

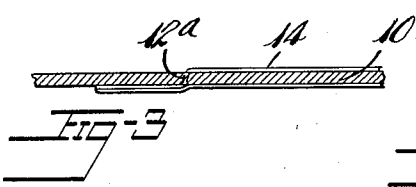
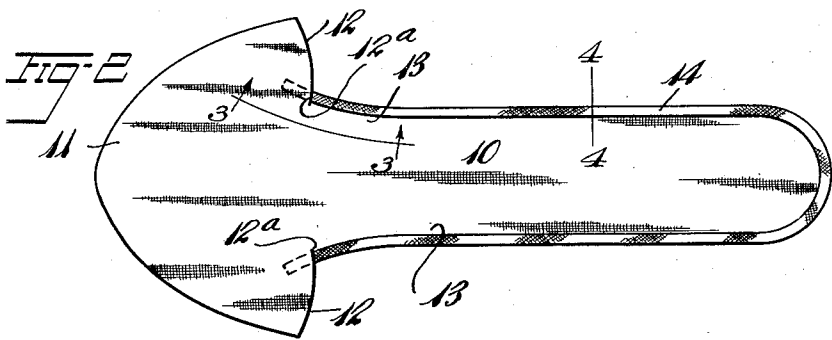
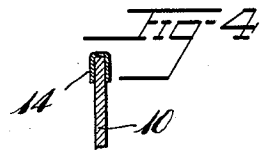
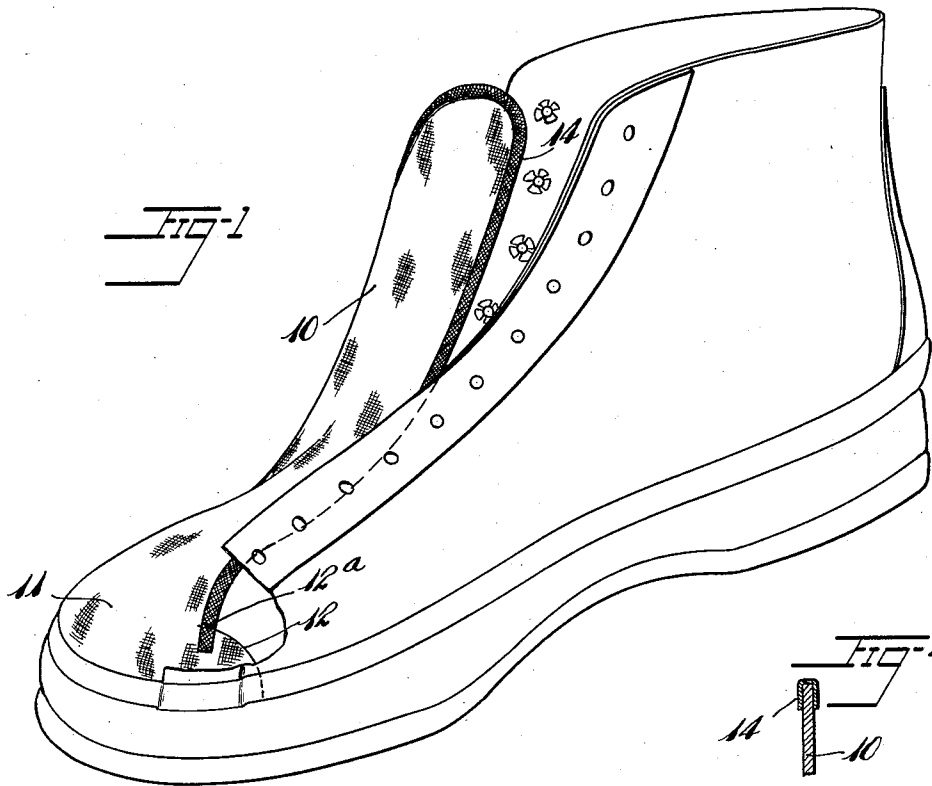
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This invention relates to shoes having tongues and to procedure for making the tongue and incorporating it in the shoe and, while it is of especial advantage in the manufacture of rubber-and-fabric shoes such as tennis and other athletic shoes it is not wholly limited thereto.

The chief objects of the invention are to provide in a shoe having a tongue with a marginal binding a construction such as to avoid discomfort or chafing of the foot and to avoid rolling or raveling of the end portion of the binding.

Of the accompanying drawing:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a rubber and fabric shoe of the tennis type embodying and made in accordance with my invention in its preferred form.

Fig. 2 is a plan view of the tongue member, inverted, as it appears before its incorporation into the shoe.

Fig. 3 is a section on line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is a section on line 4—4 of Fig. 2.

Referring to the drawing, the tongue member, designated 10, is formed with a relatively wide lower or anchoring end portion 11 of spearhead shape, the shoulder margins 12, 12 of which are approximately at right angles to the side margins 13, 13 of the tongue proper or narrow portion of the tongue member which is free in the finished shoe, and at the junction of each margin 12 with the margin 13 the tongue member is formed with a short transverse slit 12^a in extension of the edge face of the margin 12.

The binding strip, 14, whether sewed or ce-

mented to the tongue member, extends a short distance beyond the slit and from the slit to the adjacent end of the binding the latter lies wholly on that side of the tongue member which is to be next to the upper in the finished shoe, the slit permitting such disposition of the end portion of the binding although throughout the rest of its length the binding embraces the margin of the tongue member.

The tongue assembly as just described is built into the shoe as shown in Fig. 1, with accomplishment of the objects above set out.

I claim:

1. A shoe comprising a tongue member anchored at its lower end, and a binding embracing the margin of the tongue member in a free portion of the latter but lying wholly on one side of the tongue member in an anchored portion of the latter.

2. A shoe comprising an upper, a tongue member anchored at its lower end to the upper, and a binding embracing a margin of the tongue member in a part of its length and lying wholly between the tongue member and the upper in another part of its length.

3. A shoe-tongue assembly comprising a tongue member formed with a transverse slit in a margin thereof and a binding embracing the margin of the tongue member on one side of the slit and lying wholly on one side of the tongue member on the other side of the slit.

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