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Fig. 1.

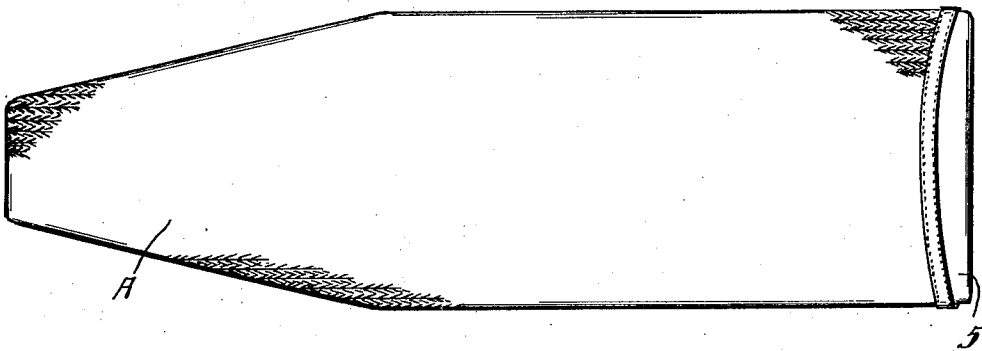


Fig. 2.

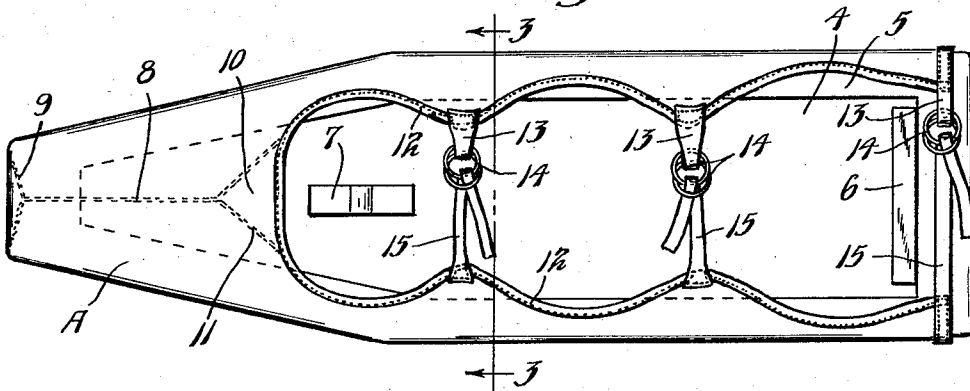
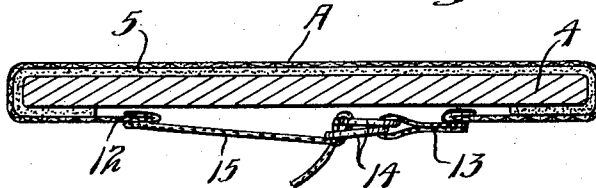


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to ironing board covers.

It is the general object of this invention to provide a novel and improved cover for ironing boards, which is of cheap and simple construction and which can be quickly and readily applied to and removed from ironing boards of different shapes and sizes and which, on any ironing board to which it is applied, will present a smooth unruffled surface upon which clothes can be ironed.

To these ends, generally stated, the invention consists in the novel parts and novel combinations of parts hereinafter defined in the claims, and described in the following specification, made in connection with the accompanying drawing, wherein like reference characters refer to the same or similar parts throughout the various views, and, in which, Fig. 1 is a plan view showing the cover applied to an ironing board;

Fig. 2 is a bottom view of the board and cover shown in Fig. 1, the legs of the ironing board not being illustrated; and

Fig. 3 is a vertical section taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Referring to the drawing, there is illustrated an ironing board 4 of any suitable standard construction, covered by a layer of padding 5 and having, on its lower surface adjacent its rear end, a cleat 6 to which the rear legs of the board may be connected and having, on its lower surface adjacent its front end, a notched cleat 7 to which the forward legs of the board may be releasably connected. The board tapers from adjacent its longitudinal medial portion toward its forward end, in accordance with the usual custom.

For use with the ironing board described, as well as for use in connection with other boards of different sizes and shapes, I have, in accordance with the present invention, provided an ironing board cover designated as an entirety by the letter A, and composed

chiefly of knit material, similar preferably to the type of knit material used in making underwear. This knit material is capable of being stretched but slightly longitudinally of the ribs or lines of knitting, while it is capable of being resiliently stretched considerably crosswise of the ribs or lines of knitting. The cover is composed chiefly of a rectangular piece of this knit material having a considerably greater length than width and having the ribs or lines of knitting running longitudinally of the piece. The forward portions of the edges of the piece of knit material are inturned and sewed together by a line of stitching 8 and the forward ends of the wings formed by inturning the forward portions of the edges are secured to the remaining portion of the forward end of the piece by lines of stitching 9. A small V-shaped section of knit material 10 is secured by lines of stitching 11 to span the portions of the edges of the piece immediately rearwardly from the line of stitching 8. It will thus be seen that a pocket is formed by the cover A at its forward end. The free edges of the cover A are secured by binding, stitching or the like 12 to prevent these edges from raveling. Secured to one edge of the cover A at its rear corner and secured at spaced points longitudinally of said edge forwardly of said corner are looped straps 13, each of which carries two rings 14, one below the other. Secured to the rear corner of the other edge of the cover and to spaced points longitudinally along said edge and opposite the straps 13, are straps 15.

In applying the cover A to an ironing board, such, for example, as the board 4, the cover will be applied first over the forward end of the board so that the forward end of the board will be drawn into the pocket of the cover. The free portions of the edges of the cover will then be swung downwardly over the sides of the board and the various straps 15 will be engaged with rings 14 car-

ried by looped straps 13 opposite the respective straps 15. To engage one of the straps 15 with the two rings 14 opposite the same, the free end of the strap 15 will first be carried downwardly through both rings 14 and the free end will then be drawn over the lowermost ring and then upwardly and through the innermost ring. As the free end of the strap 15 is pulled after this has been done, the two edges of the cover at the points where the cooperating straps 15 and 13 are attached, will be drawn together to tightly stretch the portion of the cover A over the board rearwardly from the pocket portion of the cover. The rings will act to lock the straps 15 in whatever position they have been pulled, so that the straps will not become disengaged from the rings. The straps 15 and 13 at the rear corners of the cover will be located rearwardly from the cleats 6. When these straps 15 have been all tightly secured, the cover A will be tightly stretched under the resilient tension of the knit material over the ironing board so that the upper portion of the cover will form a perfectly smooth and unruffled surface upon which clothes may be ironed. As the cloth forming the cover A has considerable resiliency crosswise of the ribs or lines of knitting, it will be seen that the cover shaped as described may be fitted to practically any size and shape of ironing board and yet the upper portion of the cover will lie perfectly smooth on the ironing board.

To remove the cover, it is only necessary to disengage the straps 15 from the rings 14 by swinging the lowermost rings downwardly and drawing the free ends of the straps 15 through the rings, whereupon the cover may be readily withdrawn off the forward end of the board.

The ironing board cover of the invention can be made quite cheaply and can be put on the market in one size and shape to fit practically all types of ironing boards.

Various changes may be made in the shape and size of the cover and in the type of securing means for the straps without departure from the scope of the invention.

What is claimed is:—

1. An ironing board cover comprising a piece of knit material adapted to be placed over an ironing board with the ribs or lines of knitting of said piece extending generally longitudinally of the board and securing means at spaced points longitudinally of the edges of said piece for stretching said piece tightly over the top of the board and for securing the edges of the piece together beneath the board whereby by reason of the resiliency of the knit material crosswise of the ribs, the cover is bound to lie smoothly on the board.

2. An ironing board cover composed of knit material adapted to be placed over an

ironing board with the ribs or lines of knitting of said piece extending substantially longitudinally of the board, said knit material having a pocket at its forward end adapted to receive the forward end of an ironing board therein, straps secured to one edge of said material rearwardly of said pocket and means secured to the other edge of said material rearwardly of said pocket for cooperative engagement with said straps whereby by reason of the resiliency of the knit material crosswise of the ribs, the cover is bound to lie smoothly on the board.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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