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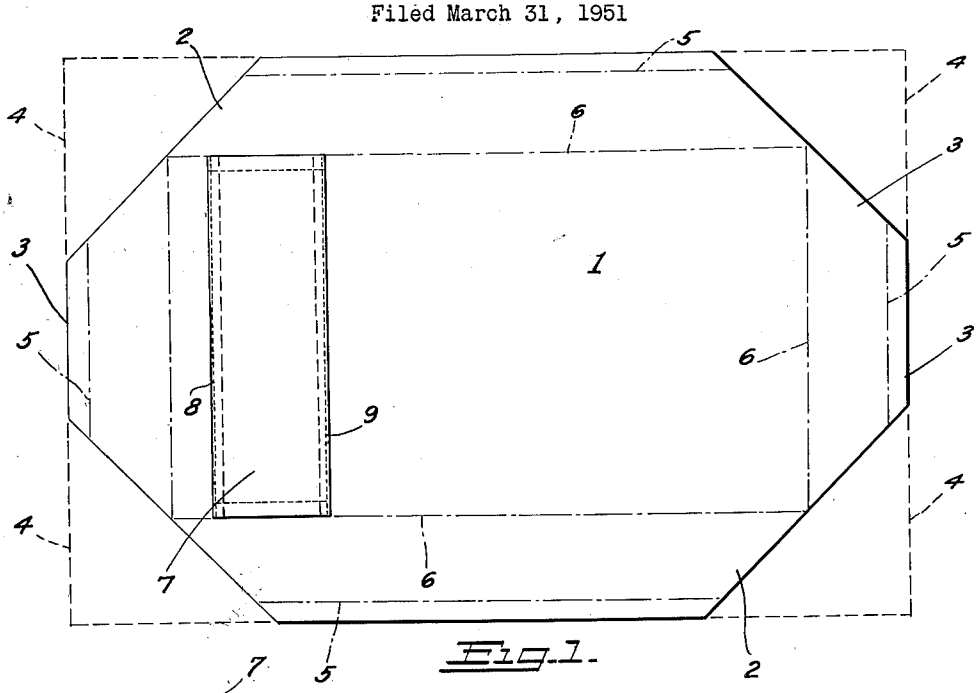



Fig. 1.

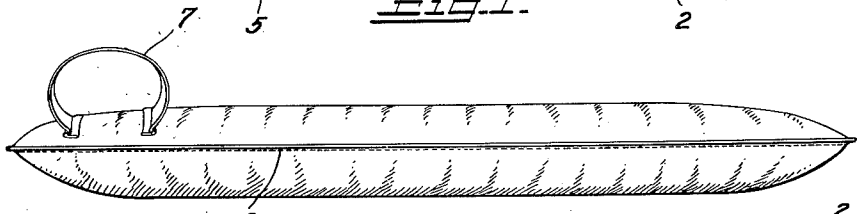



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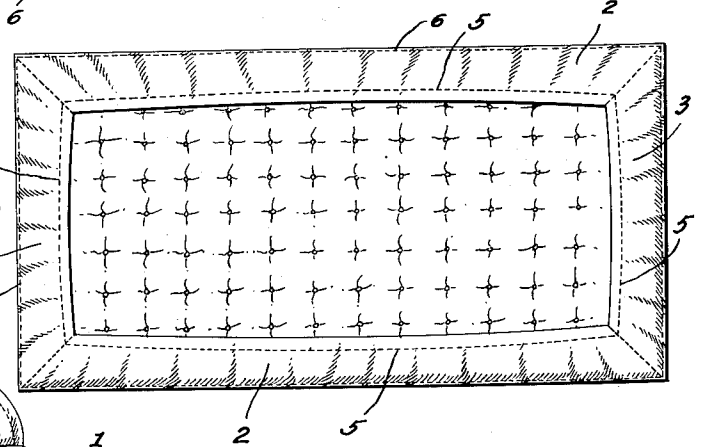



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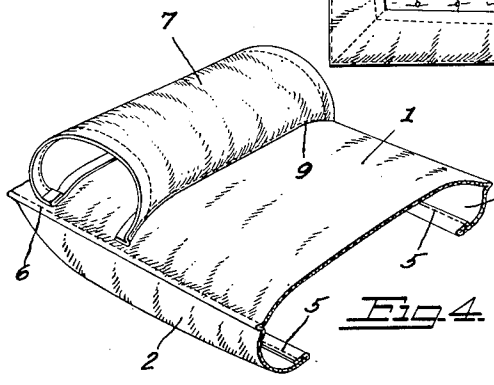



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My invention is a combined mattress and pillow cover. The object of my invention is to provide a novel bed covering which can be passed through the conventional laundry mangle substantially as easily as the ordinary bed sheet and which, when made of the proper size, will not only snugly fit over the top, sides and ends of a mattress but will also retain the pillow or pillows in position for use by the occupant or occupants of the bed.

It is also an object of my invention to provide a bed covering having a preferably rectangular body portion provided with side and end flaps integral therewith and having a seam extending along each edge of the body portion, with the lines of stitching which form the seams passing through the body portion and at the same time through the parts of the flaps joining the latter to the body portion. The seams form guides, which enable the operator of the mangle to direct the bed covering properly therethrough. After the article is properly ironed the flaps lie close in contact with the body portion and the device takes up substantially no more room than the conventional bed sheet that would be used on a mattress of the size for which the device is designed to be used.

In the drawing forming part of my disclosure,

Fig. 1 is a plan view of the blank from which the sheet portion of the device is made;

Fig. 2 is a side view showing the sheet portion applied to a mattress and the pillow case portion secured to the sheet portion;

Fig. 3 is a bottom plan view of the bed covering as applied to a mattress;

Fig. 4 is a fragmentary perspective view of the device.

In making my bed covering, I start with a rectangular piece of cloth of sufficient size to provide a panel or body portion 1 of the correct dimensions to cover the top of a mattress and, in addition to provide flaps 2 and flaps 3 to cover the sides and ends of the mattress and also to allow sufficient cloth to be turned over to form hems for said flaps. I then cut from the corners of the cloth four pieces of the same size and in the form of right angle triangles 4. This provides a blank having an outline such as shown in Fig. 1.

Each one of the flaps is folded along a line 5 extending parallel to the edge of the flap and the folded part is then sewed to the rest of the flap to form a hem. The edges of each flap 2 are then sewed to the adjacent edges of the end flaps 3, the lines of stitching extending inwardly from the corners of the body portion 1 toward the central longitudinal axis thereof. A line of stitching 6 is then run along each edge of the body portion through the latter and the adjacent portion of one of the flaps, as is clearly disclosed in Figs. 3 and 4.

A rectangular piece of cloth 7 of substantially the same length as the width of the panel or

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body portion 1 is then sewed along lines 8 and 9 to that surface of said panel which is to form the upper surface when the device is in use. It will be noted that the line 8 is close to and parallel to one of the edges of the body portion 1 and the line 9 is parallel to and spaced from the first mentioned line of stitching by a distance substantially less than the width of said rectangular piece of cloth. As a result, a receptacle for one or more pillows is formed as a permanent part of the bed covering. The receptacle is preferably but not necessarily open at each end thereof to facilitate the insertion or removal of one or more pillows into or from the receptacle.

The flaps in cooperation with the body portion form pockets for the reception of the corners and edges of the mattress. The four corners of the mattress may be inserted one at a time into the corner pockets of the device, and then, if necessary, the edges of the flaps can be adjusted to lie smoothly along the sides and to underlie somewhat the bottom of the mattress at the edges thereof.

I do not wish to be limited to the exact details of the invention or beyond the scope of the following claims:

1. The combination of a bed sheet and a pillow case secured thereto, said sheet comprising a rectangular body portion and side and end flaps integral with said body portion and arranged to underlie the bottom surface of said body portion, each side flap being sewed to the adjacent edges of the end flaps along lines of stitching extending inwardly from the respective corners of the sheet toward the longitudinal axis of said body portion, a line of stitching extending close to and parallel to the juncture of each flap with the body portion and passing through the adjacent parts of said flap and body portion, and said pillow case being disposed transversely of said body portion and comprising a piece of cloth secured to said body portion by spaced lines of stitching extending parallel to one end of said body portion to form a receptacle for receiving therein one or more pillows.

2. A structure such as set forth in claim 1, in which the two ends of the receptacle are open.

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