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Fig. 1.

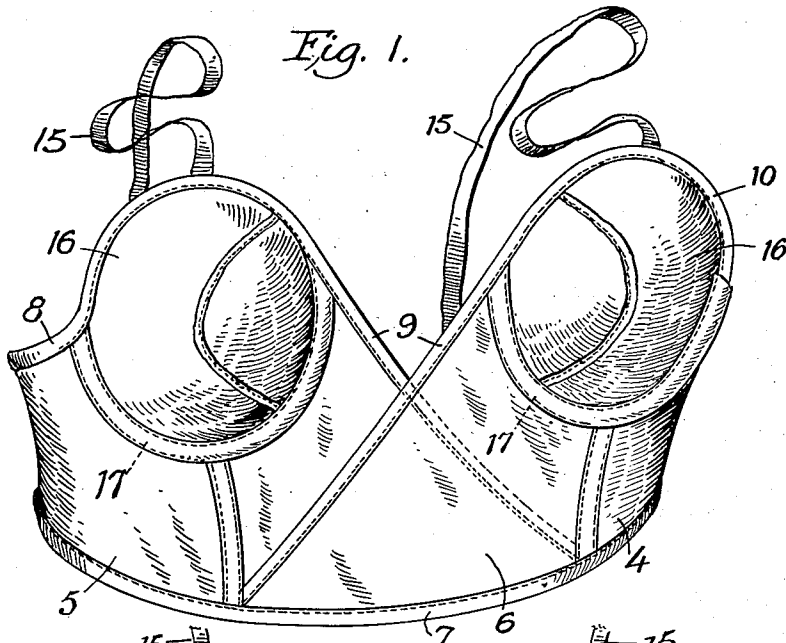


Fig. 2.

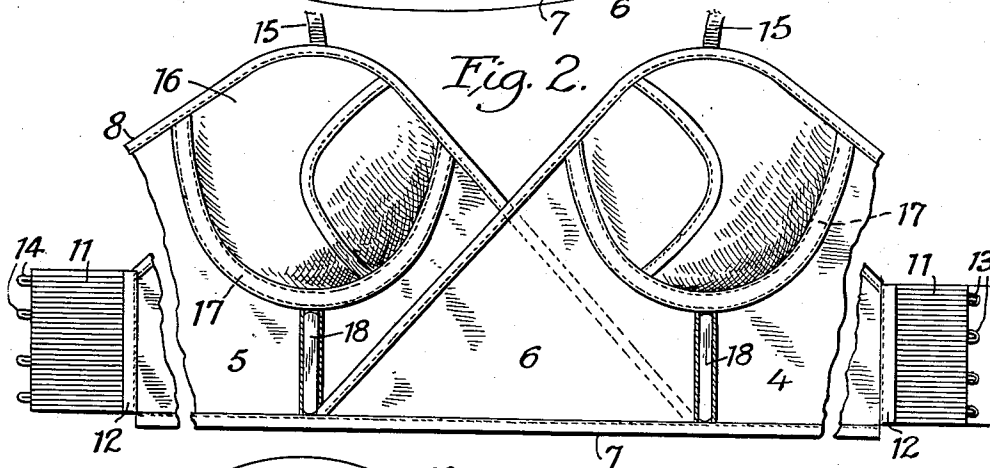
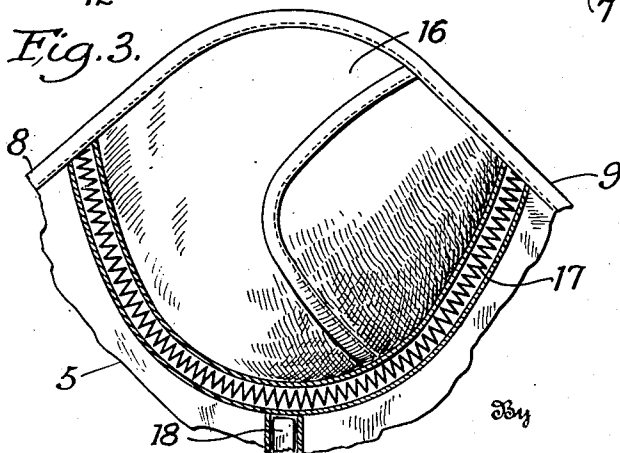


Fig. 3.



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The present invention relates to brassières and consists in the combinations and arrangements of elements hereinafter described and particularly set forth in the accompanying claims.

The purpose of the invention is to provide a brassière especially adapted to meet the present tendency of accentuated bust line, and wherein means are provided for conveniently adjusting or changing the shape of the bust portions of the brassière to suit the special needs of the wearer, and one in which the desired changes may be readily made and altered at will.

It is further contemplated to produce an article of this kind which is of simple design and construction, inexpensive to produce, requiring no special skill or knowledge for shaping to the desired form, and one which is assured to give ease and comfort to the wearer.

Another purpose of the invention is to provide an article of this character which embodies all the desirable features of artistry, employing the minimum number of parts in its construction and forming a finished product of utmost simplicity.

The invention is shown by way of illustration in the accompanying drawing, wherein:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the brassière.
Figure 2 a front elevational view thereof, and;
Figure 3 an enlarged fragmentary view of one of the bust portions.

Referring to the construction in further detail the article consists of two similar non-stretchable pieces of fabric 4 and 5 of any suitable material having substantially the outline of a triangle and united in overlapping relation as at 6. The fabric is so cut in making the article that all strains are on the bias thereof, thus giving maximum wear, and the marginal braid bindings 7, 8, 9 and 10 take up all pulls to which the same is subjected.

For further reference to these general features in the structure of the article reference may be had to my co-pending application for U. S. patent on "Brassière", Serial No. 462,885, filed June 21, 1930, issued September 20, 1932, Patent No. 1,878,755.

Each of the body portions, 4 and 5, is provided with an end piece 11 of elastic material suitably connected with said body portion as at 12. Said elastic parts 11 are provided respectively with hooks and eyes 13 and 14, as will be understood, and these fastenings together with the shoulder straps 15 serve for fitting and hold-

ing the brassière to the wearer, as indicated by Figure 1.

Each of the bust portions 16 is provided along its lower and side edges with a deformable or pliable member 17 of coiled wire suitably enclosed within the folds of the material and extending from the respective marginal edges 8, 9 and 10, as shown. Immediately below the deformable piece 17 and lying substantially vertical is a rigid member 18 of bone or the like neatly enfolded within the fabric of the material. Said deformable member 17 and the rigid piece 18 readily permit the bust portions 16 to be changed or arranged at will, and cooperate to sustain the same in their "formed" or set position. The deformable member comprises a length of volute or undulated wire 17 of substantially semi-circular shape formed of inert or non-resilient metal. By this provision said deformable member 17 when set to any desired shape will retain such form as and for the purpose stated.

In actual trial and fitting it has been demonstrated that the article has great advantages, to wit: For women having flabby and drooping busts—and particularly when the bust is heavy—the wearer is able to adjust and form her bust as preferred by simply twisting the coils 17 to any position desired to accentuate her bust more, or less. This is accomplished by shaping the coils more rounded or straight. Thus, giving roundness to the coil produces a more pronounced bust, while less roundness to the coil produces a flatter appearance to the body. That is to say, the wearer is able to mould herself a more "boyish" or more "girlish" looking bust and at the same time have a pleasing and comfortable support without being aware that her busts are supported by a pliable element which rests on the rigid support. This construction also gives the desired flexibility to the article for ease in all directions.

It will be understood the invention as herein disclosed is not limited to the details of construction shown and described as these may be varied without departing from the spirit of the invention as defined by the claims.

What is claimed as new is:

1. A brassière comprising a fabric body portion, bust covering portions, a single flexible and vertically disposed member located below each bust covering portion, and a semi-circular shaped member formed from a single undulated strand of wire enclosed within the lower and curved marginal edge of each of said bust covering portions; said undulated wire strands being de-

formable for changing the shape of said bust covering portions at will, and with said rigid members adapted to sustain or hold in substantially rigid form the altered shape of said undulated deformable members as for the purpose set forth.

2. A brassière comprising a fabric body portion, bust covering portions, a single flexible and vertically disposed member located below each bust covering portion, and a semi-circular shaped member formed from a single undulated strand of wire enclosed within the lower and

curved marginal edge of each of said bust covering portions; the upper tip ends of said flexible vertical members terminating immediately adjacent the lower portions of said curved undulated members, said undulated wire strands being deformable for changing the shape of said bust covering portions at will, and with said rigid members adapted to sustain or hold in substantially rigid form the altered shape of said undulated deformable members as for the purpose set forth.

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