

ABSTRACT**ARTICLE OF FOOTWEAR THAT IS WATERPROOF, WEAR-RESISTANT,
AND LIGHTWEIGHT**

An article of footwear includes a sole body (2) having
5 a support plate (22) adapted to support a foot arch
correction device (6), and an upper (3) integrally
connected as one piece with the sole body (2) and
including a vamp part (31) having a rear edge (312),
a rear wall (34) extending upwardly from a heel region
10 (HR) of the sole body (2), and left and right sidewalls
(32, 33) extending upwardly and respectively from left
and right ends of the sole body (2) and having front
ends connected to the rear edge (312), and rear ends
connected to the rear wall (34). An instep strap (4)
15 includes an instep abutment strap section (41) extending
convexedly from one sidewall (32, 33) toward the other
sidewall (32, 33), spaced apart from the rear edge (312),
and having first and second ends (411, 412). One of the
first and second ends (411, 412) is integrally connected
20 as one piece with one of the left and right sidewalls
(32, 33).

Figure 8 is suggested for publication.