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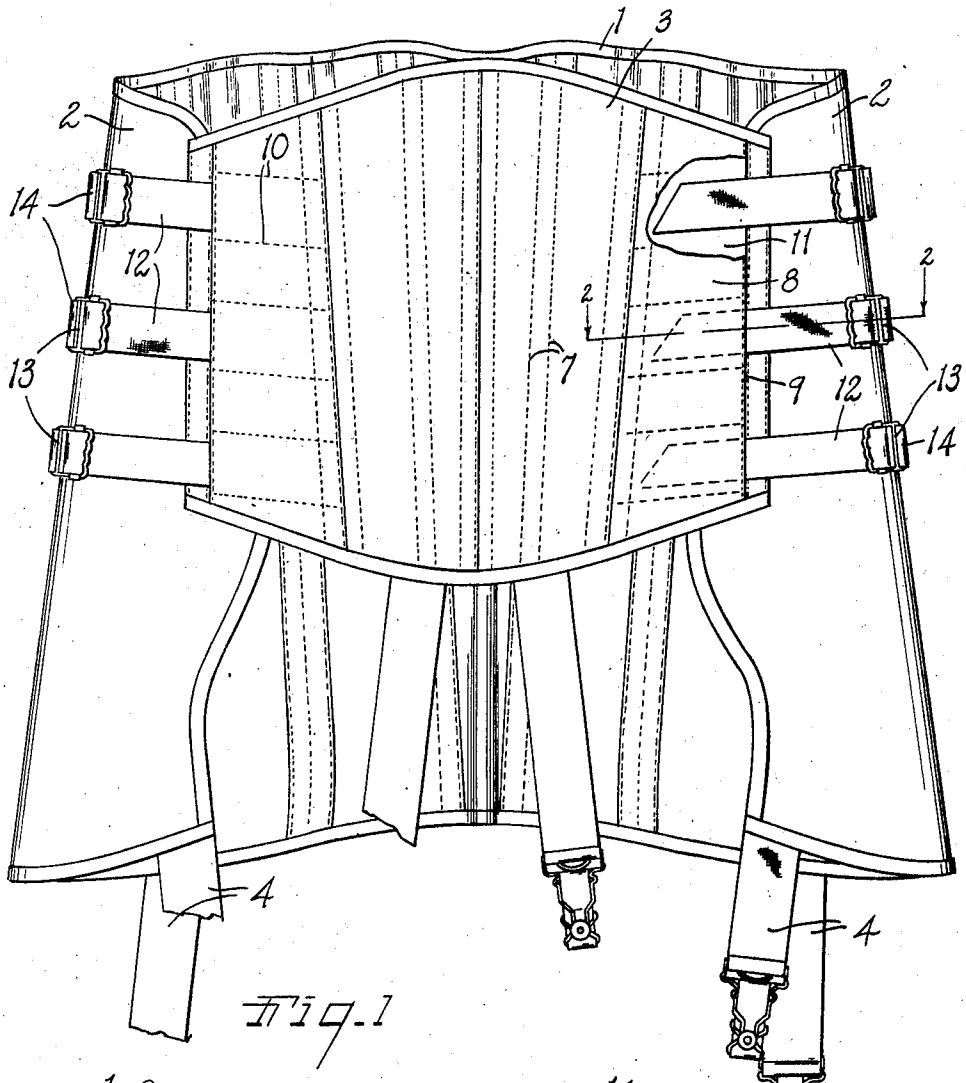


Fig. 1

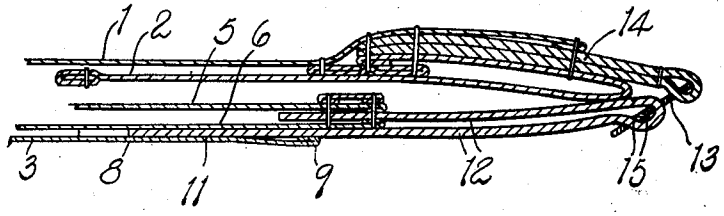


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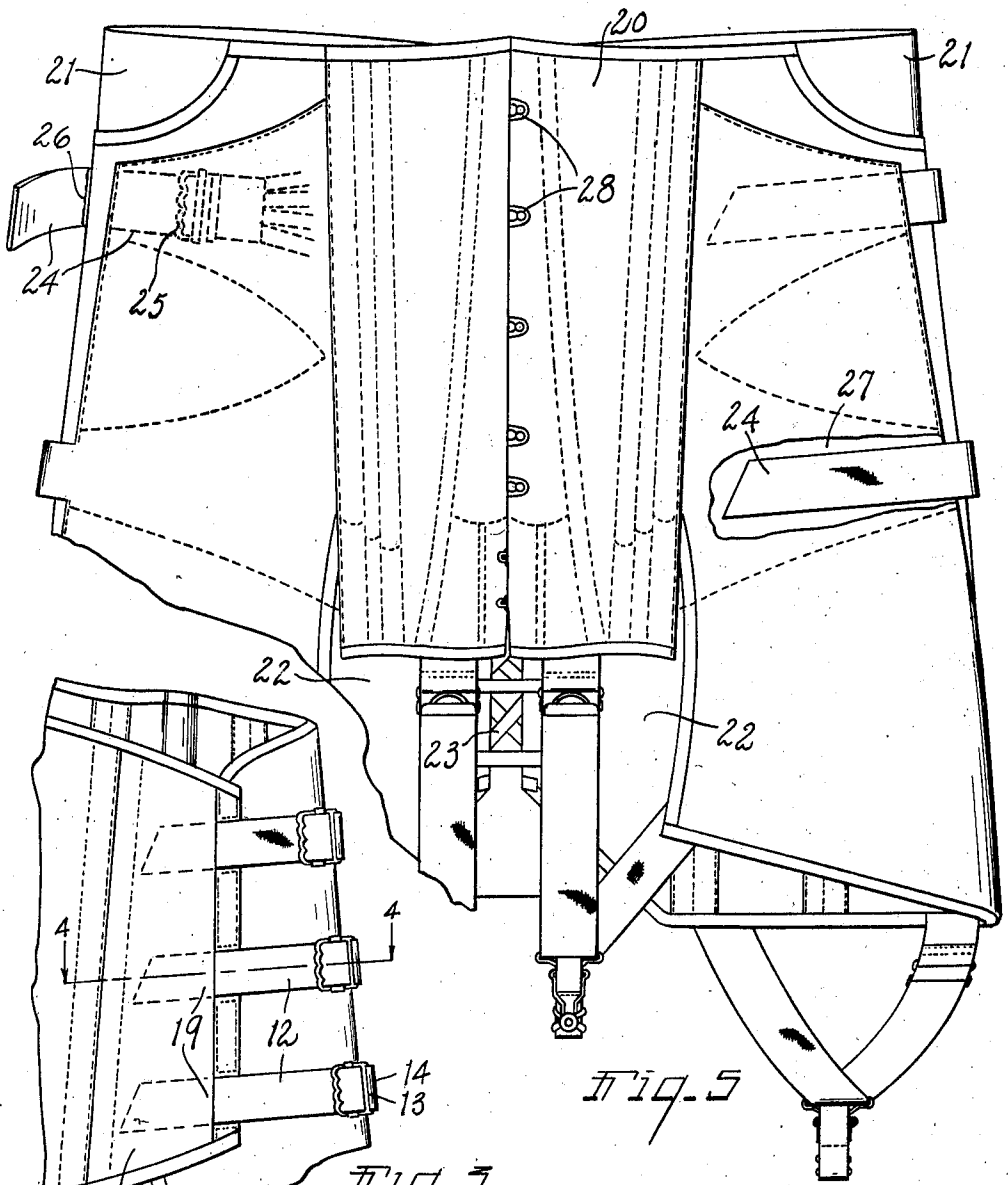


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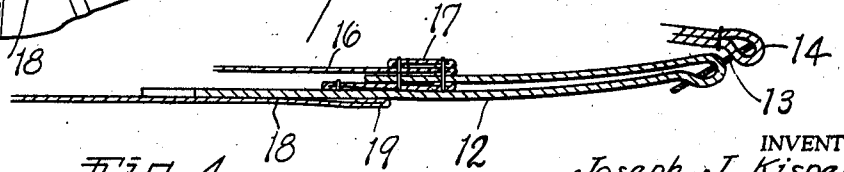


Fig. 4

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This invention relates to improvements in corsets.

The main objects of this invention are:

First, to provide a corset which is well adapted as a foundation garment in that the adjusting straps are arranged and supported so that a tendency for the same to show through or cause ridges or wrinkles or irregularities on the outer garment is minimized.

Objects relating to details and economies of the invention will appear from the description to follow. The invention is defined and pointed out in the claims.

Preferred embodiments of the invention are illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a front elevation of a corset embodying the features of my invention, portions of the hose supporter straps being broken away.

Fig. 2 is an enlarged fragmentary view in section on line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary front elevation of a slightly modified form or embodiment of my invention.

Fig. 4 is an enlarged fragmentary section on line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

Fig. 5 is a fragmentary front elevation of a further modification or embodiment of my invention.

The embodiment of my invention shown in Figs. 1 and 2 comprises a back section 1 having side portions 2 formed integrally therewith and adapted to extend around the hips of the wearer. The front or abdominal portion 3 is of such width as to overlap the vertical edges of the side portions 2, the side portions preferably extending substantially below the lower edge of the front or abdominal portion 3.

Hose supporting straps 4 are provided, but these may be arranged as desired. Preferably, however, I attach one pair of the hose supporting straps to the lower front corners of the side portions 2.

The front section 3 is, in the preferred embodiment, formed of overlying plies 5 and 6 with suitable reinforces indicated by dotted lines at 7, and is provided with outer plies 8 adjacent each vertical edge, the edge 9 of the outer ply, however, being spaced inwardly from the vertical edges of the plies 5 and 6.

Horizontally spaced stitches 10 are arranged in the overlapping outer ply and the adjacent plies to provide a series of vertically spaced pockets 11 opening laterally.

The adjusting straps 12 are secured to the sides of the side portions 2 by means of the buckles 13, the buckles being attached by means of the loops 14. The straps 12 are engaged with the buckles which, in this embodiment, have slidable clutch bearings 15 and the free ends of the straps are inserted or tucked into the pockets 11. This effectively supports the free ends of the straps so that they do not swing downwardly from the buckle or form into rolls or twists and they are held flat against the garment and their ends are within the pockets so that they do not form raised portions or bulges on the outer garments.

In the embodiment shown in Fig. 4, the structure of the front section 16 is somewhat modified, there being only a single inner ply with an edging reinforcing portion 17 secured thereto, the outer ply 18 being attached to provide pockets 19 for the ends of the straps 12.

In the embodiment shown in Fig. 5, the front section 20 is attached to the side members 21, the back being composed of sections 22 connected by the draw lacings 23. These draw lacings are adjusted by the adjusting straps 24 which are engaged with buckles 25, the straps being secured to the side portions at 26 so that by adjusting the straps the draw lacings are adjusted and proper adjustment of the garment provided. The front portion is provided with laterally opening pockets 27 adapted to receive the ends of the straps 24 supporting and covering the same and preventing their forming the objectionable ridges and projections or wrinkles on the outer garment. The garment shown in Fig. 5 is a front opening garment and it is provided with fasteners designated generally by the numeral 28.

I have illustrated and described my improvements in adaptations thereof which I believe will enable those skilled in the art to embody my inventions as may be desired and I have therefore not illustrated certain other embodiments and adaptations to corsets and abdominal supports which I contemplate and which are entirely feasible.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A corset comprising a body including a back section having side portions adapted to extend around the hips of the wearer, and a front section the edge of which overlaps the edge of one of the side portions of the back section, said front section comprising an outer covering ply and an inner underlying ply of substantial width and in substantial overlapped relation to the center, said plies having vertical edges, the vertical

edge of the outer ply being spaced laterally inwardly of the vertical edge of the underlying ply, the superimposed plies having vertically spaced horizontal rows of stitches securing the outer plies to the underlying plies and providing a series of laterally opening pockets of substantial depth, the mouths of which are spaced from the vertical edge of the front section by reason of the laterally inward spacing of the outer ply edge, and straps secured to the front section and adjustably secured to the back section in spaced relation to the vertical edge thereof, said pockets being aligned with the straps and adapted to receive the free ends of the straps, said pockets opening only to the exterior of the corset at one edge of said outer ply and fully covering the strap end inserted in the pocket to retain the same within the pocket in all positions thereof.

2. A corset comprising a body including a back section having side portions adapted to extend around the hips of the wearer, and a front section the edge of which overlaps the edge of one of the side portions of the back section, said front section comprising an outer covering ply and an inner underlying ply of substantial width and in substantial overlapped relation to the center, said plies having vertical edges, the superimposed plies having vertically spaced horizontal rows of stitches securing the outer plies to the underlying plies and providing a series of laterally opening pockets of substantial depth, and straps secured to the front section and adjustably secured to the back section in spaced relation to the vertical edge thereof, said pockets being aligned with the straps and adapted to receive the free ends of the straps, said pockets opening only to the exterior of the corset at one edge of said outer ply and fully covering the strap end inserted in the pocket to retain the same within the pocket in all positions thereof.

3. A corset comprising a body including a back section having side portions adapted to extend around the hips of the wearer, and a front section the edge of which overlaps the edge of one of the side portions of the back section, said front section including a pair of superposed, substantially overlapped strips of substantial area secured to one another by vertically spaced rows of stitching to define a series of laterally opening pockets of substantial depth, the mouths of which are spaced inwardly from the vertical edge of the front section, and straps secured to the front section and adjustably secured to the back section in spaced relation to the vertical edge thereof, said pockets being aligned with the straps and opening to the exterior of the corset only at one edge of the outermost strip, the pockets receiving and covering the strap ends so that the same are retained within the pockets in all positions thereof.

4. A corset comprising a body including a back section having side portions adapted to extend around the hips of the wearer, and a front section the edge of which overlaps the edge of one of the side portions of the back section, said front section including a pair of superposed, substantially overlapped strips of substantial area secured to one another by vertically spaced rows of stitching to define a series of laterally opening pockets of substantial depth, and straps secured to the front section and adjustably secured to the back section, said pockets opening to the exterior of the corset only at the edge of the outermost strip to receive and fully cover the free ends of the straps in all positions thereof.

5. A corset comprising a body including back, side and front portions, the front portion of the corset comprising a pair of substantially overlapped strips of substantial area secured to one another at vertically spaced zones to define a plurality of vertically spaced, laterally opening pockets of substantial depth, said pockets opening to the exterior of the corset only at the edge of the outermost strip adjacent the side portions, and adjusting means for said corset including straps, the free ends of which are disposed in said pockets whereby they are supported and entirely covered by said outermost strip in all positions thereof.

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