

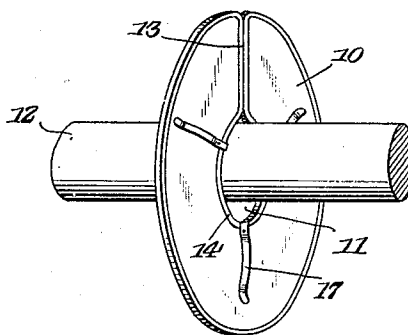
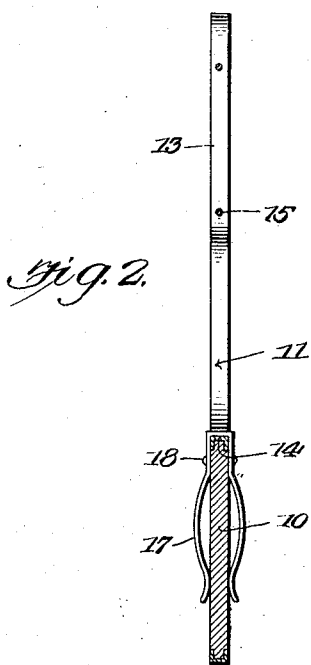
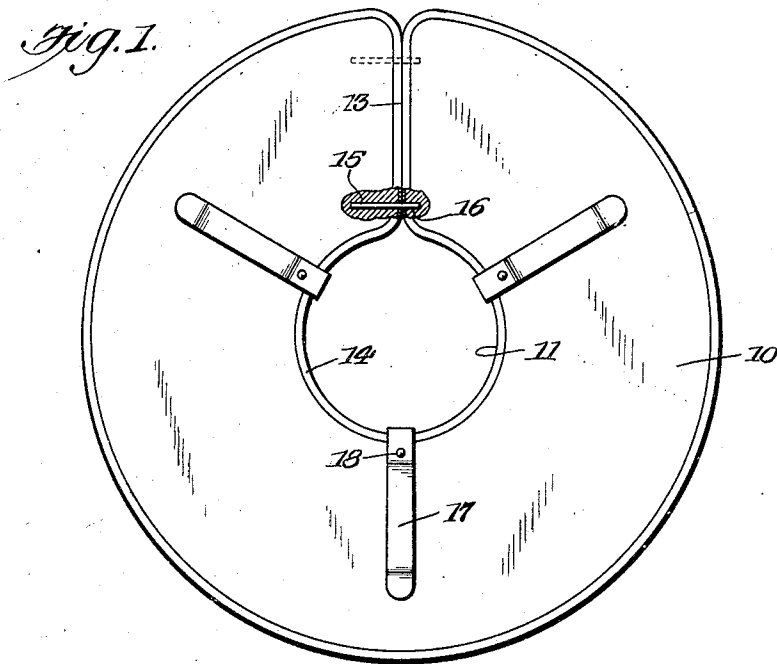
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*Fig. 3.*

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GARMENT SIZER

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This invention relates to an article preferably defined as a garment sizer or spacer.

In various stores selling merchandise or articles kept on racks, rods and the like, and especially in retail ready-to-wear establishments, both ladies' and men's, as well as in stock rooms of manufacturers, jobbers, and distributors of wearing apparel and the like where particular lines of merchandise are sorted and stored on rods, pipes, and the like, it is quite advantageous to maintain the garments or other articles separated in some way according to size or price or the like. Accordingly, the present invention contemplates markers or the like which may be secured on the rod or rack, a marker being interposed between each group of articles.

Such marker, spacer or sizer is preferably of disk-like form or circular and has an opening therein with a split extending from the opening to the edge of the disk to permit the spacer or sizer to be placed on the rod or rack. The split, of course, is necessary, but often the ends formed by said split become offset from each other and allow the shanks of garment hangers to enter the opening in the disk. For this reason, a further object of the invention is the provision of means for releasably locking the ends formed by the split, together.

A further object is to reduce the friction created by the spacer or sizer being moved along the rack or rod.

Another object is to provide means for temporarily securing cards or other data bearing elements on the spacer or sizer.

In the accompanying drawings,

Figure 1 is an elevational view of a sizer or spacer constituting the present invention. Fig. 2 is a sectional view on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the sizer or spacer on a rod, rack, or the like.

In order that the sizer or spacer may be comparatively light and inexpensive to manufacture, it is preferably made up from a disk of cardboard, 10, usually circular with an aperture 11 formed centrally therein, the size of the aperture depending upon the cross sections of the rod or rack 12 on which said

sizer is to be used. For the purpose of placing the sizer on the rod, the disk is split, as at 13, the split extending from aperture 11 to the edge of the disk.

When in use, the spacer is moved back and forth along the rod quite frequently, and to overcome the frictional engagement between the rod and the wall of aperture 11, said wall is provided with a metallic facing or liner. Preferably said liner, indicated at 14, extends around the wall of said aperture, along the walls of the ends formed by split 13 and entirely around the perimeter of the disk. This not only facilitates sliding the disk along the rod, but, by reinforcing the outer edge, liability of tearing the paper disk is reduced to a minimum.

As has been before mentioned, the ends at split 13 might become separated and offset so as to permit the shank of a hanger on the rod 12 entering aperture 11. To prevent this the ends are releasably locked together, for instance, by means of pins 15 on one side of split 13 engaging in recesses 16 in the opposite side. Due to the resiliency of the paper disk, the pins 15 will be more or less spring pressed into said recesses. So far as this feature is concerned, any resilient material could be used in making disk 10.

Both sides of disk 10 may be utilized for carrying any desired information permanently impressed thereon, but in the event it is desired to only temporarily place certain information or data thereon, one or more clips 17 may be mounted on the disk. Preferably they are spring clips attached to the disk by rivets 18. These clips may be spaced around the disk so that a card under at least one of them will be visible at all times.

This sizer or spacer can be used for separating articles according to size or price and, in fact, for any purpose requiring separation of articles of merchandise that is stored on racks, rods or the like. The sizers may be made in sets of different colors which could designate differences in price, sizes, styles, or color ranges.

I claim:

1. A garment sizer or spacer for garments suspended on an elongated support compris-

ing a disk of resilient material having an aperture therein and a slit extending from said aperture to the edge of the disk to permit the spacer to be placed transversely on said support, and cooperating elements in the abutting surfaces of the split for releasably holding said slit closed, the resiliency of said disk yieldingly holding said elements in engagement with each other.

2. A garment sizer or spacer comprising a paper disk having a central aperture and a split extending from said aperture to the edge of the disk, whereby the spacer may be placed on an elongated garment supporting member at any point intermediate the ends of the latter while a plurality of garments are suspended from the same, a metal facing on the wall of said aperture and split, and cooperating members in the walls of said split for preventing relative movement of the ends of the disk the resiliency of the disk yieldingly retaining said cooperating members in engagement with one another.

3. A garment sizer or spacer comprising a paper disk having a central aperture and a split extending from said aperture to the edge of the disk whereby the spacer may be placed on an elongated garment supporting member at any point intermediate the ends of the latter while a plurality of garments are suspended from the same, a metal facing on the wall of said aperture and split, one wall of said split having a recess therein and projection on the other wall of said split engageable in said recess to lock the ends of the split disk together, the resiliency of said disk yieldingly retaining said projection in said recess.

4. A garment sizer or spacer comprising a disk like member having a central aperture and a split extending from said aperture to the edge of the disk, and cooperating fastening members for detachably securing the edges of the split together and preventing relative movement of the edges of the split, said fastening members being completely concealed when the edges of the split are secured together.

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