

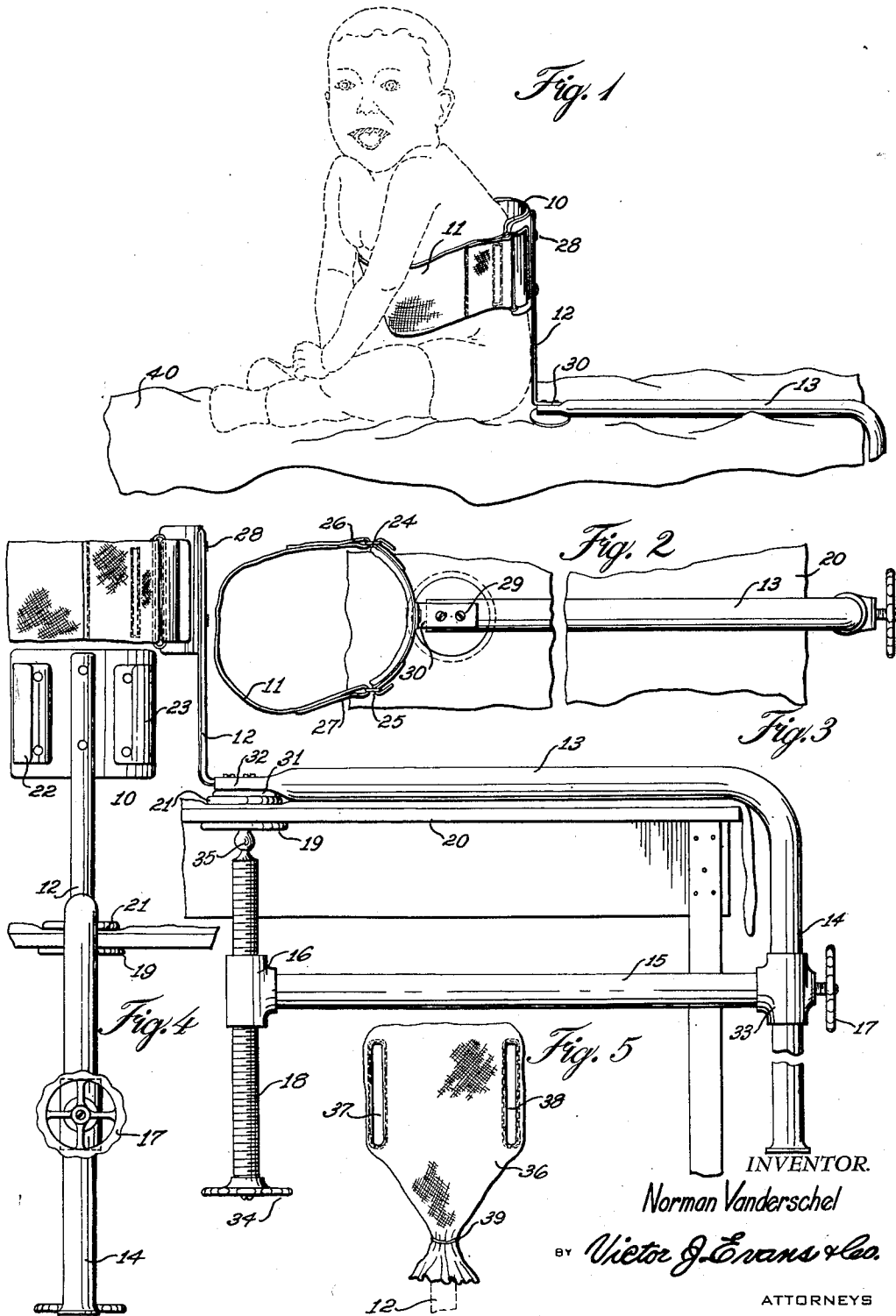
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This invention relates to devices used in a photographic studio for taking pictures of babies, and in particular a rigid arcuate band suspended above a table or desk top and positioned to receive the back of a baby with means for adjustably supporting the band and in which an elastic band extends from the ends of the rigid band whereby with the baby inserted between the elastic and rigid bands the body of the baby will be supported in an upright position.

The purpose of this invention is to provide means for retaining a baby in an upright sitting position for photographing in which supporting means extended around the body of the baby may be covered with clothing. Thus a baby is supported in such a manner that the means for retaining the baby in an upright sitting position will in no way show on the portrait. The baby will therefore appear to be sitting all by itself on a flat surface, even though the baby is being supported by the retaining means.

When a baby first starts to sit alone he does not remain sufficiently steady for photographing and it is very difficult to persuade the baby to remain in an upright position. With this thought in mind this invention contemplates a bracket in the form of a C-clamp with an arcuate band mounted on a bar extended upwardly from one section of the clamp and with an elastic band or belt connecting the ends of the arcuate band.

The object of this invention is, therefore, to provide means for forming a support for a baby whereby a baby is retained in an upright position for photographing and in which the supporting means does not show in the photograph.

Another object of the invention is to provide means for retaining a baby in a sitting position with the body extended upwardly without causing discomfort to the baby.

A further object of the invention is to provide a baby support for retaining the body of a baby in an upright position in which the support may readily be attached to a table, desk, or the like.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a support for retaining the body of a baby in an upright position for photographing in which the support is of a simple and economical construction.

With these and other objects and advantages in view the invention embodies an L-shaped bracket having a vertical leg and a horizontal leg with a rod having a threaded socket on the extended end adjustably clamped on said vertical leg, with a clamp screw having a pad on the upper end threaded in the socket on the extended end of the rod and with an arcuate band having an elas-

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tic belt extended from the ends thereof mounted on a support extended upwardly from the extended end of the horizontal leg of the bracket.

Other features and advantages of the invention will appear from the following description taken in connection with the drawing, wherein:

Figure 1 is an elevational view illustrating the upper part of the baby support and showing a baby, in dotted lines, with the baby positioned between the elastic belt and arcuate band of the support.

Figure 2 is a plan view of the support with parts broken away.

Figure 3 is a side elevational view illustrating the support with the bracket thereof clamped to a table top and in which the table is shown in broken lines.

Figure 4 is an end elevational view of the support.

Figure 5 is a detail showing a cover for the metal parts of the support which prevents the body of the baby coming in contact with cold metal elements.

Referring now to the drawing wherein like reference characters denote corresponding parts the improved baby support of this invention includes an arcuate band 10, an elastic belt 11 secured to the ends of the band 10, a support 12 extended upwardly from a horizontal leg 13 of an L-shaped bracket, the bracket having a vertical leg 14 upon which a rod 15 having a threaded socket 16 on the extended end is adjustably mounted with a clamp screw 17, and a screw 18 which is threaded through the socket 16 and provided with a pad 19 that is positioned to engage the under surface of a table top 20 whereby the clamp is secured in position with the pad 19 coacting with a pad 21 on the end of the leg 13 and positioned to engage the upper surface of the table top.

The arcuate band 10 is provided with clips 22 and 23 that are positioned on the ends of the band and rings 24 and 25, which are secured in loops 26 and 27, respectively on the ends of the belt 11 are positioned over the clips for retaining the belt in position, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2. The band 10 is secured to the upper end of the support 12 with rivets or the like, as indicated by the numeral 28 and the support 12 is secured to the horizontally disposed leg 13 of the L-shaped bracket by screws or the like, as indicated by the numeral 29, the screws extending through a flange 30 on the end of the leg 13. The pad 21 is also secured to the extended end of the leg 13 and a washer 31 may be positioned between the

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pad and surface of the leg. The leg 13 is provided with a flat end, as indicated by the numeral 32 to facilitate fastening the support 12 and pad 21 thereto.

The rod 15 is provided with a fitting 33 that is slidably mounted on the vertical leg 14 of the bracket and the rod and fitting are secured in adjusted positions with the adjusting screw 17.

The opposite end of the rod 15 is provided with a threaded rod or screw, as indicated by the numeral 18 and the screw 18 is threaded through a hub 16, which may be formed with a T-fitting or the like. The lower end of the screw 18 is provided with a hand wheel 34 and the pad 19 is secured to the upper end of the screw 18 with a ball and socket joint 35.

The baby support may also be provided with a cover 36, as illustrated in Fig. 5, the cover being adapted to be positioned over the arcuate band 10 with the ends of the elastic belt 11 extended through elongated slots 37 and 38 in the cover. The lower part of the cover is drawn together by an elastic band or the like as indicated by the numeral 39. The open end of the cover is drawn together by the band 39 over the support 12, as illustrated in Fig. 5.

With the parts arranged in this manner the support may readily be clamped on a table, desk, or the like, as illustrated in Fig. 3 with a posing blanket or the like, as indicated by the numeral 40 positioned on the table top and secured in position by the pad 21 and with the support clamped in position a baby is placed between the belt and band, as shown in Fig. 1, whereby the body of the baby will be retained in an upright position.

With the baby in position between the bands a dress or other clothing may be placed on the baby whereby the band and belt will be hidden and the baby may be photographed in an upright position without the means for retaining the baby in the upright position showing in the photograph.

The device also provides a safety support as the possibility of the baby falling over and falling from the table or the like is eliminated.

It will be understood that modifications, within the scope of the appended claims, may be made in the design and arrangement of the parts without departing from the spirit of the invention.

What is claimed is:

1. A baby holder comprising a clamp for use on a table top, a vertically disposed support ex-

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tended from said clamp, an arcuate band carried by said support, an elastic belt extended from the end of the arcuate band, and a cover having belt receiving slots therein positioned over said arcuate band.

2. In a baby holder, the combination which comprises an L-shaped bracket having a horizontally disposed leg and a vertical leg, a rod substantially parallel to said horizontally disposed leg adjustably mounted on the vertically disposed leg, a thumb screw for securing the rod in adjusted positions on said vertically disposed leg, a clamp screw threaded in the extended end of the rod and positioned to coact with the extended end of the horizontally disposed leg of the bracket for clamping the bracket on a table top, or the like, a vertically disposed support extended upwardly from the extended end of the horizontally disposed leg of the bracket, an arcuate band carried by the upper end of the support and an elastic belt carried by the ends of said arcuate band.

3. In a baby holder, the combination which comprises an L-shaped bracket having a horizontally disposed leg and a vertical leg, a rod substantially parallel to said horizontally disposed leg adjustably mounted on the vertically disposed leg, a thumb screw for securing the rod in adjusted positions on said vertically disposed leg, a clamp screw threaded in the extended end of the rod and positioned to coact with the extended end of the horizontally disposed leg of the bracket for clamping the bracket on a table top, or the like, a vertically disposed support extended upwardly from the extended end of the horizontally disposed leg of the bracket, an arcuate band having clips on the ends carried by said support, and an elastic belt having rings on the ends positioned with the rings extended over the clips of the arcuate band for retaining the belt in position whereby the belt coacts with the band for retaining the body of a baby in an upright position.

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