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Fig. 1.

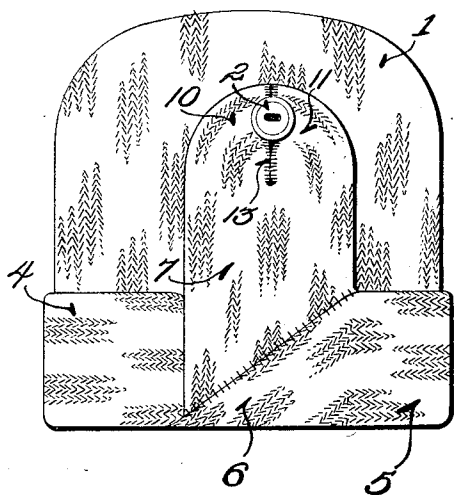


Fig. 2.

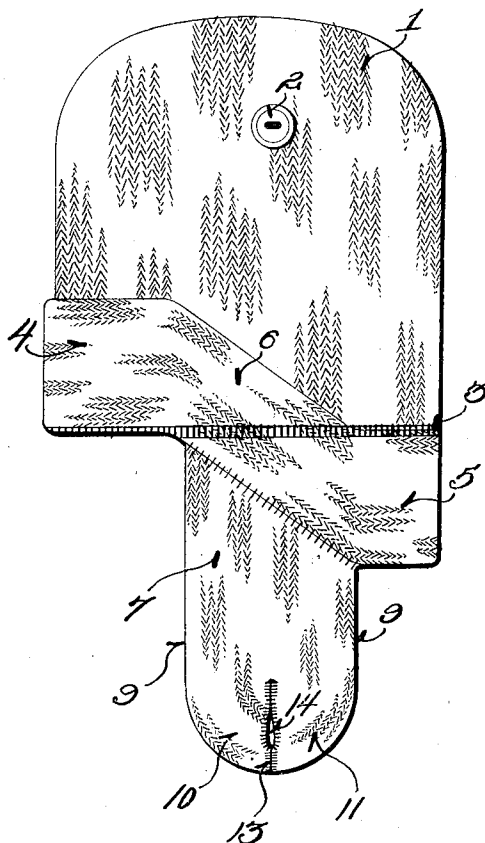
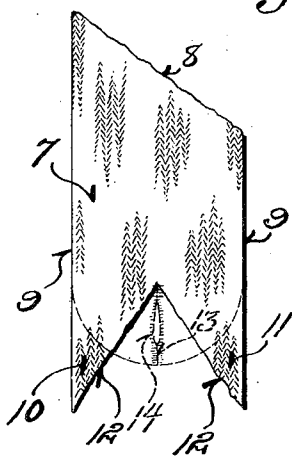


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELMER N. JOHA, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee, and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Knitted Caps; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

This invention relates to knitted caps and to a method of making knitted parts.

This invention is an improvement over that disclosed in the United States Letters Patent for knitted caps and methods of making same granted to me October 18, 1921, and bearing Serial Number 1,394,093, and has the same general objects as those enumerated therein.

Further objects are to provide a knitted cap in which an encircling band having normally folded slanting portions is provided with ear flaps joined thereto, in which the ear flaps have rounded or tapered ends provided with selvages forming continuations of the selvages of the body of the flaps, and in which the slanting folded portions are normally covered by the flaps.

Further objects are to provide a method of forming knitted flaps with rounded or tapered ends having inherently finished edges, and to provide a method of forming knitted bands by straight knitting and subsequent fashioning whereby the tapered or rounded ends have selvages forming continuations of the selvages of the body portion.

An embodiment of the invention is shown in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the cap as it appears when the ear flaps are turned upwardly.

Figure 2 is a corresponding view with the ear flaps turned down.

Figure 3 is a detail of one of the ear flaps in one stage of construction.

The cap comprises a knitted crown portion 1 provided with buttons or other secure means 2 upon opposite sides thereof. A knitted band is provided and is partly slipped over the lower edge of the crown, as shown in Figure 2, and is secured thereto by a line of stitching or other suitable means 3. This band may be knitted with straight knit portions 4 and 5 arranged in an offset relation to each other and joined

by rack knit portions 6. It is attached to the lower edge of the crown by the line of stitching 3 referred to above, and it will be noted that such line of stitching joins the crown to the lower edge of the portion 4, diagonally traverses the rack knit portion 6, and joins the upper edge of the portion 5 when in the position shown in Figure 2. The ear flaps have their body portions 7 attached to the rack knit portion, as illustrated in Figure 2 and are adapted to be folded upwardly when the portion 5 is so folded and to cover the V-shaped opening where the rack knit portion is diagonally folded, as in Figure 1.

It will be seen that a finished margin or selvedge is provided for the band portion and that the raw diagonal edge 8 of the body portion 7 of the ear flaps are stitched to the slanting marginal edge of the rack knit portions.

In forming the ear flaps, the body portion is knit as an elongated member provided with selvages 9 along its margins. A V-shaped dart is cut out of the end of the body portion and provides triangular projections 10 and 11 which have selvaged outer edges forming a continuation of the selvaged margins of the body portion and also have diagonal or slanting opposed edges 12. These last edges 12 are drawn together and are secured by stitching or other suitable means 13, as may be seen from Figures 1 and 2; thus providing a tapered or rounded outer end for the ear flaps which is provided with selvaged margins forming a continuation of the selvaged margins of the body portion of the flaps. If desired, the stitching 13 may be omitted along an intermediate portion of the margins 12 and such edges may be otherwise finished to provide button holes 14.

It will be seen, therefore, that a knitted cap has been provided which is convertible and may be worn as an ordinary simple type of cap with an attractive ornamentation or may be worn as a cap provided with downwardly extending portions adapted to be positioned over the ears of the wearer and secured beneath the chin in any suitable manner.

It will further be seen that throughout the extent of the encircling bands and ear flaps, the selvages are provided on all of the exposed margins and consequently the

cumbersome or unsightly finishing of these edges, such as that employed for cut edges is not necessary.

It will be seen, therefore, that a cap of effective character for affording the necessary adaptability and of a pleasing appearance and of neat and attractive design has been provided.

It will further be seen that an extremely simple and cheap method of forming knitted flaps with tapered or rounded ends having selvaged margins has been provided.

Although one form of the invention has been described in considerable detail, it is to be understood that the invention may be variously embodied and is, therefore, to be limited only as claimed.

I claim:

1. A cap comprising a crown, a continuous knitted band entirely encircling the lower portion thereof and having straight portions joined by rack knitted portions, and knitted ear flaps joined along diagonal lines to said rack knitted portions and having rounded selvaged outer end.

2. A knitted cap comprising a crown portion, a continuous band entirely encircling the lower portion of the said crown, said band comprising two straight knit portions joined by two rack knit portions located

adjacent the side portions of the crown and normally folded transversely to place the straight knit portions in substantial alignment with each other, and ear flaps attached to one margin of the said rack knit portion and normally projecting upwardly, whereby the resulting diagonal edges are normally hidden.

3. A cap comprising a crown portion, a continuous band entirely encircling said crown and comprising two straight portions relatively off set and joined by slanting portions, means securing opposite sides of said straight portions adjacent the lower edge of the crown, and ear flaps secured to said slanting portions.

4. The method of making a knitted flap comprising knitting an elongated body portion with marginal selvages, cutting a dart out of one end to form two triangular extensions integral with the body portion and each provided with a selvedge forming a continuation of one of the marginal selvages, drawing the opposed edges of said extensions together, and joining such edges.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand at Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee and State of Wisconsin.

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