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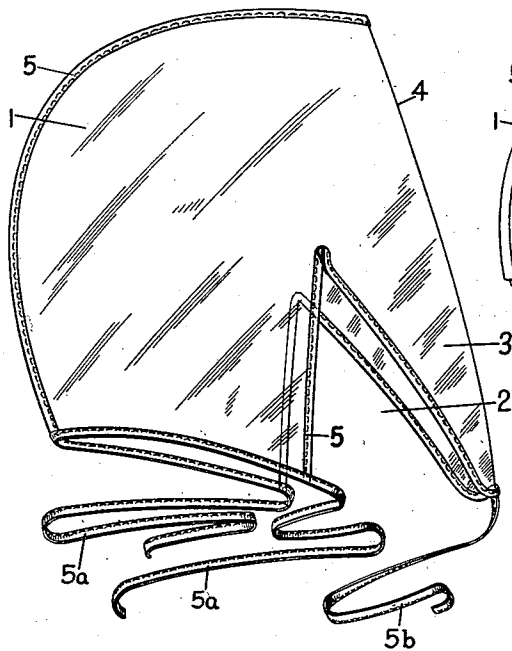


Fig. 1

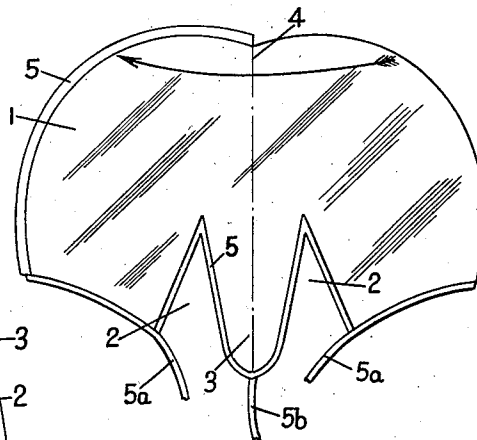


Fig. 2

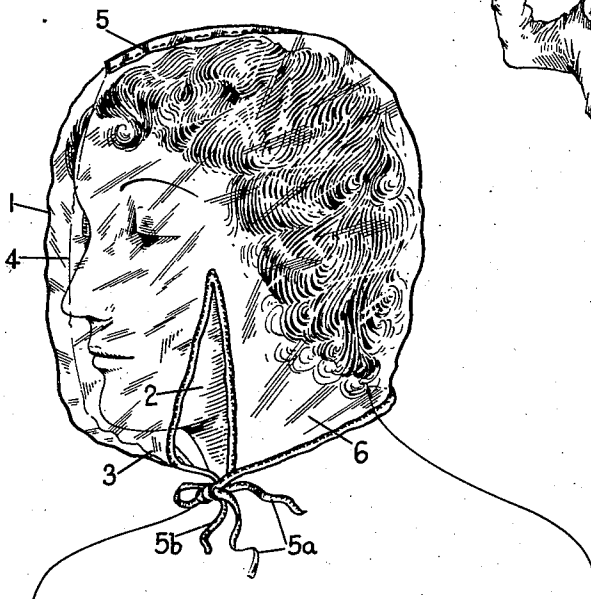


Fig. 3



Fig. 4

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My invention relates to a protecting hood. It has to do, more particularly, with a hood adapted to be used by women in trying on dresses or other garments adapted to be slipped over the head.

In the prior art, several different types of hoods have been provided for use by women in trying on dresses such as in dress shops. The hood is adapted not only to protect the garment from being soiled by the make-up worn by the woman trying on the garment but is also adapted to protect the make-up from being smeared and to protect the woman's hairdress. The prior art hoods of the general type indicated, however, have been possessed of certain undesirable features. They are usually of such a nature that they are difficult to put on and to take off. They are also usually of such a type that the garment will catch on portions thereof, particularly during removal of the garment. Furthermore, the prior art hoods are usually of such a nature as to obstruct the vision of the wearer.

One of the objects of my invention is to provide a hood of the type indicated which will give complete protection to the garment and to the make-up and hairdress of the wearer of the hood and which is of such a nature that it can be put on easily or removed easily.

Another object of my invention is to provide a hood of the type indicated of such a nature that the garment will not catch on portions thereof during the slipping of the garment downwardly over the head of the person trying it on or during removal of the garment by slipping it up over the head.

Another object of my invention is to provide a hood of the type indicated which is of such a nature that it will not interfere with the vision of the person wearing it.

Another object of my invention is to provide a hood of the type indicated which is simple and which can be manufactured at a low cost.

The preferred embodiment of my invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing wherein similar characters of reference designate corresponding parts and wherein:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a hood made according to my invention.

Figure 2 is a plan view of the flat blank of material from which the hood is made.

Figure 3 is a perspective view illustrating the hood in position on the head of the woman.

Figure 4 is a perspective view illustrating a woman wearing the hood and slipping on a garment.

With reference to the drawing, in Figure 1 I

have illustrated a hood made according to my invention. This hood is adapted to be made from a flat sheet 1 of Cellophane or other suitable transparent material, as shown in Figure 2. The sheet is cut in the manner indicated in Figure 2 to provide a substantially semi-circular main body portion having inverted V-shaped notches 2 in its lower edge to form a flap 3. The piece of material is adapted to be folded along the center line, indicated by the numeral 4 and the meeting edges of the material are secured together by means of a binding strip 5 secured to both edges, for example, by stitching. All the other edges of the material have binding strips 5 secured thereto. It will be noted that the binding strips on the lower edges of the material are continued past the edges of the notches 2 to form tie strings 5a. Furthermore, the flap 3 has a tie string 5b secured to the lower edge thereof. The binding material 5 is also preferably of transparent material.

When the sheet 1 is folded in the manner described, it produces the hood illustrated in Figure 1. This hood is completely closed except at its bottom edge. As shown in Figure 3, the hood is adapted to completely enclose the head of the wearer. It not only covers the hair but also the face. The portion 6 extends down over the neck of the wearer. The flap 3 forms an extension of the front portion of the hood and is adapted to extend downwardly under the chin. The portion 6 may be secured tightly around the neck by means of the tie strings 5a. Furthermore, the extension or flap 3 may be secured under the chin by means of the tie string 5b. It will be noted from Figure 3 that the notches 2 extend upwardly a substantial distance. This will facilitate slipping of the hood into place or removal of the hood since the flap 3 may be swung upwardly to a high position above the nose of the wearer.

In Figure 3 I have illustrated the hood in position while a person is slipping on the garment. It will be noted that no portions of the device will catch on the garment as it is slipped downwardly. Furthermore, it will be noted that when the garment is slipped upwardly there also will be no danger of it catching on the hood because the portion 6 closely embraces the neck and the flap 3 extends beneath and up over the chin. It will also be noted that since all portions of the device are made of transparent material, there will be no interference with vision of the wearer. This is important because the person trying on the garment likes to note her appearance in a mirror. It will be noted that this device will completely

protect the garment, particularly at the neckline, from being soiled which is very important to the proprietors of dress shops. Furthermore, it will be noted that the make-up and the hairdress of the customer will be protected which is an important point to the customer.

Although I have described my hood as being particularly useful in trying on garments, it will also be useful by actors to protect their make-up during quick changes of costumes, such as between acts.

Various other advantages will be apparent from the preceding description, the drawing and the following claim.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is:

A protecting device of the type described comprising a hood-like body portion made of flexible

transparent material, said body portion comprising a top main portion which covers the top portion of the head and extends downwardly a substantial distance at the front, back and sides of the head, a lower back flap portion which extends downwardly completely over the back and sides of the neck, a front flap portion tapered downwardly to a point and adapted to extend over the face, fastening means provided at the forward and lower corners of said back flap portion, fastening means provided on said front flap portion at its lowermost point, said fastening means of the front flap portion being so constructed as to cooperate with the fastening means of the back flap portion in order that the front flap portion may be secured in position beneath the chin.

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