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WEARING APPAREL, ACCESSORY

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This invention relates to an improvement in neckties, and more specifically to a necktie accessory.

One of the primary objects of this invention is to provide a device of the type described which simulates a perfect and uniform necktie knot.

Another object of this invention is to provide a necktie accessory which eliminates the wrinkling of the tie at the knot portion thereof and which reduces the wear of the tie whereby the life of the necktie is greatly increased.

Another object of this invention is to provide a necktie accessory which simulates the necktie knot, the accessory being covered with the same material as that from which the necktie is made, or, if desired, the accessory may be provided with a cover having a pattern differing from the pattern of the tie.

A still further object of this invention is to provide a necktie accessory which simulates the knot of the tie, the accessory being formed of transparent material whereby the pattern of the tie may be observed.

Another object of this invention is to provide a necktie accessory which will permit the manufacture of neckties in shorter lengths thereby saving considerable material. Other and further objects and advantages of the present invention will become more evident from a consideration of the following specification when read in conjunction with the annexed drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a necktie accessory constructed in accordance with the teachings of this invention.

Figure 2 is a rear elevation of the necktie accessory shown in Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a front elevation of a modified form of the accessory shown in Figure 1.

Figure 4 is a cross-sectional view taken on the vertical plane of line 4—4 of Figure 3, looking in the direction of the arrow.

Figure 5 illustrates a necktie surrounding a collar of a shirt, the ends of the necktie having been looped once about each other.

Figure 6 is a front elevation of a necktie and collar together with the accessory positioned at the knot portion of the tie.

Referring now more specifically to the drawing, reference numeral 10 designates, in general, a simulated necktie knot constructed in accordance with the teachings of this invention. The simulated knot may be formed of plastic or other suitable materials and may be transparent if desired.

As shown in the drawing, the simulated knot is formed of a single sheet of transparent material having a substantially trapezoidal configuration including an upper edge 13, a lower edge 14, and the inclined side edges 16 and 18. In construction, the sheet is bent around its minor axis into an inverted truncated cone-like configuration with the tapered end portions 20, 22 in overlapped position, as shown in Figure 2, and provides a transparent front panel 24.

In adapting the above described simulated knot to the user's necktie, the necktie 26 is placed under the shirt collar 28 and is looped once, as shown in Figure 5. Thereafter the free ends of the tie are passed through the widest end of the simulated knot and the latter is then drawn upwardly to assume the position shown in Figure 6, at the front center of the tie. Since the simulated knot is transparent, the necktie pattern is clearly visible.

In the modification shown in Figure 4, the simulated knot 39 is constructed as described above after which the outer side of the knot 30 is covered with a strip of necktie fabric 32 which is reverted at 34, 36 and secured to the simulated knot 30 in any desirable way, such as by an adhesive. The necktie fabric may have the same design as the design of the tie, or to provide a fashion note, the strip 32 may have a design entirely different from the design of the tie with which it is worn.

Having described and illustrated two embodiments of this invention in detail, it will be understood that they have been offered merely by way of example, and that the invention is to be limited only by the scope of the appended claim.

The numeral 24a in Figure 4 has the same significance as the numeral 24 in Figure 1. It will be also understood that the invention can be made in a one-piece closed end fixed form.

What is claimed is:

A necktie accessory simulating a necktie knot, said accessory comprising an elongated sheet of transparent material having a substantially trapezoidal configuration, said sheet being bent about its minor axis to form an inverted truncated cone-like configuration having a convex rounded top edge and a concave rounded lower edge having its opposed ends formed into rounded points lying in overlapping relation, said accessory being adapted to receive the free ends of said necktie therethrough whereby a simulated knot is formed with the tie material being visible through the transparent material of the accessory.

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