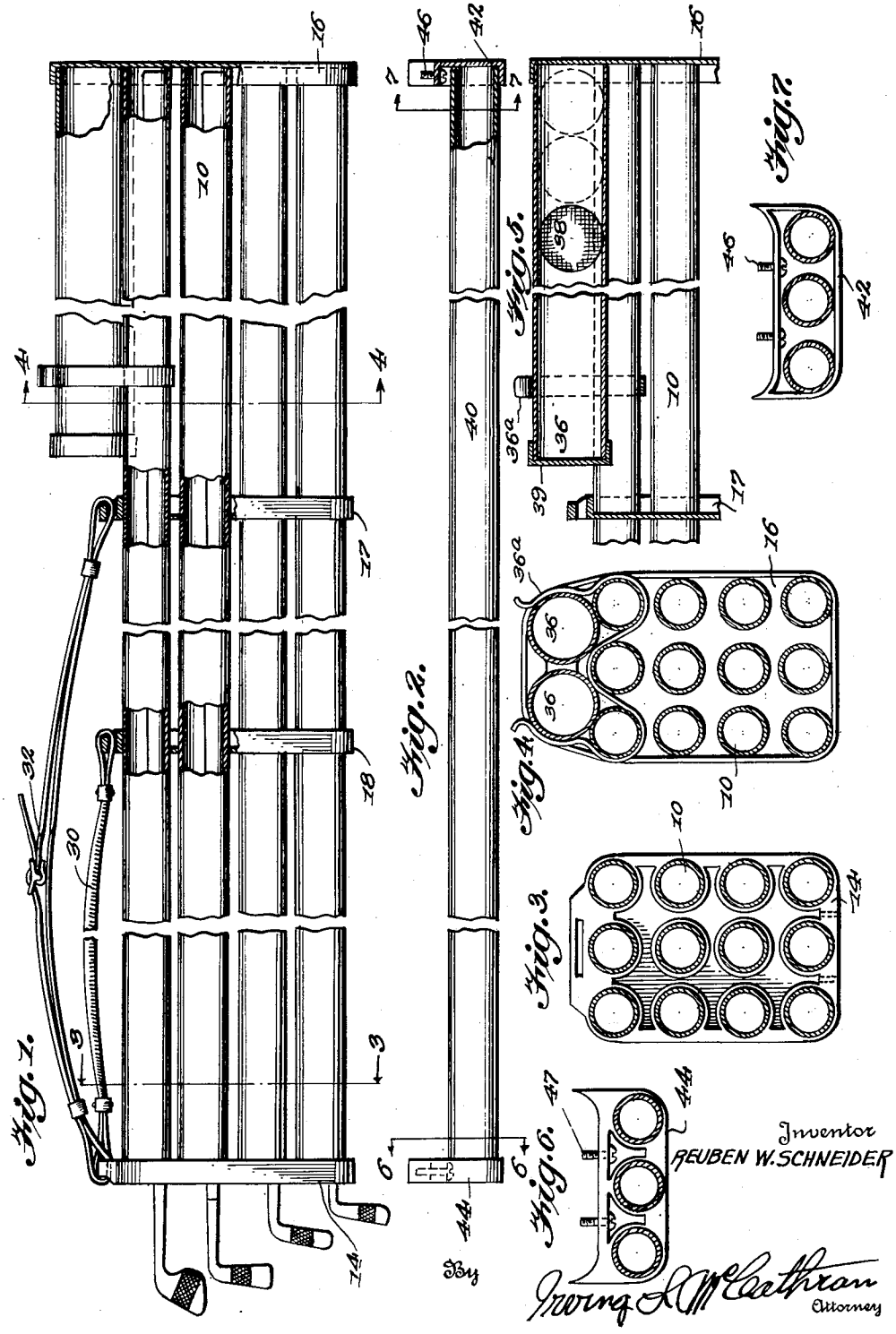
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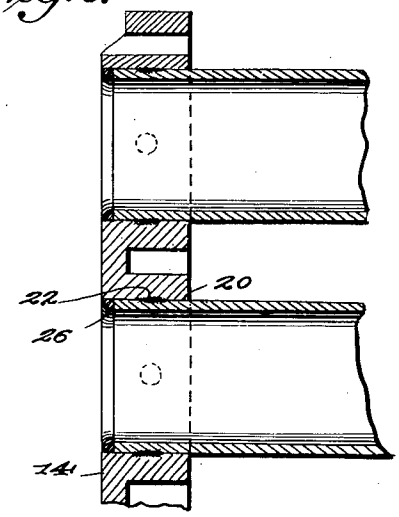


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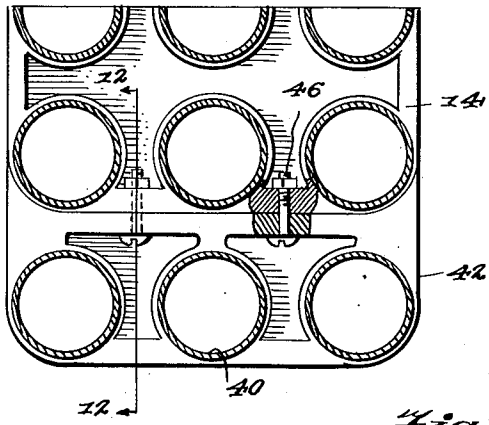


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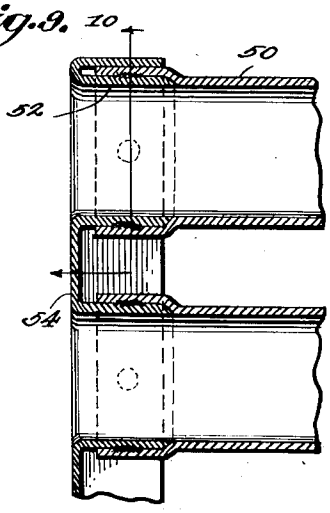


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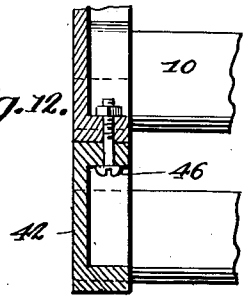


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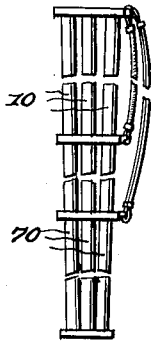


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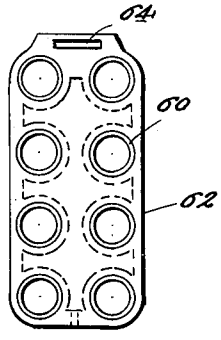


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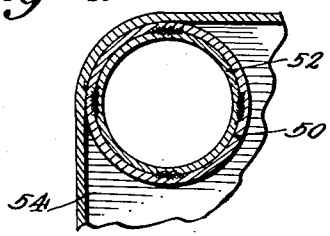
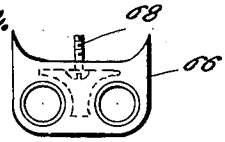


Fig. 14.



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This invention relates to golf bags, and will be found to contemplate the provision of an individual compartment for each club in a set so that the individual clubs and more particularly the shafts thereof are protected against injury through coming in contact with other clubs.

Further, a feature of the invention will be found to reside in the provision of means by which supplemental carriers may be added from time to time depending upon the number of clubs in a set.

Another feature of the invention has reference to a ball carrying means by which ready access may be obtained to the supply of needed golf balls.

Another object of the invention is to provide a golf bag which is light, neat in appearance, and relatively cheap to manufacture.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent during the course of the following description.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which like numerals are employed to designate like parts throughout the same:

Figure 1 is a fragmentary side elevation of the improved golf bag;

Figure 2 is a fragmentary side elevation of a supplemental carrier by which provision may be made for carrying additional clubs;

Figure 3 is a vertical transverse sectional view taken on line 3—3 of Figure 1;

Figure 4 is a vertical transverse sectional view taken on line 4—4 of Figure 1;

Figure 5 is a detail longitudinal sectional view through the lower portion of the club carrier, the view illustrating the golf ball carrying means partly in section;

Figure 6 is a vertical transverse sectional view taken on line 6—6 of Figure 2;

Figure 7 is a vertical transverse sectional view taken on line 7—7 of Figure 2;

Figure 8 is a detail longitudinal sectional view through the upper portion of the carrier;

Figure 9 is a detail longitudinal sectional view illustrating a slight modification of the invention;

Figure 10 is a transverse sectional view taken on line 10—10 of Figure 9;

Figure 11 is a detail transverse sectional view illustrating the supplemental carrier applied to the main carrier;

Figure 12 is a detail longitudinal sectional view taken on line 12—12 of Figure 11;

Figure 13 is an end view illustrating a slight modification of the invention;

Figure 14 is an end elevation illustrating the supplemental carrier for use in connection with the carrier shown in Figure 13; and

Fig. 15 is a diagram illustrating a further modification of the invention.

In the drawings, wherein for the purpose of illustration there are shown several preferred embodiments of the invention, the numeral 10 indicates a plurality of co-extensive tubes of a diameter to receive the shafts of golf clubs both wooden and iron, and the tubes are preferably of a rigid light-weight material such as aluminum, although it is obvious that there are a number of materials available for advantageous use.

The tubes 10 are shown to be held in assembled position and in slightly spaced relation by the head and foot members 14 and 16 respectively, and by intervening spacing members 17 and 18.

The lower ends of the tubular carriers 10 are secured flatly to the inner surface of the foot member or base 16 by welding or any other means found expedient and in this manner, the lower ends of the tubular carriers are closed. It is shown in Figures 1 and 4 that the base member 16 is formed with a flange extending entirely about the original tubular carriers 10 and such flange may be welded or otherwise secured to the adjacent carriers.

Referring now to Figure 8, it will be seen that the upper end member 14 may be provided with a plurality of openings 20 for the snug reception of the upper terminal portions of the tubular carriers 10 and such upper terminal portions of the carriers may be welded or otherwise secured as indicated at 22 and 26 to the member 14 producing a rigid construction.

By the same token, the intermediate spacing and connecting members 17 and 18 are provided with registering openings receiving the intermediate portions of the tubular carriers 10 and welding or other fastening means may be employed to join the members 17 and 18 rigidly to the adjacent portions of the tubular carriers, so that the members 17 and 18 are caused to cooperate with the end members 14 and 16 in producing a rigid structure.

In carrying out the invention, a hand strap 30 may be secured at the upper end thereof to the upper end member 14 while the lower end of the hand strap may be secured to the intermediate member 18.

A shoulder strap or loop 32 may be secured at the upper end thereof to the member 14, while

the lower end of the strap 32 may be secured to the intermediate member 17.

Referring now to Figures 4 and 5 it will be seen that one or more tubes 36 for containing golf balls 38 may be disposed longitudinally of the club receiving tubes. These tubes normally extend substantially parallel to the outer set of tubes 10 with their lower ends bearing against the base member 16 and each tube 36 has its upper end closed by a removable cap 39. A spring clip 36a is provided to normally retain the tubes in the position shown in Figure 5 and referring to Figure 4 it will be seen that this clip consists of a strip of resilient metal having its intermediate portion in interwoven engagement with the tubes 10 and its end portions extended therefrom and bent to form jaws which grip the tubes 36 from opposite sides thereof and firmly but releasably hold these tubes in their normal position. When a golf ball is needed it is merely necessary to grasp the tubes 36 near their upper ends and exert sufficient pull to tilt them away from the tubes 10. The caps can then be removed and easily replaced after a ball or balls have been removed from or dropped into the tubes and the tubes snapped back into engagement with the clip. If two or more ball receiving tubes are used they may be soldered together as shown in Figure 4, if so desired.

Should the owner of the golf club carrier have occasion to add to the clubs in the set, provision may be made for this by the attachment of the supplemental carrier shown in Figure 2 in which the tubes are designated by the numerals 40 and are joined at the lower ends thereof to a supplemental base member 42 and at the upper ends thereof to a supplemental head member 44.

As shown in Figures 11 and 12, the flange surrounding the member 16 has the corners thereof rounded and the corners of the supplemental base member 42 may be curved to lie flatly in contact with these rounded corners and thereby cause the outer edges of the members 16 and 42 to be flush.

The supplemental base member 42 may be secured to the member 14 through the aid of fastening devices 46 in the nature of bolts extended through the adjacent portion of these parts and between the inner and outer surfaces of these parts so as to be protected from contact with articles with which the same might entangle.

The supplemental member 44 has the inner corners thereof provided with extensions to extend about the curved corners of the member 14 to produce, in effect, a one-piece construction and suitable fastening devices 47 are employed to connect the members 14 and 44, these fastening devices being shown in Figure 6 to be positioned between the inner and outer surfaces of the members 14 and 44 and to be protected from contacting with the clothing and other articles.

In the form of invention illustrated in Figure 9, the upper portions of the tubes 50 may be positioned to receive the inwardly flanged portions 52 of the header or upper end member 54, in which case welding or other means may be employed to connect these parts.

Figures 13 and 14 illustrate a form of bag or carrier embodying only two rows of tubes 60 and end members 62 as distinguished from the three-row arrangement shown in Figures 1 to 8, inclusive.

The upper end portion of the end member 62 may be provided with a transverse slot 64 for the reception of attaching straps.

The supplemental carrier 66 illustrated in Figure 14 and having a width the same as that of the carrier shown in Figure 13 may be attached to the carrier shown in that figure through the aid of fastening devices 68 more or less similar to the fastening devices 47.

In the diagrammatic view shown in Figure 15, the tubes 70 are shown to converge toward the lower portions thereof to provide economy in the matter of space, etc.

A bag constructed in accordance with this invention may have dimensions less than those of conventional golf bags and could be more easily carried and accommodate more clubs for a given amount of space, in addition to the fact that each club is mounted in its own compartment or tube to protect the club and at the same time to give ready access to the desired club without the necessity of looking through the group of clubs for the desired club.

The foregoing illustrates that the invention forming the subject of this application, is capable of wide variety of mechanical expressions and therefore it is to be understood that the several forms of invention herewith shown and described are to be taken merely as preferred examples of the same and that such minor changes in arrangement and construction of parts may be made as will remain within the spirit of the invention, and the scope of what is claimed.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. In a carrier for golf clubs, a plurality of rigid tubes, head and base members secured to end portions of said tubes and having marginal flanges substantially parallel to axes of said tubes, a supplemental carrier embodying tubes and end members secured to end portions thereof and having marginal flanges in flat contacting engagement with the flanges of the head and base members, and fastening means carried by the flanges to detachably secure contacting portions thereof in engagement with each other.

2. In a golf club carrier, a plurality of tubes, rectangular head and base members secured to end portions of said tubes, the head and base members being formed with rounded corners and having marginal flanges, supplemental tubes, supplemental head and base members secured to end portions thereof and having marginal flanges in flat face to face contact with flanges at ends of the first mentioned head and base members, the supplemental head and base members having corner extensions engaged about the rounded corner portions of the first mentioned head and base members and conforming to the curvature thereof to prevent transverse shifting, and fasteners passed through the contacting flanges to detachably connect the same.

3. In a golf club carrier, a plurality of rigid tubes, base and head members engaging end portions of said tubes and holding the tubes spaced from each other, upper ends of the tubes being open and exposed through the head member, a golf ball receiving tube extending longitudinally of the first tubes with one end bearing against the base member, a resilient strip carried by certain of the first tubes and having end portions extending therefrom and releasably engaging the ball receiving tube to normally retain in the ball receiving tube in position substantially parallel to the first tubes.

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