Machine No. 55-3 is designed for making bags from canvas, burlap, jute and other heavy weight fabrics, and is largely used in the manufacture of bags for coal, grain, mail, ballast, etc. It is also found useful for balloon work and for basting and padding coats, cloaks, men's and boys' clothing, etc. As the machine makes the strong elastic chain stitch, with either one or two threads, as desired, it is admirably adapted for sewing bags.

Another valuable feature which adds to the desirability of the machine for sewing bags is its ability to successfully handle twine or very coarse thread.

When stitching bags of a large size, extra strong seams can be produced on the machine by using an additional needle thread, a special needle, having an eye large enough to accommodate two needle threads at one time, being supplied with the machine for this purpose. As the seams of large bags are required to withstand excessive strains, the advantages of this feature are quickly appreciated.
The machine is regularly fitted with a looper and throat plate for making the single thread chain stitch and an extra looper and throat plate for making the two-thread chain stitch.

An efficient drop feed enables the machine to satisfactorily stitch all descriptions of bag materials, and the machine is instantly adjusted to make either the single-thread chain stitch or the two-thread chain stitch from $\frac{3}{16}$ to $\frac{3}{8}$ inch in length.

As the machine can be operated continuously at the high speed of 2500 stitches per minute, a very large output of work is assured.

To aid the operator in handling the work, an adjustable edge guide is fitted to the bed of the machine as shown in the illustration on the front page.

The bed of the machine is 18 inches long and there is a clear working space of 10$\frac{1}{2}$ inches at the right of the needle.

Although the machine is intended for operation by mechanical power it can also be operated on a foot power stand.

When desired, the machine can also be equipped with table No. 5268 and stand No. 25279, for individual operation by a Singer electric motor.

When used on table No. 5268 and stand No. 25279 either of the following Singer electric motors can be used:

### Alternating Current Motors

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CONTROL: Friction Transmitter

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