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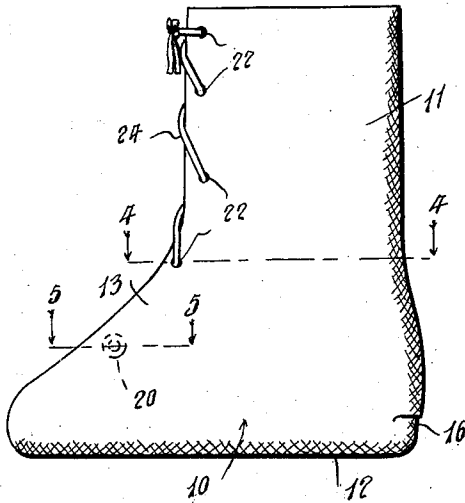


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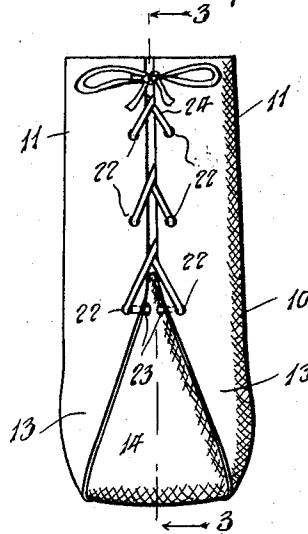


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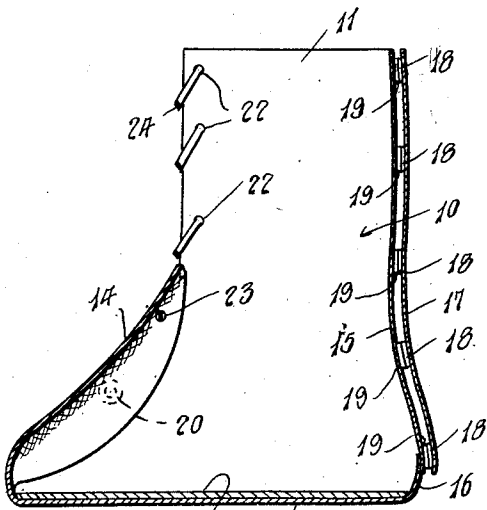


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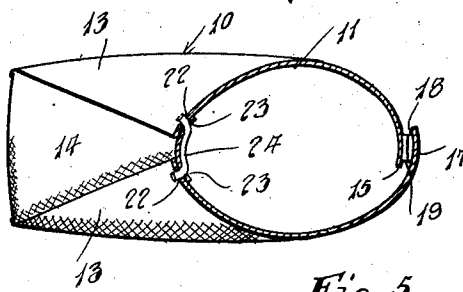


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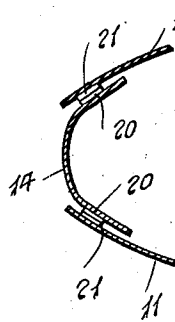
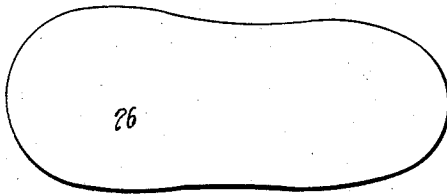


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## INFANT'S SHOE

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This invention relates to a shoe, moccasin or slipper, primarily adapted for infant's wear.

A particular object is to provide a novel construction capable of manufacture in a single piece, aside from the fastenings, of leather, fabric or other preferred flexible material.

It is further aimed to provide such a construction as may be produced expeditiously and at minimum cost.

The more specific objects and advantages will become apparent from a consideration of the description following taken in connection with accompanying drawings illustrating an operative embodiment, and wherein:—

Figure 1 is a view in side elevation of the shoe,

Figure 2 is a front view thereof,

Figure 3 is a vertical sectional view taken on the line 3—3 of Figure 2,

Figure 4 is a cross sectional view taken on the line 4—4 of Figure 1,

Figure 5 is a cross sectional view taken on the line 5—5 of Figure 1,

Figure 6 is a plan view of a sole blank which may be used,

Figure 7 is a plan view of the blank of the shoe,

Figure 8 is a side elevation of a modified form,

Figure 9 is a central vertical sectional view through the form of Figure 8,

Figure 10 is a fragmentary front elevation of the shoe of Figure 8, and

Figure 11 is a plan view of the shoe of Figure 8 in unfolded or blank form.

Referring first to the form of the invention disclosed in Figures 1 to 7, the shoe, moccasin or slipper may be made from a single sheet of flexible material 10, such as leather, fabric or the equivalent. The blank shown in Figure 7 has side portions 11, shown slightly at diverging angles, leading from the main portion 12, which is enlarged at the front as at 13 and has a tongue 14 extending therefrom. The main portion 12 in line with the tongue but at the reverse edge, is notched or severed

along the line 15, to provide an insert 16 and edge portions 17.

In the formation of the shoe, the blank of Figure 7 is folded so that the portions 11 are arranged opposite each other and such portions are secured together at their rear edges by inter-engaging snap fastener means consisting of sections 18 and 19, carried by the rear edges of such portions. When such fastenings 18—19 are secured together, the insert 16 is located interiorly of the shoe.

At the forward edge, separable fastening means are provided between the tongue 14 and portion 13, for instance sections 20 and 21 thereon, adapted to detachably interengage, to form the toe portion. The forward edges of the portions 11 have openings 22 therein and openings 23 are provided in the tongue so that a lace 24 may be passed through such openings 22 and 23.

To give form to the foot portion, a sole member 26 of pasteboard or the like, may be arranged within the shoe.

A slightly modified form is shown in Figures 8 to 11. In this form, the rear edge of the blank designated 10', is adapted to be provided with buttons at 18' and holes at 19', to take the place of the separable fasteners 18—19, an insert 16', being provided in place of the insert 16. At the forward edge, holes 22' are provided along the edges of the side members 11', which openings alone are adapted to receive a lace 24'. The forward enlarged portion 13', in the present instance, has a tongue 14' extending forwardly from it. Such tongue 14' has a button 27 thereon while the portion 13' has buttons thereon at 28, the opposite side of the portion 13' as at 13'', having button-holes 29'.

In the formation of the shoe from the blank of Figure 11, button 27 is engaged in one of the button-holes 29 and the buttons 28 are engaged in the other button-holes 29. Part 16' extends within the shoe and the buttons and button-holes 18' and 19' are engaged and the lace 24' is applied to the holes 22'.

Various changes may be resorted to provided they fall within the spirit and scope of the invention.

I claim as my invention:—

A shoe of the class described comprising a flexible blank having a main portion, side portions extending therefrom having substantially straight rear edges, an enlarged forward portion, a tongue extending from the enlarged forward portion, means to separably secure the rear edges of the side portions together, means to separably secure the front edges of the side portions, the enlarged forward portion and the tongue together, said blank being slit inwardly from said rear edges to provide a tongue centrally at the rear adapted to be disposed within the shoe.

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