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Fig. 1.

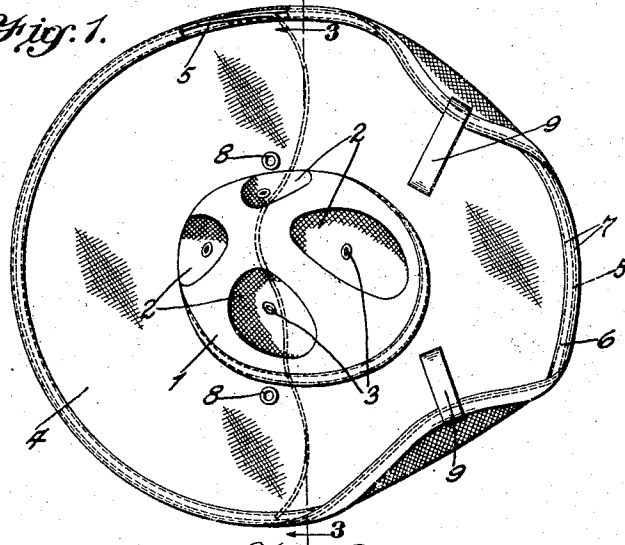


Fig. 2.

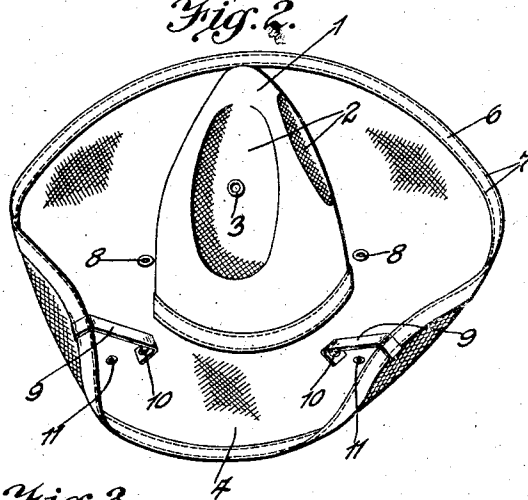
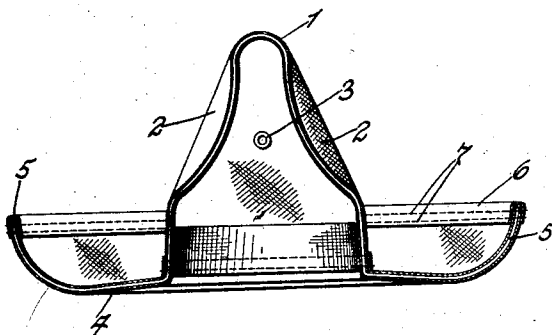


Fig. 3.



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HARVEST HAT.

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This invention relates to harvest hats.

An object of the invention is to provide a harvest hat having a relatively wide brim provided with means for preventing the
5 brim from drooping.

Another object of the invention is to provide a harvest hat having a relatively wide brim provided with means for holding portions of the brim rolled in shapes different
10 from the adjacent portions of the brim.

Other objects will appear from the following description, reference being made to the drawing in which—

Figure 1 is a top plan view of my improved harvest hat with a portion of the edge of the brim shown in section.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view looking from the front.

Fig. 3 is a cross sectional view.

20 My improved harvest hat is fabricated from any appropriate material, such as straw, or other materials adapted for such uses.

As shown, the hat comprises a crown 1
25 having side and front and rear indentations 2 in which ventilating eyelets 3 may be secured. The brim 4 of the hat is relatively wide and has its edge rolled upwardly. A strand of flexible wire 5 is bent to the shape
30 of the edge of the hat brim and is placed against the side edge throughout the circumference of the brim and secured thereto by a strip 6 of cloth or the like which is folded to enclose the wire and the edge of the brim,
35 and is secured to the brim by rows of stitches 7. Thus the wire 5 is secured upon the edge of the brim. As the wire 5 and the brim edging 6 are substantially non-elastic the
40 brim is stiffened thereby and caused to retain the shape in which the edge of the brim curves upwardly.

The meeting portions of the wire 5 may be made to overlap as shown (Fig. 1), while one end of the wire is extended inwardly
45 across the brim on which the wire overlaps to the crown, and thence is shaped to conform to the shape of the crown, being extended downwardly on the opposite side of the crown to the opposite side of the brim
50 and thence across the opposite side of the brim to a termination near the edge of the brim. This wire provides additional strength for the brim and the cross portion of the wire tends to prevent sagging of the sides
55 of the brim. Each side of the brim, if de-

sired, may be provided with a ventilating eyelet 8. The wire crossing the brim and the crown of the hat is preferably confined between or interlaced with the material of
60 which the hat is composed.

I also provide a pair of straps 9, each having one end attached to the marginal portion of the brim and to the edging 6. The opposite end of each strap is provided with one element 10 of a fastener adapted
65 to be engaged with a cooperating element attached to the brim and extending to the upper side thereof, to hold portions of the brim rolled differently from the adjacent portions. Preferably these straps are se-
70 cured to the sides of the front of the brim as shown, so as to be capable of use to obtain a greater roll effect of the immediately adjacent portions of the brim, leaving the re-
75 maining and intermediate portions of the brim substantially unchanged from their normal roll. The fastener elements 10 are releasable from the upwardly extending fasteners and may be folded under from and
80 engaged with downwardly extending fastener elements 11 under the brim to support the straps out of the way and leave the brim in the position and configuration in which it is held normally by the wire 5 and the edging 6. Thus the straps 9 are capable of
85 optional use.

I am aware that the construction and relationship of the parts may be varied without departure from the nature and principle of the invention and do not restrict myself to
90 specific and unessential details.

What I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

1. A harvest hat comprising a crown and a relatively wide brim having its edge up-
95 turned, in combination with a wire extending around the brim adjacent to the edge thereof, substantially non-elastic edging enclosing said wire and the edge of the brim and secured to the brim, stiffening means ex-
100 tending from near one edge of one side of the brim across the brim and across the crown and conforming approximately to the shape of the crown and across the opposite side of the brim, and means in connection with the brim in front of said stiffening means for holding a portion of the brim
105 rolled in a different shape from adjacent portions of the brim.

2. A harvest hat comprising a crown and 116

a relatively wide brim having its edge upturned, in combination with a wire extending around the brim adjacent to the edge thereof, substantially non-elastic edging enclosing said wire and the edge of the brim and secured to the brim, stiffening means extending from near one edge of one side of the brim across the brim and across the crown and conforming approximately to the shape of the crown and across the opposite side of the brim, a pair of straps each having one end secured to the brim in front of said means, and fastening devices for the opposite ends of said straps above the brim for engaging said straps and holding adjacent portions of the brim rolled in a shape different from the other portions of the brim.

3. A harvest hat comprising a brim and a crown, a pair of straps each having one end secured to the edge portion of the brim, and means for securing the opposite ends of said straps to the brim between the edge of the brim and the crown to hold adjacent portions of the brim rolled. 20

4. A harvest hat comprising a brim and a crown, stiffening means for the brim and crown extending transversely along the crown and across the brim at each side of the crown, and devices in connection with the brim in front of said stiffening means and spaced therefrom for holding spaced portions of the brim rolled in front of said stiffening means. 30

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