

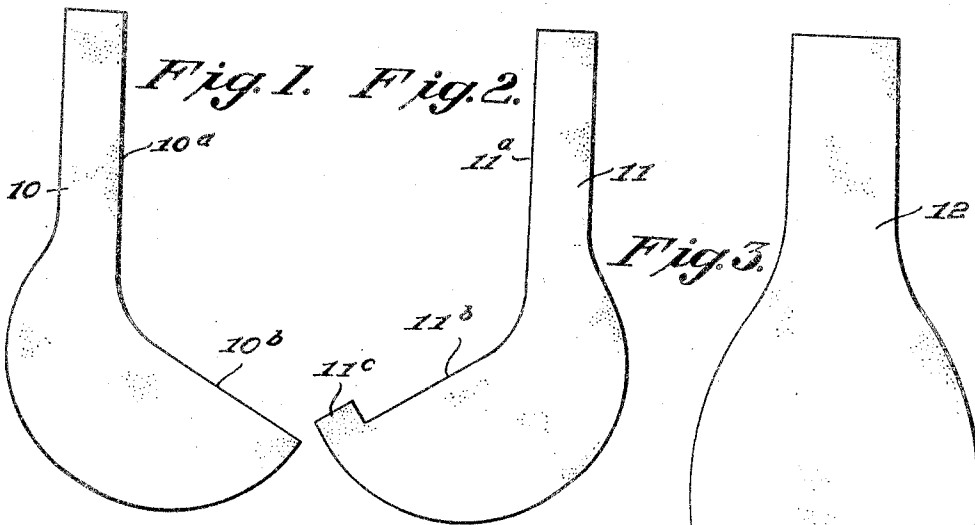
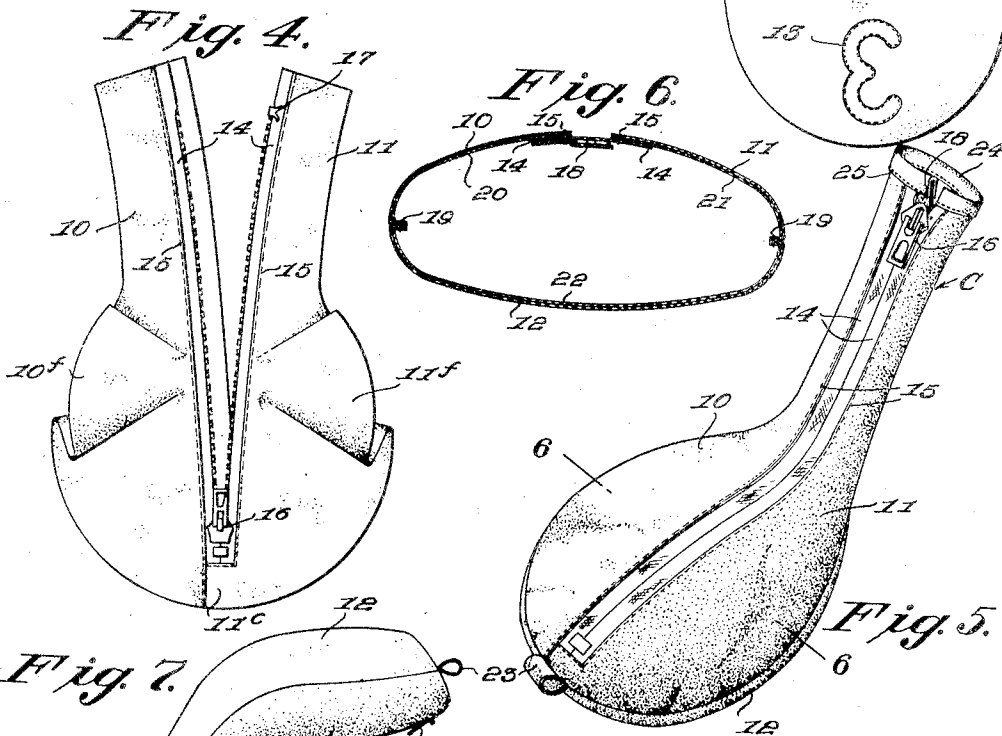
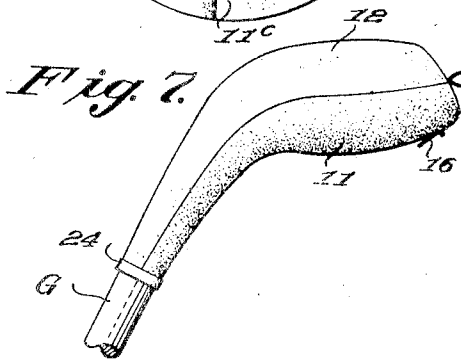
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This invention relates to a golf club cover. More particularly, the invention is concerned with a sack-like cover for the wooden head of a golf club for preventing knicking and chipping of the head.

While it is appreciated that covers for the heads of golf clubs have heretofore been provided, such were not of a character to form-fit the wooden heads which is essential to properly protect the same while at the same time providing for easy packing or transportation of the clubs.

A primary object of the invention is the provision of a sack-like cover for form-fitting the wooden heads of golf clubs to prevent damage thereto.

A further and more specific object of the invention is the provision of a sack-like cover having a relatively large portion for snugly receiving the wooden head of a golf club and an elongated neck portion for snugly engaging the handle of the club adjacent the head thereof and with the neck portion at an obtuse angle to the body portion for conformity with the contour of the club.

A still further object of the invention is a novel method of forming a golf club cover of the above noted character.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, wherein—

Figure 1 is a plan view of a blank of material.

Fig. 2 is a plan view of a blank of material which cooperates with the blank of Fig. 1 in the provision of one face of the cover.

Fig. 3 is a plan view of a blank of material which provides the other face of the cover.

Fig. 4 is a plan view of one face of the cover comprising the blanks of Figs. 1 and 2 and showing deformations in the blanks incident to providing the same with fastener tapes in the method of construction prior to securing the other face or blank of Fig. 3 thereto.

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the completed cover.

Fig. 6 is a transverse section in the plane of line 6-6, Fig. 5, the figure showing only the portion of the cover intersected by such plane.

Fig. 7 is a side elevational view showing the improved cover in operative association with a golf club.

Referring now in detail to the drawing, the cover C comprises the three blanks 10, 11, and 12, which blanks are preferably stamped or cut from sheet leather.

The cover, as is clearly shown in Figs. 5 and 7,

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comprises a relatively large body portion for snugly receiving the wooden head of the golf club G and an elongated tubular neck portion which, due to the contour of the club is at an obtuse angle to the body portion.

In order to provide for such angular formation in the cover, the blanks are cut in a manner to provide the same when they are united. Upon reference to Figs. 1 and 2 it will be seen that blanks 10 and 11 are counterparts and identical in shape except that blank 11 carries a tongue 11^c to span the lower end of the fastener tape opening as indicated in Fig. 5.

The blank 10 is provided with edges 10^a and 10^b in obtuse angular relation and the blank 11 is similarly provided with the edges 11^a and 11^b.

In the formation of the cover, slide fastener tapes 14 are stitched as at 15 along the confronting edges 10^a, 10^b and 11^a, 11^b and one line of stitching preferably is extended to stitch the tongue 11^c to the edge 10^b adjacent the free end thereof.

Since the fastener tapes which carry the metallic fastener members are relatively stiff, the blanks 10 and 11 will assume the form indicated in Fig. 4, wherein the adjacent edges assume a substantially straight position with the provision of folds 10^d and 11^d in the respective blanks.

With the blanks 10 and 11 thus connected and provided with the fastener tapes, the outer edges of such blanks are stitched to the straight side and curved edges of the blank 12, as indicated at 19 in Fig. 6.

It is to be observed that the blank 12 is longer than the blanks 10 and 11 and when stitched to the latter, this greater length, together with the folds or fullness in the blanks 10 and 11 as in Fig. 4, provides for the angular relation between the body and neck portions of the cover.

Upon securing the blanks in the manner above described, the cover when not positioned on the club will appear substantially as in Fig. 5, wherein the slider 16 has been drawn against the stop 17 in cover closing position.

The blank 12 may be provided with suitable indicia 13, as indicated in Fig. 3, and which will lie substantially horizontally when the club is normally positioned in a carrying bag.

The cover is preferably provided with a tongue or flap 18 to underlie the fastener elements and such is preferably secured in position by one of the lines of stitching 15.

The cover is preferably provided with a soft lining comprising sections 20, 21 and 22, respectively, positioned within the blanks 10, 11 and 12.

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The lining sections **20** and **21** are preferably stitched while securing the fastener tapes **14** by the lines of stitching **15**. The opposed edges of lining sections **20** and **21** and the edge of lining **22** are connected by the stitching **19** which may be provided with the bag in inside-out condition.

The cover is preferably provided with a loop member **23** for finger engagement to facilitate withdrawal of the cover from the golf head, and a binding strip **24** is preferably provided at the open neck end of the cover.

From the above it will be appreciated that the form-fit is provided by the specific contour of the blanks and particularly the blanks **10** and **11**, and variation in the finished form of the cover may readily be obtained by altering the angular relation of the blank edges **10^a**, **10^b**, **11^a** and **11^b**.

While I have disclosed the invention in accordance with a single specific embodiment thereof, such is to be considered as illustrative only, and not restrictive, the scope of the invention being defined in the subjoined claims.

What I claim and desire to secure by United States Letters Patent is:

1. A cover for golf clubs comprising a relatively large body portion and a restricted substantially tubular neck portion extending therefrom and in obtuse angular relation thereto, the cover comprising opposed faces respectively formed from a single blank of material and a pair of blanks of material, the blanks all being stitched together at the juncture of the opposed faces, the pair of blanks having spaced opposed edges providing an opening extending from the free end of the neck portion to a point adjacent the free end of the body portion, fastener tapes secured to said opposed edges and having cooperating fasteners for releasably closing the opening and said opposed edges of the pair of blanks being formed with opposed reentrant angles, which angles, when the opening is closed by the cooperating fasteners,

provide the angular relationship between the neck and body portions of the cover.

2. A cover for golf clubs comprising a relatively large body portion and a restricted substantially tubular neck portion extending from the body portion in obtuse angular relation thereto, the cover comprising opposed faces respectively formed from a single blank of material and a pair of blanks of material, the blanks all being secured together at the juncture of the opposed faces, the single blank being of substantially greater length than the pair of blanks, the pair of blanks having spaced opposed edges providing an opening extending from the free end of the neck portion to a point slightly spaced from the juncture of the opposed faces, fastener tapes secured to said opposed edges and having cooperating fasteners for releasably closing the opening, one of said pair of blanks having a tongue disposed between said juncture of the opposed faces and the adjacent end of the opening, and a pull loop secured in the juncture in alignment with said tongue.

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