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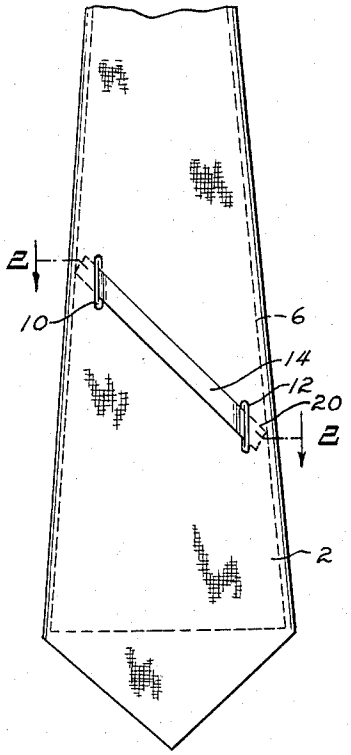


Fig. 1

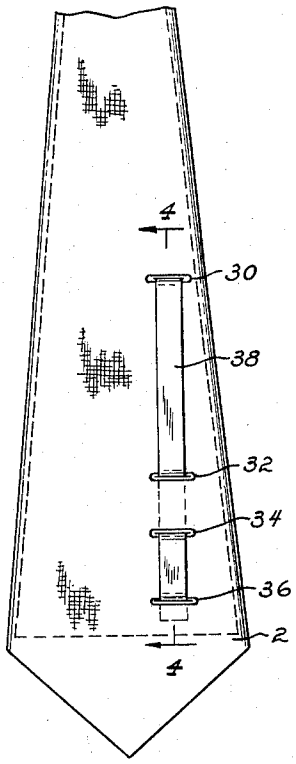


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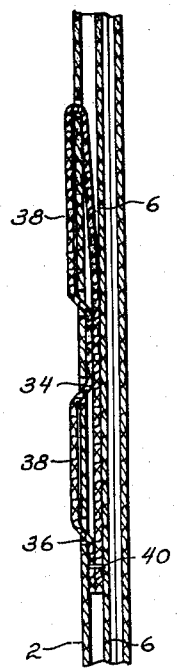


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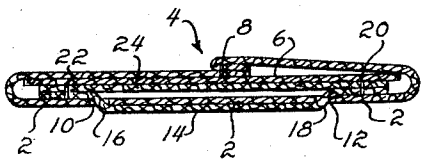


Fig. 2

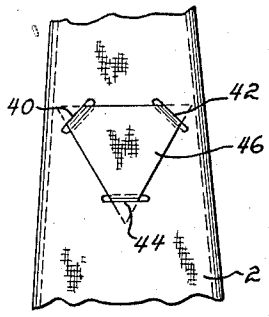


Fig. 5

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This invention relates to neckties and, more particularly, to an improved ornamentation for a necktie.

An object of the present invention is to provide an improved ornamented necktie wherein the ornamentation is supplied by one or more ribbons or other ornamenting means each of which overlies the front face of the necktie, and which may contrast with the material of the necktie to provide a new and unusual effect.

Another object of the invention is to provide an ornamented necktie wherein the ornamenting means appears on the exterior front face of the necktie but is not in any way attached to the front face, as by stitching or the like, and which ornamenting means is held firmly in place by attaching means disposed entirely behind the front face of the tie material.

A still further object of the invention is to provide an ornamented necktie which utilizes contrasting ornamental means, such as ribbon or the like disposed in front of the outer panel of the necktie, there being openings in such panel of the necktie through which the ends of the ornamental means extend to be fastened interiorly or behind the front panel of the necktie, thereby attaching the ornamental means to the necktie without producing bulges or any other evidence of the manner in which the ornamental means is attached in its position of use.

Other objects and their attendant advantages will become apparent as the following detailed description is read in conjunction with the accompanying drawings wherein:

Fig. 1 is a front elevational view of part of the front panel of a four-in-hand necktie showing ornamental means according to the invention;

Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional view taken substantially on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 1 but showing a second embodiment of the invention;

Fig. 4 is a vertical cross-sectional view taken substantially on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3, and

Fig. 5 shows an additional embodiment of an ornamented necktie constructed in accordance with the invention.

The necktie to which the ornamentation according to the invention is applied are of conventional construction, as is shown in Figs. 2 and 4 of the drawings, wherein there is illustrated the large end of a four-in-hand tie, although it will be understood that the invention may be used with any other type of neckwear. Such neckties are of flat tubular construction having a front panel 2, a rear panel 4 and a lining 6, the edges of the material which forms the tube being overlapped along the center line of the rear face of the necktie and stitched together and to the lining, as illustrated at 8.

In accordance with the invention two or more openings are formed in the front panel 2 of the necktie and a ribbon or piece of material is passed through these openings and is attached to some part or piece within the tubular body of the necktie, thereby superimposing on the outer surface of the front panel of the necktie an ornamental piece or member which is not visibly attached to the necktie.

In the embodiment of the invention disclosed in Figs. 1 and 2, parallel openings 10, 12 are formed in the front panel 2 of the large end of the necktie. A ribbon 14 has its ends passed through these two openings, as shown at 16, 18, and these ends are attached, within the body of the necktie, to a separate piece of material 24 by lines of stitching 20, 22, thus holding part of the ornamental ribbon 14 in position in front of the front panel 2 of the necktie.

If desired, the ornamenting means may be threaded through a plurality of pairs of openings in the front panel of the necktie. One such embodiment of the invention is illustrated in Figs. 3 and 4, and comprises a first pair of openings 30, 32 and a second pair of openings 34, 36. An ornamental ribbon or piece of material 38 is passed through the openings 30, 32 then rearwardly of the front panel of the necktie, and then through the second pair of openings 34, 36, leaving two parts of the ribbon exposed on the outer surface of the necktie. The two ends of the ribbon are brought together within the tubular necktie and are attached by a line of stitching 40. When the ends of the ornamental ribbon are connected the ribbon may be moved to bring different parts of it into view in front of the front panel of the necktie.

It will be obvious that any number of openings or pairs of openings may be provided and that ribbons or other ornamenting means may be passed through these openings for attachment within the necktie, thus providing a very great variety of different types of ornamentation. An example of this wide scope of the invention is illustrated in Fig. 5 of the drawings, in which there are shown three openings 40, 42, 44 in the front panel of a necktie which are respectively positioned at the three apices of a triangle. A triangular piece of cloth or other ornamenting material is positioned within the triangle formed by these three openings and has its apices received, respectively in the three openings, thus providing a novel ornamenting effect. The three apices of the member 46 are, of course, positioned within the tubular necktie and are attached to a separate piece of material which may be interposed between the apices of member 46 and the lining 6 by lines of stitching.

The openings in the front panel of the necktie through which the ribbon or other ornamenting means is passed may be of any construction which will provide a neat and pleasing appearance, but these openings are preferably made in the form of conventional buttonholes having an ornamental edging, as shown in the drawings.

While I have illustrated and described a number of forms which my invention may take, it will be apparent to those skilled in the art that other embodiments, as well as modifications of those disclosed, may be made and practiced without departing in any way from the spirit and scope of the invention.

What is claimed is:

A necktie comprising a flat tube having a front panel and a rear panel, the front panel having at least two spaced openings formed therein, an ornament having an intermediate part and end parts, said intermediate part extending between said openings and overlying said front

panel, said end parts extending through said openings into the interior of the tube, and means connecting said end parts only to each other within said tube.

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