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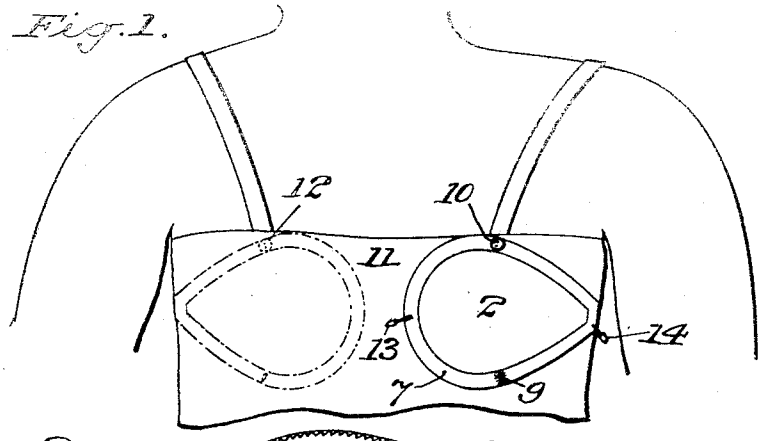


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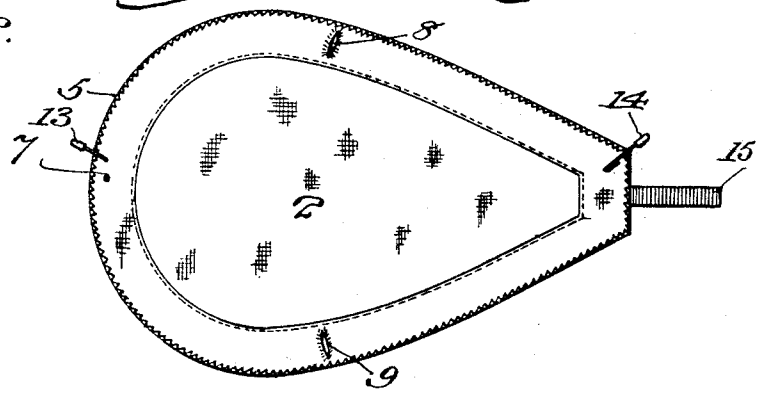


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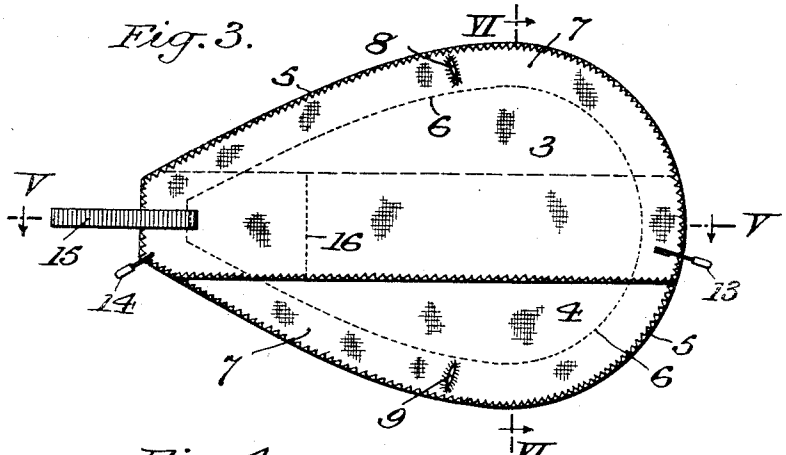


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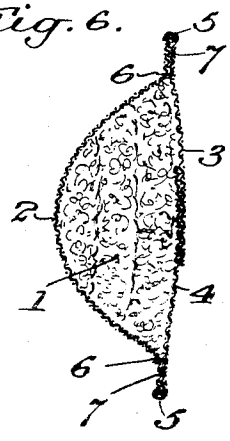


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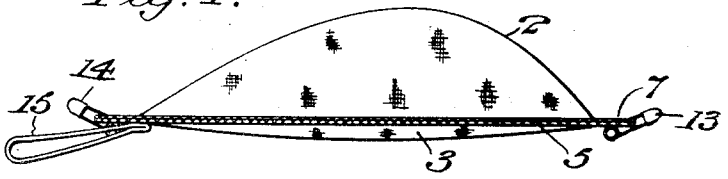
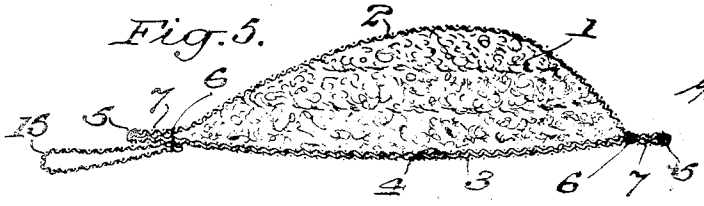


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The object of my invention is to provide a novel reversible bust form which may be used either singly, where, for instance, either the right or left breast has been removed, or in pairs where it is desired to provide a proper contour over both breasts; means being utilized whereby the bust form may be securely fastened in its desired adjustment to another garment of the wearer.

A practical embodiment of my invention is represented in the accompanying drawings in which:

Fig. 1 represents the bust form as in use, it being shown in full lines in one position covering the left breast and in dotted lines in a reversed position covering the right breast;

Fig. 2 represents the bust form in front elevation;

Fig. 3 represents the same in rear elevation;

Fig. 4 represents an edge view of the bust form;

Fig. 5 represents a longitudinal central section taken in the plane of the line V—V of Fig. 3, looking in the direction of the arrows, and

Fig. 6 represents a transverse section taken in the plane of the line VI—VI of Fig. 3, looking in the direction of the arrows.

A discardable tapered pad 1 is made of some suitable soft and cheap material, such, for instance, as cotton batting disposed in layers gradually diminishing in size from the back to the front of the pad.

The tapered envelope for removably holding the pad is preferably made of a fine open mesh fabric and it comprises a fulled front member 2 and upper and lower back members 3 and 4, the upper back member overlapping the lower back member, an opening being thus formed between the overlapping portions of the upper and lower back members for the insertion and removal of the pad. The upper and lower back members 3 and 4 are secured to the front member 2 around their peripheral edges by a line of stitching 5 and also at a distance inwardly therefrom by a line of stitching 6, to form a marginal band 7 for the bust form. A pocket for the pad 1 is formed in the envelope by the inner line of stitching 6.

For securing the bust form to a garment of the wearer in its proper position the marginal band 7 may be provided with upper and lower buttonholes 8 and 9, the buttonhole 8 being adapted to be secured to a button 10 of an undergarment 11 when the form is to be positioned over the left breast of the wearer and the buttonhole 9 being adapted to be secured to a button 12 on the said garment when the form is to be attached over the right breast of the wearer. The pad may also be secured at its large and small ends to the garment 11 by fasteners, such as safety pins 13 and 14 carried by the band 7.

The form at its pointed end may be provided with a loop of tape 15 which loop will serve as a convenient means for hanging the form or as a further means of attaching the same to the garment 11.

A line of stitching 16 across the overlapping portions of the upper and lower back members of the envelope a distance from the small end of the envelope, serves to more effectually hold the pad against displacement within the envelope.

From the above description it will be seen that I have provided a bust form in which the pad may be readily inserted into and removed from its envelope and in which the pad will be held against displacement within its envelope. It will also be seen that the pad may be composed of cheap, discardable material. It will furthermore be seen that by means of the fastening devices hereinabove described the bust form may be firmly attached in place to prevent slipping and to give a perfect contour under the clothing of

the wearer. It will also be seen that the bust form may be used either singly or in pairs, to suit different requirements.

It is evident that various changes may be resorted to in the construction, form and arrangement of the several parts without departing from the spirit and scope of my invention, and hence I do not intend to be limited to the particular embodiment herein shown and described, but

What I claim is:—

1. A reversible bust form comprising a discardable pad and a washable fabric envelope therefor, said envelope having a marginal band provided with devices for removably attaching the bust form to a garment in the required position, said devices including upper and lower buttonholes in the band, one or the other of which is intended for coaction with a button on the garment according to the right or left use of the form.

2. A bust form comprising a discardable pad, and a washable fabric envelope therefor consisting of a fulled front member and upper and lower overlapping back members secured to the front member at the marginal edges and also at a distance inwardly therefrom to form a marginal band.

3. A bust form comprising a discardable pad, and a washable fabric envelope therefor consisting of a fulled front member and upper and lower overlapping back members secured to the front member at the marginal edges and also at a distance inwardly therefrom to form a marginal band said band having buttonholes and other fastening devices whereby the bust form may be removably attached to a garment in the required position.

4. A reversible bust form comprising a pad of discardable material, and an envelope of washable fabric for removably holding said pad, the margin of said envelope being provided with devices for removably attaching the bust form to the right or left side of a garment in the required position.

5. A reversible bust form comprising a pad of discardable material, and an envelope of washable fabric for removably holding said pad, said envelope having a marginal band provided with devices for removably attaching the bust form to the right or left side of a garment in the required position.

In testimony, that I claim the foregoing as my invention, I have signed my name this 30 day of January, 1931.

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