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FIG. 1.

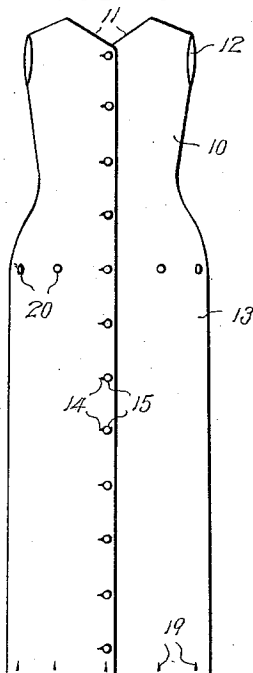


FIG. 3.

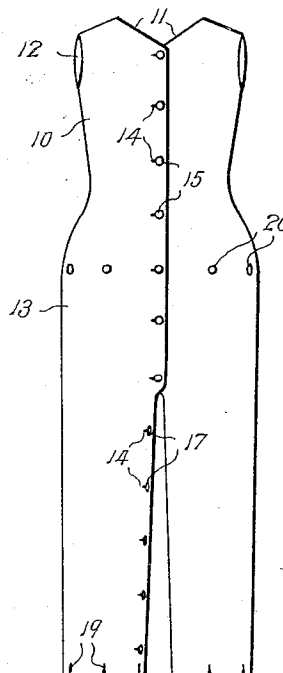


FIG. 2.

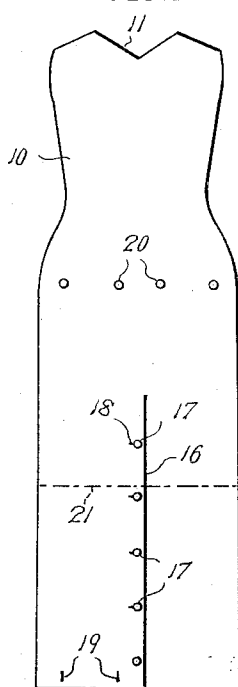
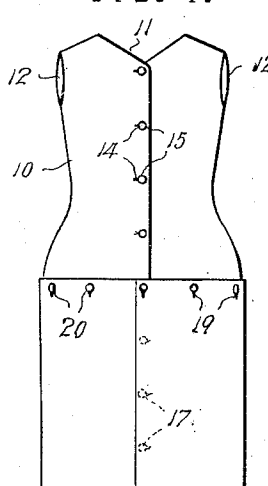


FIG. 4.



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The present invention relates to improvements in garments and has for an object to provide a combination garment convertible as a kimona, pajamas and street dress.

Another object of the invention is to provide an improved convertible garment of simple and inexpensive construction adapted for quick change to the various uses indicated.

A further object of the invention is to provide an improved attractive garment suitable for dress and negligee available in any material and adapted to any appropriate ornamentation.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, the invention will be more fully described hereinafter and more particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

In the drawing in which like parts are denoted by like reference numerals throughout the several views

Figure 1 is a front elevation of an improved garment constructed in accordance with the present invention.

Fig. 2 is a rear elevation of the same.

Fig. 3 shows a front view of the garment made up as pajamas and

Fig. 4 is a front view of the garment made up as a street dress.

Referring more particularly to the drawing 10 designates generally the waist portion of the garment having the neck opening 11 and the arm holes 12. It is to be understood that sleeves may be attached to the garment if desired.

The nether portion of the garment is designated generally at 13 and is of elongated form suitable for use as a kimona or pajamas. The garment opens completely down the front thereof as shown in Fig. 1, button holes 14 being provided along one edge of the garment and buttons 15 provided along the opposite edge thereof. The buttons 15 are shown as occupying the button holes 14 in Fig. 1 to complete the closure of the front of the garment.

As shown in Fig. 2 the lower or skirt portion of the garment at the rear thereof is provided with the central slit 16 arranged to be held in the closed position by the buttons 17

at one side of the slit occupying the button holes 18 at the opposite side of said slit. Along the lower edge of the garment are provided button holes 19 adapted to engage a horizontal row of buttons 20 placed about the waist portion of the garment when the lower portion of the skirt is folded up in the manner indicated in Fig. 4.

In the use of the improved garment, Figs. 1 and 2 show the disposition of the parts to form a kimona. As indicated in Fig. 2 the rear slit 16 is closed by the engagement of the buttons 17 in the button holes 18. The entire front of the garment may be opened out by disengaging the buttons 15 from the button holes 14 illustrated in Fig. 1. In this manner the garment may be readily slipped on.

The buttons 15 are afterwards reengaged with the button holes 14 to close the front of the garment about the wearer. If desired, a loose belt may be employed about the waist. Furthermore, the garment may be embellished with a permanent belt extending about the waist and hip line.

In Fig. 3 the garment is shown as taking the form of pajamas. To secure this result, the buttons 17 at the rear are disengaged from the button holes 18, permitting of the opening of the rear slit 16. For a similar distance at the front of the garment the buttons 15 are disengaged from the button holes 14. The lower skirt part is in this manner reduced to a bifurcated garment, and by engaging the rear buttons 17 with the front button holes 14 and the front buttons 15 with the rear button holes 18, a trouser or pajama effect may be secured.

The garment is also convertible for street use as a dress and in so doing it takes the attractive form shown in Fig. 4. In Fig. 2 I have indicated the horizontal dotted line 21 about which the lower skirt portion may be folded upwardly and outwardly of the upper skirt portion to bring the button holes 19 along the lower edge of the garment into alignment with the horizontal row of buttons 20 about the waist portion of the garment.

In Fig. 4 the buttons 20 are shown as

fastened in the button holes 19 and as securing the lower skirt portion about the upper skirt portion of the garment. In this condition the slit 16 at the rear is closed by the engagement of the buttons 17 with the button holes 18 and the front of the garment is also closed by the engagement of the buttons 15 in the button holes 14.

It will be understood and appreciated that the improved garment may be made out of any desired material and in accordance with any prevailing style and with or without embellishment usually found on garments of this character. The garment is such that it may be worn on the beach over a bathing suit, in an automobile or upon the street and is equally attractive in all forms.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. A garment comprising a waist portion, a nether portion, the nether portion being slit at the front and rear, fastening means adjacent the edges provided by the slits, the respective edges of the front and rear slits adapted to be secured together by said fastening means to provide a skirt, the opposing edges of the front and rear slits adapted to be secured together by said fastening means to provide a pair of leg portions, the opposite parts of the nether portion defined by said front and rear slits being foldable upwardly on themselves, and other fastening means for securing said parts in folded position to provide a short skirt.

2. A garment, comprising a waist portion, a nether portion, the nether portion being slit at the front and rear, fastening means adjacent the edges provided by the slits, the respective edges of the front and rear slits adapted to be secured together by said fastening means to provide a skirt, the opposing edges of the front and rear slits adapted to be secured together by said fastening means to provide a pair of leg portions, and other fastening means on the lower edge of the nether portion and on the waist portion, said nether portion adapted to be folded upwardly and secured to the waist portion by said last named fastening means to provide a short skirt.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature.

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