

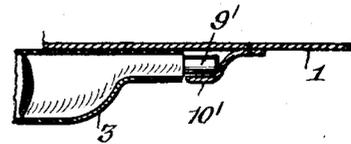
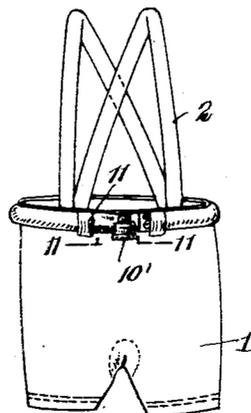
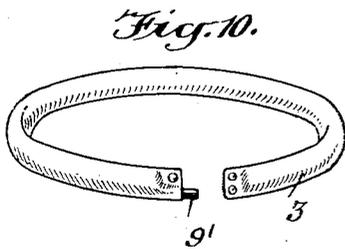
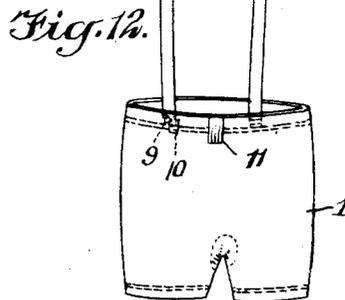
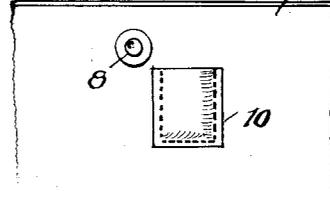
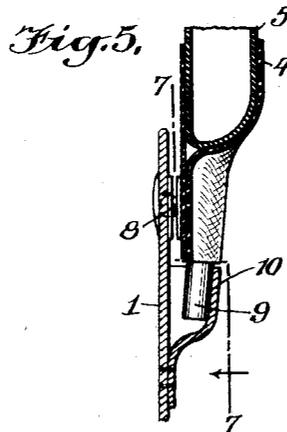
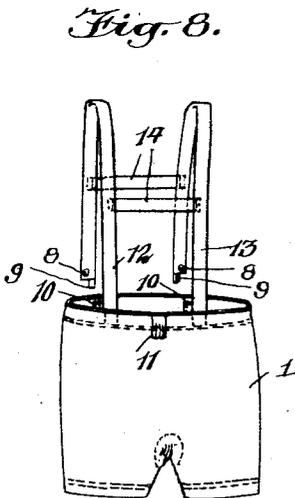
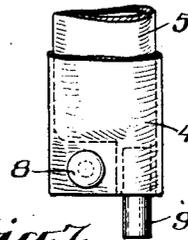
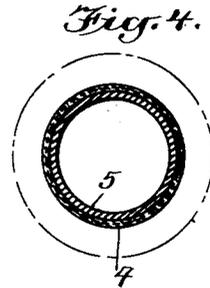
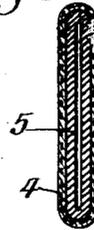
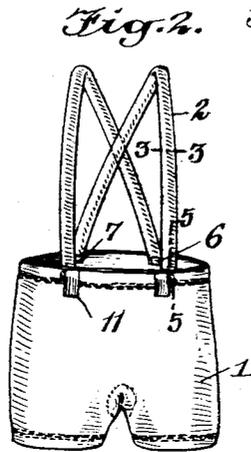
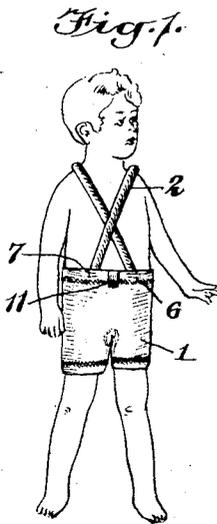
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This invention relates to bathing garments, and has for an object to provide a garment particularly for small children so formed as to expose a large part of the body to the sun and air for securing the resulting health-giving effects therefrom.

Another object is to provide an improved bathing garment wherein substantially a sun bath is secured while on the beach and safety is provided while in the water.

A still further object, more specifically, is to provide a bathing garment for children which will quickly dry so that by the addition of a sweater a child using the garment may walk home without attracting attention or without liability of catching a cold.

In the accompanying drawing,—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a bathing garment disclosing an embodiment of the invention, the same being illustrated on a figure.

Figure 2 is a rear perspective view of the garment shown in Figure 1, the garment being on an enlarged scale;

Figure 3 is a detail fragmentary sectional view through Figure 2 on line 3—3;

Figure 4 is a view similar to Figure 3, except the device is inflated;

Figure 5 is an enlarged fragmentary detail sectional view through Figure 2 on line 5—5;

Figure 6 is an enlarged detail front view of the lower end of one of the suspenders shown in Figure 1, the same illustrating a valve and snap button embodying certain features of the invention;

Figure 7 is a side view of part of the pants shown in Figure 1, the same being taken as viewed from line 7—7 of Figure 5;

Figure 8 is a perspective view of a modified form of the invention to that shown in Figure 1;

Figure 9 is a view similar to Figure 1, except the figure is omitted and a belt and two straps added.

Figure 10 is a perspective view of the belt shown in Figure 9;

Figure 11 is an enlarged sectional view through Figure 9 on line 11—11;

Figure 12 is a view similar to Figure 8 but showing a modified form of the invention.

Referring to the accompanying drawing, 1 indicates the body of a garment and 2 the supports therefor. The body 1 is formed as short pants while the supports 2 are in the form of suspenders. It will be noted from Figure 1 that the garment covers only the

center part of the body of the child, so that a large part of the child's body is exposed to the beneficial action of the sun and winds. Usually bathers spend a certain time on the beach out of the water and in the case of children most of the time is spent playing in the sand with occasional dips in the water. By making the garment comparatively short with a minimum covering (suspenders 2) for the upper part of the child's body, the child is clothed in a pleasant way while a very sanitary garment is presented. Preferably, the pants are loose fitting and made from any desired material whereby air circulates over the entire body. In addition to provide a very hygienic garment, means have been added which will provide pleasure and safety for the child. The supports or suspenders 2 and also the belt 3 are inflatable whereby they act in the double capacity of parts of the garment and as life preservers. The suspenders 2 are formed with an outside tubular covering 4 of woven, knit, braided or otherwise formed material, which will stretch to an appreciable extent so that the inner tube of rubber 5 may be inflated to substantially any desired size, as for instance, the size shown in full line in Figure 4 or to the size shown in dotted line in the same figure. The suspenders are preferably stitched to the pants 1 at points 6 and 7 while the opposite ends are secured removably to the pants by the respective snap fasteners 8. An air valve 9 of any desired kind is secured to one end of each of the rubber tubes 5, said valves extending beyond the covering 4, as shown in Figures 5 and 6, whereby they may be operated for inflating the rubber tubes and also may be easily protected by pockets 10. The valves 9 are preferably of a kind which will permit a person to inflate the tubes by placing the valves in the mouth, and then blowing until the desired inflation has been secured. The pants 1 are provided with any desired number of belt supporting straps 11 whereby belt 3 may be used with any and all forms of the invention. Preferably when belt 3 is used a pocket 10' is also used for protecting the valve 9' of the belt. The belt is identical in construction with the respective parts of the suspenders 2, except snap fasteners or other form of fasteners are provided at each end. In Figure 8 a modified form of the invention is shown wherein the suspenders or supporting straps 12 and 13 are not crossed but are held in proper relative position by the tie-straps 14. Aside from this

slight difference, the structure is identical with that shown in Figure 1. In Figure 12 a further modified form of the invention is disclosed. In this form of the invention the supporting strap 15 is stitched or otherwise secured to the pants 1 at one end while the opposite end is secured by a snap fastener or other disengageable fastener, both the stitches and the fastener being located at the front of the garment whereby a loop is formed which extends around the neck of the child. In all forms of the invention a safety device is presented in the use of inflatable suspenders with or without inflatable belts. Also, in all forms of the invention the idea of exposing large portions of the body to secure the beneficial action of the sun is maintained. It will thus be seen that the garment is such that not only is a large part of the body exposed, but the structure permits the body to quickly dry whereby a dry sweater may be applied to the child and thereby protect the child against cold without the sweater becoming damp. Preferably, the entire garment is made from worsted or some other quickly-drying material, except the rubber tube in the suspenders and belt. Also, it will be noted that the tubular supports or suspenders are secured permanently to the pants at the front and are disengageably secured at the back whereby the pants may be let down at any time when on the toilet or for other purposes without removing the sweater, thus maintaining proper protection of the child. Also, the permanent securing of one end of the supports or suspenders prevents the sus-

penders from being accidently lost or floated away. As the suspenders are really a permanent part and rigidly secured to the pants, the waves cannot force the suspenders away from the pants and the suspenders are always associated with the pants and cannot be forgotten and left home when starting to the beach.

What I claim is:—

1. A bathing garment, comprising a pair of pants, inflatable suspenders permanently connected to said pants, an inflatable belt, means on the pants for holding the belt in position and an independent air valve for each of the suspenders and an independent air valve for said belt, all of said valves being arranged adjacent the front and accessible to the mouth of the person wearing the garment.

2. A bathing garment, comprising a pair of pants and inflatable suspenders therefor, said suspenders being permanently connected to the pants at one end and disengageably connected to the pants at the opposite end, said opposite end carrying an air valve and a fastener.

3. A bathing garment, comprising a pair of pants, an inflatable suspender having a disengageable fastener at one end, an air valve at one end of said suspender, and a pocket carried by said pants for receiving said valve.

Signed at New York in the county of New York and State of New York this 12th day of April, A. D. 1928.

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