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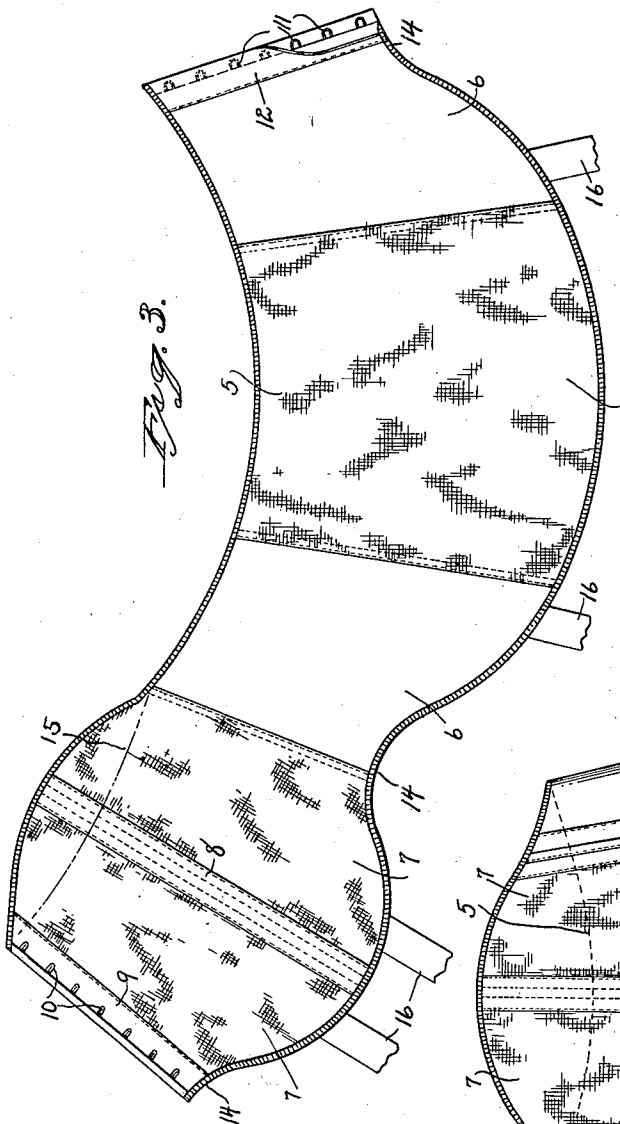


Fig. 1.

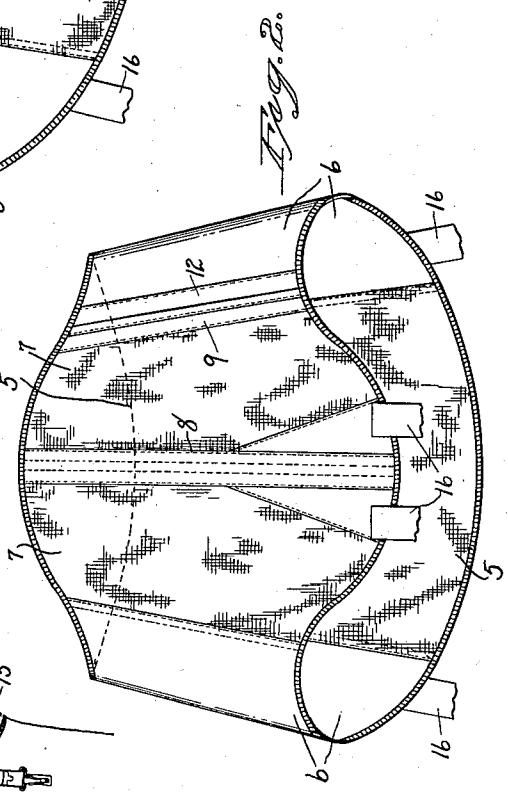


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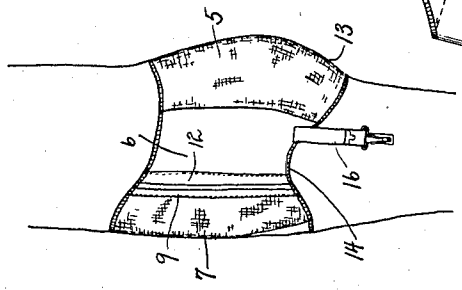


Fig. 3.

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Fig. 1 is a view showing my improved reducing girdle as applied to a figure which is partly indicated by broken lines.

Fig. 2 is a front view of the girdle, with its ends hooked together, but with its front-portion lying flat upon its rear portion.

Fig. 3 is an inside view of the girdle laid flat.

My invention relates to an improvement in reducing girdles, the object being to produce a simple, comfortable, convenient and effective means for reducing the diaphragm and buttocks.

With these ends in view, my invention consists in a reducing girdle having certain details of construction, as will be hereinafter described and pointed out in the claim.

In carrying out my invention, as herein shown, my improved reducing girdle consists of an elastic back-section 5, non-elastic side-sections 6, and an elastic front-section 7 having a centrally-located reinforce 8 and furnished upon its free outer edge with a binding-strip 9 mounting hooks 10 engaging with eyes 11 in a similar binding-strip 12 applied to the free edge of the oppositely-located side-section 6.

The elastic back-section 5 is shaped and connected with the non-elastic side-section 6, so that its lower edge has a marked inward curve throughout its length, as at 13, to conform it to the curvature of the lower portions of the buttocks, as clearly shown in Fig. 1, the said inwardly-curved lower edge 13 of the back-section 5 extending considerably below the lower edge of the elastic front-section 7 of the girdle. The lower edge of the side-sections 6 of the girdle-body are cut away and shaped so as to rise over the hips, as at 14, to give freedom of movement to the thighs.

The upper edge of the elastic front section is rounded and extended above the upper edge of the back-section 5 by a considerable distance, so as to provide for the reduction of the diaphragm, whereby that part 15 of the front-section enclosed by broken lines in Fig. 3, becomes, in effect, a diaphragm-reducer.

As shown, the girdle is provided with the usual hose-suporters 16.

As herein shown, my invention is applied to a side-opening girdle. I do not, however, limit my invention to such girdle-body, my invention being broadly characterized by a girdle or similar reducing garment having an elastic back-section, the lower edge of which is markedly curved inward to conform to the curvature of the buttocks.

I claim:

A reducing girdle, having elastic front and back-sections and non-elastic side-sections, the said back-section having its lower edge permanently curved inward to conform to the curvature of the buttocks, and having its edges directly attached to the rear edges of the said non-elastic side-sections, and the upper edge of the said elastic front-section being extended above the upper edge of the said elastic back-section, and the inwardly-curved lower edge of the said elastic back-section being extended below the lower edge of the said elastic front-section, whereby the front-section acts as a diaphragm-reducer and the back-section as a buttocks-reducer.

In testimony whereof, I have signed this specification.

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Certificate of Correction.

It is hereby certified that the name of the assignee in Letters Patent No. 1,593,140, granted July 20, 1926, upon the application of Michael J. Reynolds, of West Haven, Connecticut, for an improvement in "Reducing Girdles," was erroneously written and printed as "Strouse Alder & Co., of New Haven, Connecticut, a firm composed of Isaac M. Ullman, Louise M. Ullman, of New Haven, Connecticut, and George Meyer, of New York, N. Y.," whereas said name should have been written and printed as *Strouse Adler & Co., of New Haven, Connecticut, a firm composed of Isaac M. Ullman, Louis M. Ullman, of New Haven, Connecticut, and George Meyer, of New York, N. Y.*, as shown by the records of assignments in this office; and that the said Letters Patent should be read with this correction therein that the same may conform to the record of the case in the Patent Office.

Signed and sealed this 14th day of September, A. D. 1926.

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