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Fig. 1

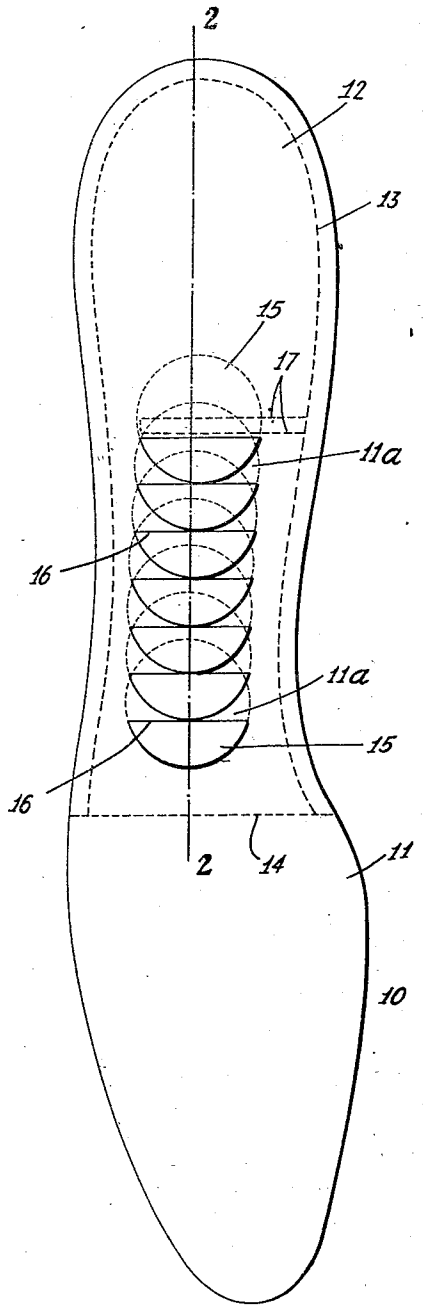
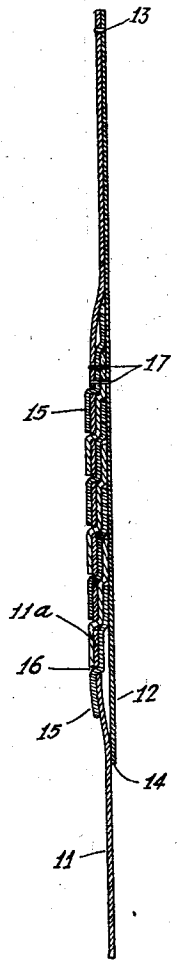


Fig. 2



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This invention relates to the shoe art and deals more specifically with a sock lining.

It is an object of this invention to provide a sock lining which rests the arch of the wearer's foot while walking or standing still.

Further, it is an object of this invention to provide a sock lining which facilitates the circulation of air within the shoe thus insuring a more healthy condition of the feet.

And it is a further object of this invention to provide a sock lining which benefits the arch of the wearer's foot and yet is simple and cheap to construct and reliable in operation.

Finally, it is an object of this invention generally to improve the shoe art.

These and other objects of the invention will be readily apparent to those skilled in the art from the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, in which:

Fig. 1 is a plan view of a sock lining constructed in accordance with the present invention; and

Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view taken along the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Referring in detail to the drawing, the sock lining 10 is seen to comprise the usual leather blank piece 11 cut to fit the contour of the inside of the shoe. To the bottom of the blank 11 is stitched a second blank 12 which may be of any suitable material such as leather or fabric. Stitches 13 join these two blanks together to form a pocket, which is preferably left unstitched along the line 14. A series of thin leather discs 15 are inserted through parallel slits 16 formed in the shank portion of the blank 11 and lie in overlapped relation as shown more clearly in Fig. 2. The parallel slits 16 cut in the blank 11 form a series of straps 11*a*. As shown each of the straps 11*a* lie between two adjacent discs. The discs 15 which are preferably cut from upper leather may be held in place by any suitable adhesive, or by stitching. Alternatively, these may be omitted and the frictional contact of the overlapping parts may be relied upon to hold the discs in place. The last disc is shown held in place by lines of stitches 17.

The present sock lining may be inserted in the shoe in the usual manner. It has been found as a practical matter that a shoe provided with the present sock lining is highly beneficial to the wearer because of the effect of the present invention on the wearer's arch. Not only does the present invention benefit the arch of the foot, but also it has been found, particularly in connection with high heel shoes worn by ladies, that the foot assumes a more correct position within the shoe when worn. This device counteracts the tendency of the high heel to throw the entire weight of the wearer forward; and distributes the weight more uniformly throughout the bottom surface of the foot.

Of course, many changes in the specific embodiment herein disclosed will readily suggest themselves to those skilled in the art. I therefore do not intend to be limited in such structural detail except as required by the prior art and except as defined in the appended claims.

For example, while I have specifically mentioned leather as the materials for forming the blanks and the discs, it will be understood that any other suitable material may be used, without departing from the spirit and scope of this invention.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:

1. A sock lining having an upper blank and a lower blank, and a plurality of overlapping pieces of leather disposed partly between said blanks and partly over said upper blank at the shank portion of said sock lining.

2. A sock lining having an upper blank and a lower blank, and a plurality of overlapping discs of leather disposed partly between said blanks and partly over said upper blank at the shank portion of said sock lining.

3. A sock lining having an upper blank and a lower blank joined together to form a pocket, and a plurality of overlapping leather pieces disposed partly within said pocket and partly over said upper blank.

4. A sock lining having an upper exposed

blank and a lower blank joined together to form a pocket, said upper blank being provided with a plurality of slits cut therein, a leather piece overlying said upper blank and extending through each of said slits, a portion of each of said pieces lying above said upper blank and a portion of each of said pieces lying below said blank.

5. A sock lining having an upper exposed blank and a lower blank joined together to form a pocket, said upper blank being provided with a plurality of slits cut therein, a leather disc overlying said upper blank and extending through each of said slits, a portion of each of said discs lying above said upper blank and a portion of each of said discs lying below said blank.

6. A sock lining having an upper blank and a lower blank joined together to form a pocket, said upper blank being provided with a plurality of slits cut therein, a flat leather disc extending through each of said slits, a portion of each of said discs lying above said upper blank and a portion of each of said discs lying below said blank at the shank portion thereof, the portions of said discs lying beneath said upper blank being overlapped.

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