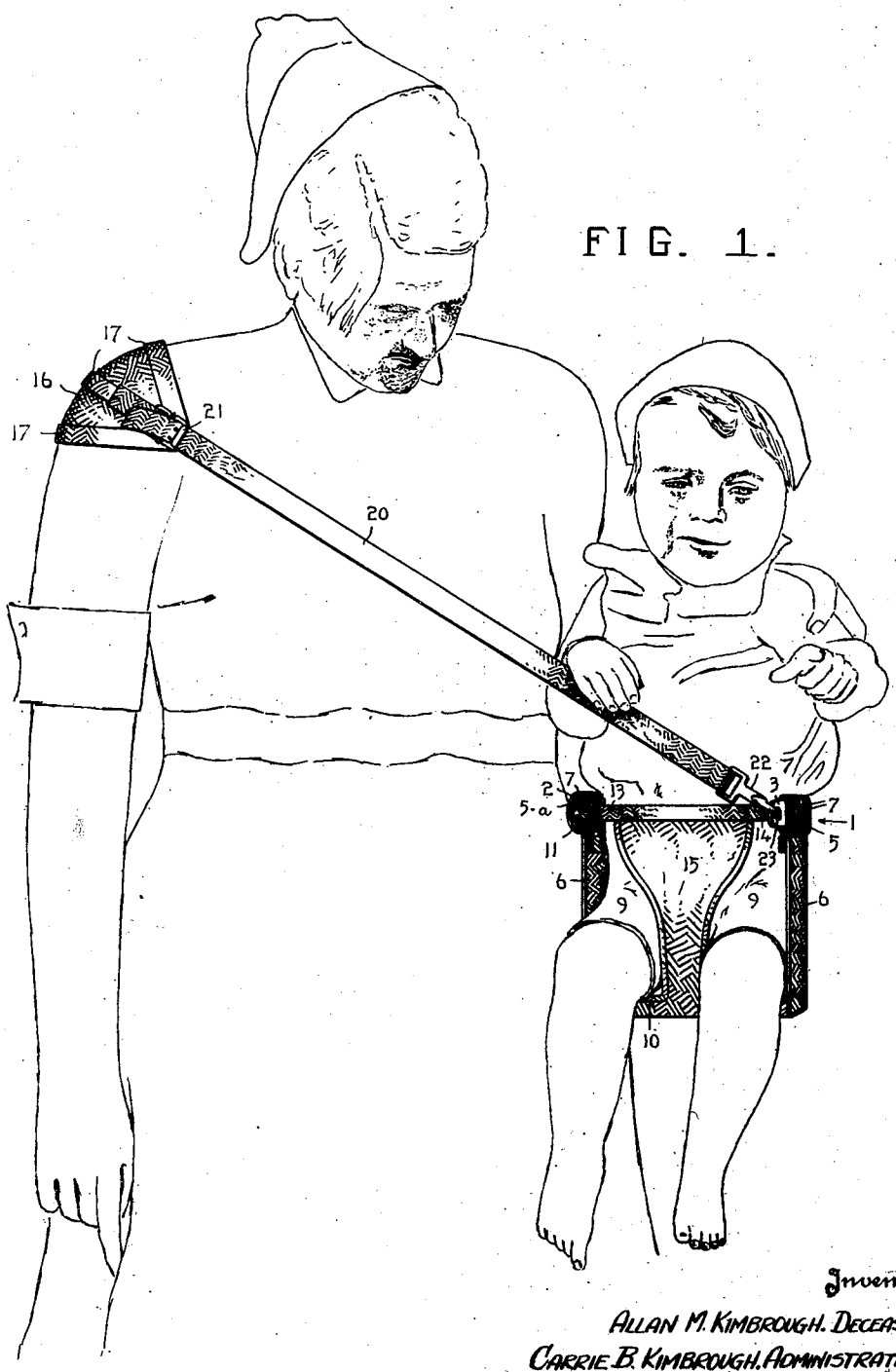
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FIG. 4.

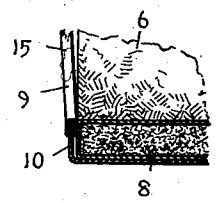


FIG. 2.

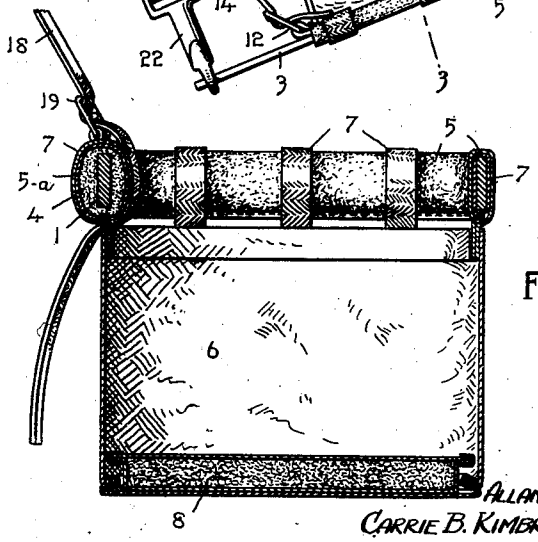


FIG. 3.

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The invention consists in a new and useful improvement in portable seats and is designed more particularly to provide a carrying seat for infants which may be slung from the shoulder of the carrier and in which the infant may ride safely and comfortably as the carrier walks, the weight being sustained from the shoulder and against the hip of the carrier when walking or standing, the whole device being shiftable so that the seat may be brought on to the lap of the carrier when seated, and the infant may be held, in the lap, in the natural way, without being removed from the seat. The particularly novel and useful feature of this invention is the provision of a rigid frame for the seat to insure the device against collapse when in use and secure the infant against any pressure from the device, and the relation of the parts of this frame to the carrying straps, so that when the device is positioned upon the hip of the carrier, the straps being adjusted over the shoulder, the front strap is so disposed as to obviate any pressure upon the breast of the carrier, a most desirable consideration in the case of a nursing mother.

While there has been illustrated in the drawings filed herewith and there has been hereinafter fully described one specific embodiment of this invention, it is to be distinctly understood that the invention is not considered to be limited to said specific embodiment, but reference as to its scope is made to the claims appended hereto.

In the drawings:

Fig. 1 is a general perspective view showing the device supporting the child on the hip of the carrier.

Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the device.

Fig. 3 is a vertical section on line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is a vertical section on line 4—4 of Fig. 2.

As illustrated in the drawings, the device comprises a U-shaped frame element 1 made of any suitable inflexible material such as a steel bar, having the arms 2 and 3 of unequal length. The shorter arm 2 on the side of the device which is placed nearer to the body of the carrier is provided with suitable padding 4 and the entire element 1 is covered by a tubular casing 5 of any suitable soft and durable material such as leather, the portion 5a of said casing 5 which covers the arm 2 being made of proper dimensions to enclose the padding 4. There is provided a suitable receptacle 6, made of any suitable flexible and durable material such as cotton webbing or the like. This is suitably designed to form a basket-like seat suspended from the frame 1 by loops 7, and has in its bottom a removable cushion 8. On the front, between the arms 2 and 3, this receptacle 6 has the leg holes 9, 9, below which are the upstanding edges 10, 10 to secure the cushion 8. To the end of the arm 2, there is attached a buckle 11 and at the proper point on the arm 3, directly opposite, there is attached a buckle 12. Straps 13 and 14, from the ends of the front section 15 of the receptacle 6, between the holes 9, 9, may be engaged in the buckles 11 and 12, respectively.

There is provided the oval shoulder cap 16 provided on its edges and across its middle with the strengthening bands 17, and at its rear edge with the carrying strap 18 received in a buckle 19 disposed at the rear end of the arm 2. There is provided a carrying strap 20 having one of its ends received in the buckle 21 on the front edges of the shoulder cap 16, and having its other end provided with a snap-hook 22 received in a hole 23 at the extreme end of the longer arm 3 of the frame 1.

It is to be particularly noted that by making the arm 3 of the frame 1 longer than the arm 2, and positioning the hook 22 of the strap 20 in hole 23 at the extreme outer end of this longer arm 3, the strap 20 is so disposed between the shoulder of the carrier and the outer edge of the device, that the strap 20 is carried forwardly and away from the breast of the carrier to obviate pressure thereon, when the seat is at the side or front of the person.

It is also to be noted that by reason of the fact that the seat 6 is removably related to the frame 1 by means of the loops 7, it is possible to reverse the device by turning the frame 1 and reversing the seat 6, so that the device may be adjusted upon the other hip of the carrier.

By a re-arrangement of the straps 18 and 20 the device may be adjusted so that the seat is positioned in front of the carrier, making it easy to rest it in the lap when the carrier is seated.

This invention having been described, there is claimed:

1. In a portable seat, the combination of a U-shaped frame having arms of unequal length; a flexible seat member suspended from said frame; a strap attached to the outer end of the longer arm of the frame; a second strap attached to the inner end of the shorter arm of the frame; and a shoulder cap joining the ends of the two straps.

2. In a portable seat, the combination of a

frame having two arms of unequal length; a seat member suspended from said frame; and a carrying member having one end attached to the outer end of the longer arm, and its other end attached to the inner end of the shorter arm.

3. In a portable seat, the combination of a frame having two arms of unequal length; a seat member suspended from said frame; a carrying member having one end attached to the outer end of the longer arm of the frame; a second carrying member having one end attached to the inner end of the shorter arm of the frame; and means adapted to connect the other ends of the two carrying members.

4. In a portable seat, the combination of a frame comprising a single rod having two bends to form two parallel sides and a back for the seat; a flexible seat member suspended from said rod; a carrying member attached to the outer end of one of the sides; a second carrying member attached to the inner end of the other side; and means adapted to connect the said carrying members.

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