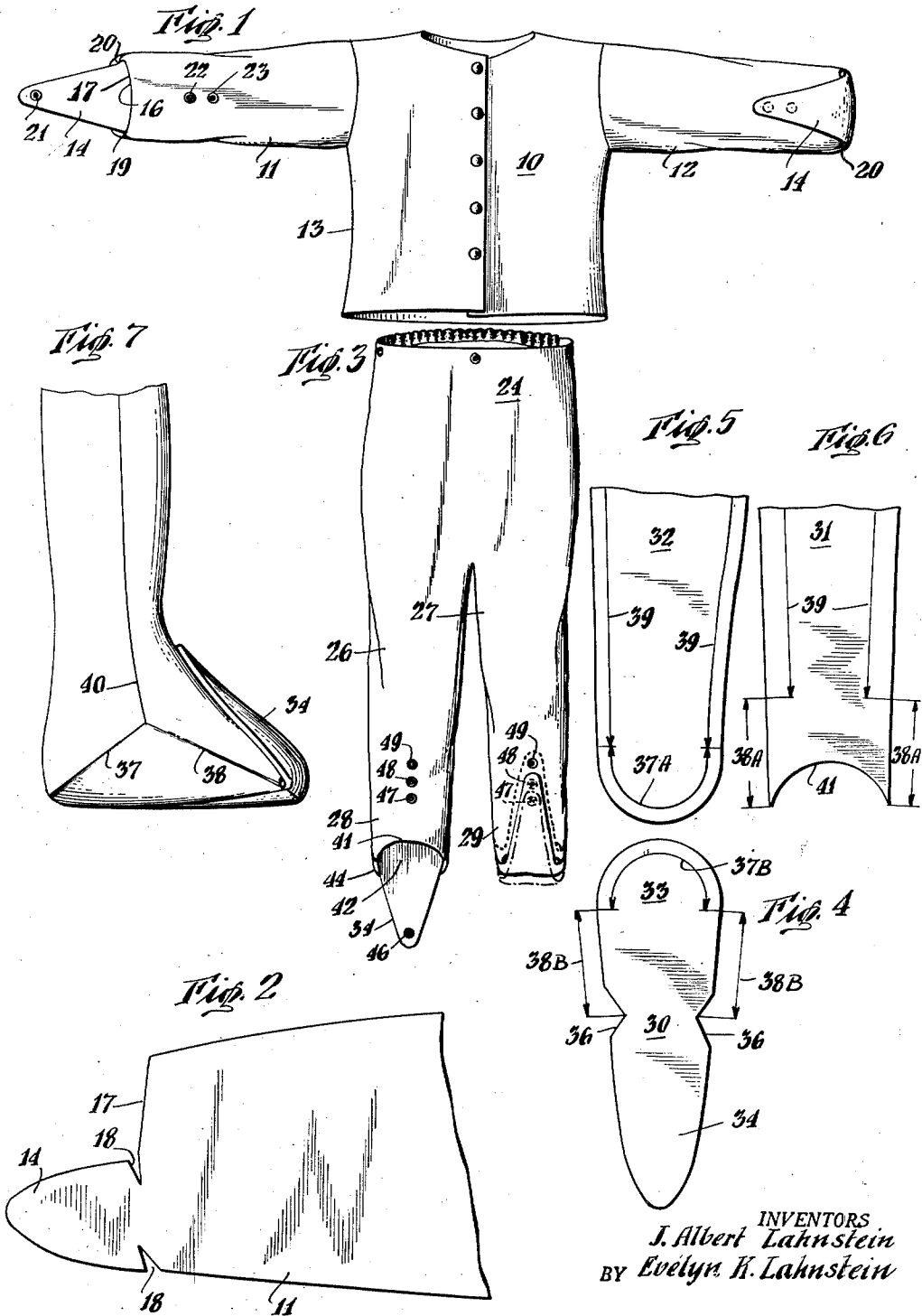


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This invention relates to adjustable garments and more particularly garments adapted to accommodate growth. It is an object of this invention to provide infants' and children's garments which may be readily adjusted in keeping with the growth of the wearer.

It is a still further object of this invention to provide readily and economically manufactured children's sleeping pajamas wherein the sleeve and leg portions have adjustable end closures permitting extension in keeping with the growth of the wearer and which may be constructed of a heavy knit or blanket material.

With these and other objects in mind, reference is had to the attached sheets of drawings illustrating one practical embodiment of the invention, and in which:

Fig. 1 is a front view of a sleeping garment upper;

Fig. 2 is a portion of the sleeve pattern for the sleeping garment upper;

Fig. 3 is a front view of the lower portion of a sleeping garment cooperating with the upper portion shown in Fig. 1 to make a single garment;

Fig. 4 is the pattern of the foot piece;

Fig. 5 is a portion of the pattern of the rear panel of the leg;

Fig. 6 is a portion of the pattern of the front panel of the leg; and

Fig. 7 is a side view of the lower leg portion and foot of the sleeping garment lower.

In Fig. 1, the sleeping garment upper 10 is shown with sleeves 11 and 12 extended left and right of the body portion 13. Each of the sleeves terminates in an edge 50 and a tapered flap 14 on one side extends beyond the main portion of the sleeves 11 and 12 and their respective edges 50. The edges 50 define openings 16 at the outer ends of each of the sleeves 11 and 12. The pattern shown in Fig. 2 of the sleeve 11 shows the sides of the sleeve panel tapering toward the hand edge 17 with the flap 14 extending beyond the hand edge 17 and having two notches 18 in the flap portion adjacent the hand edge. When the edges of the notches 18 are sewn together as shown on the finished sleeve 11 of Fig. 1, darts 19 are formed. The darts 19 extending upward along the sleeve 11 from the opening 16 cause the opening 16 to be constricted relative to the rest of the sleeve 11. Thus the darts 19 form a pocket in the sleeve 11 adjacent the opening 16. The fullness of the sleeve 11, the constriction of the opening 16 and the pocket in the sleeve 11 adjacent the opening 16 provide a cowl-like structure 20 on the end of the sleeve 11. The cowl-like structure 20 adjacent the flap 14 on each of the sleeves 11 and 12 provides a cup-shaped recess immediately inside the sleeves 11 and 12 and opposite the hand edge 17 thereof. The flap 14 extends from this cupped shape.

The flap 14 may be folded back over the opening 16 of either sleeves 11 or 12 to provide closed sleeves; fasteners 21 are centrally located at the outer end of each of the flaps 14. The fastener 21 is on the inside surface of flap 14 as seen in connection with sleeve 11. A pair of fasteners 22 and 23 are positioned on the sleeves 11 or 12 along a central line and sufficiently distant from the hand edge 17 to permit the flap 14 to close the opening 16 when engaged with either of these fasteners 22 and 23. As shown in connection with sleeve 12, the flap 14 is folded over the opening 16 and the fastener 21 engaging fastener 22 holds the flap 14 in position as a closure of the sleeve 12; the fastener 22 appearing in full lines at its position beyond the end of the flap 14. The adjustability of the flap 14 is demon-

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strated by the dotted lines extending from the flap 14 of the sleeves 12 to show the position of the flap 14 when fastener 21 is engaged with the fastener 23. In this dotted line position the flap 14 folds over on the end of the sleeve 12 further as shown by the dotted lines at the opening 16 and shortens the length of the sleeve 12. Thus, there is provided by the sleeve end of this invention both a sleeve closure and a variation in the length of the sleeve. When the flap 14 is not fastened over the opening 16 by attachment of fastener 21 to fasteners 22 or 23 it may be rolled up inside the sleeve where it will be retained against accidental unrolling by cowl-like structure 20.

Referring to Fig. 3, a sleeping garment lower or pants portion 24 which cooperates with the top 10 of Fig. 1 to provide a sleeping garment set is shown. The bottom 24 has a left leg 26 and a right leg 27. The ends of the leg portions 26 and 27 are formed into foot portions 28 and 29 for the left and right legs respectively.

In Figs. 4, 5 and 6 the disassembled elements making up one foot portion include a foot panel 30, a front leg panel 31 and a rear leg panel 32. The foot panel is divided into a sole 33 and a flap 34 by two notches 36 in the edge of the panel 30. The foot structure is formed by stitching together edges 37 of the panel 32 and 37B of the panel 30 and edges 38A of panel 31 and 38B of the panel 30 as shown in Fig. 7. The panels 31 and 32 are sewn together at their edges 39 along a seam 40 which terminates at its lower end at the juncture of seams 37 and 38. The lower arcuate edge 41 of the front panel 31 remains free and with the sole 33 forms foot opening 42. The flap 34 extending beyond opening 42 can be folded rearwardly and upwardly over the opening 42 to provide a closure therefor. The notches 36 between the sole 33 and flap 34 are drawn together and sewn into darts 43. The darts 43 extending upward along the leg 26 from the opening 42 cause the opening 42 to be constricted relative to the rest of the leg 26. Thus, the darts 43 form a pocket in the leg 26 adjacent the opening 42. The fullness of the leg 26, the constriction of the opening 42 and the pocket in the leg 26 adjacent the opening 42 provide a cowl-like structure 44 on the end of the leg 26. The cowl-like structure 44 is adjacent the flap 34 and opposite the edge 41. The flap 34 when not extended over opening 43 can be folded and tucked in the pocket formed by the cowl-like structure 44. In the pocket of the cowl-like structure 44, the flap 34 is retained against accidental unrolling.

Centrally located at the outer end of each of the flaps 34 is a fastener 46. The flap 34 folds back at the cowl-like structure 44 over the panel 31 so that the fastener 46 engages one of the fasteners 47, 48 or 49 on the panel 31, thus closing the opening 42. As illustrated on leg portion 27, the flap 34 is folded so that fastener 46 is in engagement with fastener 48 on the panel 31 leaving fasteners 49 in view. Two sets of dotted lines show other positions of the flap 34. The upper dotted line shows the position of flap 34 when fastener 46 is in engagement with fastener 49; the lower dotted line showing the position of the flap 34 when fastener 46 is attached to fastener 47. As the fastener 46 is moved from fastener 49 to fastener 47 past fastener 48, the length of the foot portion 28 is lengthened and the toe opening 42 is opened. Thus, starting with the fastener 46 in engagement with the fastener 49, as the fastener 42 is moved to engagement first with fastener 48 and then with fastener 47, the size of the foot which may be accommodated in the foot portion 29 is increased. As the sole 33 is a continuation of the leg portion, by the same adjustment of flap 34 the length of leg which may be accommodated in the pajama bottom is increased.

The device of this invention is advantageous in providing a garment which, while readily adjustable to the growth of the wearer fits snugly and securely in any of the variable positions. In the embodiment of this invention in a pajama garment the foot and hand structure permit a heavy fabric to be employed as an outer sleeping garment which will not be small or tight because of the growth of the wearer, and which will allow the sleeve and leg portions of the sleeping garment to be

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extended and yet be securely fastened in either the retracted or extended positions. The variability in the foot size of this garment also permits it to be readily fitted over a shoe on the wearer's foot by extension to the larger size so that it will fit either with or without shoes on the wearer.

Thus, among others, the several objects of the invention as afore noted are achieved. Obviously, numerous changes in construction and rearrangement of the parts might be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention as defined by the claims.

This application is a continuation-in-part of our co-pending application, Serial No. 67,776, filed December 29, 1948 now abandoned.

We claim:

1. A garment including in combination a waist-encircling part, leg enclosing portions extending from said part, a rear leg panel and a connected front leg panel providing each such portion, a foot panel comprising a sole portion, a flap portion extending forwardly therefrom, and a narrow medial section between said sole and flap portions, the rear edge of said sole being connected to the lower edge of the rear leg panel, the side edges of said sole being connected to adjacent edges of said front leg panel, front and rear edges of said medial section sewn together to provide a foot-receiving sheath extending laterally with respect to the leg enclosing portion of which it forms a part, said sheath having an open forward end and said flap extending across such end to overlie the upper surface of said sheath defined by the lower end surface of said front leg panel.

2. An adjustable garment including a waist-encircling part and leg-encircling portions of adjustable length ex-

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tending from said waist-encircling part, said leg-encircling portions each comprising front and rear panels, a sole having a rear edge and side edges and a flap extending forwardly therefrom, each rear panel having a lower edge and each front panel having side edges extending beyond the rear panel, the rear edge of said sole connected to said lower edge of said rear panel and the side edges of said sole connected to said side edges of said front panel to form a foot-receiving sheath at the lower end of the leg-enclosing portion of which it forms a part; the lower edge of each front panel being unattached to its respective sole and forming an open end in said sheath between said front panel and said sole, an extension of said sole forming said flap and being adjustably positionable over said open end, an outer surface at the lower end of said front panel, a series of fastening elements secured on said outer surface, the lower edge portion of said front panel at said open end being foldable rearwardly of said garment over said outer surface of said front panel, said flap being adjustably foldable over said outer surface and having secured thereto a fastening element to position said lower edge of the front panel in said rearwardly folded position and to close said open forward end, and said last named fastening element being securable to any of said first named fastening elements.

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