

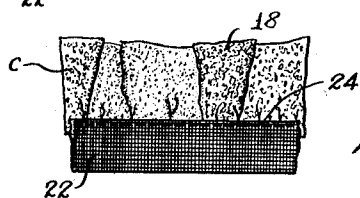
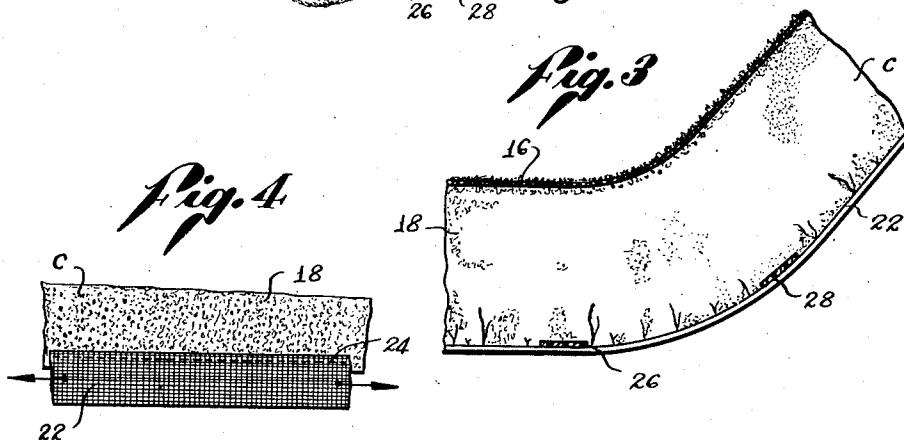
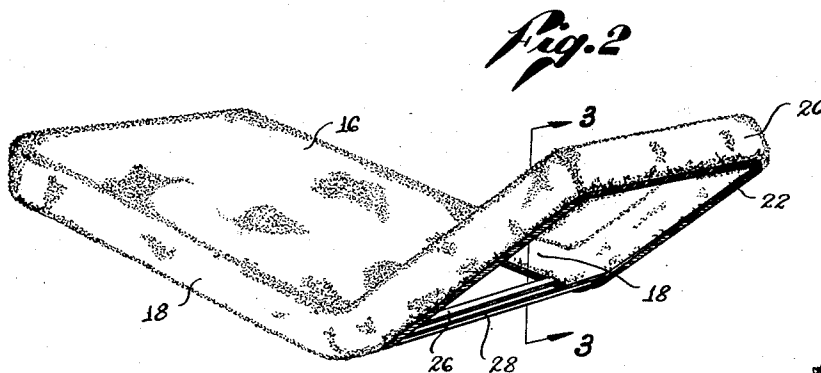
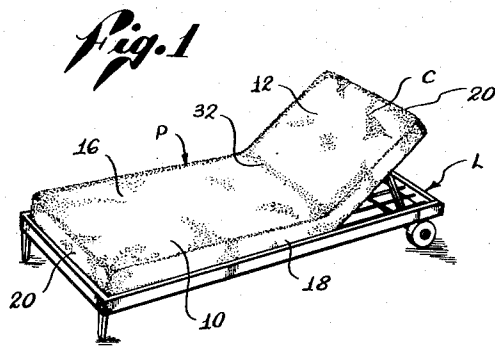
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The present invention relates generally to the field of furniture and more particularly to a novel cover for a seat pad and a method of making such cover.

The conventional seat pad of an article of furniture such as a chaise longue, includes a non-removable textile cover. When such cover becomes soiled or worn, it must be removed from the seat pad for cleaning or replacement. This is generally a comparatively costly and time-consuming job and accordingly it has been heretofore proposed to provide such seat pads with a removable cover. These heretofore-proposed removable covers have incorporated dis-engageable fastening means such as snap fasteners, buttons, zippers or the like, which permit the side and end panels of the cover to be folded away from the pad whereby the cover may be removed from the latter. Such heretofore-proposed covers have not met with wide acceptance, primarily because chaise longue seat pads are not manufactured with any uniformity of size. Accordingly, it is not practical for a merchandising organization to stock covers in each of the many sizes required for the different types of seat pads being manufactured. Another disadvantage of the heretofore-proposed removable covers is their comparatively high cost.

As an alternative to the use of the heretofore-proposed removable covers, many hotels and resorts which utilize a comparatively large number of chaise longues, attempt to prevent the soiling of the seat pads thereof by placing towels thereover. Although this expedient is sometimes successful in protecting the pads against soiling, it has been found that a large number of the towels are pilfered. Such pilfering has proven to be very costly.

It is a major object of the present invention to provide a novel, readily removable cover for the seat pad of a chaise longue, or the like.

Another object is to provide a removable cover which will fit the great majority of seat pads presently being offered for sale.

A more particular object of the invention is to provide a cover that is especially adapted for use with the seat pads of a chaise longue having an adjustable back rest portion.

Another object is to provide a cover of the afore-described nature which may be readily removed from a seat pad, laundered, and re-applied to said seat pad.

A further object is to provide a cover which is simple in design and which may be made from readily obtainable materials by common manufacturing processes, whereby it may be sold at a comparatively low price.

An additional object is to provide a novel method of manufacturing the aforementioned cover.

These and other objects and advantages of the present invention will become apparent from the following detailed description when taken in conjunction with the appended drawings wherein

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a chaise longue having a seat pad upon which is disposed a preferred form of removable cover embodying the present invention;

Figure 2 is an enlarged perspective view showing said cover;

Figure 3 is a further enlarged vertical sectional view taken on line 3—3 of Figure 2;

Figure 4 is an enlarged side elevational view showing a step in the method of making said cover; and

Figure 5 is a view similar to Figure 4 showing the appearance of the cover after the completion of the step shown in the latter figure.

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Referring to the drawings and particularly to Figure 1 thereof, there is shown a chaise longue L having a seat pad P whereon is disposed a preferred form of cover C embodying the present invention. The seat pad P is of generally rectangular shape and includes a main section 10 which normally remains in a horizontal position and an auxiliary section 12 which is adjustable between a horizontal position (not shown) and the vertically tilted position shown in Figure 1.

As shown in Figures 1 and 2, cover C is formed from a generally rectangular sheet of readily launderable textile material, as for example, terry cloth. This cover includes an upper panel 16 for covering the top surface of the pad P, a pair of parallel side panels 18 for covering the sides of the pad and a pair of parallel end panels 20 for covering the ends of the pad. The upper edges of the side and end panels are integrally connected to the side and ends respectively of the upper panel 16.

The lower edges of the side and end panels 18 and 20 respectively, are secured, as by stitching, to an elastic band 22. This band 22 is shorter in length than the peripheral distance around the side and end panels. It should be especially noted that the elastic band is held stretched in tension while it is being stitched to the lower portions of the panels. Thus, referring to Figure 4, the elastic band 22 is shown being secured to the lower end of one of the side panels 18 by a line of stitching 24. As indicated by the arrows in this figure, the band 22 is held stretched in tension during this step in making the cover C, while the material of the side panel 18 is arranged at its normal length. As shown in Figure 5, once the elastic band 22 has been stitched in place, it will be released so as to return to its relaxed length, whereby the material of the side panel 18 will become slightly puckered.

It should also be noted that the lower ends of the intermediate portion of the side panels 18 are interconnected by a pair of parallel bands or straps 26 and 28. Preferably, these straps will be formed of a resilient material, such as an elastic tape. The ends of the straps 26 and 28 are anchored to the lower ends of the side panels as by stitching, after the elastic band 22 has been affixed to the lower portion of the cover.

To install the cover C upon the pad P, one end of the latter is inserted between the underside of the upper panel 16 and the top of the elastic straps 26 and 28. Thereafter, the pad and cover are manipulated until the side and end panels 18 and 20 encompass the sides and ends of the pad. The elastic band 22 will at this time be stretched in tension so as to pull the lower end of the side and end panels inwardly relative to the sides and ends of the pad, as indicated in Figure 2. With regard to this figure, the pad P is not shown in the interest of clarity. The pull exerted upon these side and end panels by the elastic band 22 tends to maintain the cover C flush against the exposed surfaces of the pad P. One of the straps 26 abuts the underside of the main pad section 10 while the other strap 28 abuts the underside of the auxiliary pad section 12 adjacent the break 32 between these sections.

It should be particularly observed that at such time as the auxiliary pad section 12 is moved from a horizontal to a vertically inclined position, the straps 26 and 28 will retain the upper panel 16 in close proximity to the top surface of the pad C. This arrangement insures that the cover C will always present a neat and attractive appearance regardless of the inclination of the auxiliary pad section 12.

When the cover C becomes soiled, it may be readily removed from the pad P and cleaned, whereafter it is again mounted upon the pad. If suitable washable materials are utilized in the cover's construction, it may be laundered in a conventional washing machine many times without damage. When the cover finally becomes too worn for further use, it may be discarded and replaced with a new one.

Although the preferred form of cover C has been shown and described for use in conjunction with the seat pad of a chaise longue, it will be apparent that it may likewise be utilized with other forms of pads, as for

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example, with a swimming pool pad. It should likewise be noted that various modifications and changes may be made with respect to the foregoing description, without departing from the spirit of the present invention or the scope of the following claim.

We claim:

A readily applicable and removable snap on cover for the seat pad of a chaise longue, said pad having a main section which remains in a horizontal position and an auxiliary section which is adjustable between a horizontal position and a vertically tilted position interconnected by an intermediate fold area, comprising: a sheet having an upper panel for covering the top surface of said pad, a pair of parallel side panels for covering the sides of said pad, and a pair of parallel end panels for covering the ends of said pad; an elastic band having a length that is less than the peripheral distance around said side and end panels secured to the lower edge of said side and end panels, said band being stretched in tension when said cover is disposed upon said pad; and a pair of parallel elastic straps interconnecting the lower ends of the intermediate portion of said side panels, one of said

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straps being adapted to abut the underside of said main section adjacent said intermediate fold area and the other of said straps being adapted to abut the underside of said auxiliary section adjacent said intermediate fold area whereby said upper panel will remain in close proximity to the top surface of said pad when said auxiliary section is moved to a vertically tilted position.

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