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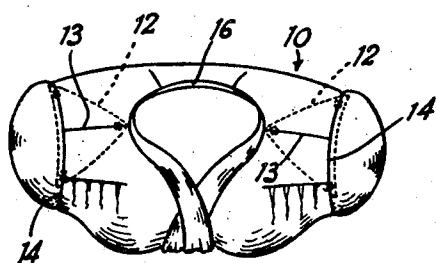


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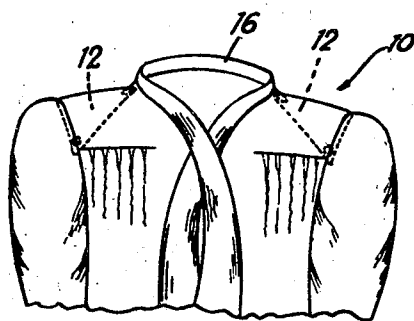


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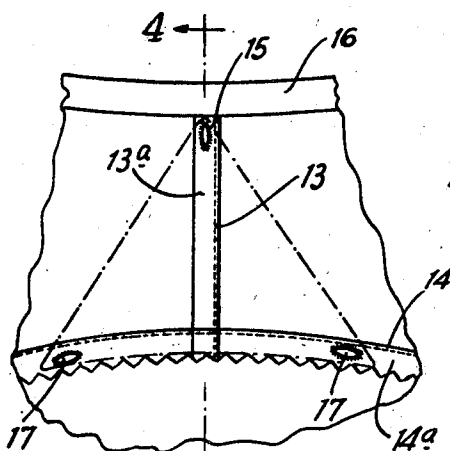


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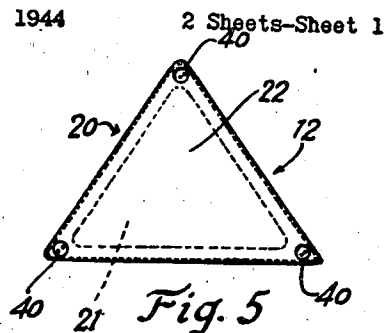


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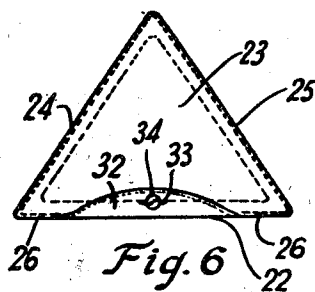


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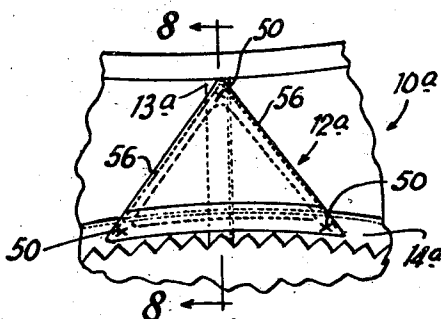


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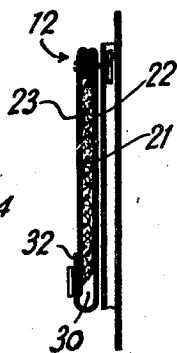


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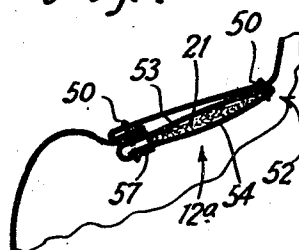


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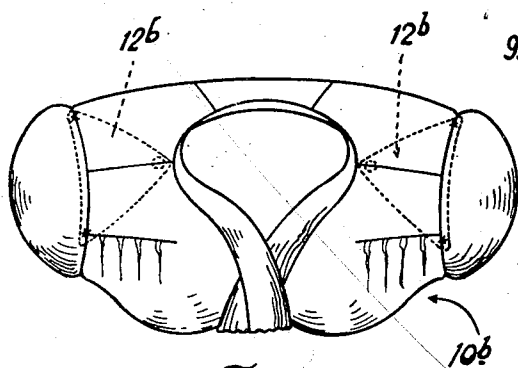


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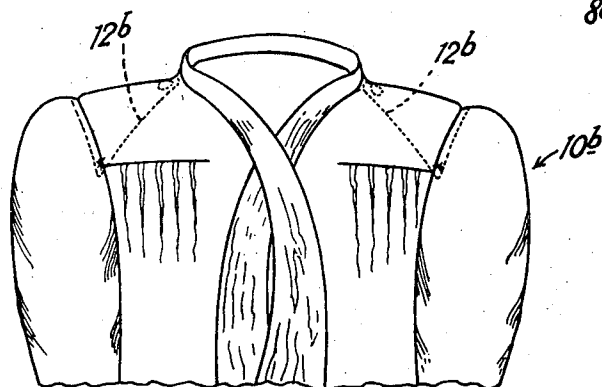


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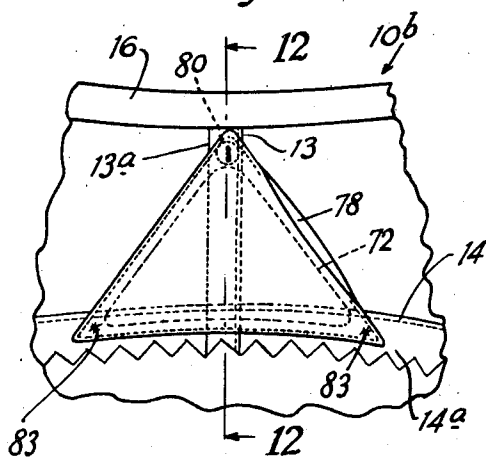


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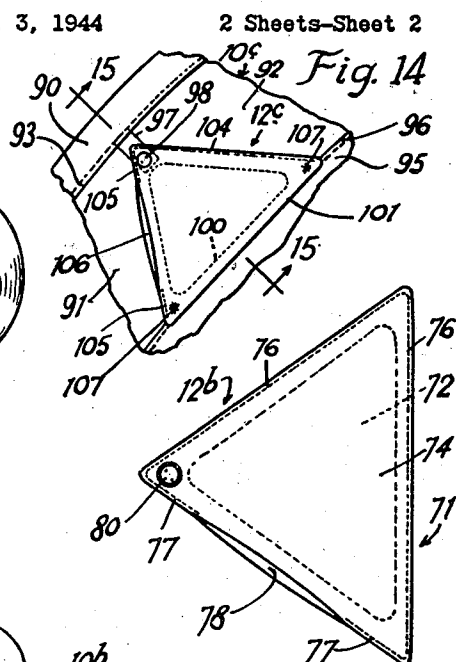


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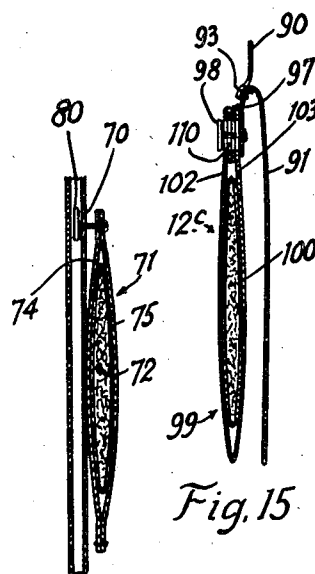


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This invention relates to garments and shoulder pads therefor. It is particularly directed to a lady's blouse or dress provided with shoulder pads.

An object of this invention is to provide in a garment of the character described shoulder pads comprising an envelope or cover, and a cushion removably inserted within said envelope.

Another object of this invention is to provide an article of the character described in which the entire shoulder pad is removable from the garment.

Yet a further object of this invention is to provide an article of the character described in which the shoulder pad is stitched to the garment at least at one point and detachably attached to the garment at least at another point whereby to permit detaching the shoulder pad at one point to permit the same to be swung away from the garment to facilitate pressing and cleaning of the pad.

Still a further object of this invention is to provide an article of the character described comprising a garment provided with a shoulder seam, and an arm hole seam, and a shoulder pad comprising an envelope or cover detachably attached to the edge material beyond said seams, and a removable pad or cushion within said cover or envelope.

Yet a further object of this invention is to provide a shoulder pad of the character described comprising an envelope or cover of triangular shape having an opening centrally located at one of the edges of the envelope, and terminating short of the ends of said edge of said envelope, and a triangular shaped pad or cushion within said envelope, and of such dimension as to be retained within said envelope, but which may be easily removed therefrom.

Yet a further object of this invention is to provide a strong and durable article of the character described which shall be relatively inexpensive to manufacture, easy to assemble, and yet practical and efficient to a high degree in use.

Other objects of this invention will in part be obvious and in part hereinafter pointed out.

The invention accordingly consists in the features of construction, combinations of elements, and arrangement of parts which will be exemplified in the construction hereinafter described, and of which the scope of application will be indicated in the following claims.

In the accompanying drawings, in which is shown one of the various possible illustrative embodiments of this invention,

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Fig. 1 is a front elevational view of a garment provided with shoulder pads embodying the invention, said pads being shown in dotted lines;

Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the structure shown in Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is an inside view of the garment showing one shoulder seam, and an arm hole seam, and provided with buttonholes to receive the shoulder pad, said shoulder pad being shown in dot-dash lines;

Fig. 4 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 4—4 of Fig. 3;

Fig. 5 is a top plan view of the shoulder pad removed from the garment;

Fig. 6 is a bottom plan view thereof;

Fig. 7 is a view similar to Fig. 3 but illustrating a modified construction;

Fig. 8 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 8—8 of Fig. 7;

Fig. 9 is a view similar to Fig. 1 but illustrating another modified construction;

Fig. 10 is a top plan view of the structure shown in Fig. 9;

Fig. 11 is an inside view of one side of the garment shown in Fig. 9;

Fig. 12 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 12—12 of Fig. 11;

Fig. 13 is a top plan view of the shoulder pad employed in the garment shown in Fig. 9;

Fig. 14 is a bottom plan view of part of a garment with a shoulder pad and illustrating still another modification of the invention; and

Fig. 15 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 15—15 of Fig. 14.

Referring now in detail to the drawings, 10 designates a garment embodying the invention and provided with a pair of shoulder pads 12. The garment 10 is here shown in the form of a blouse or dress. It is provided with shoulder seams 13 and arm hole seams 14. At the shoulder seams 13 there is excess edge material 13a; and at the arm hole seams 14 is excess edge material 14a. The edge material 13a is formed with a buttonhole 15 adjacent the neck-line 16 of the garment. The edge material 14a is formed with a pair of buttonholes 17 substantially equally spaced on opposite sides of the shoulder seam 13. The shoulder pads 12 are detachably attached to the garment as shown in the drawings.

Each shoulder pad 12 comprises an outer envelope 20 and an inner cushion or pad 21 of soft material. The envelope or cover 12 is of substantially triangular shape. It comprises an upper sheet 22 and a lower sheet 23 superimposed one over the other in registry and stitched to-

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gether on two divergent sides by seams 24 and 25. At the third side of the cover are seams 26 extending inwardly from the opposite ends of the third side, but terminating short of the center of said third side as illustrated in Fig. 6 of the drawings.

A slit or opening 30 is thus formed between the inner ends of the seams 26. Wall 22 is formed with an integral flap 32 folded over the opening 30 and provided with a buttonhole 33 to receive a button 34 stitched to wall or sheet 23. The pad 21 is of such size that it will not fall out of the opening 30. Thus the pad contacts the seam edges 26 and is hence retained within the envelope. The flap 32 serves to close up the envelope.

Stitched to the upper wall 22 of the envelope at the three corners of the pad 12 are buttons 40 which may be received within the buttonholes 15 and 17 on the garment for removably attaching the shoulder pad to the garment.

Obviously the buttons and buttonholes may be replaced by snap fasteners if desired.

Furthermore, the buttons may be placed on the seamed edges 13a and 14a and buttonholes formed in the pad, if desired. If snap fasteners are used, however, the male or female snap fasteners may be attached to either the pad or garment.

It will be understood that when the dress is cleaned, the entire shoulder pad 12 may be removed from the garment and the cushion 21 may be removed from the envelope 20 to permit the envelope to be pressed and cleaned.

In Figs. 7 and 8 there is illustrated a modified construction. In said figures, there is shown a garment 10a similar to garment 10 except that the buttonholes 15 and 17 are omitted. The shoulder pad 12a is stitched to the seamed edges 13a and 14a by tack stitching 50 at the three corners of the envelope of the shoulder pad. Shoulder pad 12a may comprise an outer envelope 52 and a cushion 21 removably fitted therein. The envelope 52 may comprise a top sheet 53 and a bottom sheet 54 stitched together by two side seams 56. At the third side of the envelope, the upper wall 53 is formed with an integral flap 57 folded over the edge of the bottom wall and stitched thereto at the sides only by said seams 56. The folded over portion 57 may thus be opened up to permit the cushion to be removed or replaced.

In Figs. 9 to 13 there is illustrated yet another form of the invention. In said figures there is shown a garment 10b provided with shoulder pads 12b at the inside of both shoulders. Garment 10b is likewise provided with a shoulder seam 13 and armhole seams 14. Said garment also has the edges 13a and 14a at the shoulder seams and armhole seams. Each of the edges 13a at the shoulder seam is formed with a buttonhole 70 adjacent the neck-line. The shoulder pad 12b is of triangular shape, and comprises an envelope 71 and a triangular cushion 72 removably inserted therein. The envelope 71 comprises an upper wall 74 and a bottom wall 75. Said walls or sheets are superimposed and are stitched together at two sides by seams 76. At the third side the envelope is stitched together by seams 77 extending inwardly from the opposite end and terminating short of the middle, thereby forming an opening for the envelope. At one corner of the envelope is a button 80. The button 80 is received within the buttonhole 70. The other two corners of the envelope are stitched as by

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tack stitching 83 to edge 14a of the garment. By unbuttoning the button 80, the shoulder pad may be swung away from the shoulder portion of the garment while remaining attached to the garment by the tack stitches 83. The cushion 72 can be removed and the envelope or cover may then be pressed and cleaned more easily. The tack seams may be at any two corners with the buttonhole and button at the third corner. The opening 78 may be at any one of the three sides of the shoulder pad. The shoulder pad could be stitched at the three corners by tack stitching to the garment, or could be attached to the three corners of the garment either by buttons or snap fasteners.

Referring now to Figs. 14 and 15 there is shown therein a garment 10c having a neck band 90 and front and rear shoulder sections 91 and 92. The neck band is seamed to the shoulder portions by seam 93. Stitched to the shoulder portions is a sleeve 95 seamed thereto along seam 96. Stitched to collar 90 by seam 93 is a piece of tape 97. Stitched to the piece of tape 97 is a button 98.

Attached to the underside of the shoulder portion of the garment is a shoulder pad 12c embodying the invention. Shoulder pad 12c comprises a triangular envelope 99 and a triangular pad or cushion 100 removably inserted therein. The envelope 99 may be made from a single sheet of cloth or other flexible sheet material folded about fold line 101 to form superimposed triangle portions 102 and 103. The triangular portions 102 and 103 are stitched together along one edge by a seam 104. At the third edge these two walls are seamed together by seams 105 extending inwardly from the corners but terminating short of each other to provide an opening 106 through which the pad 100 is inserted. The envelope is stitched to the garment by tack stitching 107 at two corners and located adjacent the seam 98. At the third corner of the envelope is a buttonhole 110 to receive the button 98. When the button is unbuttoned, the pad may be swung away from the shoulder of the garment to facilitate cleaning and pressing. Obviously, the garment is provided with two shoulder pads, but only one is shown for illustration.

It will thus be seen that there is provided a device in which the several objects of this invention are achieved, and which is well adapted to meet the conditions of practical use.

As various possible embodiments might be made of the above invention, and as various changes might be made in the embodiment above set forth, it is to be understood that all matter herein set forth or shown in the accompanying drawing is to be interpreted as illustrative and not in a limiting sense.

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

1. In combination, a garment having a neck portion, a shoulder portion, and a sleeve, and being formed with a shoulder seam, and an armhole seam, said shoulder seam extending from the armhole seam to the neck portion, a triangular shoulder pad envelope having one side stitched to the underside of the shoulder portion adjacent the armhole seam, and means for detachably attaching the apex of said envelope opposite said side to the shoulder adjacent the shoulder seam and in the vicinity of the neck portion, and a shoulder pad cushion removably mounted within said shoulder pad envelope.

2. In combination, a garment having a neck

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portion, a shoulder portion, and a sleeve, and being formed with a shoulder seam, and an armhole seam, said shoulder seam extending from the armhole seam to the neck portion, a triangular shoulder pad envelope having one side stitched to the underside of the shoulder portion adjacent the armhole seam, and means for detachably attaching the apex of said envelope opposite said side to the shoulder adjacent the shoulder seam and in the vicinity of the neck portion, and a shoulder pad cushion removably mounted within said shoulder pad envelope, said envelope having an opening at another side thereof through which the cushion may be inserted or removed.

3. In combination, a garment having a neck portion, a shoulder portion, and being formed with an armhole, a triangular shoulder pad envelope having one side stitched to the underside of the shoulder portion adjacent the armhole, and means for detachably attaching the apex of said envelope opposite said side to the shoulder in the vicinity of the neck portion, and a shoulder pad cushion removably mounted within said shoulder pad envelope.

4. In combination, a garment having a neck portion, a shoulder portion, and being formed with an armhole, a triangular shoulder pad envelope having one side stitched to the underside of the shoulder portion adjacent the armhole, and means for detachably attaching the apex of said envelope opposite said side to the shoulder in the vicinity of the neck portion, and a shoulder pad cushion removably mounted within said shoulder pad envelope, said envelope having an opening at another side thereof through which the cushion may be inserted or removed.

5. In combination, a garment having a neck portion, and a shoulder portion being formed with an armhole, a shoulder pad envelope, means for attaching a portion of the shoulder pad envelope to the underside of said shoulder portion adjacent said armhole, and quickly detachable means for attaching a portion of said envelope remote from the first-mentioned portion to said shoulder in the vicinity of the neck portion, whereby said shoulder pad will lie against the underside of said shoulder portion, and whereby

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upon detaching said quickly detachable attaching means said envelope may be swung about said first attaching means away from said shoulder, and a shoulder pad cushion removably mounted within said shoulder pad envelope.

6. In combination, a garment having a neck portion, a shoulder portion, and a sleeve, and being formed with an armhole seam, a shoulder pad envelope having one side stitched to the underside of the shoulder portion adjacent the armhole seam, and button and buttonhole means for detachably attaching the portion of the envelope opposite to said side to said shoulder in the vicinity of the neck portion, and a shoulder pad cushion removably mounted within said shoulder pad envelope.

7. In combination, a garment having a neck portion, and a shoulder portion being formed with an armhole, a shoulder pad envelope, means for attaching a portion of the shoulder pad envelope to the underside of said shoulder portion adjacent said armhole, and quickly detachable means for attaching a portion of said envelope remote from the first-mentioned portion to said shoulder in the vicinity of the neck portion, whereby said shoulder pad will lie against the underside of said shoulder portion, and whereby upon detaching said quickly detachable attaching means said envelope may be swung about said first attaching means away from said shoulder, and a shoulder pad cushion removably mounted within said shoulder pad envelope, said envelope having an opening through which said cushion may be inserted or removed.

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