

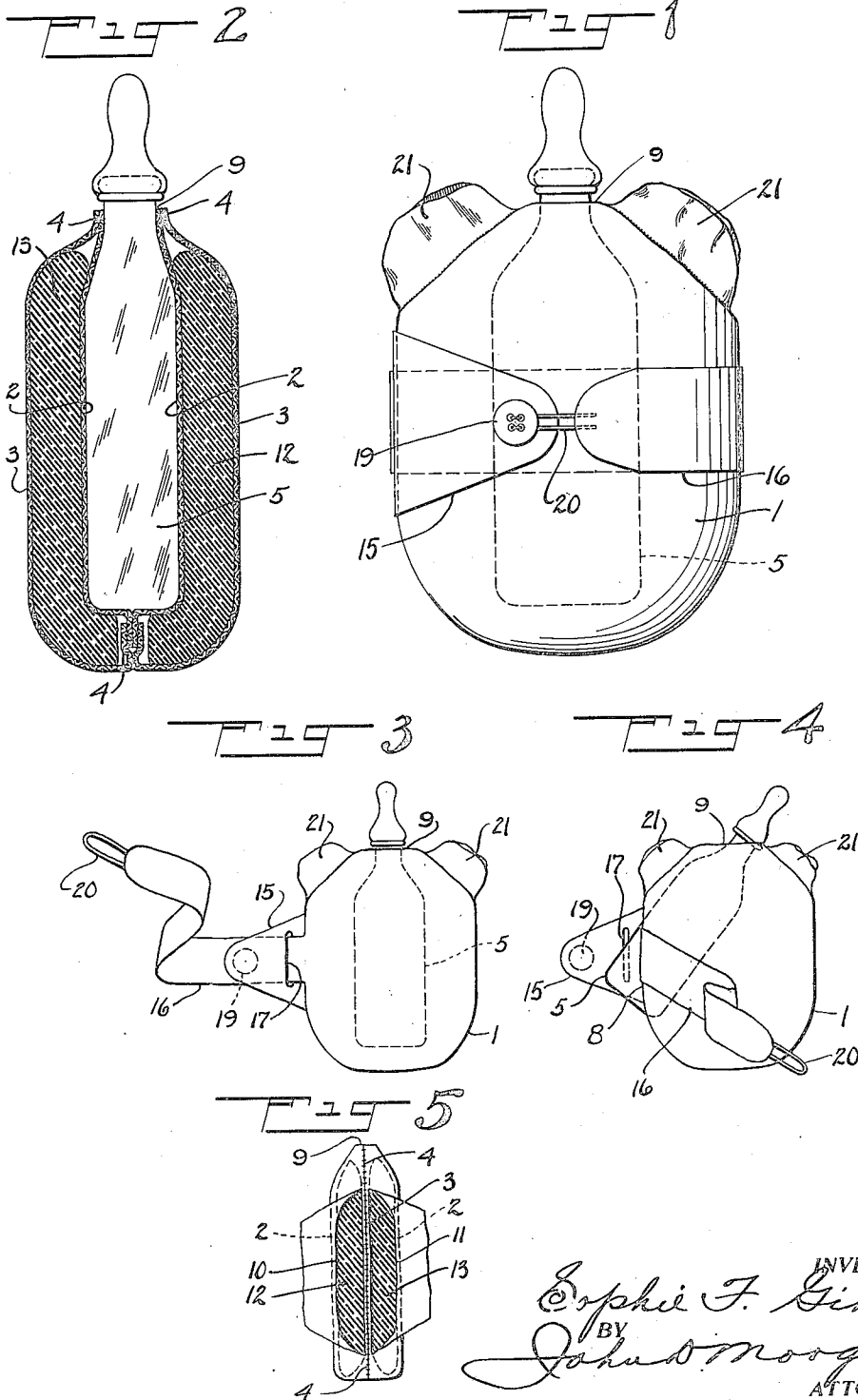
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COMBINATION RAG DOLL NURSING BOTTLE COVER, PROTECTOR, AND HEAT PRESERVER

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SOPHIE F. GIRR, a citizen of the United States, residing at Brooklyn, county of Kings, State of New York, have made certain new and useful Improvements in Combination Rag-Doil Nursing-Bottle Covers, Protectors, and Heat Preservers, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to a combined nursing bottle protector and toy and more particularly to a combined nursing bottle protector and rag doll.

Objects and advantages of the invention will be set forth in part hereinafter and in part will be obvious herefrom, or may be learned by practice with the invention, the same being realized and attained by means of the instrumentalities and combinations pointed out in the appended claims.

The invention consists in the novel parts, constructions, arrangements, combinations and improvements herein shown and described.

The accompanying drawings, referred to herein and constituting a part hereof, illustrate one embodiment of the invention, and together with the description, serve to explain the principles of the invention.

Of the drawings:

Fig. 1 is a side elevation of one embodiment of the invention;

Fig. 2 is a vertical central section on line 2-2 of Fig. 1, but showing the nursing bottle in elevation;

Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 1, but on a smaller scale, showing the fastening devices partly disengaged;

Fig. 4 is a view similar to Fig. 3 showing the insertion of the bottle into, and its withdrawal from, the casing; and

Fig. 5 is a detached detail showing the manner of inserting the rubber sponge into the fabric lining.

The invention provides a nursing bottle envelope which is a protection against breakage of the bottle and against undue cooling of the milk or other food, while the soft texture and deep and soft resilience of the envelope makes it attractive as a toy or "dolly" for an infant, while the dismemberable structure and the nature of the component parts of the envelope render it

sanitary and easily and thoroughly washable and otherwise cleanable, as by boiling.

Generally, the protector comprises a pocketed envelope of fabric having an internal recess for the bottle, with openings for the bottle neck and for the insertion and withdrawal of the bottle. Within the pockets and insertable thereinto and withdrawable therefrom, are one or more pieces of deeply and softly resilient protective material, preferably rubber sponge, this pocketed material enfolding the bottle ensconced in the recess of the envelope. The preferred form of fastening means comprises strips or flaps which are fastened at either side of the bottle-admitting opening, and which pass about the protector and are fastened together thereabout.

Other features of the invention will be first set forth in connection with the following detailed description, and it will be understood that the foregoing general description and the following detailed description are exemplary and explanatory but are not restrictive of the invention.

The envelope 1 of the protector is shaped to completely enfold the bottle 5 except its neck, and is pocketed practically throughout its entire extent, that is, it consists of two layers or plications 2 and 3, sewed or otherwise fastened at their edges as shown at 4 in Figs. 2 and 5.

The pockets formed or constituted between the layers or plications of fabric are adapted to receive a flat and relatively thick or deep layer of softly resilient material, and I preferably employ rubber sponge. This gives a very light article, having the required resilience and shock absorbing properties to guard against bottle breakage, and by its own constituency and its porous structure and consequent great inclusion of air, prevent heat radiation, as well as having other desirable properties.

The envelope has preferably a side opening at 8 for the insertion and withdrawal of the bottle 5, and an opening 9 through which projects the neck and nipple of the ensconced bottle. The envelope is sewed, outer and inner layers or plications together, from one opening to another, as will be clear from Figs. 2 and 5, by the seams 4.

To permit the insertion and withdrawal of the resilient material, openings 10 and 11 are left in the stitching or are formed or provided for in cutting the fabric of the envelope 1. Through these openings two pieces 12 and 13 of rubber sponge are inserted into, and are withdrawn from, the pockets and as these fill the pockets, they practically completely surround or enfold the bottle. The preferable manner of inserting the sponges is to roll a sponge on itself and to insert it horizontally, as referred to the figures of the drawing, into the pocket openings 10 and 11, and permit it to unfold within, and it will fill, the pockets.

The preferred form of means for fastening the bottle within the envelope comprises flaps or strips 15 and 16, attached, respectively, at either side of the opening 8. Strip 15 has an opening 17 therein, through which the strip 16 is passed, both strips being then passed about the bottle, and their ends fastened together, as shown in Fig. 1. The illustrated fastening comprises a button 19 on one strip and a loop 20 on the other strip.

Preferably tabs 21 are formed on the exterior of the envelope, at either side of the opening 9 for the bottle neck, and extended in the plane of flattening of the envelope; these tabs constitute a hand-hold for the child, and obviate the necessity for any attempts by the child to grasp the body of the envelope.

The envelope is entirely sanitary and may be washed or boiled either complete or dismembered. It permits of rapid and facile insertion and withdrawal of the bottle, but holds it securely when fastened.

It is a complete protection against breakage and heat losses through radiation, and will remain where placed. If set on end it will stand securely or if laid down on the crib pillow or covers, or elsewhere, it will not roll out of the child's reach, as the pliable and frictional fabric will retain it in position where laid.

By reason of the deep and softly resilient body of the protector, it appeals strongly to infants as a plaything, or rag dolly and will afford amusement and employment for long periods between feedings, and if desired, the envelope may be used for a plaything both with and without a bottle there-within.

It will be understood that changes may be made from the exact structures herein shown and described but departures may be made therefrom within the scope of the accompanying claims without departing from the principles of the invention and without sacrificing its chief advantages.

What I claim is:—

1. A nursing bottle protector having an interior recess for the bottle and an opening

through which the bottle neck protrudes, the protector comprising an envelope of very pliable material and an insertable and removable inner layer of relatively deeply and gently resilient material which extends substantially completely around the body of the bottle.

2. A nursing bottle protector having an interior recess for the bottle and an opening through which the bottle neck protrudes, the protector comprising a very pliable, plicated envelope surrounding the body of the bottle and a deep and gently resilient insertable and removable material interposed between the plications of the envelope and also surrounding the body of the bottle.

3. A nursing bottle protector comprising a double fabric envelope extending around the body of the bottle and a layer of insertable and withdrawable resilient material within the envelope extending around the body of the bottle.

4. A nursing bottle protector comprising a double fabric envelope extending around the body of the bottle and a layer of insertable and withdrawable rubber sponge within the envelope extending around the body of the bottle.

5. A nursing bottle protector comprising a double fabric envelope constituting a pocketed enclosure surrounding the nursing bottle and a resilient material enclosed within the pockets, the envelope having an opening in one end through which the neck of the bottle projects and a second opening in one side for the insertion and withdrawal of the bottle and a closure for the second opening comprising strips at either side of the opening passing around the middle of the envelope and means for fastening the strips together.

6. A nursing bottle protector comprising a resilient layer surrounding the body of the bottle and a tab projecting therefrom forming a hand-hold for the child.

7. A nursing bottle protector comprising a resilient layer and having an opening for the bottle neck and tabs projecting from the protector at either side of the opening for the bottle neck.

8. A covering for a nursing bottle comprising an enclosing envelope extending around the body of the bottle and provided with an opening through which the neck of the bottle projects, and hand tabs carried by the envelope on opposite sides of said opening.

9. A protective and heat insulating covering for a nursing bottle comprising a two ply envelope, heating insulating material located between the plies of the envelope, the envelope being provided with an opening through which the neck of the bottle projects, and hand tabs carried by the envelope on opposite sides of said opening.

10. A protective and heat insulating covering for a nursing bottle comprising a flattened, two-ply envelope, heat insulating material carried in the pocket between the plies of the envelope, the envelope being provided with an opening through which the neck of the bottle projects when in use, and hand tabs fastened to the envelope, on opposite sides of said opening, and extended in the plane of flattening of the envelope.

11. A protective covering for a nursing bottle, comprising a two-ply envelope defining a recess for completely surrounding the body of the nursing bottle and further defining a pocket between the plies, a relatively soft protecting material carried in said pocket and extending completely around the body of the bottle, the envelope and protecting material being formed with an opening for allowing the insertion and removal of

the bottle, and with a second opening through which the neck of the bottle projects when in use.

12. A protective and heat-insulating covering for a nursing bottle, comprising a two-ply envelope defining a recess for completely surrounding the body of the bottle, heat-insulating material carried between the plies of the envelope, so as to extend substantially on all sides of the body of the bottle, the envelope being provided with one opening for the insertion and removal of the bottle and with another through which the neck of the bottle projects when in use, and fastening means associated with the envelope, for closing the first opening and for securing the bottle in place in the said recess.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification.

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