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MUFF WITH POCKET FOR HAND WARMER

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FIG. 1

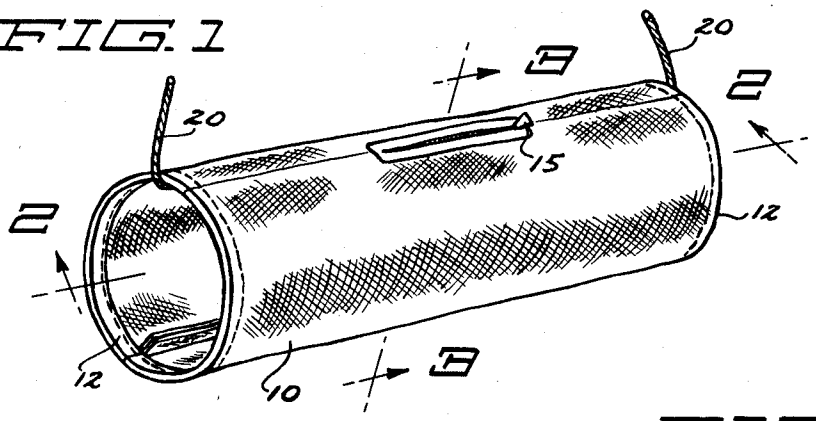


FIG. 2

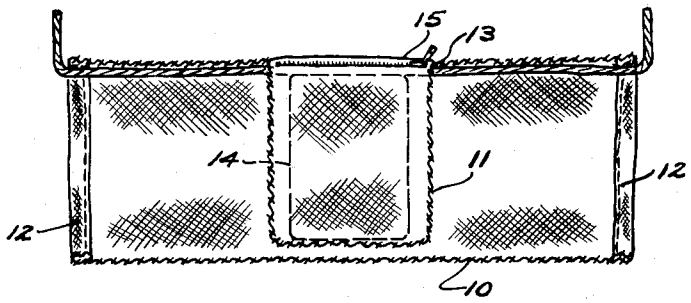


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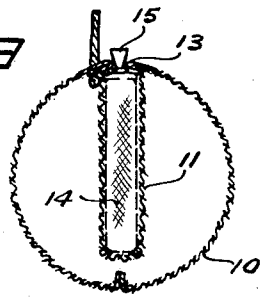
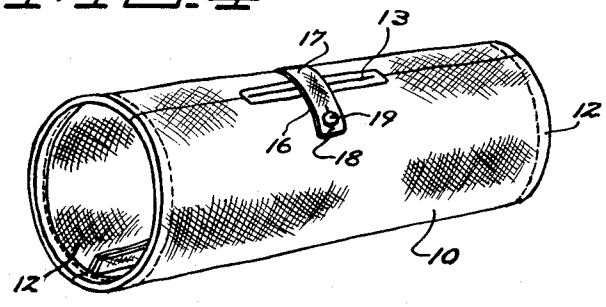


FIG. 4



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The invention herein has relation to a new and improved muff with pocket for removably receiving a hand warmer.

In the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification,

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a muff with pocket incorporating features and characteristics of the invention.

Fig. 2 is a central longitudinal sectional view, taken on line 2—2 in Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view, taken on line 3—3 in Fig. 1; and

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a muff with pocket made according to the invention including closure means for the pocket of modified construction.

Speaking generally, an article of wearing apparel which the invention presents consists of a muff **10**, constituted as an elongated tubular member, and a pocket **11**, within the muff, constituted as a bag or pouch. Desirably, material which provides the elongated tubular member or muff **10** will be resistant to passage of heat, while material which provides the pocket, bag or pouch **11** may be of type to readily allow passage of heat therethrough. The material comprising both the muff **10** and the pocket **11** may desirably be flexible.

The tubular member or muff **10** can be of any preferred configuration in transverse direction, as, for example, circular, elliptical, rectangular, etc. As shown, said tubular member or muff is circular and of uniform diameter throughout its length, as well as open at its opposite ends **12, 12.**

A longitudinal slit **13** in an upper portion of the bounding or defining wall of the tubular member or muff **10** is equidistantly spaced from the opposite ends of said tubular member or muff in the disclosure as made. The pocket, bag or pouch **11** is, as shown, of rectilinear configuration and of size to readily removably receive a rectilinear hand warmer **14.** The mouth of the pocket, bag or pouch **11** is stitched, or otherwise secured, as at **15,** to material of the tubular member or muff **10** directly surrounding the longitudinal slit **13,** in such manner that said pocket, bag or pouch is supported within said tubular member or muff as clearly disclosed in Figs. 2 and 3, in equally spaced relation to the open opposite ends **12, 12** and in adjacent or proximate relation to a lower portion of said bounding or defining wall of the tubular member or muff directly opposite the longitudinal slit **13.** At location other than the mouth of the pocket, bag or pouch **11,** the tubular member or muff is free of said pocket, bag or pouch. Entry into the interior of the pocket, bag or pouch **11** is by way of the longitudinal slit **13** when this is in open condition.

In Figs. 1, 2 and 3 of the drawing, a closure for the

longitudinal slit **13** consists of a zipper **15,** of ordinary or preferred construction, adapted to be slid in one direction to cause said longitudinal slit to be closed and to be slid in opposite direction to cause the longitudinal slit to be open. In Fig. 4, the longitudinal slit **13** is openable and closable by a transverse tab **16** which extends across said longitudinal slit in direction transversely of the tubular member or muff **10.** One end **17** of the transverse tab **16** is attached to said tubular member or muff, and the other end of said transverse tab includes a button hole **18** for removably receiving a button **19** attached to the tubular member or muff.

A continuous carrying cord **20** for the new and improved muff with pocket for hand warmer has a first length thereof extending through the tubular member or muff **10** and includes a second length (not shown) to be supported upon and about the neck of a wearer of the muff with pocket.

In practical use of the article of wearing apparel herein illustrated and described, the hands of a wearer can be inserted into opposite ends of the muff, with either right or left hand in front of the pocket and hand warmer, and the position of the wearer's hands can be reversed whenever he may so choose. The palm of the hand which is placed in front of the pocket and hand warmer will normally be contiguous with said pocket and hand warmer, while the back of the hand placed at the rear of the pocket and hand warmer will normally be contiguous with said pocket and hand warmer. Clearly, by reversing the relative positions of the hands with respect to the pocket and hand warmer, and by turning each hand so that any desired part thereof may selectively be brought in contact with the pocket and hand warmer, a user of the muff with pocket can situate any part of either hand where it is calculated to best receive heat from the hand warmer.

What is claimed is:

An article of the character described comprising a muff constituted as an elongated member having an open ended hand receiving elongated passageway therethrough bounded by and extending from end to end of a continuous wall of said elongated member, and an apertured pocket for receiving a hand warmer constituted as a pair of joined elements within and extending longitudinally along said elongated passageway, an exterior edge portion of at least one of said elements being secured to the continuous wall of said elongated member at a side thereof, said continuous wall of the elongated member and said elements together providing open ended hand receiving spaces constituted as parts of said elongated passageway bounded at the interior sides thereof by opposed exterior surfaces of the elements, respectively, of said pocket adjacent to said exterior edge portion and at the exterior sides thereof by internal surfaces of the continuous wall of said elongated member adjacent to said exterior edge portion and at opposite sides, respectively, of said opposed exterior surfaces of said elements.

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