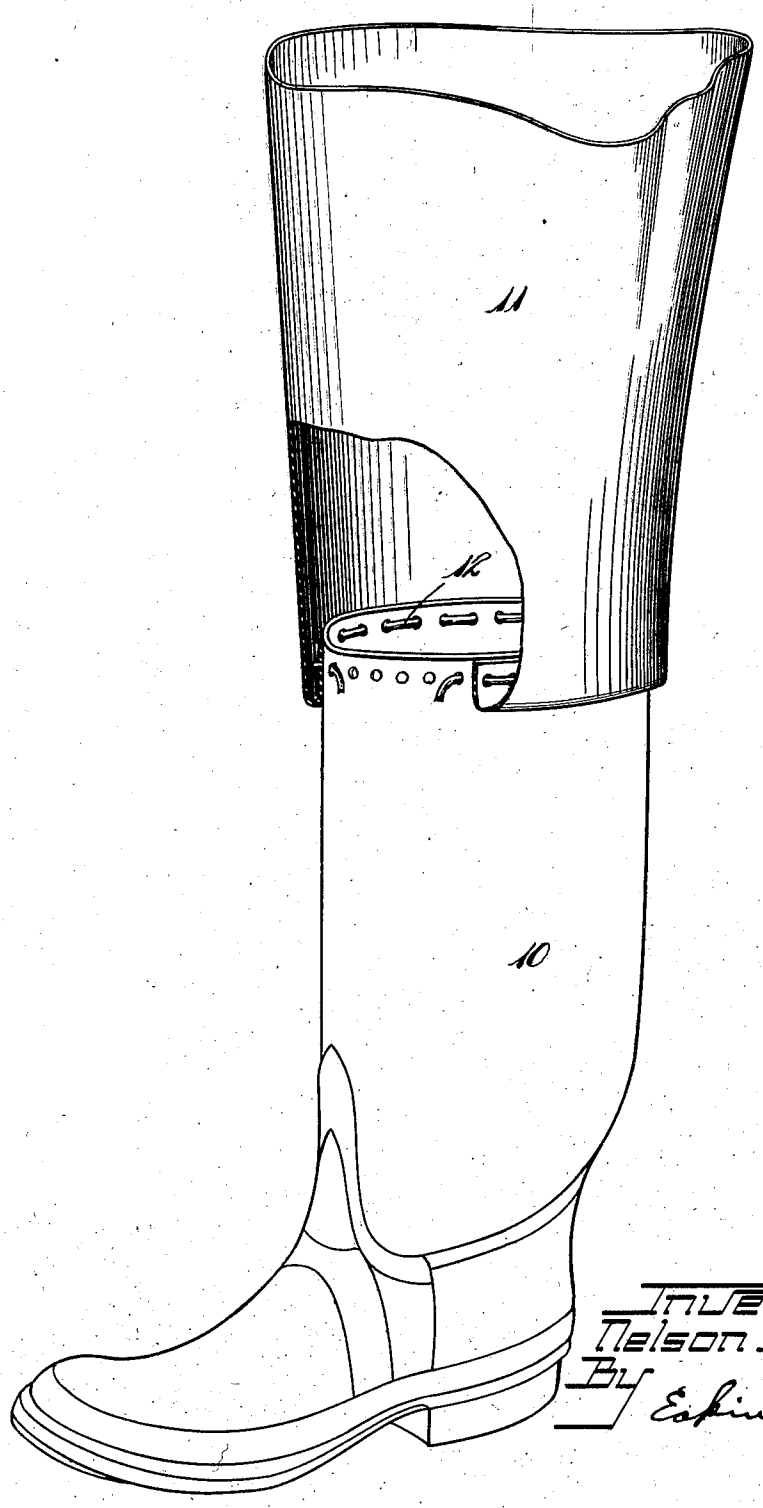
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This invention relates to high topped boots, sometimes called hip boots.

It is usual to make such boots of unitary, watertight construction throughout their height in order that they may serve as wading boots in water more than knee-deep, but I have conceived of the idea of sacrificing the advantages of this full-length water-tight construction for the attainment of certain other objects, the chief of which are to provide economically a boot of substantially "hip length" such as to be satisfactory for certain uses such as car-washing; to provide a boot adapted throughout its length to shed water directed against it as in a rain although not suitable for deep wading, and to provide for utilizing a boot of knee-length, or an old boot of greater height from which a worn portion of the top has been cut, in producing a high boot of the character referred to.

The single figure of the accompanying drawing is an elevation, with parts sectioned and broken away, of a boot employing and made in accordance with my invention in its preferred form.

Referring to the drawing, 10 is a boot of substantially knee length, which initially may be an ordinary boot of that length or may be a portion of an old high boot from which a worn portion of the top has been removed. Secured to the upper end of it is a tubular extension top 11, which, like the boot proper, preferably is of water-proof, rubber-surfaced fabric, the extension top being so secured to the leg of the boot proper as to overlap it externally, for the shedding of water, and preferably, for neatness of appearance, the lower margin of the extension top is turned back within the extension top and attached to the leg of the boot proper with its edge face upward as shown.

Preferably, the two are joined by means of a lacing 12 threaded through registered apertures in the margins of the two, and preferably the apertures are eyeletted.

The extension top conveniently can be made by cutting it from flat sheet stock, eyeletting its lower margin, and then seaming it to give it the desired tubular form.

For mounting it upon the boot proper it is preferably turned in-side out and telescoped downward, up-side down, over the lower leg of the boot, the apertures of the two thus being brought into registry and the two then being laced together by means of the lacing 12. The extension top is then reversed by pulling it back upward to the position shown in the drawing, a boot thus being provided which attains the objects above set out.

I claim:

A high top boot comprising a boot portion of intermediate height having a flexible upper margin perforated to receive a circumferentially extending lace, an extension top of flexible material having its lower margin turned inwardly and upwardly so as to engage the margin of the boot portion and being correspondingly perforated, and a flexible lacing threaded through the perforations of the boot portion and the upwardly turned portion of the extension top and uniting the boot portion and its extension top by a weather protected seam.

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