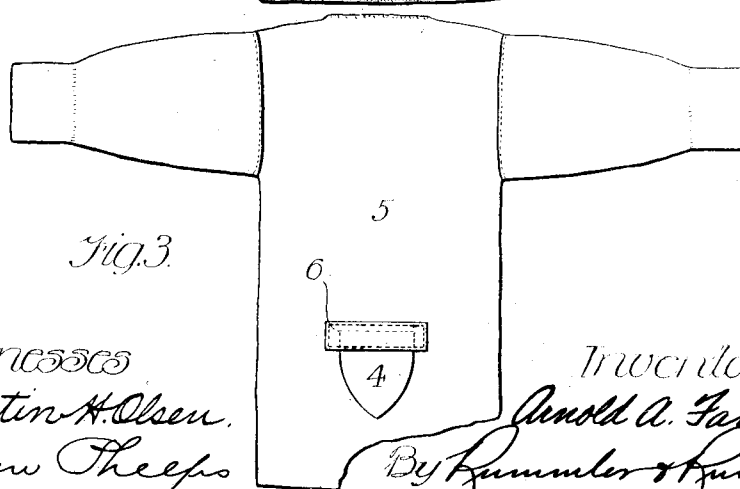
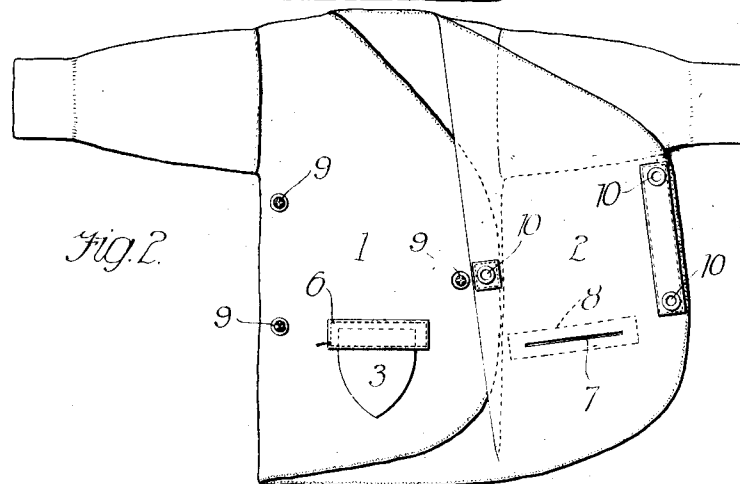
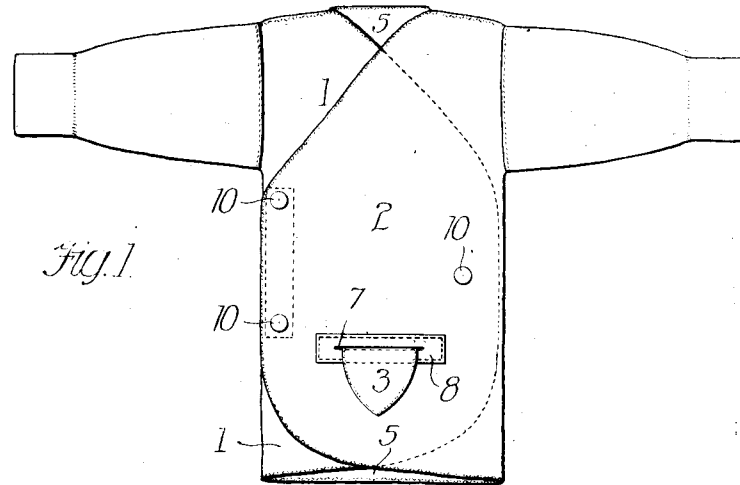


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARNOLD A. FANTA, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of Chicago, county of Cook, State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Infants' Garments, of which the following is a specification.

The main objects of this invention are to provide an improved form of infant's double-breasted undergarment whereby the breast flaps may be more easily fastened together than in usual constructions having buttons, tabs, cords or safety pins as fastening means; to provide an improved construction for garments of this class which are provided with depending tabs for the attachment of other garments; and to provide an improved arrangement of such tabs so as to distribute the strain thereon more evenly over the material of the garment and thereby prevent wrinkling or distortion of the garment by such strain. These objects are accomplished by the device shown in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of an infant's undergarment illustrating a specific embodiment of this invention. Fig. 2 is a front elevation of one of the breast flaps thrown back to illustrate the arrangement of the stud and socket fastening devices. Fig. 3 is a rear elevation of the same.

In the form shown in the drawings, the garment is of the variety which has wide side flaps 1 and 2, which overlap each other across the entire front of the garment to form a breast portion of double thickness throughout substantially its entire area. Depending pinning flaps 3 and 4 for supporting a diaper or other nether garment are attached to one of the side flaps 1 and the back 5 of the garment at an elevation considerably above the lower edge of the garment, the upper edges of the pinning tabs being reinforced by strips 6 of relatively stouter material, which insure a distribution of the strain upon the pinning tabs horizontally throughout a considerable part of the width of the garment. The outer side flap 2 is slotted at 7, the slot extending horizontally a distance substantially equal to the width of the pinning flap 3 and at an elevation directly opposite the upper edge of the free part of the flap 3. The edges of the slit 7 are reinforced by a stiffening strip 8 of material similar to the strips 6, so that

when the tab 3 is threaded through the slit 7, a downward strain upon the tab will be equally distributed between the flaps 1 and 2. Each of the free marginal edges of the side flaps 1 and 2 is provided with one or more fastening devices located to interfit with fastening devices on the adjacent part of the other side flap. These fasteners are preferably studs 9 on one of the flaps, having resilient interfitting relation with sockets 10 on the other flap.

In operation, the garment is slipped upon the child in the same manner as a coat and after snapping together the fasteners at the free marginal edge of the inner flap, the tab 3 is threaded through the slit 7 and then the fasteners at the free marginal edge of the outer flap are snapped together. Now both of the flaps 3 and 4 are on the outside of the garment in convenient position for attachment to the nether garment. The fasteners are preferably located above the level of the tab 3 and slot 7, and assist in distributing the strain of the tab 3 over both of the flaps 1 and 2, and cooperate with the slits 7 to insure that said flaps will remain flat and unwrinkled under the strain upon the tab 3.

There is considerable advantage in providing pinning tabs 3 and 4 of stronger material than the material of the garment itself, and in spacing them above the lower edge of the garment, as illustrated, since when so made they have much less tendency to wrinkle the material of the garment. It will be seen from the drawings that the insertion of pins into the flaps 3 and 4 will have little or no tendency to cause wrinkling of the parts of the garment which are below the points of attachment of said pinning flaps.

Although but one specific embodiment of this invention is herein shown and described, it will be understood that some of the details of the construction shown may be altered or omitted without departing from the spirit of this invention, as defined by the following claims.

I claim:—

1. In an infant's undergarment the combination of a pair of overlapping front flaps, each substantially equal in width to the width of the back of the undergarment, a depending tab secured to one of said flaps substantially midway between its edges and

adapted to have other garments attached thereto, the other said flap having a slit therein adapted to register with said tab and have it passed therethrough when said flaps are superimposed, whereby the strain on said tab is distributed over both of said flaps, and reinforcing strips of relatively stiffer material secured to said front flaps around said slit and the attached end of said tab.

2. In an infant's undergarment the combination of a pair of overlapping front flaps, each substantially equal in width to the width of the back of the undergarment, a depending tab secured to one of said flaps substantially midway between its edges and adapted to have other garments attached thereto, the other said flap having a slit

therein adapted to register with said tab and have it passed therethrough when said flaps are superimposed, whereby the strain on said tab is distributed over both of said flaps, reinforcing strips of relatively stiffer material secured to said front flaps around said slit and the attached end of said tab, and fastening means respectively located adjacent to the marginal edges and fold of said flaps and spaced apart above said tab and slit.

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