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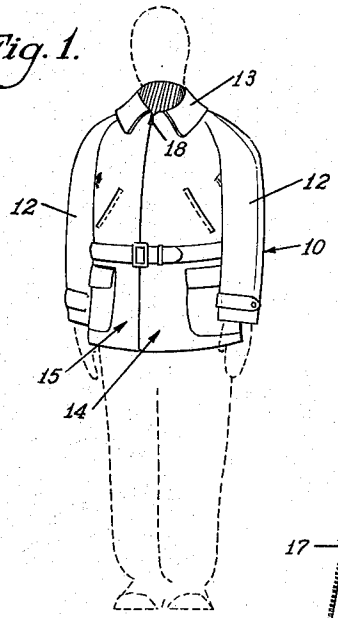


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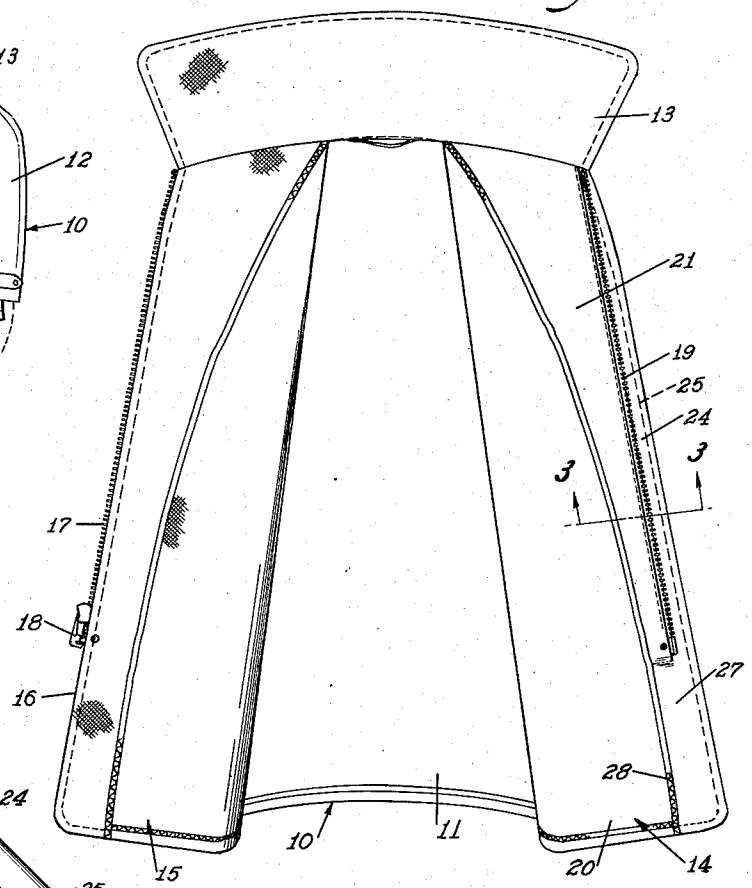


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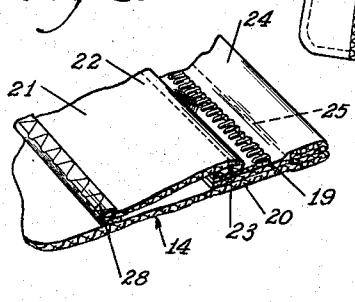


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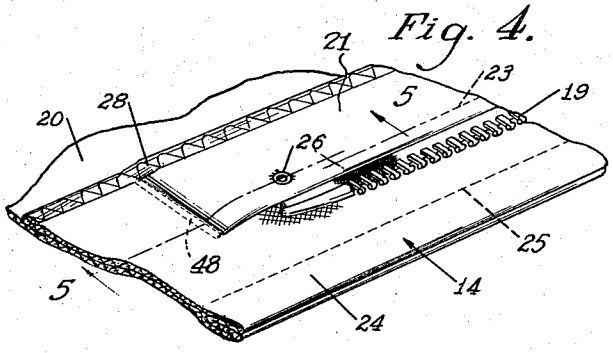
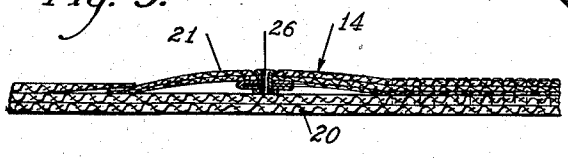


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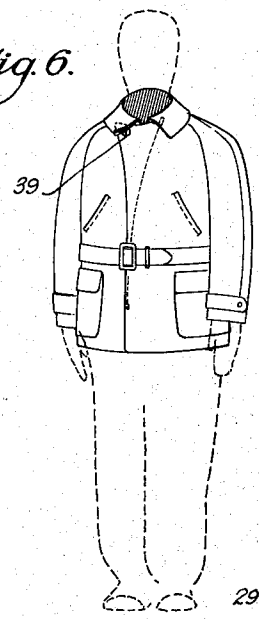


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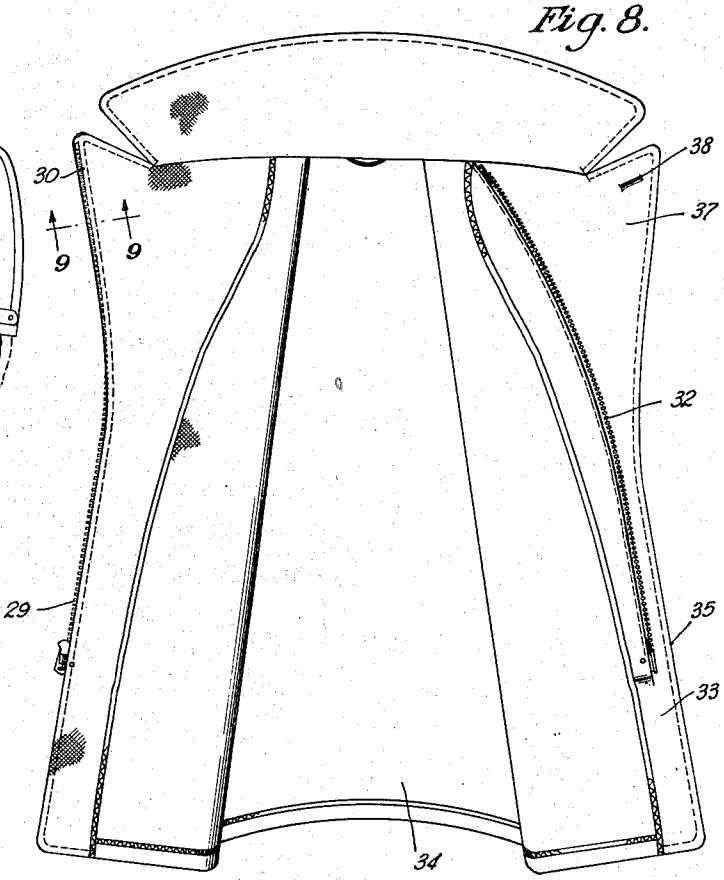


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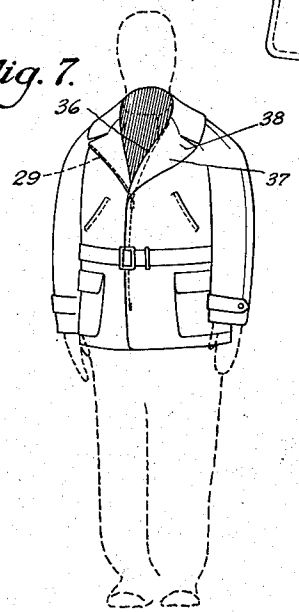
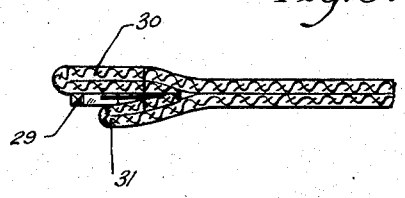


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This invention relates to garments.

It is an object of this invention to provide an improved garment which is relatively simple and inexpensive in construction and efficient in use.

Another object of the present invention is to provide a new and improved jacket having embodied therein a slidable closure or fastening device of the slide fastener type.

An additional object of the present invention is to provide a novel method or construction for securing the slidable fastener or closure, which is of the so-called interlocking or slide fastener type, in position upon a jacket and for substantially concealing the same from view when the jacket is in use.

Still another object of the present invention is to construct the new jacket in such a manner that the same may be properly closed at the neck portion thereof without causing bulging of the garment or discomfort to the wearer.

Still another object of the invention is to construct the new jacket in such a manner that when the same is in wearing position on the person the outer flap portion thereof will overlap the inner flap portion thereof so as to entirely conceal the interlocking fastener, except for that part of the same which is disposed adjacent the neck of the jacket.

In the manufacture of jackets, such as are commonly known as "mackinaw" jackets, and which are often used for sports wear, difficulty has been experienced in using a closure of the interlocking or slide fastener type because, among other reasons, of the fact that this type of garment is, in itself, rather bulky when worn and no satisfactory method has heretofore been found, in so far as I am aware, for securing a fastener of this type in place on the jacket in such a manner that it may be closed at the front without causing bulging at the neck or discomfort to the wearer and in such a manner that the fastener will be entirely concealed from view when the garment is in use except for a small part of the same disposed at the neck of the jacket.

An additional object of the present invention, therefore, is to provide a new and improved method for constructing the jacket in such a manner that the same will be free from the foregoing and other objectionable features heretofore experienced in the manufacture and use of the prior art garments having a sliding fastener embodied therein.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

The invention consists in the novel combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter described and claimed.

The invention will be best understood by reference to the accompanying drawings showing the preferred form of construction, and in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a preferred form of the new jacket showing the same in use on the person and in closed position;

Fig. 2 is a front elevational view of the new jacket showing the same in open position;

Fig. 3 is an enlarged sectional detail view, on line 3—3 in Fig. 2, illustrating the new method of securing one of the complementary parts of the interlocking or sliding fastener in position upon the outer or left flap portion of the jacket;

Fig. 4 is a fragmentary perspective view of a part of the left or outer flap portion of the new jacket showing the construction of the same and the means for securing the lower end portion of one of the complementary parts of the slide fastener thereto;

Fig. 5 is a sectional view on line 5—5 in Fig. 4;

Fig. 6 is a perspective view of a modified form of the invention over that shown in Fig. 1;

Fig. 7 is a perspective view of the jacket illustrated in Fig. 6 showing the lapels of the jacket in distended position upon the chest of the wearer;

Fig. 8 is a front elevational view of the jacket illustrated in Fig. 6, showing the same in open position; and

Fig. 9 is a fragmentary enlarged detail view of the same taken substantially on line 9—9 of Fig. 8.

A preferred form of the new garment or jacket is shown in the drawings, is therein generally indicated at 10, and comprises a body 11 which is provided with arms 12 and a neck portion or collar 13. The jacket 10 also includes an outer or left front flap or fold portion, which is generally indicated at 14, and an inner or right front flap or fold portion which is generally indicated at 15.

Sewed into the fabric of the inner flap 15, that is, between the inner and outer plies thereof, and along the margin 16 of the same, is one complementary part 17 of a so-called or interlocking slide fastener, and movable along this complementary part 17 of the interlocking part is a slider 18 by means of which the complementary part 17 of the fastener may be detachably attached or latched to the other complementary part 19 of the same in a manner which is well understood in the art, the said complementary part 19 being mounted in or sewed to the outer or left front flap or fold portion 14 of

the jacket in a manner which will now be described.

As hereinbefore stated, one of the difficulties experienced in the use of fasteners of the interlocking type upon a jacket, of the general type illustrated in the drawings, has been the fact that these jackets, which are naturally quite full and bulky about the neck, due to the type of collar embodied in the same, and other factors, have a tendency to bulge at the neck and cause discomfort to the wearer when a fastener of the slider type is employed for closing the same. Another difficulty experienced in the use of the slide-interlocking type of fastener in jackets of this type has been the fact that when the jacket is closed and the fastener locked the outer flap portion of the jacket has a tendency to roll back away from the inner flap of the jacket thereby exposing the fastener to view throughout its entire extent, that is, from the neck of the garment down to the end of the fastener, it being understood that when the front flap rolls back away from the inner flap the fastener can be exposed to view, which is an undesirable feature in garments of this or any other type.

In order to overcome the foregoing and other difficulties experienced in the manufacture and use of a jacket employing a sliding fastener, I construct the outer or left flap 15 substantially as follows: To the inner side or ply 20 of the outer jacket flap 14 I secure or stitch, as at 26, one marginal edge portion of a facing strip 21 and to this strip 21 I secure, by stitching 23, a substantially triangularly shaped but smaller facing strip 24 which is, in turn, sewed along its outer marginal edge, as at 25, to the main ply 20 of the outer fold or flap 14 of the jacket.

In effect the facing strip 21 is substantially of triangular shape, as is the strip 24, regarding the offset or enlarged end portion 27 of the latter as the base of the triangle. Thus, the fastening strip 19 is disposed between the facing strip 21 and the strip 24—27 and is stitched to both of these strips by the stitching 23. In turn the two facing strips are each stitched (as at 28 and 25 respectively) to the inner flap of the jacket. Moreover, the juncture between the apex portion of the facing 21 and the offset portion 27 of the outermost or edgewise facing strip 24, is stitched laterally as at 48.

The complementary part 19 of the interlocking fastener is mounted in, and forms a part of, the smaller facing strip 24 (Fig. 3). Accordingly, when the jacket 10 is in use the left or outer flap portion 14 thereof may be folded over the inner or right flap portion 15 of the same, whereupon the slider 18 may be pulled up to the neck line of the garment, thereby latching the complementary interlocking parts 17 and 19 of the fastener together, likewise latching the inner and outer flaps 15 and 14 of the garment together, thus holding the jacket in closed or wearing position upon the person. When the jacket is thus closed and in wearing position on the person, the facing strip 24, being considerably wider at its lower end or base than it is near the neck line, (Fig. 2), will overlap the complementary parts 17—19 of the fastener when the latter are thus latched together, thereby entirely concealing the fastener parts from view, except for a small part of the same near the neck line. The facing strip 24, being attached along its inner marginal edge, as at 23, to the facing strip 21, has considerable freedom of movement relative to the main body or ply 20 of the outer flap 14 and hence when the jacket is in wearing and closed position on the person, the outer or left flap 14 will not roll back or pull away from the inner or right flap 15, as in the usual type of jacket. Hence the fastener is kept practically entirely concealed from view except for a small part of the same at the neck of the garment, and at the same time the discomfort and the other foregoing objectionable features experienced in the manufacture and use of jackets with slide-interlocking fasteners are eliminated and a jacket is provided which is comfortable to the wearer and satisfactory to the garment trade.

Referring now more particularly to the modified form of construction of the invention as illustrated in Figs. 6 to 9, inclusive, the fastening part 29, which part is substantially representative of that indicated at 17 in Fig. 2, extends between the marginal portion 30 of the jacket and a concealing strip or flap 31.

The fastener part 32, substantially representative of the fastener part 19, is secured to the jacket in the same manner as the part 19, with the exception that the fastener part 32 extends along the marginal flap 33 of the jacket at a point substantially above the lower edge portion 34 thereof and a predetermined distance inwardly from the edge 35 of this frontal or marginal flap, and takes a course which curves inwardly from that edge 35 along a line a predetermined distance adjacent from and parallel with the fold line 36 of the lapel 37 of the jacket.

This lapel 37 is provided with a buttonhole 38 adapted to receive a button 39 when this lapel 37 is extended into the position illustrated in Fig. 6.

When the marginal or frontal portions of the jacket and the lapel 37 are disposed in the position illustrated in Fig. 6, it will be seen that no portion of the slide fastener structure is exposed, thereby eliminating the otherwise unsightly shining or metallic portions of the fastener structure. This is due in one instance from the relative relation of the fastener parts with the jacket proper coupled with the cooperation of the marginal or frontal flap 30 and the concealing flap 31.

While I have illustrated and described the preferred form of construction for carrying my invention into effect, this is susceptible of variation and modification without departing from the spirit of the invention. I, therefore, do not wish to be limited to the precise details of construction set forth, but desire to avail myself of such variations and modifications as come within the scope of the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

1. A jacket comprising a body including an inner front flap and an outer front flap adapted to overlie the said inner front flap when the jacket is in use, and a slide fastener device for detachably attaching the said inner and outer front flaps together, said fastening device including complementary parts and one of the same being attached to the said inner flap and extending along the marginal edge thereof, the other of said complementary parts being attached to the said outer flap on the inner side thereof and extending at an acute angle relative to the marginal edge of the said outer flap from the neckline of the jacket downwardly to a point disposed above the bottom edge of said jacket, the lower end portion of said second-named complementary

fastener part being disposed inwardly from the said marginal edge of the said outer flap and the upper end portion of the said second-named fastener part being substantially coincidental with the said marginal edge of the said outer flap, a substantially triangular-shaped facing strip secured to the said outer flap on the inner side thereof between the said marginal edge of said outer flap and the said second-named complementary part of said fastener and having the said second-named complementary fastener part attached thereto whereby when the jacket is in use on the person the said triangular-shaped facing strip will overlie the interlocked complementary parts of said fastener and substantially conceal the same from view, and a second facing strip having its inner marginal edge portion attached to the body of said outer flap on the inner side of the same and having its outer marginal edge portion attached to the said triangular-shaped facing strip along the inner marginal edge of the latter.

2. Fastening means for a jacket of the type having frontal overlying flaps with complementary marginal edge portions, said means including a complementary slide fastening element attached to one of said flaps along the marginal edge portion thereof, and a second complementary slide fastening element disposed between the longitudinal edge portions of a pair of elongated facings by means of stitching common to said facings and said fastening member, one of said facings being stitched along a longitudinal edge portion opposite to and substantially parallel with said fastening member to the aforesaid marginal edge portion of said second flap, the other said facing being stitched to said flap along its edge portions opposite said fastening member.

3. A jacket having frontal flaps with complementary edge portions and fastening means for said jacket including an elongated slide fastening member attached along the edge portion of one of said flaps and a second and cooperating slide fastening member of elongated form mounted between overlying longitudinal edge portions of a pair of substantially triangularly shaped facing strips by means of stitching extended through said strips and said fastening member, one of said facing strips having a notched portion into which the apex portion of the other triangularly shaped facing is adapted to fit, said facing strips being stitched together at the juncture of said apex portion with the other strip, said other strip having a longitudinal edge portion opposite said fastening member stitched to the inner edge portion of the other or complementary flap.

4. A jacket having overlying frontal flaps with complementary edge portions and fastening means for said jacket including an elongated slide fastener strip mounted along the edge portion of a first one of said flaps, and means mounting the same on the inner surface of the second or complementary flap, said mounting means including a pair of elongated and complementary facing strips, one of the same having an elongated notch into which the complementary strip is fitted, said second fastening element being disposed between opposite longitudinal edge portions of said complementary facings and stitched to each of the same along interfitting portions, the other longitudinal edge portion of one of said strips being stitched to the edge portion of said second flap.

5. A garment including complementary frontal flaps with substantially overlying longitudinal edge portions, and fastening means for the jacket including an elongated slide fastener strip attached along the marginal edge portion of one of said flaps, and a second and complementary slide fastener strip attached to the inner surface of the second flap by means of a pair of complementary facing strips, one of which is provided with a longitudinally extensive notch into which a longitudinal edge portion of the complementary facing strip is received, said second slide fastener strip being sewn between the common complementary edge portions of said interfitting facings and the latter being stitched to the inner portion of said second flap.

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