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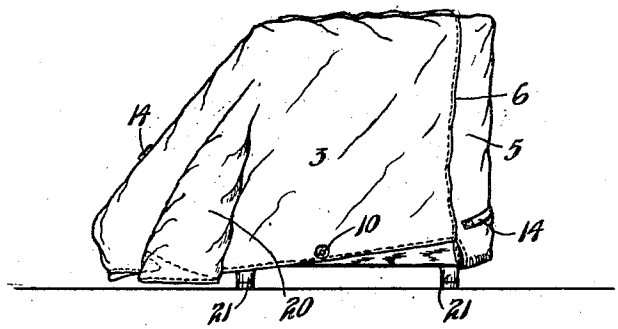
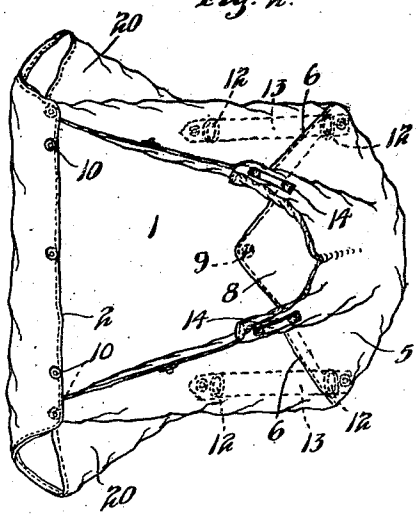


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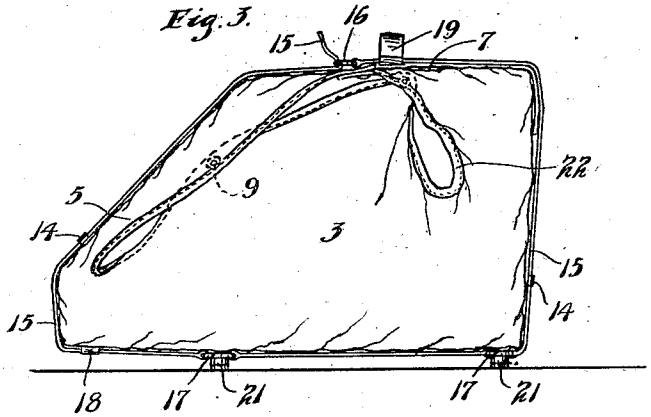


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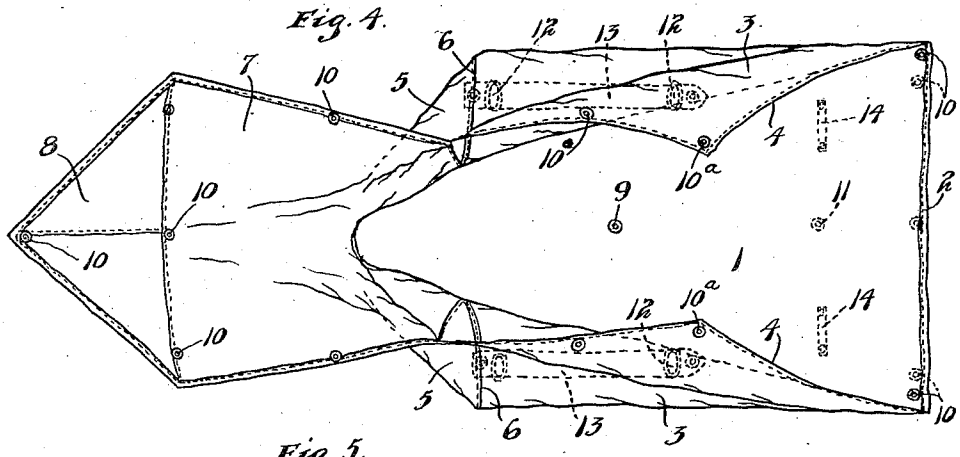
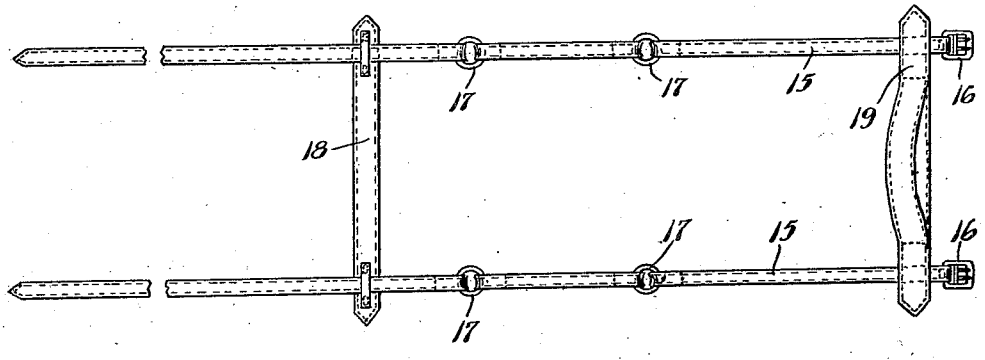


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARIE OLSTAD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Pelican Rapids, in the county of Otter Tail and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Typewriter Covers and Carrying Devices; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact decription of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to a cover for a typewriter and particularly to such a cover adapted to be used in different positions. It is the common practice to have a cover for a typewriter which is usually placed thereon while the typewriter is not in use, as at night, which cover merely embraces the top and sides of the machine and is entirely open at the bottom. It is frequently necessary to transport a typewriter from one place to another and at such times it is very desirable to have the machine entirely covered so as to protect the same from dust and dirt.

It is an object of this invention, therefore, to provide a cover of flexible material which is adapted to be used as the ordinary open bottom cover embracing the top and sides of the typewriter but which is also convertible into a cover entirely surrounding the machine.

It is a further object of the invention to provide such a cover formed substantially as a pocket at one end, one part of which is provided with a flap adapted to be folded flat on the inner side of the pocket when the cover is used as an open bottom cover, but also adapted to lap over and co-operate with the other end of the pocket and be connected thereto by suitable fasteners when the device is used as the cover entirely surrounding the typewriter.

It is also an object of the invention to provide the cover with apertures through which the legs of the typewriter project when the cover entirely surrounds the same and also to provide a device co-operating with the cover for holding the same in place and forming a carrying means for the typewriter.

These and other objects and advantages of the invention will be fully set forth in the following description made in connection with the accompanying drawings in which like reference characters refer to the same parts throughout the different views, and in which,

Fig. 1 is a view in side elevation of the typewriter having the cover applied thereto in the form of an open bottom cover;

Fig. 2 is a bottom plan view of the cover as seen in Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a view in side elevation of the cover and holding means applied to the typewriter when the same is used as a cover entirely surrounding the same;

Fig. 4 is a top plan view of the cover as used in Fig. 3 having the end portions extended outwardly; and

Fig. 5 is a plan view of the holding means for the cover.

Referring to the drawings, a cover for a typewriter is shown which will be made of suitable flexible material, preferably in the nature of strong canvas or rubberized cloth. Said cover comprises a main sheet or body portion 1 having a substantially straight edge 2 at one end thereof. The body portion 1 extends upward at the side portions 3 and said side portions 3 are cut on a slant or incline to the ends of the edge 2, as shown at 4. The body portion 1 at the end opposite the end 2, extends upwardly to form an end portion 5 and this end portion 5 is connected to the side portions 3 by subsubstantially vertically extending seams 6. The said seams 6 terminate at the edges of the side portions 3 but the end portion 5 continues as an end flap 7, the terminal 8 of which is pointed or of triangular shape. The body portion 1 has on its interior and substantially centrally thereof, one member 9 of a co-operating pair of fastening means illustrated as of the common snap fastener type. The edge 2 and the upper edges of the side portions 3 are also provided with snap fasteners 10^a, and the edges of the end flap 7 are provided with complementary snap fastener members 10, a row of fastening members 10 extending across the triangular portion of the end flap 7. A fastener 11 is also disposed centrally of the body portion 1 somewhat adjacent to the edge 2 thereof but on the exterior of said body portion. The body portion 1 of the cover is provided with suitable apertures 12 which, preferably, will have stitched or worked edges and flaps or strips of material 13 are also provided and preferably held in place by suitable snap fasteners for cov-

ering said holes in one use of the cover. The cover is also provided on its exterior with spaced pairs of keepers 14. In order to hold the cover in place in one use thereof, a strap device is provided comprising spaced straps 15 suitably apertured at their ends and provided intermediate their ends with rings or other open-shaped members 17 spaced centrally to the holes 12 and are also connected by cross straps 18 and 19, the latter of which is formed as a strap handle.

When the device is to be used as an open bottom cover forming the usual temporary cover for a typewriter, the flap 7, together with its end portion 8 will be folded down onto the interior of the body portion 1, the end fastener on the portion 8 co-operating with the fastener 9, and the inner pair of fasteners 10 on the flap 7 co-operate with the adjacent pair of fasteners 10^a on the edges of the side portions 3 to hold the flap in position, as shown in Fig. 2. The cover then can be placed on the typewriter, as shown in Fig. 1, the side portions 3 extending at each side of the machine with the seam 6 extending vertically substantially at the rear of the machine. The end portion 5 is disposed at the rear of the machine, while the end opposite said portion drapes down over the front. There will be folds 20 formed at the front corners of the typewriter, but owing to the flexible material used, these folds will simply lie down flat. It will be noted that the body portion 1 with its side portions 2 and end portion 5 form a pocket of substantially rectangular shape which, in the use of the device shown in Fig. 1, accommodate one end of the typewriting machine which, as is well known, is substantially rectangular in shape. When the cover is thus used the flaps or strips 13 extend over the holes 12 so that said holes are closed to the entrance of dust or dirt.

When the device is to be used as a cover entirely surrounding the typewriter to protect the same from dirt during transportation, the flap 7 will be disconnected and folded outwardly, as shown in Fig. 4. The typewriter will then be placed on the interior of the body portion 1 and the legs 21 thereof, as shown in Fig. 3, will be placed through the holes 12, the body portion 1 thus extending under the machine and the end thereof having the straight edge 2 being disposed at the rear of the machine. The end of the body portion 1 having the straight edge 2 is now extended up at the rear of the typewriter, while the end portion 5 and the flap 7 extend upwardly at the front thereof. The flap 7 now overlaps the end portion having the straight edge 2 at the exterior thereof and the end fastener on the portion 8 of said flap connects with the fastener 11, the row of fasteners across the base of the triangular portion 8 co-operating with the row of fasteners on the exterior of the straight edge 2 which are shown in dotted lines in Fig. 4. The fasteners 10 on the side of the flap 7 will co-operate with the adjacent fasteners 10 on the side edges of portions 3 and the end fasteners 10 on the edges of the side portions 3 will co-operate with the end fasteners on the interior of the edge 2 which are shown in full lines in Fig. 4. The cover now entirely encloses the typewriter. There will be folds 22 formed at the upper rear corners of the typewriter, but these folds will be substantially flat, owing to the flexible material used. The typewriter can now be transported or stored and will be efficiently protected from dust and dirt. In order to hold the cover in position, and prevent the same slipping off the legs of the typewriter, the straps 15 are placed under the machine and the rings 17 engaged over the said legs 21, the legs passing at one side of the straps 13. The straps will now be passed through the keepers 14 and the ends thereof brought together and buckled on top of the typewriter. The connecting strap 18 will be disposed beneath the machine at the front end thereof to prevent sliding of the straps and the connecting strap 19 will be disposed substantially at the center of the top of the machine. The ring portion 17 will thus prevent the cover slipping off of the edges of the typewriter and the straps 15 will prevent lateral shifting of the cover at the upper portion of the machine. The machine can conveniently be carried by the handle portion of strap 19.

From the above description it is seen that applicant has provided a very efficient and easily convertible typewriter cover which has great utility when used either as an ordinary temporary cover for the machine or used as a completely enclosing cover. The device is easily and inexpensively made and very readily applied to the machine in either position. The same has been actually demonstrated in practice and found to be very efficient and successful.

It will, of course, be understood, that various changes may be made in the form, details, arrangement and proportions of the parts without departing from the scope of applicant's invention, which, generally stated, consists in a device capable of carrying out the objects above stated and such as shown and described and set forth in the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. A typewriter cover of flexible material comprising a pocket and flaps, said cover being adapted to extend over the top and sides of a typewriter with said pocket and flaps in one position, but being invertible to form a cover entirely surrounding said typewriter with the pocket and flaps in another position.

2. A typewriter cover of flexible material comprising a body portion with side portions and end portions having free edges, said cover being adapted to extend over the top and sides of the typewriter with one of said end portions connected to said body portion, but being reversible and invertible to form a cover entirely surrounding said typewriter with said end portions overlapping and connected together.

3. A convertible cover for a typewriter, the same being formed of flexible material comprising a fastener equipped body portion, and an end flap having fasteners thereon, said end flap being adapted to be connected in one position to said body portion to form a cover for the top and sides of a typewriter, and being adapted to be fastened to the other side of said body portion to form a cover extending under the bottom, over the top and all sides of the typewriter.

4. The structure set forth in claim 3, said body portion in its latter position being adapted to extend under the typewriter and having openings therein through which the legs of said typewriter may extend.

5. A convertible cover for a typewriter, the same being formed of flexible material comprising a fastener equipped body portion, and an end flap having fasteners thereon, said end flap being adapted to be connected in one position to said body portion to form a cover for the top and sides of a typewriter, and being adapted to be fastened to the other side of said body portion to form a cover extending under the bottom, over the top and all sides of the typewriter, said body portion in its latter position being adapted to extend under the typewriter and having openings therein through which the legs of said typewriter may extend, spaced keepers on said cover at the front and rear thereof, and a pair of straps extending around said cover through said keepers and carrying rings fitting over the legs of said typewriter to hold said cover in position, the ends of said straps being provided with connecting means.

6. A convertible cover for a typewriter, the same being formed of flexible material comprising a fastener equipped body portion, and an end flap having fasteners thereon, said end flap being adapted to be connected in one position to said body portion to form a cover for the top and sides of a typewriter, and being adapted to be fastened to the other side of said body portion to form a cover extending under the bottom, over the top and all sides of the typewriter, said body portion in its latter position being adapted to extend under the typewriter and having openings therein through which the legs of said typewriter may extend, spaced keepers on said cover at the front and rear thereof, and a pair of straps extending around said cover through said keepers and carrying rings fitting over the legs of said typewriter to hold said cover in position, the ends of said straps being provided with connecting means, a strap connecting said straps under the typewriter, and a handle-equipped-strap connecting said straps at the top of said typewriter.

7. The structure set forth in claim 3, and flaps secured to said cover and extending over said openings when the cover is used to cover only the top and sides of the typewriter.

8. A typewriter cover of flexible material comprising a body portion having side portions with fastener-equipped edges and an end flap carrying fasteners, said end flap being adapted to be fastened flat on said body portion to form a cover for the top and sides of a typewriter with the body portion disposed over the top of the typewriter and said end flap adapted to be fastened to the other end of said body portion and the said side flaps to form a cover entirely surrounding the typewriter with said body portion extending beneath the same.

9. A typewriter cover of flexible material having a substantially rectangular pocket with fastener-equipped edges, and a fastener-equipped end flap, a fastener in the interior of said pocket to which said end flap is secured to form an open bottom cover for the sides and top of the typewriter, said end flap also being adapted to have its edges secured to the edges of said pocket and to extend around one end thereof to form a cover entirely enclosing said typewriter.

10. A typewriter cover of flexible material formed with a pocket at one end having side portions with fastener-equipped edges, a fastener-equipped flap extending at one end of said pocket and the other end of said pocket having a free edge with spaced fasteners at both its interior and exterior, a fastener on the interior of said pocket and a fastener on the exterior of said pocket, said flap being adapted to fold down on the interior of said pocket and engage the fastener therein as well as the fastener of the edges of the said side portions to form a cover adapted to extend over the top and sides of a typewriter, and said cover being invertible and reversible to extend under and entirely surround the typewriter with said end flap overlapping the free edge of the pocket and the fasteners thereon cooperating with the fastener on the exterior of said pocket and the fasteners on the exterior and interior of the edges thereof.

11. A typewriter cover of flexible material comprising a sack-like pocket adapted to be disposed with its open end downwardly to form a typewriter cover but being invertible and closable to surround said typewriter and having holes in its closed end through

which the typewriter legs project in said latter position.

12. A typewriter cover of flexible material comprising a body portion having free edges, said body portion being adapted to extend over the top and sides of a typewriter in one position with the said edges disposed downwardly, said cover being invertible and adapted to surround said typewriter with the body portion beneath the same and its free edges disposed upwardly, and means for holding said cover in its latter position.

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