

[54] PANTYHOSE WITH SHAPING BAND FOR CHEEKY DERRIERE RELIEF

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[57] ABSTRACT

This disclosure teaches pantyhose wherein a panty portion is made of a semielastic fabric (such as a blend of nylon and lycra) enclosing a wearer's lower torso and is provided with an elastic waist encircling band. The panty portion includes a rear panty portion which covers and confines the wearer's buttocks. The pantyhose also define a crotch between leg portions. An elastic shaping band is attached to the rear panty portion and is connected from the vicinity of the crotch to the vicinity of the waist band and fits between the wearer's buttocks to delineate the wearer's derriere in cheeky relief.

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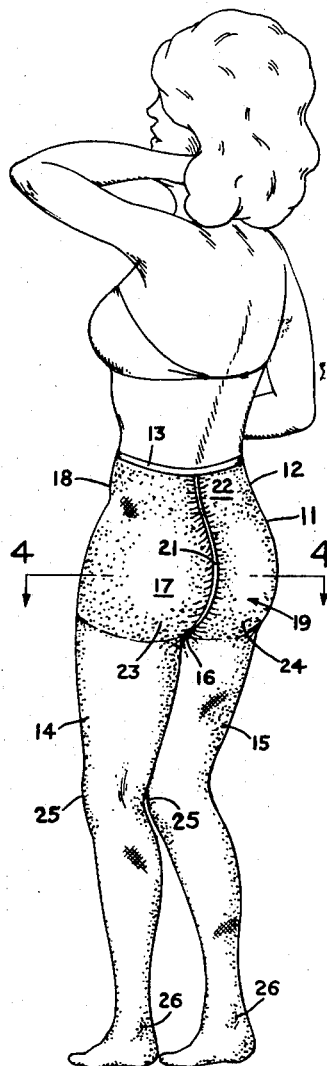
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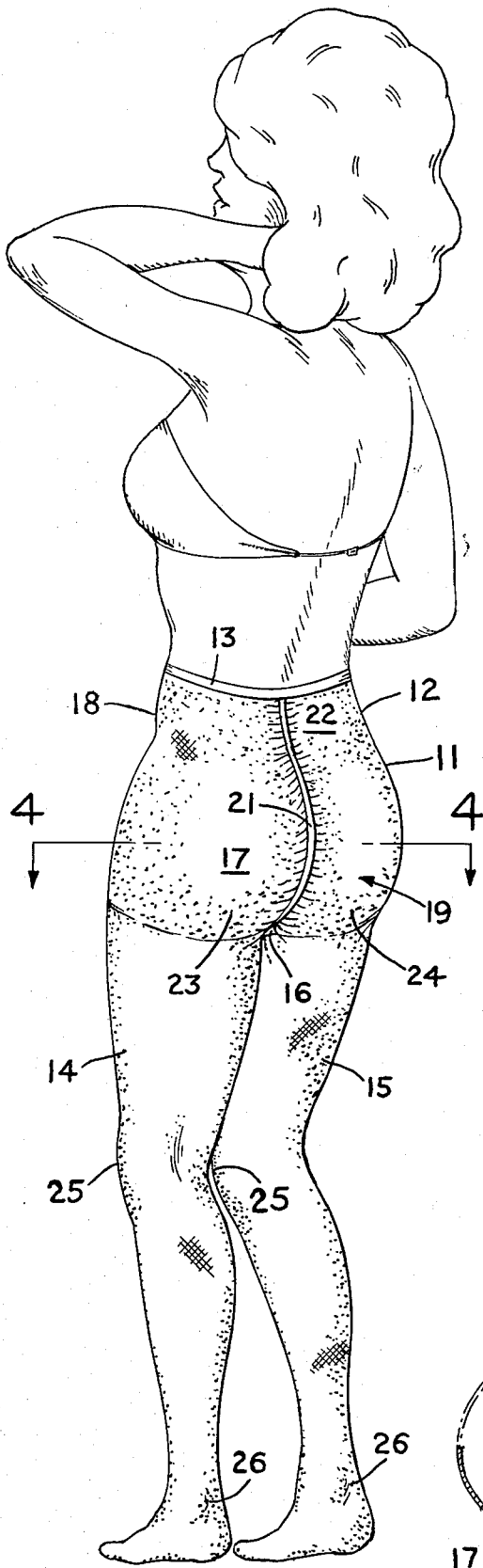


FIG. 1

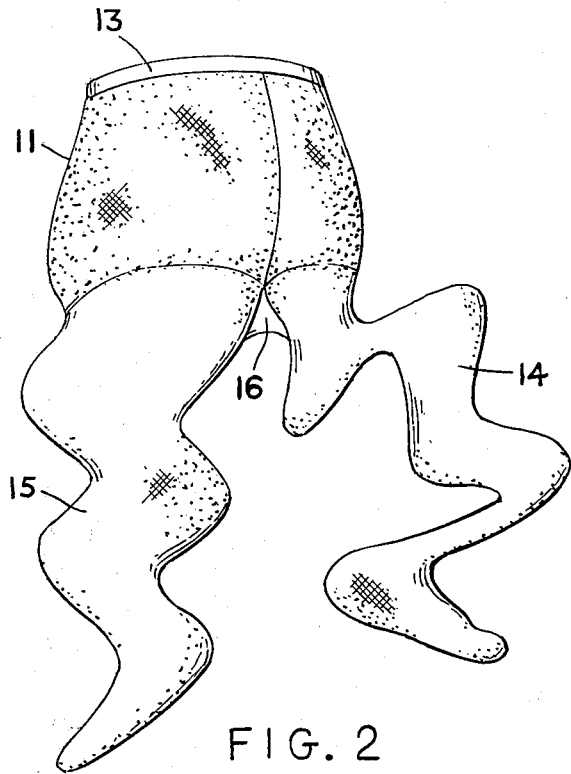


FIG. 2

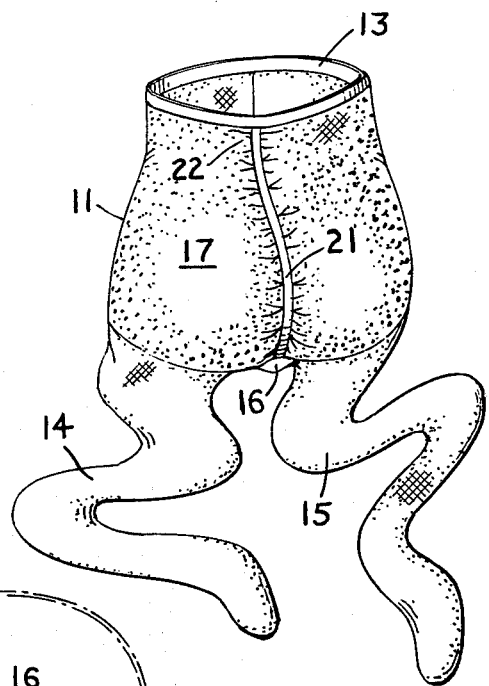


FIG. 3

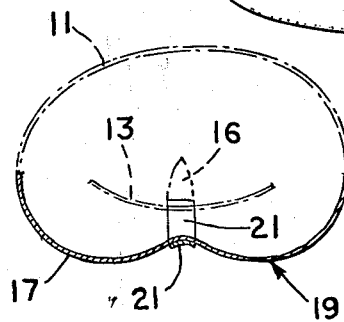


FIG. 4

**PANTYHOSE WITH SHAPING BAND FOR CHEEKY
DERRIERE RELIEF**

BACKGROUND OF INVENTION

When semielastic fabrics (such as Monsanto's MON-
VELLE, a biconstituted fabric of 50% nylon and 50%
SPANDEX lycra) are used for pantyhose, they provide
support for a wearer's legs as well as confinement for
the wearer's lower abdomen and derriere. Usually the
more flattening of the wearer's lower abdomen that is
achieved, the more tendency there is to flatten and de-
naturalize the wearer's derriere.

STATE OF INVENTION

The present invention provides pantyhose of a semi-
elastic fabric which enhance natural shape of a wear-
er's derriere giving it cheeky relief, rather than board-
like flatness. The pantyhose include a rear panty por-
tion which covers and confines the wearer's buttocks.
An elastic shaping band is attached to the rear panty
portion and is connected from the vicinity of the wear-
er's crotch rearward to the vicinity of a waist band of
the pantyhose. The elastic shaping band fits between
the wearer's buttocks to produce the desired cheeky
relief thereof.

A further objective of this invention is to have the
shaping band unseen through a wearer's outer gar-
ments.

A still further object of this invention is to provide a
shaping band which is comfortable for the wearer.

A still further object of this invention is to keep the
crotch of the pantyhose from distention or sagging.

A still further object of this invention is to keep leg
portions of the pantyhose from wrinkling

A still further object of this invention is to accommo-
date support hose fabrics and conventional hose fabrics
as well as myriad possibilities for seams, panels and the
like.

A still further object of this invention is to provide
pantyhose which are easy to launder, retain their
shapes and are well suited otherwise to their intended
function.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

The foregoing and other objects, features and advan-
tages will be seen more fully from an accompanying
drawing wherein:

FIG. 1 shows a substantially look away view of a fe-
male wearing pantyhose according to this invention.

FIG. 2 is a front view of the pantyhose somewhat
folded.

FIG. 3 is a rear view of the pantyhose somewhat
folded.

FIG. 4 is a sectional top view (taken along line 4-4
of FIG. 1) through the rear panty portion of the pan-
tyhose on a wearer and showing attachment of the
shaping band.

DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

As seen in the drawings, pantyhose according to this
invention generally include a panty portion 11 encir-
cling the wearer's lower torso 12 and having an elastic
waist encircling band 13, leg portions 14 and 15, and
a crotch 16 as well as a rear panty portion 17.

Preferably the pantyhose are made of a fabric having
a low degree of elasticity fabric (such as Monsanto's
MONVELLE) so as to provide support for the wearer's

legs 14, 15 and/or confinement for the wearer's lower
abdomen 18 and derriere (generally designated 19).
Unfortunately, desired flattening of the wearer's lower
abdomen 18 tends to produce undesired flattening and
concomitant denaturalization of the wearer's derriere
19.

It is a prime objective of this invention to produce a
cheeky relief for the wearer's derriere 19. Toward this
objective an elastic shaping band 21 (substantially
more elastic than the elastic fabric from which the
panty portion 11 of the pantyhose is made) is con-
nected to the rear panty portion 17 and extends from
the vicinity of the crotch 16 to the vicinity 22 of the
elastic waist encircling band 13. The elastic shaping
band 21 fits between the wearer's buttocks 23, 24 to
accentuate their relief and to give the derriere 19 a
cheeky appearance. Thusly positioned between the
wearer's buttocks 23 and 24, the shaping band 21 is
concealed from being seen through even the sheerest
of outer garments. The shaping band 21 is completely
comfortable for the wearer and it extends useful life of
the pantyhose through innumerable washings, wear-
ings, etc. in that the shaping band 21 resists distention
or sagging of the crotch 16 as well as resisting wrinkling
or bagging of the leg portions 14, 15 at their knees 25
and ankles 26.

Those skilled in designing and/or making pantyhose
will understand that wide deviations may be made from
the foregoing description of a preferred embodiment of
the invention, without departing from a main theme of
invention delineated by claims which follow. By way of
example, not by way of limitation, paneling and seam-
ing of the pantyhose lend themselves to myriad combi-
nations. Also combinations of different materials such
as nonelastic leg portions 14, 15 with a semielastic
panty portion 11 can be employed.

I claim:

1. Pantyhose for a female wearer and comprising:
a panty portion made of a fabric having a low-degree
of elasticity encircling the wearer's lower torso and
having an elastic waist encircling band,
the panty portion including rear panty portion which
covers and confines the wearer's buttocks,
leg portions each depending from the panty portion
and each arrangeable to receive one of the wearer's
legs,
the pantyhose defining a crotch between the leg por-
tions, and
an elastic shaping band attached to the rear panty
portion centrally thereof and connected from the
vicinity of the crotch to the vicinity of the waist
band, said elastic shaping band having a high de-
gree of elasticity substantially greater than the fab-
ric of said panty portion, the elasticity of said shap-
ing band being sufficient to constrict said band into
fitting engagement between the wearer's buttocks
to produce cheeky relief.
2. The pantyhose of claim 1 with the elastic fabric
being a blend of lycra and nylon.
3. The pantyhose of claim 2 with the elastic fabric
being a blend of about 50% lycra and about 50% nylon.
4. The pantyhose of claim 1 with the leg portions
made of the elastic fabric.
5. The pantyhose of claim 4 with the elastic fabric
being a blend of lycra and nylon.
6. The pantyhose of claim 5 with the elastid fabric
being a blend of about 50% lycra and about 50% nylon.

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