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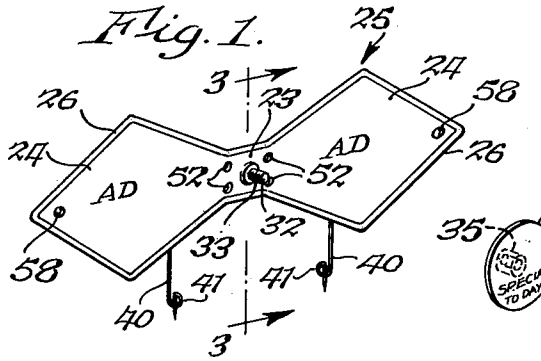


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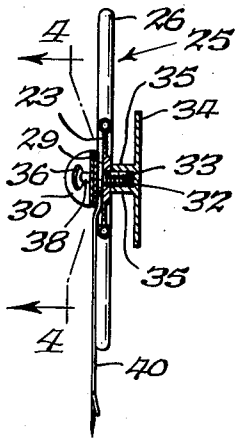


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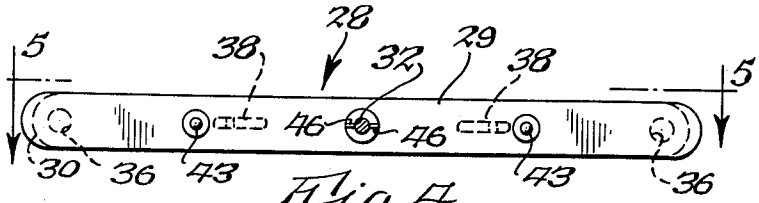


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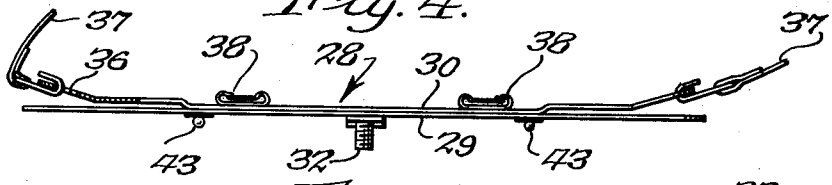


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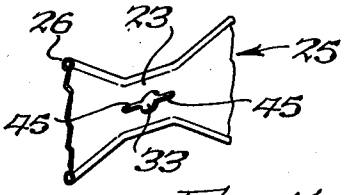
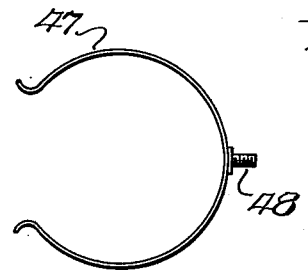
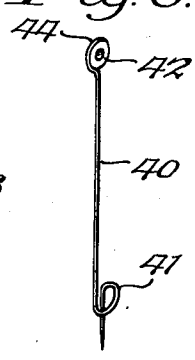


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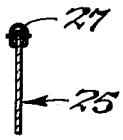


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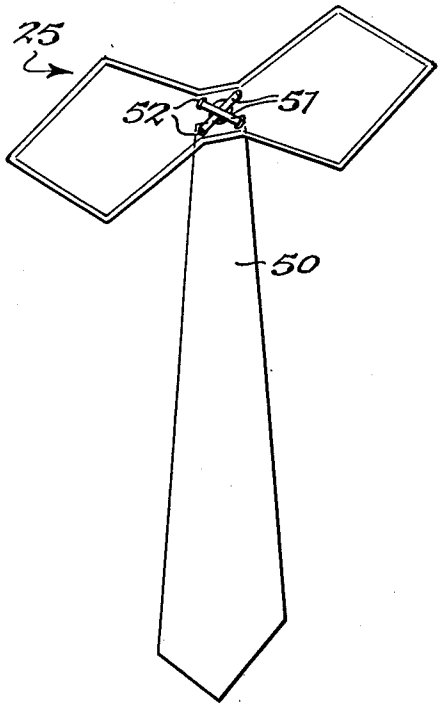
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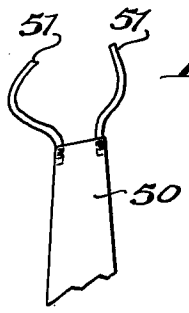
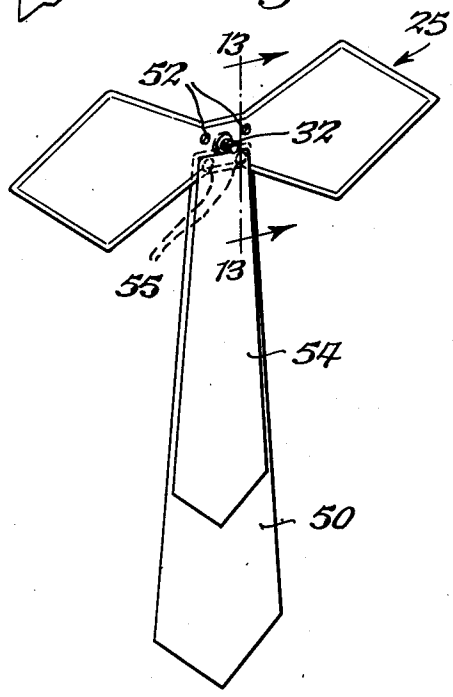


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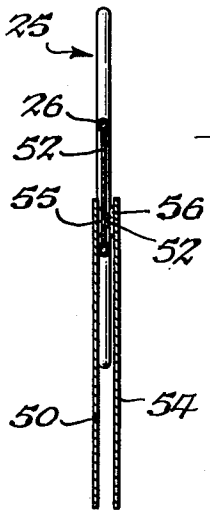


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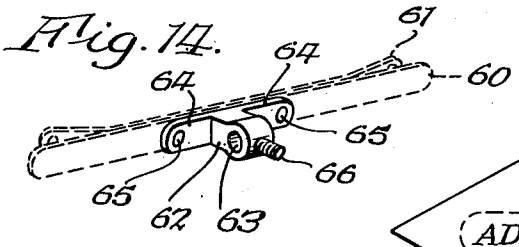


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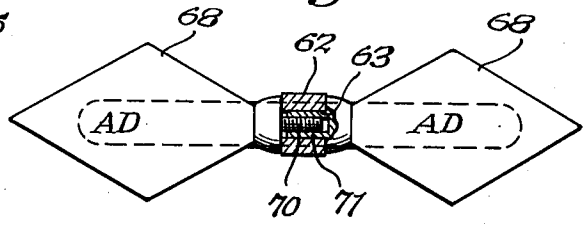


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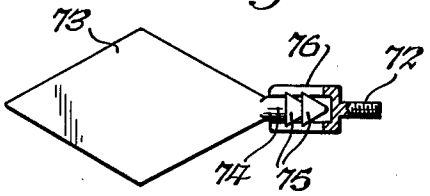


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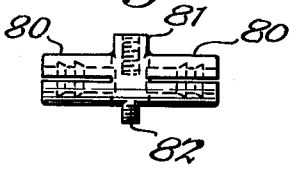
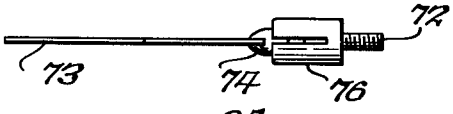


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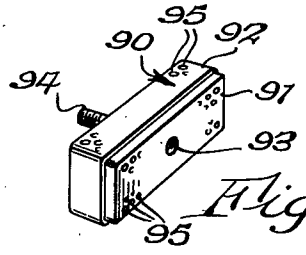


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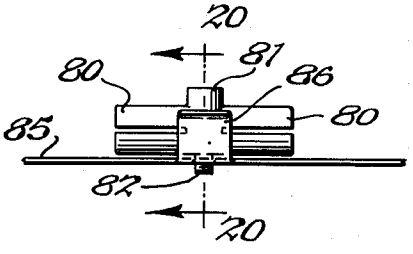


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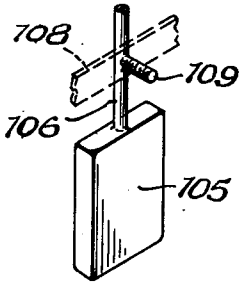


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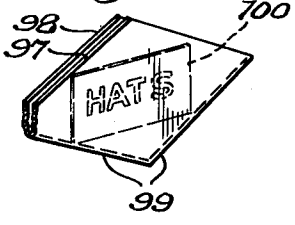
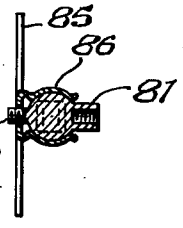


Fig. 20



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This invention relates to improvements in neckties or similar articles.

One of the objects of this invention is to provide an article of this type having a base member to which various attachments may be applied. Another object of this invention is to provide a device which may be worn either as a necktie or as a decorative or advertising article on a wrist or ankle for the purpose of advertising certain commodities or for displaying election campaign slogans, pictures, decorations, or the like.

Another object of this invention is to provide means of improved construction for securing the base member to the wearer either directly, or to a garment worn by a wearer. Another object is to provide an article of this type on which various types of advertising or analogous devices may be attached. Another object is to provide a device of improved construction whereby the supporting member for the base member may be secured about the neck of the wearer by means of various types of bands or other devices. Other objects and advantages of this invention will appear from the following description and claims.

In the accompanying drawings:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a portion of a necktie or other article embodying this invention.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a button or disk which may be secured to the article to provide a finished appearance thereof, and to secure the base member to a supporting member.

Fig. 3 is a side elevation of an article partly in section to show the button or disk attached thereto.

Fig. 4 is a face view of a supporting member by means of which the article may be secured on the collar or on the neck of the wearer.

Fig. 5 is an edge view thereof.

Fig. 6 is a perspective view of one of the two pins or fastening devices shown in Figs. 1 and 2 for securing the supporting member to a collar.

Fig. 7 is a fragmentary perspective view of a base member of slightly modified construction.

Fig. 8 is a view of a supporting member in the form of a clamp by means of which the base member may be secured to the wrist or ankle of the wearer.

Fig. 9 is a fragmentary sectional view of the base member of modified construction.

Fig. 10 is a perspective view of the base member having a drape or depending band applied thereto.

Fig. 11 is a view of the upper portion of the drape or band.

Fig. 12 is a view similar to Fig. 10, showing a

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drape of modified construction applied to the base member.

Fig. 13 is an edge view of the construction shown in Fig. 12.

Fig. 14 is a perspective view of an attaching member of modified construction.

Fig. 15 is a front elevation, partly in section, showing a base member of modified construction secured to the supporting member shown in Fig. 14.

Fig. 16 is a face view, partly in section, of a panel or bow member of a base of modified construction.

Fig. 17 is an edge view thereof.

Fig. 18 is a socket member formed to be attached to the supporting member shown in Figs. 1 to 5 in place of the button shown in Figs. 2 and 3.

Fig. 19 is a similar view of the socket member showing bow wings of modified construction applied thereto.

Fig. 20 is a section thereof, on line **20—20**, Fig. 19.

Fig. 21 is a perspective view of a container which may be used in connection with base and supporting members.

Fig. 22 is a fragmentary perspective view of a bow wing of modified construction.

Fig. 23 is a side elevation of a container for liquids having a supporting member secured thereto.

The article embodying this invention includes a base member **25** which may be made of any suitable or desired material, preferably a thin light material having sufficient rigidity to support itself in the shape in which it is initially formed, and this material may be shaped to resemble a bow tie. For this purpose the base member in the particular construction shown by way of example has two panels or wings **24** connected by a narrow or neck portion **23**. This base member may, for example, be made of a thin sheet of plastic material, and in order to avoid sharp edges thereon which might injure the wearer, the edge portions are preferably provided with beads **26** as shown in Fig. 7, or if desired, suitable edging or binding material **27** as shown in Fig. 9 may be stitched or otherwise secured to the edge portions of the base member. This base member may be provided on its front face with suitable advertising, designs or other printed matter, and if desired, different advertising, designs or printed matter may appear on the back face, since as will be evident from the foregoing

description, the base member 25 may be reversed.

The base member may be mounted on any suitable support by means of which it may be attached to the body of the wearer or to a garment. In the construction shown in Figs. 4 and 5, the supporting member 28 comprises a pair of strips 29 and 30 of metal or other resilient material, which may be suitably secured together. One of the strips, for example, the back strip may have the end portions thereof flaring outwardly from the front strip 29 so that a shirt collar may be clamped between the two ends of the strips 29 and 30, in which case, the tie may be secured directly to the shirt collar, or these ends may be employed only for holding the shirt collar in place. The supporting member is provided with a central stud 32 rigidly secured thereto and extending forwardly therefrom, and which is preferably screw-threaded. It will be noted that the base member 25 has a central aperture 33 through which the stud 32 may extend. The base member may then be secured to the stud by means of a button 34 having a tubular internally threaded part 35 extending rearwardly therefrom and which may be screwed into threaded engagement with the stud 32 to assemble the base member on the supporting member. The button may be provided with an enlarged disk-shaped head on which printing or other decorative matter may be displayed. The stud and button may, of course, be provided with cooperating connecting means other than the screw-threaded connection shown.

The supporting member may, if desired, be supported or held in place by means of a neck band of elastic material, and for this purpose, the rear strip 30 of the supporting member may be provided at opposite ends thereof with apertures 36 to which hooks or other attaching parts of neck band 37 may be secured, the neck band being formed to extend about the neck of the wearer, preferably under the shirt collar.

In place of the apertures 36 for securing the supporting member in place, other means may be provided. For example, snap hooks 38 may be provided on the back of the supporting member to which rings, hooks or similar devices secured to the end of the neck band may be attached for securing the supporting member on the collar of a shirt. In addition, the device may be secured in direct relation to a shirt collar by means of pins 40 of suitable construction having loops 41 near the ends thereof to limit the extent to which the pointed ends of the pins may penetrate a shirt collar or the like. These pins may be secured to the supporting member by means of snaps 42 adapted to engage ball-shaped projections 43 suitably secured to the front face of the supporting member. If desired, the pins may have loops 44 formed in the ends thereof which may be inserted between the snap 42 and the projection 43, to pivotally mount the pins on the supporting member. Any other suitable means for securing the ends of a neck band to the supporting member may be employed.

It may be desirable to provide means for holding the base member in correct angular relation to the supporting member and to prevent swinging of the same about the stud 32, and for this purpose, the central aperture 33 of the base member may be provided with one or more slots 45, Fig. 7, extending outwardly therefrom, in which case, the stud member 32 may have small projections 46 on opposite sides thereof, see Figs. 4 and 5, formed to enter into the slots 45 and thus hold the base member from turning about the stud.

It may also be desirable to support the base member on the wrist or ankle of the wearer, and for this purpose, a supporting member, instead of being flat as shown in Figs. 4 and 5, may be bowed into the form of a spring clamp 47, which is in the form of an open loop and adapted to extend partly around a wrist or ankle. This type of supporting member is provided with a stud 48 corresponding to the stud 32 so that the base member and button 34 or other attachments may be applied to this supporting member.

By means of the construction shown, various devices may be mounted on the base or supporting member, as may suit the wearer. For example, my improved device may be provided with one or more drapes or downwardly extending ribbons or bands to create the appearance of a four-in-hand tie. Drapes of this type applied to my base member are illustrated in Figs. 10 to 13 inclusive. A drape 50 may be provided with strings or cords 51 secured to the upper end thereof, and these strings or cords may be passed through apertures 52 formed in the base member about the aperture 33 for the stud and the ends of the strings or cords may then be tied together to secure the drape to the base member. In the construction illustrated in Figs 12 and 13, an additional drape 54 is provided, and in this case, cooperating snap fasteners 55 and 56 may be provided on the two drapes and passed through two of the apertures 52 of the base member. When the two snap members have been secured to each other through two of the holes 52, the drapes will be correctly held in upright position relatively to the base member 25 as shown in Figs. 12 and 13. In order to present a finished appearance of the article, a button such as shown in Fig. 2 may be secured to the stud 32 after the drapes have been attached to the base member.

It may be desired to add other parts to the base member, particularly when the same carries an advertisement or slogan to which it is desired to direct attention. For this purpose, the base member may be provided near the outer ends thereof with apertures 58 to which any desired attachments, such as pin wheels, light reflecting members or the like, may be secured.

It may be desirable to add additional devices to the base member of the article, and for this purpose, the supporting member may be provided with attaching means other than the stud 32. In Figs. 14 and 15, I have shown a supporting member comprising a pair of resilient strips 60 and 61 similar to the strips 29 and 30 shown in Figs. 3 to 5, but having a fitting applied thereto which comprises an outwardly extending stud or projection 62 having a transversely extending aperture 63 therein, this stud or projection being formed integral with outwardly extending flanges 64 which may be secured to the suporting member by rivets 65 or the like. This stud or projection may be provided on the outer ends thereof with a screw-threaded stud 66 similar to the stud 32. In the use of this device, a base member such as the member 25 is secured to the stud 66 in the same manner as the base member 25 is secured to the stud 32 and additional panels, wings, or other devices 68 may be secured to the projecting member 62 in such a manner as to be positioned in back of the base member 25. When this construction is employed, the panels, or wings 68 are preferably somewhat

larger than the wings 24 of the base member, so that the wings 68 may be used in conjunction with the wings of the base member or may be used alone in place of the base member. Any suitable means may be provided for securing the wing 68 to the projecting part 62, and in the construction illustrated, one of the wing panels has a male threaded member or stud 70 secured thereto and the other panel has an internally threaded member or cylinder 71 secured thereto, the outside diameter of which is such as to permit this to pass through the hole 63. When the stud 70 is screwed into the cylinder 71 after the same has been inserted into the aperture 63, the two wings will be held in positions as shown in Fig. 15.

The device shown in Fig. 15 may also be provided with means for quickly detaching and interchanging the wings or panels. For this purpose, I have shown in Figs. 16 and 17, one of the two connecting parts employed for securing the panels to the projecting part 62 shown in Figs. 14 and 15, namely, the part having a stud or threaded portion 72. In this construction, the panel 73 is provided with a stem 74 having a series of annular teeth or tooth-like projections 75 extending outwardly therefrom, and adapted to fit and be yieldingly held in a split socket 76 formed integral with the threaded member 72. By means of this construction, the panel 73 may be turned into any desired position about the axis of its stem 74 and the panel 73 may be easily pulled out of engagement with the split socket member 74, whereupon it can be replaced by another panel. The split socket member for the other wing or panel is formed integral with an internally threaded cylinder 71 shown in Fig. 15.

In order to provide additional panels to supplement those of the base member, it is not necessary to have a special fitting, such as shown in Figs. 14 and 15, on the supporting member. For this purpose, I have shown in Fig. 18, a fitting which may be applied to the stud 32 shown in Figs. 1, 3, 4, and 5. This fitting includes a pair of oppositely extending split socket members 80 similar to the socket member 76 and formed integral with a screw-threaded socket 81 adapted to be secured or screwed on the stud 32. As shown in Fig. 18, another stud 82 may be provided at the opposite end of this fitting to replace the stud 32 to permit the base member or other attachments to be added to this fitting.

In Figs. 19 and 20, I have shown a base member 85 of modified construction, which may be secured to the fitting shown in Fig. 18, and in which the base member is provided with a pair of spring clips 86 which may fit around the cylindrical portion of the socket members 80 after the stud 82 has been passed through the central hole of the base member. This construction may be employed in place of the slots 45 and projections 46 shown in Figs. 4, 5, and 7, to hold the base member in correct relation to the wearer. If desired, the stud 82 may be secured to the spring clips 86, in which case the stud is omitted from the fitting shown in Fig. 18.

It desired, a box-like structure or container 90 shown in Fig. 21 may be applied to either of the studs 32, 66 or 82. This box member or container comprises two parts 91 and 92 which may be removably secured together in any suitable manner. One of the members, such as the member 91 in the construction illustrated, may be provided with a screw-threaded hole 93 therein which may cooperate with either of the studs 2, 66 or 82 for securing the receptacle to the supporting member of the article. The other part of the container is provided with a screw-threaded stud 94 to which a base member or other part may be applied and held in place, for example, by means of the button such as shown in Fig. 2. This container may be used for small articles or small quantities of materials, such for example as a medicinal preparation, perfume, or the like, and for this purpose, the container may be provided with openings or perforations 95 therein through which vapors of a medicinal preparation or the odor of a perfume may pass out of a container.

In Fig. 22, I have shown a panel or wing part of a base member of modified construction. This panel or base member as shown comprises two sheets of transparent material 97 and 98 arranged in close proximity and in parallel relation to each other and secured together at their lower edges as indicated at 99. A display or decorative card or other flat article 100 may be inserted into the space between the two panels 97 and 98 for the purpose of decoration or advertising and this card may, consequently, be readily removed and replaced by another card. If the article is worn as a tie, the card 100 may have printed thereon decorative designs, and if desired, different designs or advertising matter may be printed on opposite faces of the card so that the card may be reversed to change the appearance of the tie or article.

Fig. 23 shows a container 105 for liquids which may be perfumes, medicinal preparations or the like. The container is preferably flat so as to occupy the minimum space and has rigidly secured thereto a tube 106, the outlet portion of which may be straight, as shown, or curved in any desired direction.

The tube has a supporting member 108 in the form of a flat strip rigidly secured to the tube and a stud 109 is secured to the tube and supporting member, this stud corresponding to the stud 32 shown in Fig. 1. The supporting member may be similar to the supporting members shown in Figs. 4 and 5 or may be in the form of a flat strip of plastic material having holes in the ends thereof to which a neck band may be secured. A base member simulating a bow tie may then be secured to the stud as described in connection with other figures. The container 105 may be of flexible material so that it can be squeezed to discharge liquid therefrom.

By means of the construction described, a tie or similar article may be produced which provides facilities for many varied uses of the article, and the base member may be changed or varied to suit the desires of the wearer.

It will be understood that various changes in the details, materials, and arrangements of parts which have been herein described and illustrated in order to explain the nature of the invention, may be made by those skilled in the art within the principle and scope of the invention, as expressed in the appended claims.

I claim as my invention,

1. A necktie including a base member in the form of two wings connected by a narrow portion and simulating a bow tie and having an aperture extending through said narrow portion, a supporting member formed of a strip of resilient material arranged in rear of said base member and having a central forwardly extending stud rigidly secured on said supporting member and adapted to pass through said aperture, a button removably secured to the front end of said stud

after the same has passed through said aperture for holding said base member on said supporting member, means for securing a neck band to said supporting member, and a drape having means at the upper end thereof for securing said drape to the middle of said narrow portion of said base, said button covering said drape securing means.

2. A necktie according to claim 2, in which said narrow portion of said base member has additional apertures therein, cords secured to the upper end of said drape formed to pass through said last mentioned apertures to secure said drape to said base member to simulate a four-in-hand tie in conjunction with a bow tie.

3. A necktie including a base member in the form of two wings connected by a narrow portion and simulating a bow tie and having an aperture extending through the middle of said narrow portion and other apertures in said narrow portion arranged in spaced relation to said first mentioned aperture, a supporting member formed of a strip of resilient material arranged in rear of said base member and having a central forwardly extending stud secured on said supporting member and formed to pass through said first mentioned aperture, means on said supporting member for securing a necktie thereto, a pair of drapes each having snap fasteners secured to the upper ends thereof, said snap fasteners being positioned on said drapes to pass through

said second mentioned apertures of said base member for securing said drapes to said base member to simulate a bow tie in conjunction with a four-in-hand tie, and a button having threaded engagement with the front end of said stud after the same has passed through said aperture for removably holding said base member and supporting member in fixed relation to each other and for covering said snap fasteners of said drapes.

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