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Fig. 1.

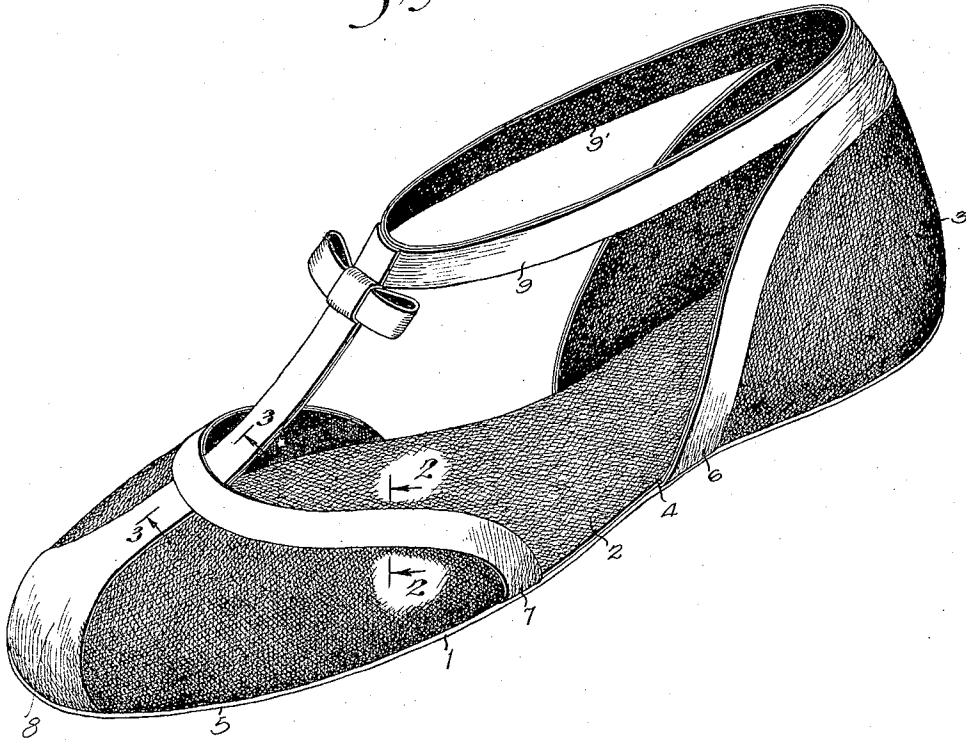


Fig. 2.



Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWIN A. GUINZBURG, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Bathing Sandal, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to bathing sandals and has for an object to provide an improved construction wherein a flexible structure is presented and at the same time proper ventilation is provided.

Another object of the invention is to provide a bathing sandal formed of rubber or some material wherein certain parts are cut away and the remaining parts so constructed and reinforced as to provide a satisfactory covering while at the same time ample circulation of water and air is provided.

In the accompanying drawing—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a sandal, disclosing an embodiment of the invention.

Figure 2 is a fragmentary sectional view through Figure 1, approximately on line 2—2.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary sectional view through Figure 1, approximately on line 3—3.

Referring to the accompanying drawing by numerals, 1 indicates a sole, which if desired, may have an inner sole 2 secured thereto. A heel section 3 is connected with the sole 1 in any desired manner, as for instance, by the usual vulcanizing process, said heel section 3 extending a short distance upwardly but preferably at a point slightly below the ankle bones. This heel section stops at point 4 whereby an ample enclosure is made for the heel of the person wearing the sandal while exposing the central part and permitting the entrance of air and water into the interior of the heel section 3 as well as the toe section 5. The sections 3 and 5 may be of any desired thickness of rubber but are preferably very thin and flexible. The soles 1 and 2 are also preferably comparatively thin and flexible.

In order that the parts may properly stand up and fit the foot, a reinforcing strip 6 is provided for the front edge of the section 3 and is cemented, vulcanized or otherwise secured thereto in a permanent manner,

said strip being preferably of a stiffer grade of rubber. A reinforcing strip 7 is arranged at the rear edge of the toe section 5, said strip overlapping the central strip 8, which central strip extends upwardly and is secured to the reinforcing band 9 by being vulcanized thereto or cemented thereto as preferred. The heel section 3 is provided with an encircling band section 9' which is integral with the heel section 3 and which is vulcanized or otherwise rigidly secured to the band or ring 9. The band or ring 9 is intended to fit the foot near the ankle bones while the toe and heel sections are intended to fit certain parts of the foot, though exposing a large portion thereof. This form of bathing sandal will protect both the heel and toes as well as the bottom of the foot but will not cause the foot to sweat or become over-heated which would be the case if a complete rubber structure was provided.

What I claim is:—

1. A bathing sandal of rubber, comprising a sole section, a heel section extending from the back of the sole to a point near the center of the sole, said heel section having the front and upper edges inclined from the plane of the sole to the top of the heel section, a front vamp toe section spaced from the heel section, a reinforcing strip connected with the heel section along its front and upper edges, a ring section connected with the upper part of the heel section and extending toward the front, a front strip connected with the front of the ring section and extending over the center of the toe vamp section, and a reinforcing strip secured to the toe vamp section at its rear edge, said last mentioned strip overlapping the front strip.

2. A bathing sandal of rubber formed with a sole section, a toe section at the front for confining the toes of a person wearing the sandal, a section at the rear of the sole confining the heel of the person wearing the sandal, an ankle encircling ring secured to the last mentioned section, and a plurality of stiffening reinforcing strips arranged along the free edges of said sections, and a front strip connected to the front of said ring and to the front of the sole.

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