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Fig. 1.

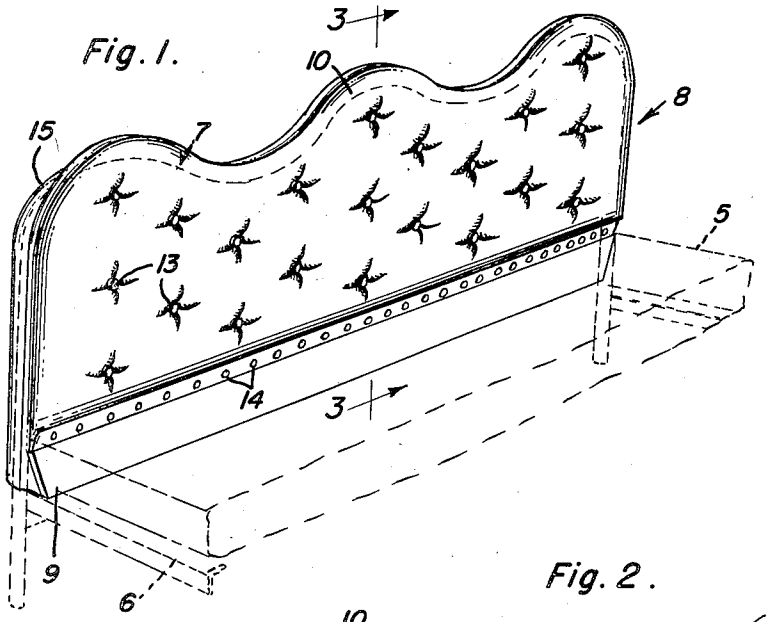



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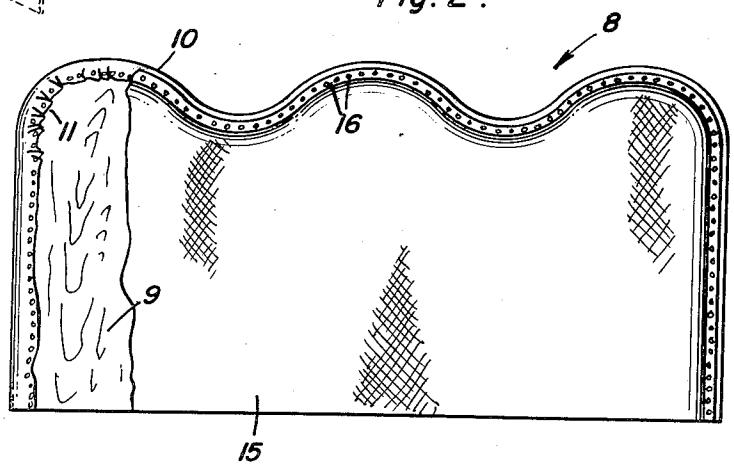
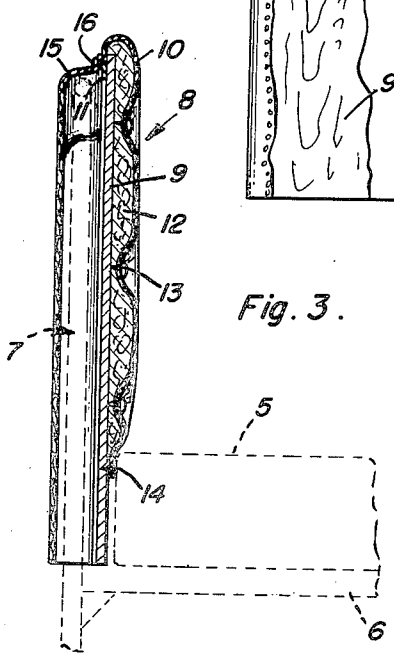



Fig. 3.




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The present invention relates to that class of inventions broadly catagorized as headboards, and has more specific reference to a simple and economical construction which may be used on and in connection with iron and wooden beds having unadorned head members.

It is a matter of common knowledge that there are many and varied types of so-called Hollywood and similar beds which are made and sold without head and footboards. It is also common practice to provide highly decorated and otherwise ornamented headboards for these kinds of beds, the headboards being of single and double types and skillfully upholstered, tufted, and otherwise expertly fashioned to appeal to the esthetic sense of observers.

My invention, instead of being the full-sized headboard to augment beds, is in the nature of an attachment and is perhaps classifiable as a half-board and, instead of resting on the floor and being either attached to or separate from the coacting end of the bed, is simply fitted in shroud-like fashion over the existing head portion of the conventional bed with head and foot portions.

More specifically, novelty is predicated upon a simple and inexpensive board with an usually economical tufted covering on one side and a slip cover on the other side which forms a pocket between itself and the board, while allowing the thus-made board to be fitted conveniently and reliably in place.

Other objects and advantages will become more readily apparent from the following description and the accompanying illustrative drawings.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of an attachment-type headboard constructed in accordance with my invention and showing the manner in which same is adapted to be used.

Figure 2 is a rear elevation with portions broken away and shown in section.

Figure 3 is a central vertical section on the approximate line 3—3 of Figure 1, looking in the direction of the arrows.

The details can perhaps be best seen in Figure 3, wherein the bed mattress is denoted at 5, the horizontal spring or frame at 6, and the head frame at 7. The bed shown happens to be a so-called metal bed but may, of course, be the ordinary wooden type with head and foot frames or boards, as they are most commonly called.

My improved, readily attachable and detachable conversion-type headboard is denoted, generally speaking, by the numeral 8. The board portion is denoted at 9 and may be plywood, or the like. It is cut and shaped so that it rests upon the spring between the head portion 7 and the mattress, as shown in Fig. 3. It is of sufficient height and the upper edge is scalloped or otherwise ornamentally ogeed to shape. The upholstering material or covering is denoted at 10 and one edge portion is tacked around the marginal edge portions of the board as at 11. The main facing portion is drawn down over the forward side of the board and is suitably fastened in place. Preferably, raw cotton, or the like, constituting a filler 12, is pocketed between the covering and the board and then the tacks 13 are driven to provide the desired ornamental tufts. The lower edge portion of the covering is permanently tacked, as at 14. The material 10 may, of course, be leather, leatherette, or satin, or such other fabric as is commonly employed to ornamentally face modern-type headboards. On the other side of the wooden board or panel, I provide a pocket or slip-cover 15 which may be of any appropriate fabric of a highly economical grade, yet of appropriate strength. This is tacked or otherwise secured in place, as at 16, and the same tacks could be used for fastening the edges of the pocket as are used for fastening the overturned edges of the covering material 10, though this is not too important, obviously.

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The invention is therefore characterized by a suitably patterned backing board which is adapted to rest on the spring or frame of an ordinary bed and which is high enough to extend above the top of the stock headboard, the same being appropriately ornamented, there being a covering and padding, and there being a fabric pocket attached so that the overall device is more in the nature of a so-called attachment. It may even be placed in the category of a shroud for ornamental use. It is so economical and easy to make, use and apply that it would be quite possible, once it is expertly prepared by the manufacturer, to be readily covered from time to time by the housewife to change the appearance. In fact, the ordinary housewife would be in a position to rip off the covering and substitute a new cotton filler and a new cover with no difficulty.

It is believed that I have evolved and produced a unique bed attachment in which users will find their needs fully met and contained.

It will be seen from the disclosure that I believe that it is novel to employ a readily applicable and

detachable headboard in connection with beds already equipped with the usual fixedly mounted head and foot constructions; that it is evidently novel to employ such a detachable headboard for use on a regular headboard wherein same is suitably upholstered or ornamented on the obverse face and provided with suitable, readily applicable and removable attaching means on the reverse face. By this, I mean that instead of using the pocket, spring clips may be substituted for same. Also, instead of using wood for the so-called "board," this may be of any other material such as metal, commercial plastics or the like.

In view of the foregoing description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, it is believed that a clear understanding of the device will be quite apparent to those skilled in this art. A more detailed description is accordingly deemed unnecessary.

It is to be understood, however, that even though there is herein shown and described a preferred embodiment of the invention, the same is susceptible to certain changes fully comprehended by the spirit of the invention as herein described and within the scope of the appended claims.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. For use in dressing and decoratively ornamenting the head of a bed and transforming the same into one having an upholstered headboard effect; a readily applicable and removable attachment for said head comprising a flat panel of light weight inexpensive wood, said panel being rigid and of an area greater than the area of the head with which it is to be detachably connected, the upper horizontal edge portion of said panel being scalloped, a covering of upholstering material, padding interposed between the upholstering material and coacting obverse portion of said panel, certain marginal edge portions of said covering extending over and beyond



the corresponding marginal edge portions of the panel and being fastened to the reverse side of said panel, the remaining edge portion, a lower horizontal edge portion being spaced above the corresponding lower edge portion of the panel and secured to the panel, other portions of the covering being tufted to provide the desired upholstered effect, the lower horizontal edge portion of said panel projecting downwardly beyond the corresponding marginal edge portion of the covering and being unobstructed and adapted to occupy the position between said head and an adjacent end of the mattress, and a comparatively cheap piece of fabric ballooned from the reverse side of the panel and having its top and vertical marginal edges secured to the panel and its remaining lower marginal edge free of attachment and defining, in conjunction with said panel, a pocket for reception of the aforementioned head.

2. The structure specified in claim 1 wherein said piece of fabric is of an areal extent corresponding approximately with the over-all area of the panel and wherein the corresponding and respective marginal edge portions of the covering and piece of fabric are both secured in place by the same fastenings.

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