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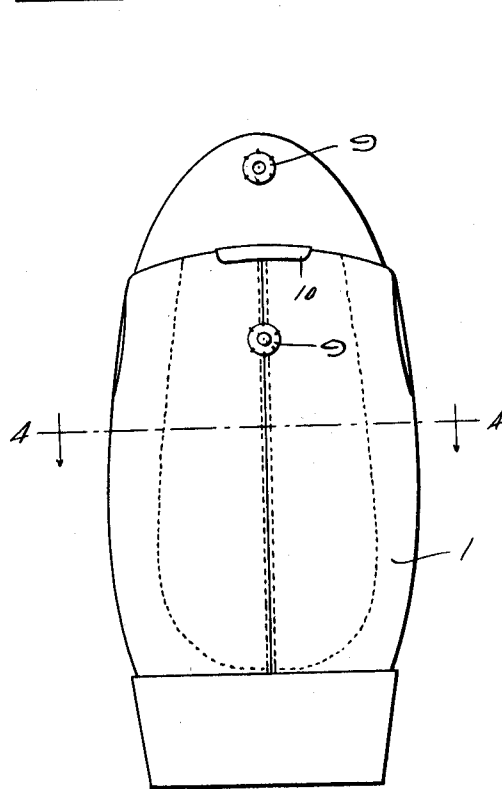
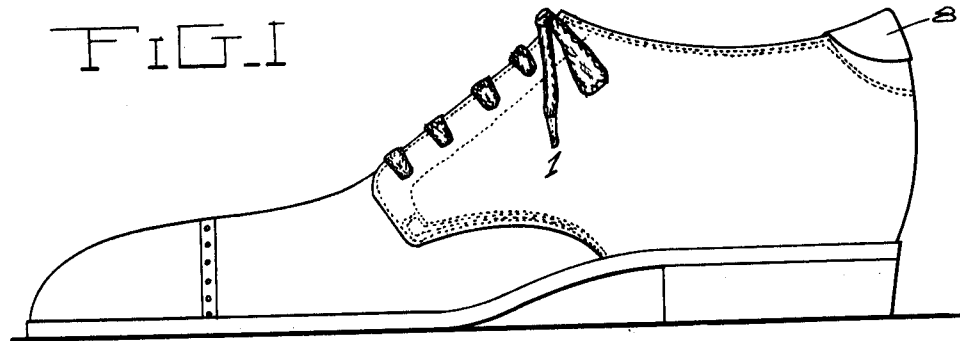


FIG. 2

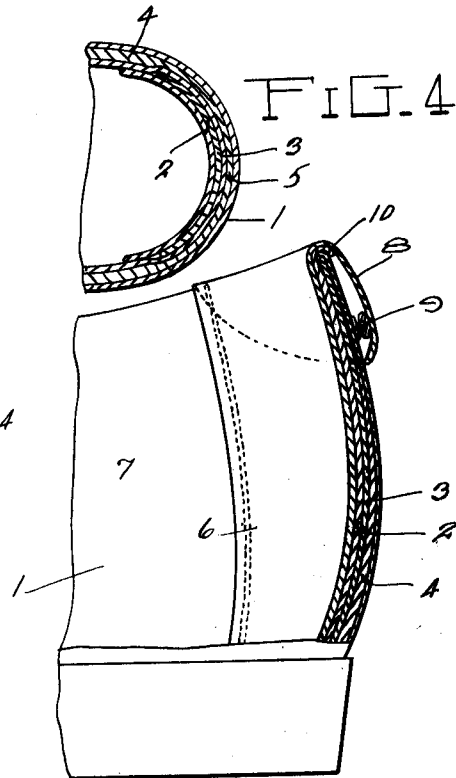


FIG. 3

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, OSWALD J. LASSIG, a subject of the Emperor of Austria-Hungary, residing at Houston, in the county of Harris and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Horn-Holding Shoes; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

The invention relates to a horn holding shoe.

The object of the present invention is to provide a simple, practical and comparatively inexpensive horn holding shoe equipped with a removable shoe horn adapted to enable the feet of the wearer to be readily introduced into a pair of low shoes and capable after the shoe horn has been used on a pair of shoes of permitting the same to be returned to one of the same.

A further object of the invention is to provide a horn holding shoe of this character in which the shoe horn will be maintained in a convenient position for ready removal and which will cause no inconvenience to the wearer of the shoe or present an unsightly appearance.

Furthermore, the invention has for its object to provide a horn holding shoe in which the shoe horn will be normally concealed and which will effectively prevent the shoe horn from working out when the wearer is walking or running.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists in the construction and novel combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings and pointed out in the claims hereto appended, it being understood that various changes in the form, proportion and minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a shoe provided with a shoe horn attachment constructed in accordance with this invention, Fig. 2 is a rear elevation of the same, Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view of the shoe taken centrally through the attachment, Fig. 4 is a transverse sectional view on the line 4-4 of Fig. 2.

Like numerals of reference designate cor-

responding parts in all the figures of the drawing.

In the accompanying drawing in which is illustrated the preferred embodiment of the invention, 1 designates a low shoe provided at the back with a pocket 2 for the reception of a shoe horn 3 which is adapted to be withdrawn from the pocket and used as an ordinary shoe horn in introducing the feet into a pair of shoes, only one shoe of a pair being equipped with the pocket 2 which preferably extends from the upper edge of the back of the shoe to the sole. The counter 4 is provided with an indentation 5 conforming to the configuration of and adapted to receive the shoe horn to permit the same when placed in position within the pocket to be arranged in flush relation with the inner face of the counter to facilitate the placing of a smooth lining within the shoe. The inner wall 6 of the pocket is made of a piece separate from the lining 7 as illustrated in Fig. 3 of the drawing, but the pocket may be formed in any other desired manner, and the said inner wall 6 is provided at the top with a flap 8 foldable outwardly over the exterior of the upper portion of the back of a shoe and secured to the same by a suitable fastening device 9 preferably consisting of a stud and socket as shown but any other suitable fastening devices may of course be employed.

In practice the inner wall of the pocket will be of the same color as the lining and the flap will be of the color of the outside of the shoe so that it will present the same appearance and hardly be noticeable. The shoe horn is provided at its upper edge with a flange 10 curved outwardly and downwardly as clearly shown in Fig. 3 of the drawing to snugly embrace the upper edge of the back of the shoe and at the same time to afford a grip for holding the shoe horn in using the same. The shoe horn is relatively small and it is firmly and securely retained in the pocket by the flap so that there is no liability of the shoe horn working loose and coming out while the wearer is walking.

It will be seen that the shoe horn attachment is exceedingly simple and inexpensive in construction and may be readily applied to one of a pair of low shoes in the manufacture thereof and that only one shoe horn is required as the same is removable and may be used on both shoes. Also it will be clear that the shoe horn will always be in position

for instant use and will not materially increase the cost of a pair of shoes. The shoe horn is curved in cross section to conform to the configuration of the back of the shoe which presents a smooth interior.

What is claimed is:—

1. The combination with a shoe horn, of a low shoe provided at the back with an interior concealed pocket receiving the shoe horn and open at the top to permit complete removal of the shoe horn so that the same may be used on a pair of shoes, the shoe horn being located in advance of the counter and the latter being provided with an indentation conforming to the configuration of the shoe horn.

2. The combination of a shoe provided at the back with a pocket open at the top and having a flap connected with the inner wall of the pocket and foldable over the upper edge of the back of the shoe against the ex-

terior of the same and a shoe horn removably arranged in the pocket and provided at its upper edge with an outwardly and downwardly extending flange arranged to fit the upper edge of the back of a shoe and be retained in engagement with the same by the said flap.

3. The combination of a low shoe provided at the back with an interior pocket open at the top, the counter of the shoe being located at the outer wall of the pocket and having an indentation in its inner face, and a shoe horn removably arranged in the said pocket and received within the indentation of the counter.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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