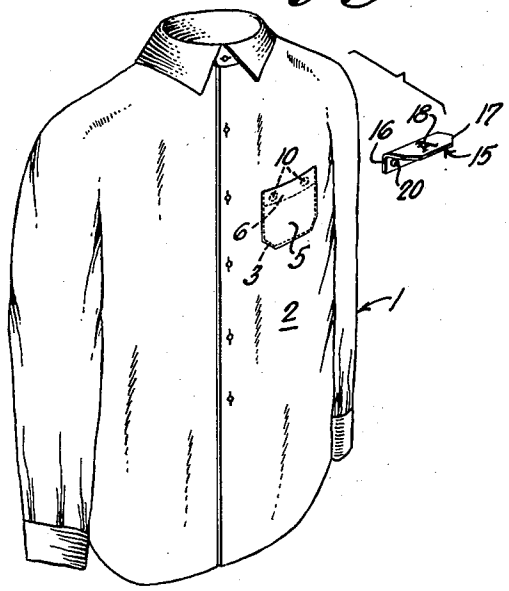


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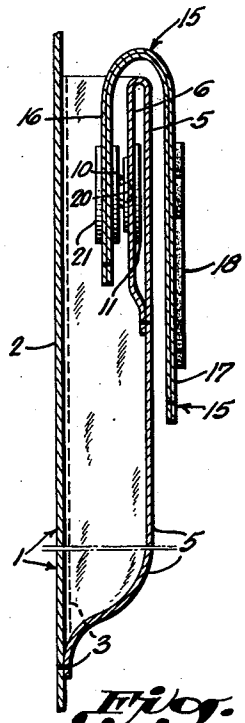


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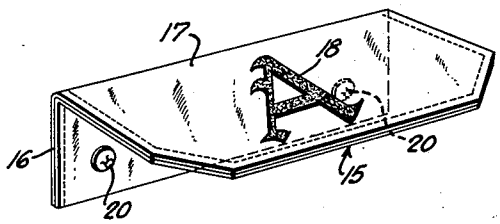


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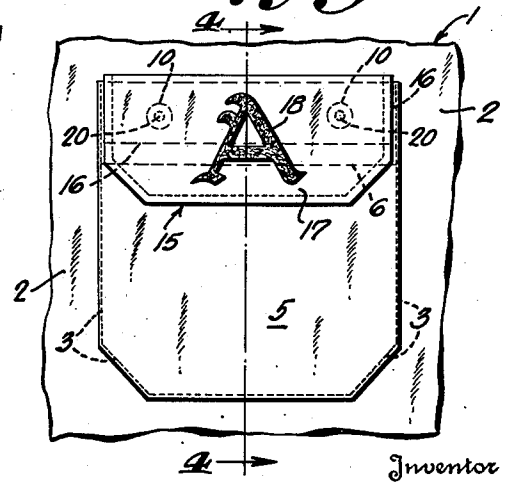
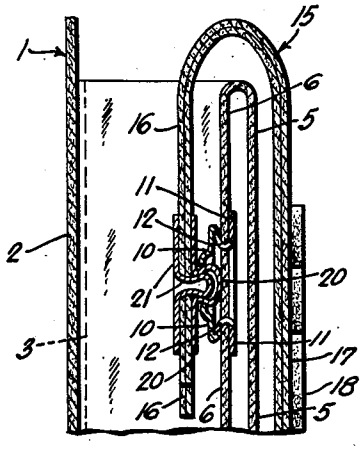


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This invention relates in general to wearing apparel and deals, more particularly, with the application and use of monograms, initials and similar individualistic designs on various garments such as shirts, pajamas, lounging jackets, robes and other garments provided with pockets on which it is a popular practice to attach a design such as the monogram or initial of the wearer.

The usual method of providing an embroidered monogram on a garment is relatively expensive and requires considerable time for the embroidering operation. In the case of personal monograms and initials, for example, it is necessarily impractical for a retail store to carry all sizes of a garment with all the many different initials which may be called for already embroidered on the garments. Consequently, when a garment is purchased and the monogram ordered, there is an objectionable delay before delivery. This, of course, is disadvantageous in that it restricts the sale of many monograms and designs which otherwise would be readily sold if they were attachable to the garment at the time of purchase.

A primary object of the invention, therefore, is to provide a monogram or other design in the form of an attachment which simulates an integral or conventional part of a garment and which is complete and ready to be attached to the garment at the time of purchase so that there is no objectionable delay or inconvenient waiting by the purchaser which, of course, is conducive to the sale of the monogrammed attachments, and enhances the sales appeal of any such garment which can be delivered immediately with the required personal initial or monogram desired by the purchaser. To this end, the monogram, initials or other designs in the form of such attachments may be advantageously provided for the retail trade at relatively low cost in the manner of sets of attachments predominated in number by the most popular initials or other designs and in various colors, if desired.

Another primary object of the invention is to provide an improved construction and arrangement for a monogram, initial or other design in the form of an attachment which is designed as a distinct part of the pocket on a garment to give the appearance of a monogram, initial or other selected design as provided on an integral portion of such pocket.

A further object of the invention is to provide such an attachment in the form of a simple, inexpensive pocket flap, or the like, which is readily provided in the same outline of such a flap when made as an integral part of the pocket, and which, in attached position, simulates a regular pocket flap having a monogram, initial or other design embroidered, stitched or otherwise provided thereon.

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Another object of the invention is to provide a monogrammed or initialled attachment of the kind described in the form of a pocket flap which is admirably suited for economical quantity production at low cost and involves a simplified, highly practical and advantageous arrangement for providing various garments with monograms and the like in a cheap and inexpensive manner compared to heretofore known procedures.

Further objects and advantages and other new and useful features of the construction, arrangement and general combination of elements of the invention will be readily apparent as the following description proceeds with reference to the accompanying drawings, for purposes of illustration but not of limitation, in which like reference characters designate like parts throughout, and in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a shirt or pajama top or other garment having a pocket prepared with fastening means for a monogrammed pocket flap shown in the relative position for attachment to said pocket;

Fig. 2 is an enlarged perspective view of the monogrammed pocket flap attachment represented in Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is an enlarged front elevational view of the pocket area of the garment with the monogram flap shown attached to the pocket in completed form;

Fig. 4 is an enlarged sectional view of Fig. 3 along line 4—4 looking in the direction of the arrows, showing one form of fastening means for separably attaching the monogrammed flap to the shirt pocket; and,

Fig. 5 is an enlarged sectional view through the vertical center of one of the snap fasteners shown employed, by way of example, for separately attaching the monogrammed flap to the shirt pocket.

Referring now, more particularly, to the drawings, Fig. 1 illustrates a garment 1, such as a shirt, pajama top, lounging jacket or robe, or any other article of wearing apparel having a pocket 5 provided on a body portion 2 of the garment in any suitable manner as by stitching 3. The pocket 5 is provided on its inner side with a pair of spaced fasteners 10 of any suitable type for securing thereto an attachment 15 in the form of a pocket flap provided with a monogram, initial or other selected design. The fasteners 10 preferably are secured to the inner side of said pocket 5 in such a way as to be completely concealed from view in instances when the garment is worn without the pocket flap attachment.

The pocket 5 is provided at its upper end with an inwardly folded layer of material 6 and the fasteners 10, accordingly, are secured to said inner layer 6 and are thereby completely concealed by the outer main portion 5 of said pocket. The

fasteners 10 are shown, for illustrative purposes only, as the socket members of gripper type of snap fasteners, which comprise a snap socket element retained on the inwardly folded layer of material 6 by a securing grommet 11 as best seen in Fig. 5. The securing grommet 11 includes a series of inner radial prongs 12 which pierce said inwardly folded layer of material 6 and are peened in anchored relation with an inturned flange on the base of the socket element 10 to secure said socket element in permanent position at the inner side of the pocket.

The pocket flap attachment, designated generally 15, is provided in substantially the same outline in which such a pocket flap would be provided as an integral part of the pocket. The attachment 15 preferably is provided in a doubled layer of material for suitable stiffness and is folded to define a rear attaching portion 16 and a front pocket flap portion 17. Any monogram, such as a personal initial 18, as shown, or any other selected design is embroidered or otherwise provided on this front pocket flap portion 17. Usually the pocket flap 15 is made of the same fabric and color of the material as the pocket 5, with the monogram or other design 18 in various colors, and in some instances, with the pocket flap itself in a contrasting color to the garment, if desired, in order to provide a special sartorial effect.

On the attaching portion 16 of the pocket flap, a pair of stud fasteners 20 are suitably provided for snap fastening engagement with the socket elements 10 at the inner side of the pocket 5, as aforesaid. The stud fasteners 20 are shown, by way of example, as the complementary tubular stud elements of gripper type of snap fasteners wherein such a stud is secured by a similar tubular rivet 21, Fig. 5, which extends through a hole in the attaching portion 19 of the pocket flap into anchored relation in the head of the stud 20 to secure the same in permanent position on the completed pocket flap attachment 15.

With the pocket flap attachment 15 thus provided with the stud fasteners 20, and the garment pocket 5 prepared with the complementary socket fasteners 10, as aforesaid, it is, of course, a simple matter to snap these fasteners together to secure the attaching portion 16 of the attachment to the inner side of the pocket 5 with the monogrammed flap portion 17 disposed outwardly of the pocket as illustrated in Figs. 3 and 4. The attachment is easily and quickly effected and when completed as shown in Fig. 3, the pocket flap portion 17 lies snugly and symmetrically against the outer surface of the pocket 5 and gives the appearance of the usual monogrammed pocket flap provided as an integral portion of the pocket.

The invention fully contemplates the use of any other suitable type of fasteners for attaching the pocket flap in a similar or related manner, as for example, by ordinary snap buttons, hooks and eyes, buttons and button holes, clasps, and zippers or slide fasteners, and the like. In the present example, the fasteners may be provided with equal effectiveness in a reverse relation wherein the socket members 10 are secured to the pocket flap 15 and the studs 20 secured to the inner side of the pocket 5, as may be readily understood. Also, in an alternate construction, the pocket flap 15 may be readily designed for attachment directly to the body portion 2 of the garment within the pocket 5, and with the monogrammed flap portion 17 overlying the front of the pocket 5 to provide the same general appearance shown in Fig. 3.

Although any suitable type of fastening means may be employed, the use of separable snap fasteners, as disclosed, is particularly advantageous inasmuch as the monogrammed flap is thus easily and quickly removable from a shirt or other garment to be laundered, for example, and readily attached for use on other shirts or, likewise, selectively used on various shirts for different color combinations, as desired.

While the invention has been described in detail with a specific example, such example is intended as an illustration only inasmuch as it will be apparent that other modifications in the construction, arrangement and general combination of elements may be devised without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. The present embodiment is therefore to be considered in all respects as illustrative and not restrictive, the scope of the invention being indicated by the appended claims rather than by the foregoing description, with all changes falling within the scope, meaning, and range of equivalency of the claims intended to be embraced therein.

What is claimed and desired to be secured by United States Letters Patent is:

1. A garment provided with a pocket having inner and outer faces and fastening means on the inner side of said outer face of the pocket, and an attachment for said pocket comprising an attaching portion smaller than said pocket and concealed within said pocket as secured to said fastening means, and an outward flap portion for said pocket having an ornamental design thereon.

2. A garment provided with a pocket having an inner layer of material at the inner side of said pocket, fastening means carried by said inner layer of material and concealed by the outer side of said pocket, and an attachment for said pocket comprising an attaching portion smaller than said pocket and concealed within said pocket as secured to said concealed fastening means and an outward flap portion for said pocket having an ornamental design thereon.

3. A garment provided with a pocket having an inner layer of material at the inner side of said pocket, a concealed fastening member carried by said inner layer of material and concealed by the outer side of said pocket, and an attachment for said pocket comprising an attaching portion provided with a fastening member connected to said concealed fastening member, said attaching portion being concealed within said pocket as secured by said fastening members, and said attachment including an outward flap portion for said pocket having an ornamental design thereon.

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