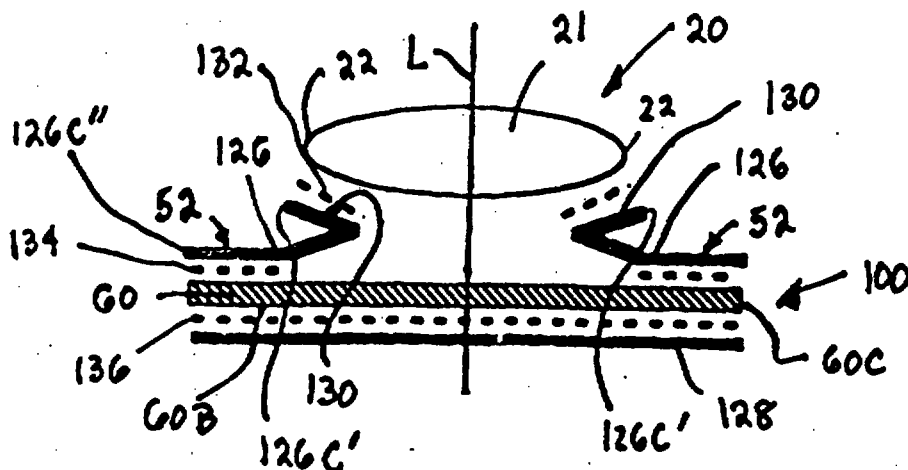


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(54) Title: ABSORBENT ARTICLES HAVING PANTY COVERING COMPONENTS COMPRISING EXTENSIBLE WEB MATERIALS WHICH EXHIBIT ELASTIC-LIKE BEHAVIOR



The present invention relates to absorbent articles such as sanitary napkins, panty liners, and incontinence pads. More particularly, the present invention relates to absorbent articles, such as sanitary napkins, that have longitudinal side edge components comprising extensible web materials with a strainable network which exhibit elastic-like behavior without added elastic materials that naturally wrap the sides of a wearer's panties and provide an alternative to conventional side flaps.