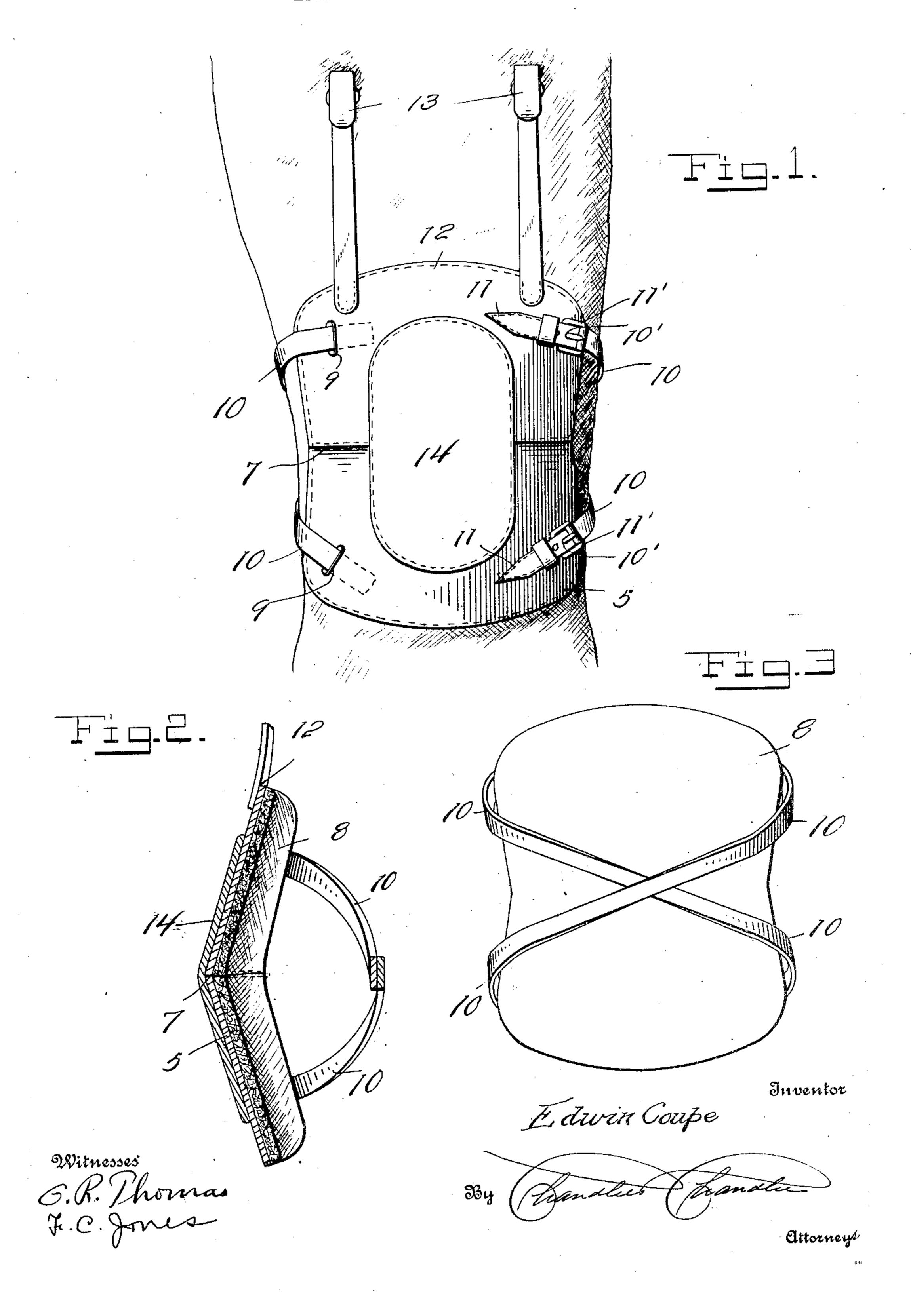
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To all whom it may concern:

in the county of Tioga, State of Pennsyl- | the nature of the material employed as a vania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Knee-Protectors; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to knee-protectors. The object of the invention is to provide a knee-pad which will be composed of few 15 parts, which can be readily and easily adjusted, and which will be provided with means for holding it securely in position.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description, and it 20 will be understood that modifications of the specific construction shown may be made within the scope of the claim and that any proportions and materials may be used without departing from the spirit of the inven-25 tion.

In the drawings forming a portion of this specification and in which like numerals of reference indicate similar parts in the several views, Figure 1 is a top plan view of the pres-30 ent invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view of the pad. Fig. 3 is a rear elevation of the pad.

Referring now to the drawings, the present invention comprises a base 5, formed from a 35 blank of leather or other suitable material. The blank is concavo-convex, so as to fit over the knee. To effect this shape, a Vshaped slit is cut in the leather at 7, and the resultant edges are brought together and 40 sewed or otherwise secured. The base 5 has a lining 8 of some yieldable material, so that the harshness of the leather will not cause ir-

ritation. It will be understood that the lin-Be it known that I, EDWIN COUPE, a citi-, ing may be cut and shaped in a similar manzen of the United States, residing at Antrim, | ner as the base, this of course depending on 45 lining.

> Openings 9 are formed in the upper face of the base for the reception of straps 10 and 11 for securing the pad to the knee. These 50 straps are of elastic material, so that they will give with the bend of the knee. The straps 11 carry buckles 11' for engagement with perforations 10' of the straps 10. To the top 12 of the base are secured other straps of 55 leather or any other suitable material having grips 13 at their ends for engagement of the clothing of the wearer to prevent the pad from slipping from the position in which it is placed.

In order to better effect the purpose of the pad, a cushion 14 is sewed or otherwise secured to the upper face of the base 5 at its center. This cushion may be of leather or any other durable material.

What is claimed is— A knee-pad comprising a concavo-convex member having openings therein adjacent to one edge, elastic straps secured in said openings, buckles carried by the opposite edge of 70 said member, other straps secured to the upper edge of said member, and grips carried by the second straps and adapted to be engaged with the clothing of the wearer to prevent downward movement of the pad, said 75 concavo-convex member having a yieldable lining secured to its concave face and a cushion secured to its convex face.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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