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FIG. 1.

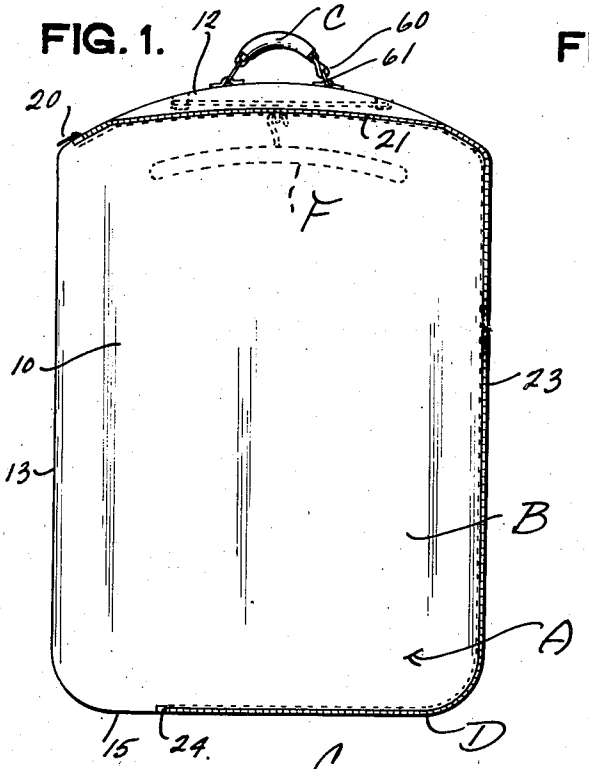



FIG. 2.

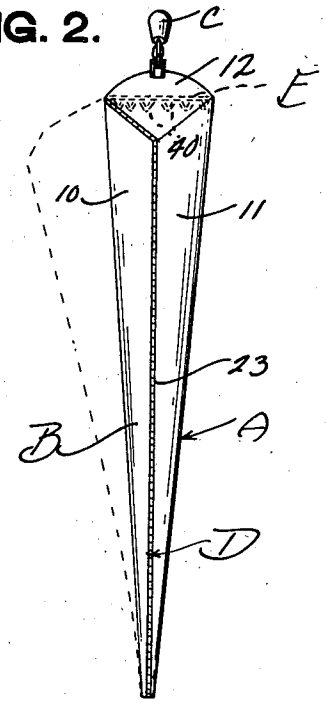
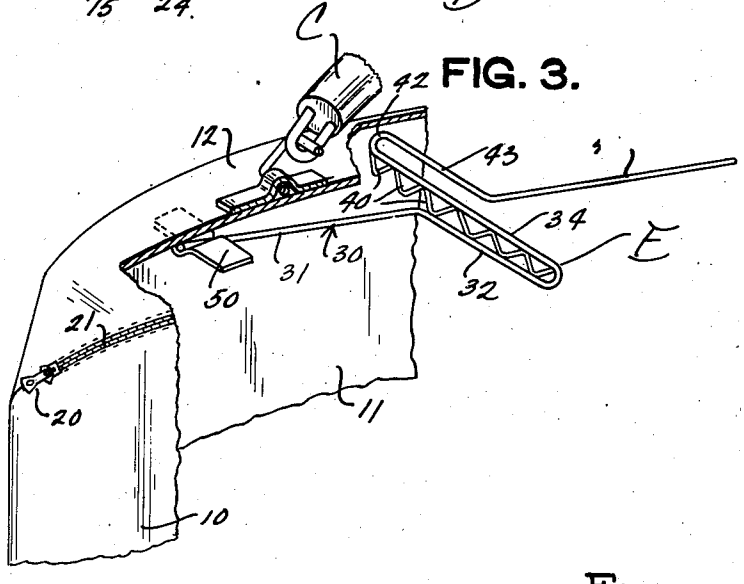



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This invention relates to improvements in wardrobe bags.

The primary object of this invention is the provision of a sack type of wardrobe container or bag which is adapted to receive a plurality of suits or dresses; the same including an improved bag construction in combination with an improved hanger for receiving a plurality of garments in readily accessible relation.

A further object of this invention is the provision of an improved garment hanger.

A further object of this invention is the provision of an improved fastening and opening means for traveling bags or containers of the sack type.

A further object of this invention is the provision of an improved handle construction for wardrobe bags and the like.

A further object of this invention is the provision of an improved wardrobe bag of the sack type which is entirely flexible and flat, but which has an improved means for supporting a plurality of readily accessible suits or other garments.

A further object of this invention is the provision of an improved wardrobe bag of the flat flexible sack type having improved means for supporting a plurality of suits or other garments in a readily accessible, orderly and wrinkle-proof condition.

Other objects and advantages of this invention will be apparent during the course of the following detailed description.

In the accompanying drawing, forming a part of this specification and wherein similar reference characters designate corresponding parts thruout the several views,

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the improved traveling bag or wardrobe container, showing associated features thereof.

Figure 2 is a side or edge elevation of the improved bag.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary perspective view of the upper portion of the bag, showing the relation of the handle and garment hanger features.

In the drawing, wherein for the purpose of illustration is shown only a preferred embodiment of the invention, the letter A may generally designate the wardrobe bag. It may consist of a sack type bag body B having a handle C and a fastener construction D of the talon or zipper type associated therewith. An improved garment hanger E is associated with the bag body B in an improved relation.

The bag body B is of the flat flexible sack type including a front wall 10, back wall 11 and a top wall 12. The front and back walls 10 and 11 are joined permanently at a side 13, and the opposite side may be opened but is normally closed by slide fastener D. In normal supported position, the top wall 12 is maintained by the hanger E in the shape shown in Figure 2, and the front and back walls 10 and 11 normally converge to the bottom edge 15.

The fastener construction D is of the interlocking metal stud or eye type, conventionally known as a "talon" or "zipper" fastener. The slide tab 20 is normally positioned at the upper left corner of the wardrobe bag and therefrom slides along the line designated at 21 forming the juncture of the side wall 10 with the top wall 12, and thence downwardly along the line 23 at the right side of the container, and thence along the bottom edge 15 to the point 24, which terminates short of the side edge 13. This will permit the front wall 10 to operate as a flap so that the garments supported in the bag may be readily removed and placed with respect to the hanger construction E. If desired, the slide fastener arrangement may only extend along the right side and a portion of the bottom wall, in which case the same would not extend along the line 21 at the top wall.

The garment hanger construction E is of unique formation. It includes a wire frame 30 formed by providing an end length 31 which is bent about midway of the ends of the hanger at a portion 32 in right angled relation. The wire is then bent upon itself at 34 to provide a transverse supporting bar for the hanger loops 40; the supporting bar 34 extending equi-distant at each side of the longitudinal axis of the end length 31. At its opposite end, the bar 34 is bent at 42 and doubled upon itself at 43 to a point midway of the ends of the bar 34 and thence the wire is bent to provide the other end length 44 which is in axial alignment with the end length 31. In fact, the end lengths 31 and 44 provide an elongated support for the hanger loop supporting transverse bar 34; the wire being bent between its ends in the S-shaped relation to provide an inexpensive and efficient arrangement for supporting the hanger loops 40. The hanger loops 40 are of V-shape formation. They may be of a single piece of material having the upper peaks soldered or otherwise secured along the lower edge of the bar 34. Of course the loops 40 depend in a vertical plane, and the bars 32, 34, 43 and the end portions 31 and 44 all lie in the same horizontal plane.

The hanger E is secured to the under surface of the flexible top wall 12 of the bag by means of suitable straps 50 which may be of the same material as the bag body, and which may be stitched or otherwise secured to the under surface of the top wall as shown in Figure 3 of the drawing. With this arrangement the garment supporting loops 40 depend in the bag where they may receive conventional garment hangers designated at F in Figure 1 of the drawing. The latter may be removed with facility from the loops 40, as can readily be seen.

The handle construction C is conventional, except that at one end it is provided with a snap fastener 60 which may be detachably connected with a loop 61 secured by a suitable strap to the top wall of the bag, so that the handle C may be opened, and slung over any suitable closet support, such as a bar, for suspending the wardrobe bag in convenient position.

It is readily apparent from the foregoing that an improved wardrobe bag has been provided which may be economically manufactured, and which will efficiently maintain a plurality of suits therein in a dust-proof, neat and efficient relation.

Various changes in the shape, size and arrangement of parts may be made to the form of invention herein shown and described, without departing from the spirit of the invention or the scope of the following claim.

I claim:

In a wardrobe bag the combination of a flexible sack-like bag body construction comprising front and rear walls, a flexible top wall, and slide fastener means for opening the front wall of the body to expose the contents of the bag, and a garment hanger supported by the top wall comprising end bar portions in aligning relation secured at their ends to the under surface of the top wall centrally of the top wall between the front and rear walls, and a transverse bar portion carried as a part of the end bar portions above mentioned intermediate the ends thereof and transverse thereto, and means depending from the transverse bar portion for supporting a plurality of garment hangers in parallelism with the front and rear walls of the bag.

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