

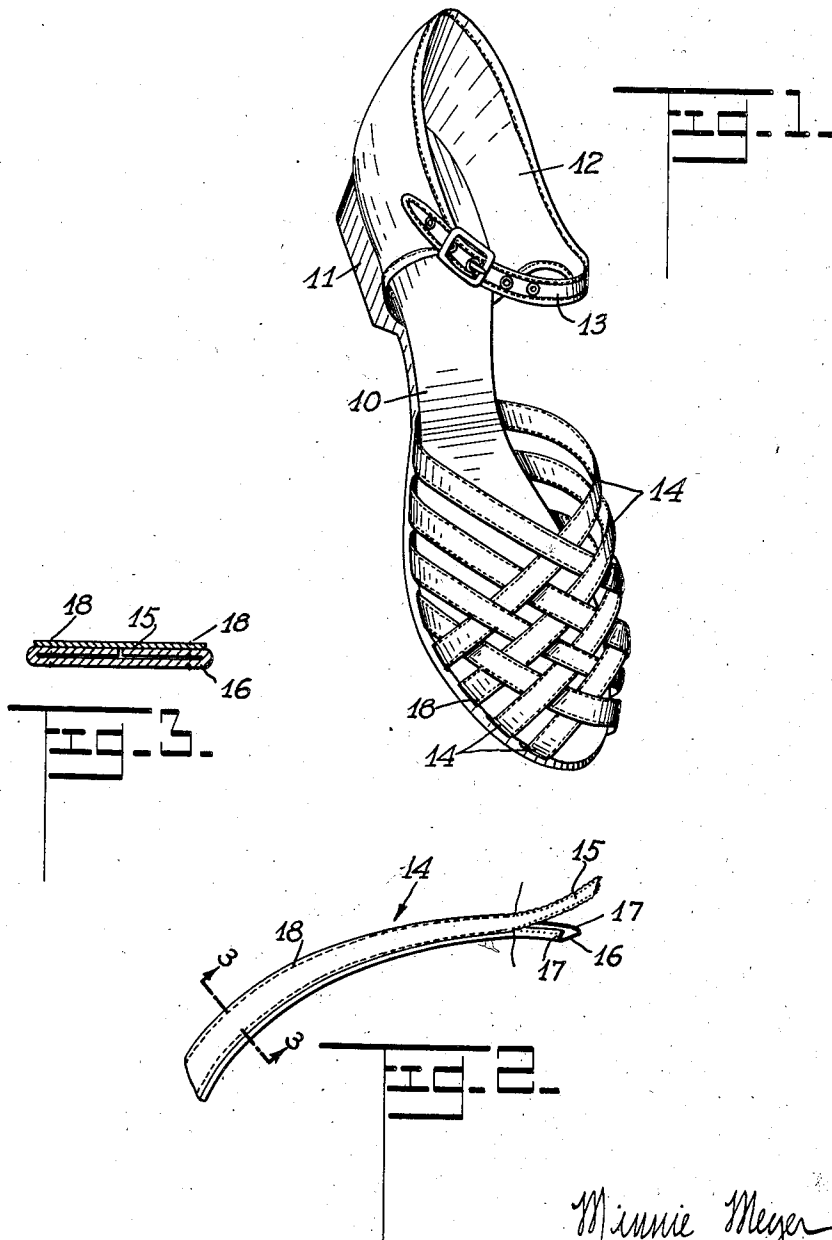
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This invention relates to improvements in sandals and more particularly in sandals in which the vamp portion is made of a series of interlocking or interengaging straps.

5 A particular object of this invention is to provide an improved sandal in which the upper or vamp portion is made of straps constructed of textile material and in which the straps will be so constructed so that their
10 edges will be non-fraying in character.

A further object of this invention is to provide an improved sandal having the upper or vamp portion made of a series of interlocked or interlacing straps in which the
15 straps are all of non-fraying construction and may be made with a minimum of expense.

Further objects of the invention will be apparent from the specification and drawing in which Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a new
20 and improved sandal embodying my invention.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a portion of one of the individual straps used in the sandal shown in Fig. 1, showing the method of making
25 said individual straps.

Fig. 3 is a cross-sectional view along the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

10 is the sole of the sandal, 11 is the heel and 12 is the counter having the strap portion
30 13. 14 designates the individual straps, each having the outer and upper layer 15 and the reinforcement 16 with turned-over edges 17. 18 indicates the lines of stitches joining the upper member 15 to the lower
35 member 16.

The straps 14 are joined to the sole 10 in any improved manner and the method by which they are connected to the sole forms
40 no part of my invention.

I prefer to use a textile strip with a selvage or ribbon edge for the upper layer of the strap, as the use of such a strip results in
45 great economy of production and gives a finished strap with edges non-fraying in construction and of pleasing appearance.

It has hitherto been the custom to make such straps (but not for use in making a shoe) from sheet fabric from which the strips
50 15 have been cut by hand or have been stamped by means of dies. Where strips of

this character have been used, made from sheet fabric, it has been necessary to finish the opposite edges of the strips, the customary manner being to turn under the edges of the strips in alignment with the turned-over
55 edges of the reinforcement on the bottom and to sew the upper strips and reinforcements together with a double parallel seam on the opposite edges of the strap. This has resulted in increased thickness of the strap
60 which is avoided by using a strip provided with ribbon edges.

The strips 15 are formed with selvages, so that their edges are non-raveling and of
65 single thickness.

For reinforcement in the straps 14 shown
65 herein, I employ a rubberized fabric cut into appropriate strips with turned-over edges 17, and these strips 16 of rubberized fabric are sewn to the upper layer 15 as shown in
70 the drawing.

Changes may be made in the form of reinforcement used and in the method of attaching same to the upper layer 15, and other changes may be made in the form of the construction
75 of these straps 14 without departing from the spirit of my invention.

What I claim is:

1. A shoe or the like having a sole and a vamp portion, said vamp portion comprising
80 a series of independent straps which loosely cross each other and which are connected to said sole at separated points thereof, said straps comprising upper layers of textile material having selvaged edges of substantially
85 the same thickness as the body portions thereof, said straps having reinforcing members applied wholly to their under faces, said reinforcing members having longitudinal
90 turned edges which abut the under faces of said textile layers.

2. A shoe or the like having a sole and a vamp portion, said vamp portion comprising
95 a series of independent straps which loosely cross each other and which are connected to said sole at separated points thereof, said straps comprising upper layers of textile material having selvaged edges of substantially
100 the same thickness as the body portions thereof, said straps having reinforcing

members applied wholly to their under faces, said reinforcing members having longitudinal inturned edges which abut the under faces of said textile layers, the width of a
5 reinforcing member being substantially the same as that of the associated upper layer.

3. A shoe or the like having a sole and a vamp portion, said vamp portion comprising a series of independent straps which loosely
10 cross each other and which are connected to said sole at separated points thereof, said straps comprising upper layers of textile material having selvaged edges of substantially the same thickness as the body portions
15 thereof, said straps having reinforcing members applied wholly to their under faces, said reinforcing members having longitudinal inturned edges which abut the under faces of said textile layers, said reinforcing members
20 being made of rubberized fabric.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature.
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