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Fig. 1

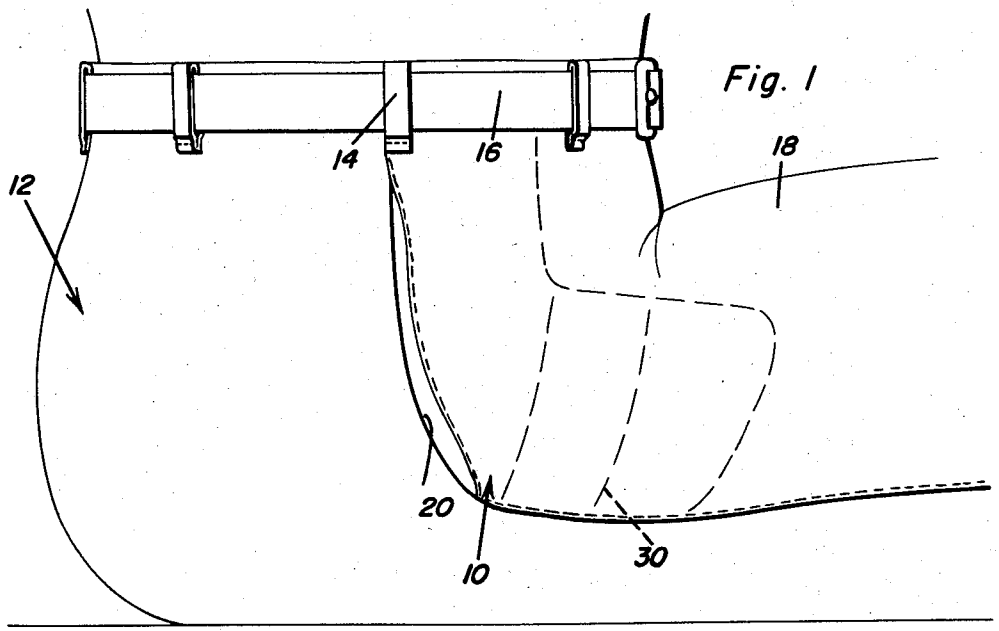


Fig. 2

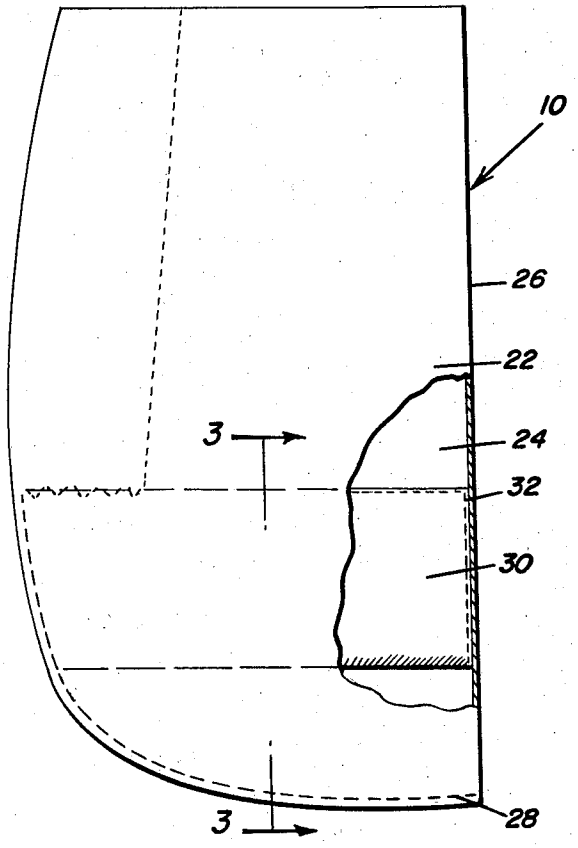
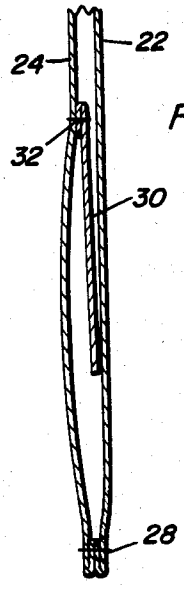


Fig. 3



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The present invention relates to a novel construction in a pocket for a pair of trousers and incorporates a feature to prevent coins and similar articles from becoming accidentally lost from the pocket when a person is sitting or otherwise reclining.

An object of the present invention is to provide an attachment for a pocket for a pair of trousers or a similar garment incorporating a member stitched transversely of the pocket in spaced relation from the bottom thereof for preventing coins or similar articles from sliding or rolling outwardly along the bottom edge of the pocket when the person is sitting.

Other objects of the present invention reside in its simplicity of construction, ease of assembly, adaptation for its particular purposes and its relatively inexpensive manufacturing cost.

These, together with other objects and advantages which will become subsequently apparent, reside in the details of construction and operation as more fully hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings forming a part hereof, wherein like numerals refer to like parts throughout, and in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of a pair of trousers with the pocket construction of the present invention incorporated therein;

Figure 2 is a side elevational view of the pocket construction with the outer panel thereof partially broken away showing the retaining flap stitched to the inner panel of the pocket; and

Figure 3 is a detail sectional view taken substantially upon a plane passing along section line 3—3 of Figure 2 illustrating further structural details of the retaining flap.

Referring now specifically to the drawings, the numeral **10** generally designates the pocket construction incorporated in a pair of conventional trousers **12** which include belt loops **14** for receiving a belt **16** together with legs **18** and a normally vertically disposed pocket opening **20** along each side thereof.

The pocket construction **10** includes the conventional outer panel **22** and inner panel **24** which are formed from a single piece of material reversely bent along one vertical edge **26** and secured by stitching **28** along the bottom and a portion of the other vertical edge thereof, a portion of the other vertical edge being free for attachment to the edges of the opening **20** with the top edges of the panels

22 and **24** being stitched to the trousers **12** in the conventional manner.

Disposed transversely in the pocket **10** is a retaining flap **30** of a generally elongated rectangular shape which flap is of firm, closely woven pocket material cut lengthwise of the material and preferably using the selvage for the lower edge. The flap **30** is as long as the pocket is wide plus a turn-under allowance. The flap **30** is secured to the inner panel **24** by stitching **32** along the top and side edges thereof, with the bottom edge being free from the inner panel **24** and normally spaced therefrom due to the particular manner of stitching which makes the lower edge slightly shorter than the width of the pocket so that the lower edge of the flap is normally spaced from the panel **24** for providing a downwardly opening pocket member for receiving coins and similar articles when the person wearing the trousers **12** is in a sitting or in an inclined position and the rear vertical edge of the pocket becomes substantially horizontal. In such a position the flap **30** is disposed substantially vertically whereby the free inner edge of the flap **30** will guide coins between the flap **30** and the inner panel **24**, thus precluding loss of coins outwardly through the entrance opening **20** of the pocket.

The foregoing is considered as illustrative only of the principles of the invention. Further, since numerous modifications and changes will readily occur to those skilled in the art, it is not desired to limit the invention to the exact construction and operation shown and described, and accordingly all suitable modifications and equivalents may be resorted to, falling within the scope of the invention as claimed.

What is claimed as new is as follows:

In combination with a side opening pocket in a pair of trousers with the pocket having an inner and outer panel having a portion of one edge free for providing an access opening and subject to movement to a substantially horizontal position when the wearer of the trousers assumes a sitting position, a generally elongated rectangular retaining panel extending transversely across the inner surface of the inner panel and having a bottom selvage edge, said retaining panel being stitched to the pocket along the top and side edges with the bottom edge being free and shorter than the portion of the inner panel between the side stitching for spacing the free edge of the retaining panel from the inner panel of the pocket and with the free edge spaced above the bottom of the pocket, thereby forming a downwardly opening pocket for receiving articles normally carried in the trousers pocket thereby preventing movement of the articles to the access opening as the trousers pocket moves to a generally horizontal position.

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