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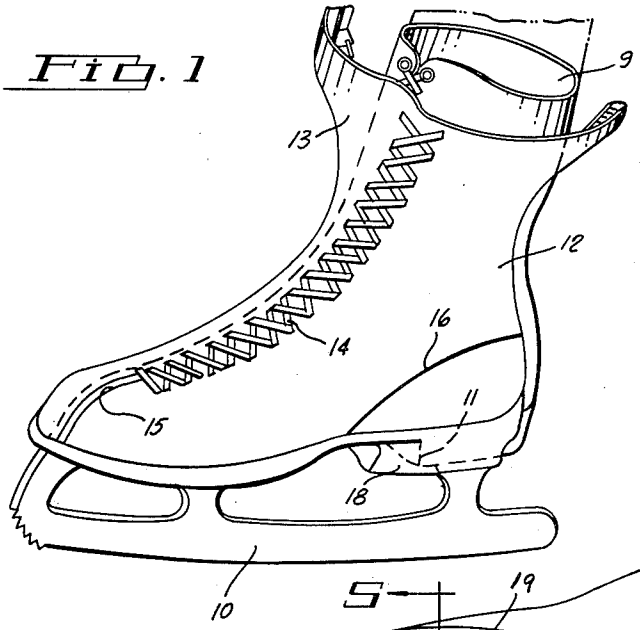

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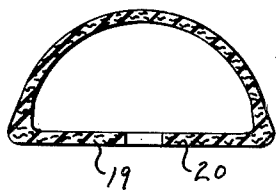

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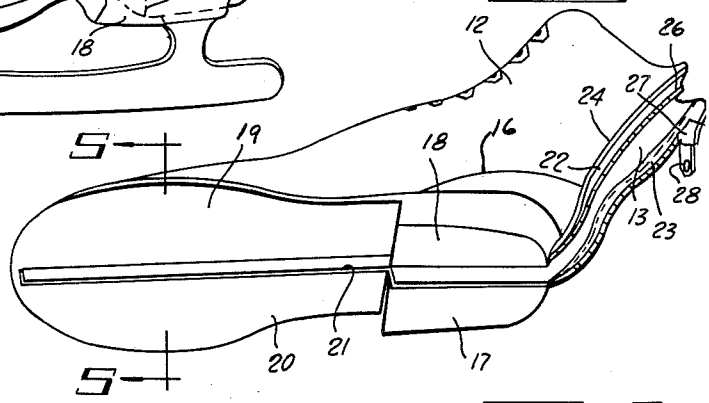

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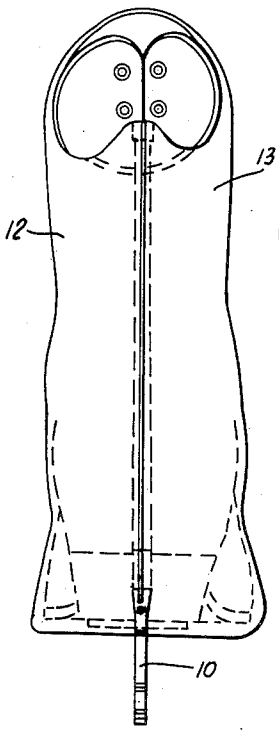

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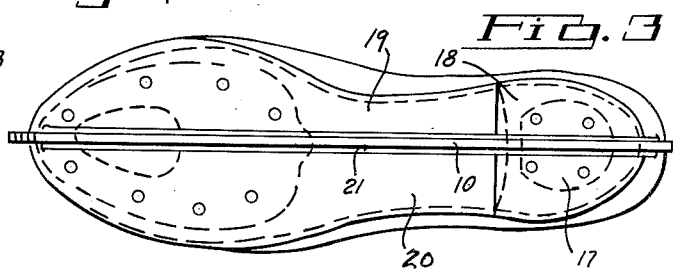

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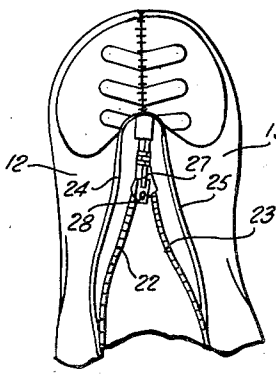

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My invention relates to a new and useful improvement in a wrap-around overshoe whereby the overshoe may be quickly and easily slipped into position on a skating shoe on which a skate is mounted.

Another object of the invention is the provision of an overshoe of this class which may be easily slipped on to the forward end of the shoe and secured into position.

Another object of the invention is the provision of an overshoe of this class slit from the top to the bottom from the rear end thereof and provided with fastening means movable into fastening position upon movement from the top to the bottom.

Another object of the invention is the provision of an overshoe for a skate bearing shoe slit at the rear from the top to the bottom and provided with a fastener which moves from the top to the bottom for fastening and which when moved to the top for unfastening disconnects the adjacent edges of the portion at the rear.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

It is recognized that various modifications and changes may be made in the detail of the structure illustrated without departing from the invention, and it is intended that the present disclosure shall be considered to be but the preferred embodiment.

Forming a part of this application are drawings in which,

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of the invention showing it applied with a fastening means in an inoperative position,

FIG. 2 is a rear elevational view of the invention showing it applied with a fastening means in an operative position,

FIG. 3 is a bottom plan view of the invention showing it applied,

FIG. 4 is a perspective view of the invention showing a fastening means in an inoperative position,

FIG. 5 is a sectional view taken on line 5—5 of FIG. 4,

FIG. 6 is a fragmentary rear elevational view of the invention with the fastening method in nearly inoperative position.

As shown in the drawings, the invention comprises an overshoe for fitting around a skater's shoe **9** to which a skate **10** is attached. The overshoe is of the wrap-around type and consists of a pair of side portions **12** and **13** formed integrally with each other and on the front of which is formed an ornamentation **14** and **15** and on the sides **16**. On each of the portions there is formed at the bottom thereof heel receiving portions **17** and **18** and the sole forming portions **19** and **20**. These heel receiving portions and the sole forming portions **19** and **20** being of greater thickness than the side forming portions **12** and **13**, and less flexible.

When the side flaps **12** and **13** are moved toward closing position as shown in FIG. 4 and when moved to fully closed position as shown in FIG. 3, there is a slit **21** spacing, the sole forming portions **19** and **20**, and the heel forming portions **17** and **18**. Mounted on each of the side forming portions and extending from the top to the bottom thereof are flaps on which are secured fastening means **22** and **23**. These fastening means constitute

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what is normally known as a zipper. A portion of the side forming portions **24** and **25** extend outwardly from the fastening flaps and serve to partially overlie the fastening means when the fastening means is in closing position, as shown in FIG. 2. On the fastening means **22** at the upper end thereof there is secured a starting pin **26** so that the actuator **27** may, after engaging the starting pin, be moved downwardly by a pull on the tongue **27** to bring the fastening members **22** and **23** in fastening relation. To fasten the side flaps together, the actuator is moved downwardly to the bottom and the tongue **27** is folded upwardly and covered by the flaps **24** and **25** so that the tongue is held out of position which would interfere with a skater. By having the fastening actuator member moved downwardly for actuating purposes instead of upwardly, the movement of the actuator when in use is prevented, and by having the actuator move upwardly so as to disengage from the pin **26**, it becomes possible to separate the side forming portions **12** and **13** so that these may serve as wrap-around portions.

In mounting the overshoe on the shoe, it is but necessary to move the front portion of the overshoe into engagement with a skating shoe whereupon the side portions may be wrapped around the shoe and securely fastened by means of the fastening means. When wrapped around there is, of course, the space **21**, through which the skate **10** projects.

It has been proven that with an overshoe of this class, it may be very easily and quickly mounted in position and removed therefrom. The overshoe, of course, may be formed of any desirable color and the ornamentation appearing thereon will serve to present a pleasing effect when worn.

What I claim is:

A wrap-around overshoe for a skater's shoe, comprising a relatively thick sole portion, an upper secured to said sole portion, said upper being formed of a material of relatively greater flexibility than said sole portion, said upper including a forward portion and a pair of side portions adapted to be wrapped around a skating shoe after the said forward portion thereof has been positioned on the forward end of the skating shoe, a progressively engageable slide fastening means on each of the opposed free edges of said wrap-around portions, means on the top of said fastening means for initially engaging the top ends of said fastening means, and actuator means on said fastening means for progressively engaging said fastening means by movement of said actuating means from the top to the bottom of said upper, said fastening means terminating at said thickened sole portion, whereby when said fastening means is closed and said overshoe is in use, said actuator means will be in a position substantially free of strains tending to force undesirable movement from the fastened position.

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