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TREASURE CARRIER.

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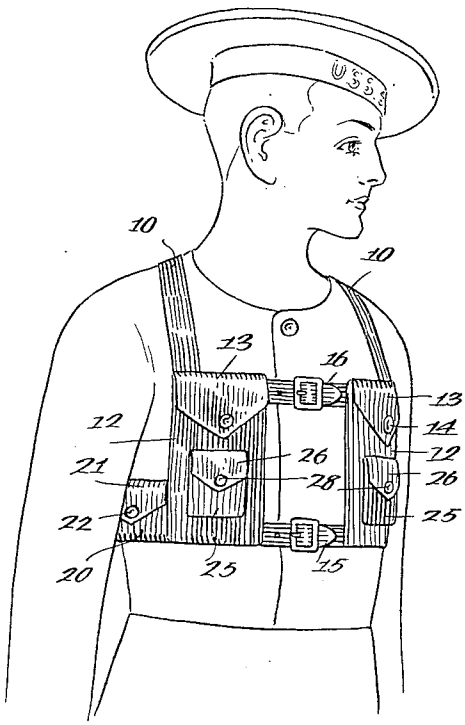


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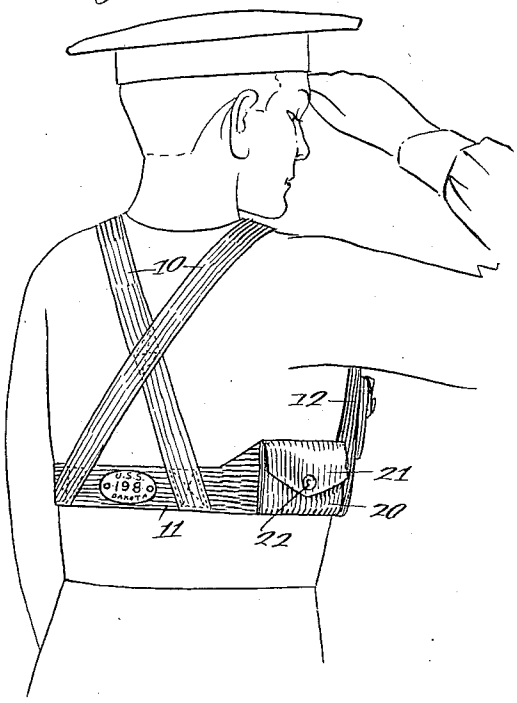
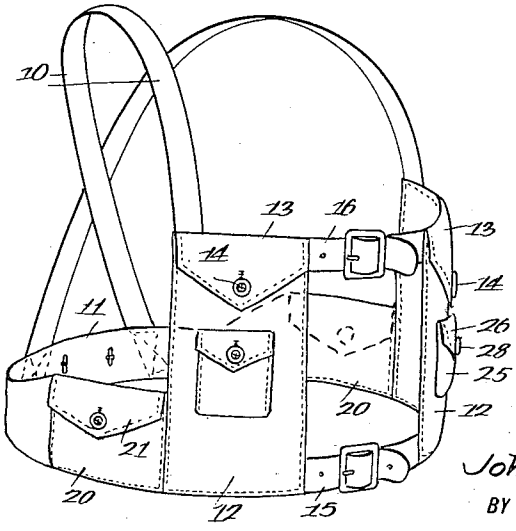


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN S. YERGASON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Treasure-Carrier, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of the invention is to provide a new and improved treasure carrier, more especially designed to be worn underneath the outer garments by sailors, soldiers, travelers and other persons, and arranged to enable the wearer to securely store valuables, money, documents and other articles and to carry the same on his body, thus reducing the danger of the articles being abstracted by unauthorized persons to a minimum. Another object is to enable the wearer to readily gain access to the pockets in which the valuables are stored. Another object is to provide a carrier which is simple and durable in construction, very light and comfortable and not liable to obstruct or hinder the movement of the arms or other parts of the wearer's body.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction as hereinafter shown and described and then specifically pointed out in the claims.

A practical embodiment of the invention is represented in the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a front perspective view of the carrier as worn by a sailor;

Fig. 2 is a rear perspective view of the same; and

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the carrier.

The carrier is supported from the shoulders of the wearer, and for this purpose use is made of shoulder straps 10 crossed at the back and attached at their rear lower ends to a band 11 adapted to extend around the back and the sides of the wearer, as plainly indicated in Figs. 1 and 2. The band 11 is provided at the front with two large pockets 12 for storing valuables, money, documents or the like, each pocket having a closing flap 13 adapted to be locked in closed position on the front of the corresponding pocket by a suitable fastening device 14, such as a button and buttonhole.

The two pockets 12 are connected with each other by buckle straps 15 and 16, of which the buckle strap 15 is practically a continuation of the band 11 while the buckle strap 16 connects the upper ends of the pockets with each other. It will be noticed that the pockets 12 extend at the front upper portion of the body of the wearer and the entrances to the pockets are within convenient reach of the wearer reaching under a blouse, vest, coat or similar outer garment to gain access to the desired pocket and the contents thereof without first discarding such garment or even opening the same.

Adjacent the main pockets 12 and attached to the band 11 are pockets 20 for storing smaller articles especially such as are not frequently used, and each of these pockets 20 is provided with a closing flap 21 having fastening devices 22 for holding the flap normally locked in closed position. Small pockets 25 for the storing of securities or similar articles are arranged on the front of the main pockets 12 and these pockets 25 are provided with closing flaps 26 having fastening devices 28 for keeping the flaps normally locked in closed position. It will be noticed that by providing each of the pockets with a closing flap the contents of the pockets are not liable to be accidentally lost out of the pockets.

The carrier shown and described is very simple in construction and provides ample storage room for valuables, money, papers, securities and similar articles, and as the carrier is practically continually in position on the body of the wearer, the articles are not liable to be abstracted by unauthorized persons.

It will also be noticed that the carrier is very light and hence does not unduly burden the wearer. If desired, an identification tag can be readily attached to the carrier at any convenient member thereof thus serving as an identification means of the wearer.

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

1. A carrier, comprising shoulder straps, a back band to which the rear ends of the shoulder straps are secured, pockets of a depth greater than the width of the band and attached at their lower ends to the said band, whereby the pockets will extend above the band upon the body of the wearer, the front ends of the shoulder straps being attached to the upper ends of the pockets,

means connecting the lower ends of the pockets, and means connecting the upper ends of said pockets.

2. A carrier, comprising shoulder straps, a back band to which the rear ends of the shoulder straps are secured, pockets of greater depth than the width of the band and attached at their lower ends to said band, whereby the pockets will extend above the band upon the body of the wearer, the front ends of the shoulder straps being attached to the upper ends of the pockets, and spaced front buckle straps connecting the lower and upper portions of the pockets with each other.

3. A carrier, comprising shoulder straps, a back band to which the rear ends of the shoulder straps are secured, pockets of a depth greater than the width of the band and attached at their lower ends to the band, whereby the pockets will extend above the band upon the body of the wearer, the front ends of the shoulder straps being attached to the upper ends of the pockets, small pockets on the band adjacent to the rear edges of the first named pockets, and buckle straps connecting the upper and lower portions of the larger pockets.

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