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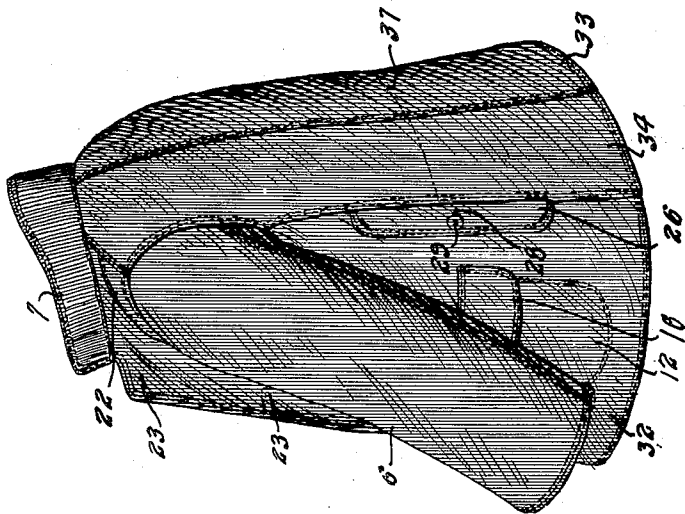
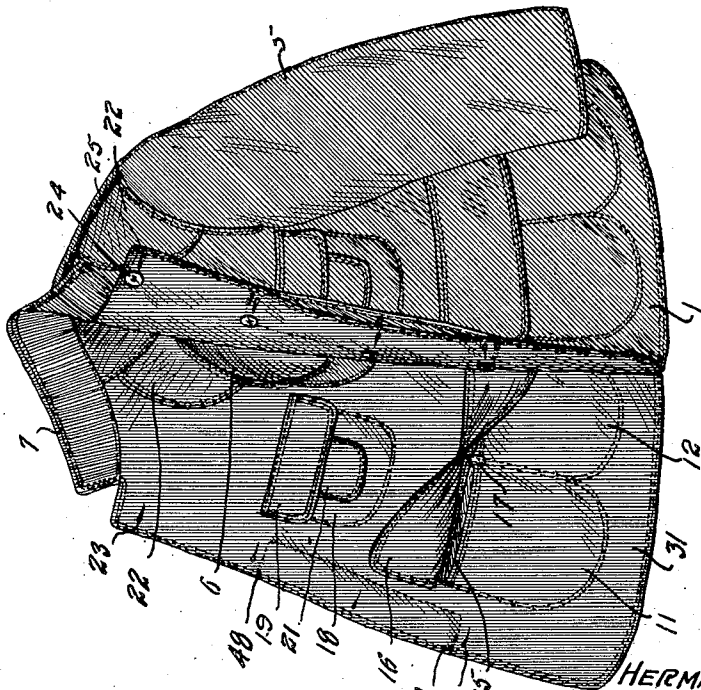


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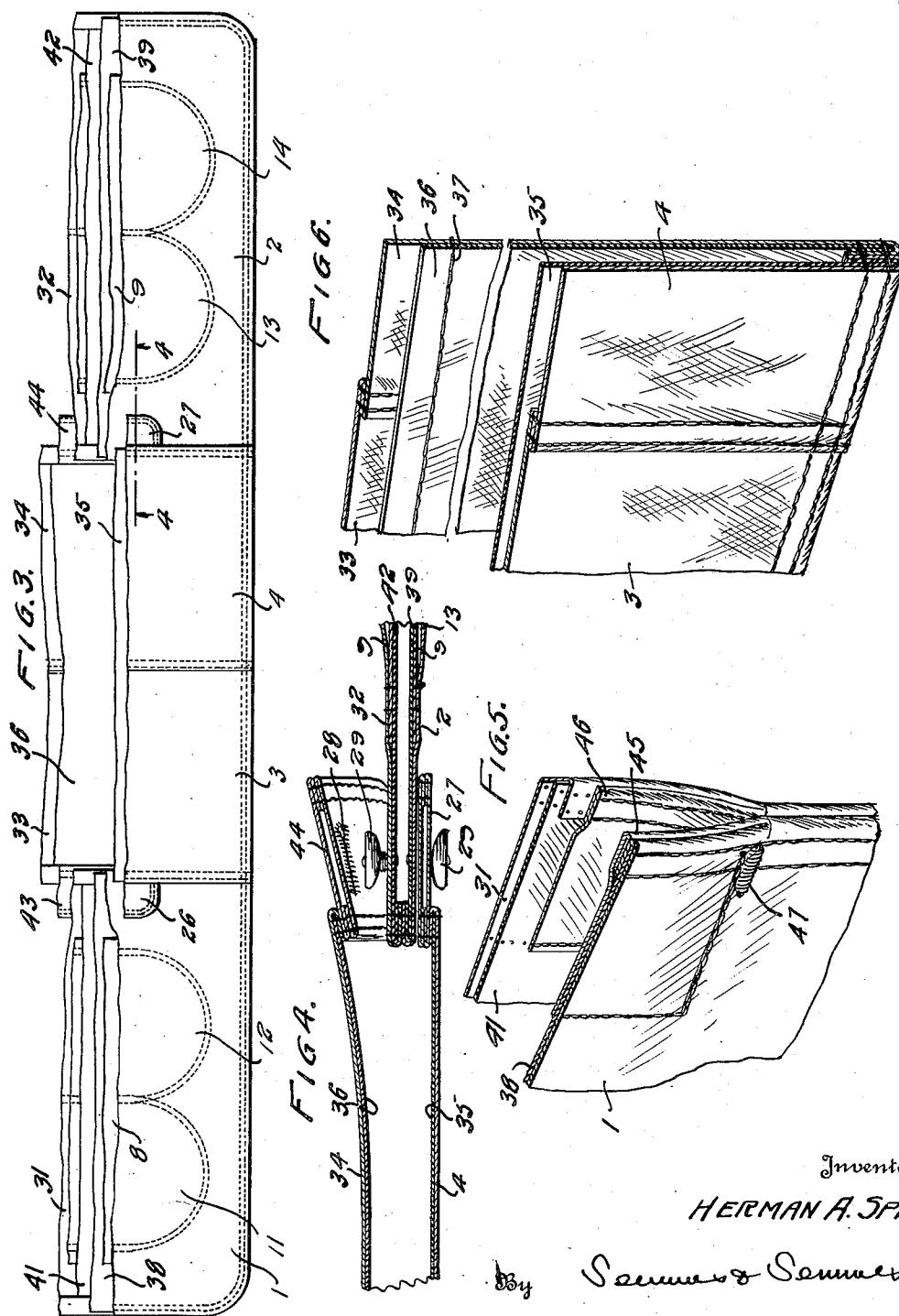
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This invention relates in general to garments, and more particularly has reference to a reversible hunting coat.

Previous to this time, hunting coats have usually been made up after the fashion of ordinary jackets. It is well known that the pocket space on an ordinary garment of this character is insufficient to meet the requirements of a hunting coat, in which various unwieldy articles, such as shells and game are often carried. The pockets which have heretofore been provided to accommodate articles of this character, have generally added greatly to the bulk of the coat and been so incorporated in the construction as to make the coat uncomfortable to wear when the pockets were filled.

It is further well known that coats of this type are usually made of drab material, which is likely to blend in the background of the surrounding landscape, in such a manner as to render a person wearing the coat practically invisible. This often gives rise to mishaps due to the accidental discharge of weapons by mistaking the identify of a hunter, so dressed, for game.

An object of this invention is to provide a hunting coat having the maximum of pocket space incorporated in its construction.

Another object of this invention is to provide a hunting coat which is reversible and may be worn on either side.

Still another object of this invention is to provide a reversible hunting coat having one side colored a shade that may be readily discernible against any background.

A further object of this invention is to provide a reversible hunting coat having pockets formed by the body of the coat to which access may be had from either side.

With these and other objects in view which may be incident to my improvements, the invention consists in the parts and combinations to be hereinafter set forth and claimed, with the understanding that the several necessary elements comprising my invention, may be varied in construction, proportions and arrangement, without departing from the spirit and scope of the appended claims.

In order to make my invention more clear-

ly understood, I have shown in the accompanying drawings means for carrying the same into practical effect, without limiting the improvements in their useful applications to the particular constructions, which for the purpose of explanation, have been made the subject of illustration.

In the drawings forming a part of this specification:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the front of the outer coat showing the drab side outward;

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the back of the coat showing the inner side outward;

Fig. 3 is a side elevational view partly broken away showing the bottom of the outer coat;

Fig. 4 is a top sectional view showing the entrance to the rear pocket in the inner and outer coats from one side;

Fig. 5 is a perspective view showing the entrance to one of the front pockets from the front;

Fig. 6 is a perspective view showing the center of the back pocket.

Referring by numerals to the drawings in which the same and similar elements are designated by like symbols of reference throughout, and more particularly to Figures 1 and 2, there is shown the coat forming the subject matter of this invention, comprising an inner and outer coat sewn together in a novel manner, to form a single garment, with the space between the coats used as pockets for game or other bulky articles. The outer coat is made up, as shown in Figure 3, of any suitable duck material, preferably of a drab color and cut into a plurality of front panels 1 and 2, sewn to back panels 3 and 4, which are seamed up the back. Sleeves 5 and 6, as shown in Figure 1, are inserted below the shoulders at the junction between the top of the respective front and back panels in the usual manner.

A collar 7 composed of corduroy, or any other suitable material, is sewed on the top of the front and back panels around the neck. A backing 8 and a backing 9 are sewed on the back of the front sections to form a plurality of pockets 11 and 12 on one side,

and similar pockets 13 and 14 on the other side, intended primarily to contain shells. The front panels are slit along the top of the backing as at 15, and folded over and seamed on the bottom to form a smooth edge. A flap 16 is sewed to the upper edge of the slits to cover each of the double pockets. The common seam between the double pockets is reinforced at the top with a piece of leather 17 sewed to the pocket and the top of the slit.

A backing is sewn in the left front panel 1 to form a pocket 18. The panel 1 is slit across the top of the backing and a flap 19 sewed on the top edge. A supplementary pocket 21 is sewed on the panel 1 across the face of the breast pocket 18 to accommodate any small articles such as matches or a whistle.

The shoulders of the coat are reinforced by strips 22 sewed in the seam between the front and back panels, the front panels 1 and 2 and the sleeve, and across the front panels. A plurality of buttonholes 23 are cut down the edge of the left front panel 1 adapted to receive buttons 24 sewed down the side of the right front panel. Buttonholes 25 are also cut in the edge of the right front panel 2 for a purpose to be hereinafter more fully described.

A portion of the seams between the front and back panels is left open and sewed to a flap 26, as shown in Figures 2 and 3, and a flap 27 on the other side. The flaps are provided with buttonholes 28 adapted to receive buttons 29, sewed to the back of the front panels 1 and 2. When the flaps 26 are unbuttoned, communication is thus allowed with the interior of the coat.

The outside edges of the coat are folded under and sewed to the edges of a coat constructed in the same manner as that described, but preferably made of some bright colored duck such as red, comprising a plurality of front sections 31 and 32 and back sections 33 and 34, sleeves and a collar, with sleeves of the two coats sewed at the bottom. It will be apparent that the coat may be worn on either side and as pockets are provided on each side additional articles may be carried in the inside pockets. The second coat being highly colored, may be worn outside when hunting, so that the person wearing the coat will not be mistaken for game.

A lining of rubberized or other moisture-proof material 35 is juxtaposed against the back panels to the front panels. The bottom of the lining 35 is folded over with the bottom of the back panels. A similar lining 36 is juxtaposed against the back sections 33 and 44 and sewed in the seams joining the back and front panels together with the lining 35. The bottom of the lining 36 is also folded over, and the back panels and two linings seamed together at the bottom to form a back pocket. The tops of the linings 35 and 36

are sewed across the face of the back panels, as shown at 37.

A plurality of linings 38 and 39 are juxtaposed against the front panels 1 and 2 and similar linings 41 and 42 against the front panels 31 and 32. The linings are folded over at the sides and bottom and sewed in the same seams joining the two coats to form a plurality of front game pockets.

Access is had to the rear pocket formed by the linings 35 and 36 through the portion left unsewn between the back and front panels on either side and covered on one coat by the flaps 26 and 27, and on the other coat by similar flaps 43 and 44, as shown in Figure 4. The pockets formed by the waterproof linings 38 and 41, and 39 and 42, in the front panels may be entered through a portion of the front panels 1 and 31, and 2 and 32, as shown in Figure 5. A plurality of strips 45 and 46 are sewed inside the front edges of the two front panels to reinforce the joined edges. The top and bottoms of the open portion are reinforced with bar stitching 47 and 48, as shown in Figure 1.

It is intended that one of the coats be made up of ordinary material, preferably waterproof to lend protection against weather and the other coat made of similar material highly colored to afford easy visibility. The two coats are sewed together only at the edges and at the bottom of the sleeves with the exception of the two openings at the front, allowing access to the two front pockets and slits at the sides, allowing entry from either side to the back pocket.

There is accomplished by this invention a hunting coat made up of a plurality of coats, one coat being made of material which may be easily seen, and so made up that the front and back of the garment may be used for pockets to which access may be had from the front and back of both sides of the garment lined with a waterproof material to prevent articles carried in the coat, from soiling the coat.

While I have shown and described the preferred embodiment of my invention, I wish it to be understood that I do not confine myself to the precise details of construction herein set forth, by way of illustration, as it is apparent that many changes and variations may be made therein, by those skilled in the art, without departing from the spirit of the invention, or exceeding the scope of the appended claims.

I claim:—

1. A hunting coat comprising a pair of front panels, back panels with the outer edges sewn to the back edges of the front panels, sleeves fitted in armholes provided between the front and back panels on each side, a bright colored coat of similar construction sewn around the edges and in the seams joining the front and back panels, to

the first named coat, a plurality of linings folded at the bottom to form pockets sewn between the respective front and back panels of each coat and secured in the same front and side seams as secures the coats together, portions of the front edges of the front panels being left unseamed to afford access to the side pockets and portions of the side seams joining the front and back panels of each coat being left unseamed to allow access to the back pocket through either side of the coat.

2. A reversible hunting coat comprising a pair of coats including front and back panels sewn together around the edges and in the seams, linings folded over at the bottom to form pockets sewn between the front and back panels of the coats and secured in the same seams as secure the coats together a portion of the seams for securing the front panels of the coats being left unseamed to allow access to the pockets between the front panels, and portions of the side seams being left unseamed to allow access to the pocket between the back panels through either coat.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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