

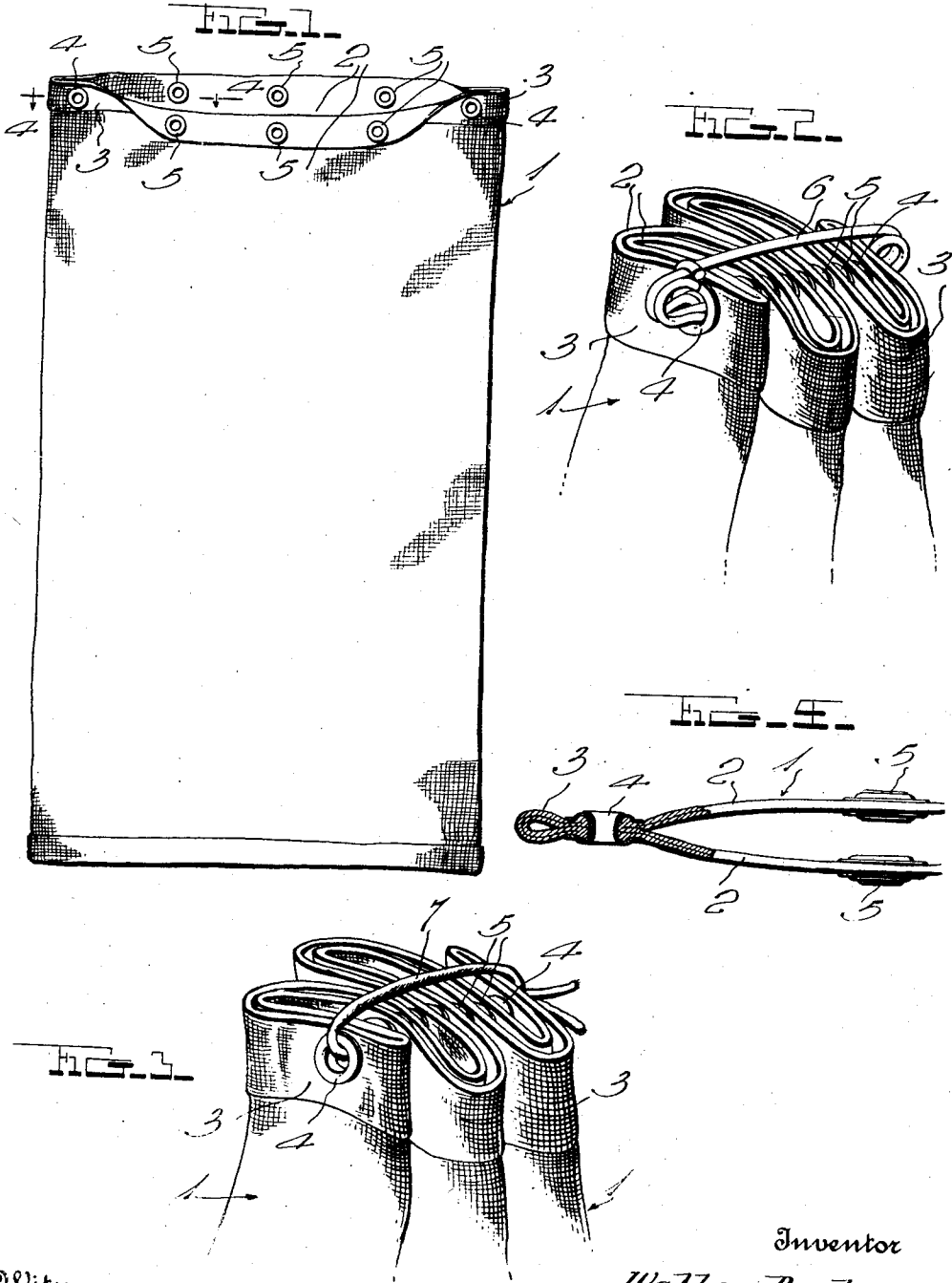
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Practically all laundries make extensive use of what are commonly known as laundry nets, these nets being bags formed of netting to contain the numerous articles commonly handled in laundries. Whenever a net is filled, it is customary to flatten opposite sides thereof against each other at the upper end of the net and to jointly fold said sides in a zig-zag manner, after which a large safety pin is passed through the folds to hold the net in a closed position. Repeated insertion and removal of the pin, seriously wears and injures the net and it is one object of my invention to provide a novel arrangement of grommets to receive the safety pin or any other fastener, such as a cord, so that wearing of the net will be prevented.

A further object is to secure opposed sides of the net flat together, at least one of their upper corners, preventing tearing of one side from the other and also materially assisting in flattening the upper end of the net, prior to folding it in the zig-zag manner above referred to.

Another object is to locate two of the grommets in such a manner that they will secure the upper corners of two opposed sides of the net together, for the reasons previously explained.

With the foregoing in view, the invention resides in the novel subject matter hereinafter described and claimed, the description being supplemented by the accompanying drawings.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a laundry net improved in accordance with the invention, a portion of the upper edge of the net being turned downwardly.

Figure 2 is a perspective view showing the manner in which the net is sealed by the use of a safety pin.

Figure 3 is a view similar to Fig. 2 but illustrating a cord instead of a safety pin.

Figure 4 is a detail horizontal sectional view on line 4—4 of Fig. 1.

In the drawing above briefly described, the numeral 1 designates what is commonly known as a laundry net, that is a bag formed of netting, said bag having opposed side walls 2 whose edges may well be turned upon each other as indicated at 3, for reinforcing purposes. Passing through the upper corners of the opposed side walls 2 and their downwardly turned edges 3, two grommets 4 are shown, each of which passes through

both side walls, as shown most clearly in Fig. 4. By locating the grommets at the points shown and passing them through both side walls, they effectively hold said walls against being possibly torn one from another. Furthermore, the grommets located and arranged in the manner shown, greatly facilitate flattening of the upper ends of the two walls against each other, permitting them to be jointly folded in a zig-zag manner as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, when the net or bag is to be closed.

Additional, opposed grommets 5 are carried by the upper ends of the side walls and no one of these grommets passes through both of said side walls, as will be clear by reference to Figs. 1 and 4. When the upper end of the bag or net is flattened and folded in a zig-zag manner above referred to, all of the grommets are brought into alinement and a safety pin 6 (Fig. 2) a length of cord 7 (Fig. 3), or any other desired fastener may be passed through said grommets to hold the bag in closed position. The application and removal of the fastener has no tendency whatever to injure the bag or net and hence, the life of the latter is greatly prolonged.

While the invention is primarily designed for use in connection with bags made of netting and commonly known as laundry nets, it is obvious that such invention may be used also with bags formed of other materials.

It may also be explained that in some instances, the opposed sides 2 of the bag may be secured together at their upper corners by means other than the grommets 4. By securing said corners together in any adequate manner, one side wall is held against tearing from the other and folding of the bag into zig-zag form at its upper end is greatly facilitated.

I claim:

1. In a laundry bag having opposed side walls; means passing through both of said side walls adjacent the upper corners thereof to prevent tearing of one wall from the other and to assist in flattening the upper end of the bag to fold it in a zig-zag manner, and opposed grommets passing through said side walls, all of said grommets being adapted to receive a fastener when the bag is folded in the above mentioned zig-zag manner at its upper end.

2. In a laundry bag having opposed side

- walls; a pair of grommets each passing through both of said side walls adjacent the upper corners thereof to prevent tearing of one wall from the other and to assist in flattening the upper end of the bag to fold it in a zig-zag manner, and additional opposed grommets passing through said side walls, all of said grommets being adapted to receive a fastener when the bag is folded in the above mentioned zig-zag manner at its upper end. 20
- 5 3. In a laundry bag having opposed side walls; means passing through both of said side walls adjacent an upper corner thereof to prevent tearing of one wall from the other, and to assist in flattening the upper end of the bag to fold it in a zig-zag manner, and opposed grommets passing through 25
- 10 4. In a laundry bag having opposed side walls; a grommet passing through both of said side walls adjacent an upper corner thereof to prevent tearing of one wall from the other and to assist in flattening the upper end of the bag to fold it in a zig-zag manner, and additional opposed grommets passing through said side walls, all of said grommets being adapted to receive a fastener when the bag is folded in the above-mentioned zig-zag manner at its upper end. 30
- 15 In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature.

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