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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, TILLIE ROSENBAUM, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Man-5 hattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Child's Waist, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Among the principal objects which the 10 present invention has in view are: To provide a waist of the character mentioned with suspension members expansible to accommodate the growth of the wearer; to provide garment-supporting members constructed 15 and arranged to relieve the body of the wearer from the carrying or supporting strains; to provide a garment of the character mentioned employing shoulder-straps with adjustment devices for retaining said 20 straps in service position on the body of the wearer; to provide auxiliary supports or re-tainers for preventing disadjustment of the shoulder-straps of under-vests or similar garments; to provide means for attaching 25 stecking supporters on said garment; and to provide a garment of the character mentioned which may be readily laundried. Drawings.—Figure 1 is a perspective view of a waist constructed and arranged 30 in accordance with the present invention, said waist being shown in service condition; Fig. 2 is a view of the same, showing the waist in its outspread, partly disconnected condition; Fig. 3 is a detail view, on an en-35 larged scale, in section, the section being taken on the line 3-3 in Fig. 1: Fig. 4 is a detail view in section and on an enlarged scale, the section being taken as on the line 4-4 in Fig. 2: Fig. 5 is a detail view, on 40 an enlarged scale, in section, the section being taken as on the line 5-5 in Fig. 2. Description.—As seen in the drawings, or wearer: the waist body 10 is reinforced by overlaid strap portions 11 and 12. The strap por-45 tions 11, as seen best in Fig. 2 of the drawings, are incorporated in the back panel of the garment, while the strap portions 12 are incorporated in the front side panels of the garment. The portions 11 and 12 are con-50 structed of any suitable material, that preferred by me being a heavy union strap material, such as that employed in the manufacture of light-weight suspenders. The shoulder-straps 13 are united rigidly ⁵ to the strap portions 11 at the upper ends thereof. The straps, as shown best in Fig.

2 of the drawings, are shaped to pass over the shoulders of the child wearing the garment, to rest thereon in a natural, comfortable manner. The free ends of the shoulder- 60 straps 13 are provided with fasteners 14, which, in the preferred form as shown in the drawings, are of the glove-fastener type. The female or covered portions are employed at this end of the shoulder-straps 65 13, while the male or studded portions 15 are disposed in serial arrangement at a point removed from the ends of said straps. as seen best in Fig. 2 of the drawings. The free ends of the straps, in service, are passed 70 through slots or openings 16, with which the garment is provided, the openings 16 being preferably formed in the strap portions 12. After being passed through the openings 16, the ends of the strap portions 13 are turned 75 back to register the fasteners 14 and the studded portions 15 thereof. The adjustment of the fasteners 14 to the studded portions 15 depends upon the size of the wearer. It will be observed that when the shoulder- 80 straps 13 are thus secured, the body of the garment, and particularly the belt 17 provided thereon for the attachment of the button fasteners 18, is supported directly upon the combined straps 11, 12 and 13, 85 which in service assume the shape of, and operate in a manner similar to, conventional garment-supporting suspenders. To maintain the shoulder straps 13 in position on the shoulders of the wearer, 90 there are provided adjustable connecting strap sections 19. As shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings, the sections 19 are furnished with a series of fastener studs 20, with which the female or covered fastener portion 21, may 95 be united, said fastener portion 21 being adjusted to accommodate the size of the child

The connecting strap formed by the sections 19 is disposed as high on the person 100 of the wearer as convenient. The purpose of the connecting strap is to prevent the sliding of the shoulder-straps 13 from the normal service position on the shoulders of the wearer. When the shoulder-straps of a 105 garment become disadjusted, the effect upon. the wearer is objectionable, due to the sensation of looseness and to the conscious or unconscious effort to readjust or return the straps to the correct wearing position. This 110 action is usually performed by shrugging or lifting the shoulder on which the loosened

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strap is disposed. Another discomfort experienced by wearers of garments where the shoulder-straps are permitted to fall therefrom, is that the wearer, to accommodate 5 the position of the straps, permits the shoulders to drop, resulting in insensibly adapting the form to such a posture. The above objection noted with reference to the sliding or disadjustment of the shoulder-straps 13 10 is equally objectionable when considered in the light of the similar action to which shoulder-straps of under-garments are subject. To prevent the disadjustment of the 15 shoulder-straps of the under-garments there are provided retaining loop straps 22, best seen in Fig. 2 of the drawings. The straps 22 are of suitable length, and each is securely attached to the shoulder-straps 13 20 intermediate their ends and preferably at one edge thereof. The free end of each loop strap 22 is furnished with a button 23, while the shoulder-straps 13 are furnished at the edges thereof opposite those to which the 25 straps 22 are attached, with buttonholes 24 to receive the buttons 23. When each of the buttons 23 is fistened in the buttonhole 24, the strap 22 forms a loop. The strap 22 is passed under the shoulder-strap of the 30 under-vest prior to being buttoned in service. It is obvious that when thus arranged, the loop straps 22 effectively restrain the shoulder-straps of the under-vest from falling downward upon or from off the shoul-35 ders of the wearer. Conventionally disposed, and preferably attached directly to the belt 17, are pendent loops 25. Said pendent loops are provided to receive, in service, the ends of elastic or 40 other tabs embodied in stocking supporters. Any convenient form of attachment for securing the loops 25 and said tabs may be employed. While I have above described the pre-45 ferred construction as employing the openings 16 formed in the strap portions 12, I wish to have it understood that the openings 16 may be replaced by strap-loops planted upon or otherwise secured to said 50 strap portions 12. This modification is so obvious that it has been thought best not to include the same in the drawings, as the addition thereof would only serve to complicate the disclosure. Also, it will be under-55 stood that while I have herein shown the invention as applied to what may be termed a

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"straight-waist" body, said body may be varied by being formed to conventional lines to fit either the immature or growing child, or, where desired, to fit the matured form. 60 Claims:

1. A waist as characterized, comprising a plurality of vertically-disposed suspender straps, said straps being arranged in coöperative pairs; a plurality of shoulder-straps, 65 one end of each shoulder-strap being permanently attached to the upper end of one member of each of said pairs of suspender straps; a plurality of fasteners on said shoulder-straps adjacent the free ends there- 70 of, said fasteners being arranged in series for forming loops adjustable for varying the service length of said shoulder-straps; means on the other member of each of said pairs of suspender straps for operatively en- 75 gaging the loops formed at the free ends of said shoulder-straps; and a plurality of normally-open, collapsible loops mounted on said shoulder-straps for engaging the shoul-80 der-straps of a nether garment. 2. A waist as characterized, comprising a plurality of vertically-disposed suspender straps, said straps being arranged in coöperative pairs; a plurality of shoulder-straps, one end of each shoulder-strap being perma- 85 nently attached to the upper end of one member of each of said pairs of suspender straps; a plurality of fasteners on said shoulder-straps adjacent the free ends thereof, said fasteners being arranged in series 90 for forming loops adjustable for varying the service length of said shoulder-straps; means on the other member of each of said pairs of suspender straps for operatively engaging the loops formed at the free ends of 95 said shoulder-straps; a plurality of short loop members permanently secured at the center of each of said shoulder-straps, said loop members being provided at the free ends thereof with a fastening button for en- 100 gaging a suitable corresponding fastening device on each of said shoulder-straps after being passed under and around the shoulderstraps of a nether garment. In testimony whereof I have signed my 105 name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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