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Fig. 1.

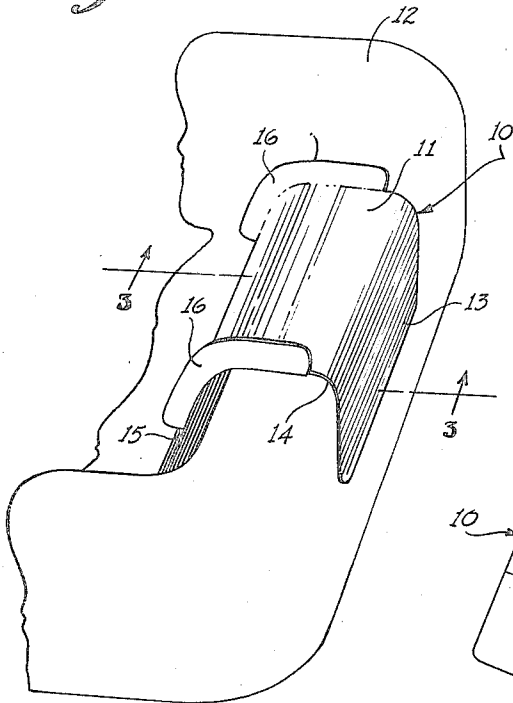


Fig. 2.

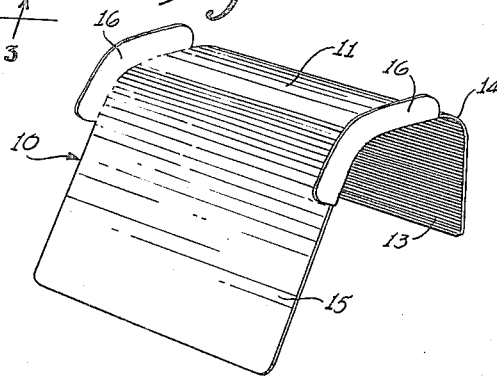
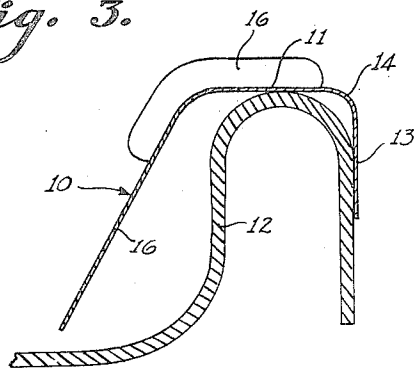


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to neck rests for shampooing, and more particularly to an improved neck rest of this type which may be readily associated with a wash basin or the like without requiring special means for attachment.

A common method employed in beauty parlors and the like for shampooing consists in using an adjustable back chair so that patrons may be seated in a reclining position with their heads extending over a wash basin. In carrying out this method it is desirable to provide a neck rest both to support the patron's head properly and to drain the liquid used during shampooing into the wash basin.

There is a considerable variation both as to size and shape of wash basins in general use, particularly as to the configuration of the rim portion. As a result, the neck rests for shampooing heretofore proposed have included adjustable means for attaching them to wash basins of different types. These features have made such neck rests expensive and, more importantly, have rendered them hard to clean and maintain in proper sanitary condition.

According to the present invention I have devised an improved form of neck rest which obviates any necessity for attachment means and which is simply constructed as a one piece unit so that it is easily cleaned. The improved neck rest of the present invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view illustrating the manner of associating a neck rest constructed in accordance with the present invention with a wash basin;

Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing the rear drain surface; and

Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

As illustrated in the drawing my neck rest comprises a body member 10 formed with a flat central portion 11 adapted for horizontal disposition on the rim of a wash basin or the like indicated in Fig. 1 at 12. The flat portion 11 is formed in sufficient extent to provide an adequate neck rest area for supporting a patron's head properly as it is shampooed.

A front end portion 13 is provided on the body member 10 which extends vertically downward from the flat central portion 11 so as to contact the front face of the wash basin 12 and cooperate with this portion 11 to position the body member 10 during use in association with the wash basin 12. That is, when the head of the patron is placed over the basin 12 so that his neck rests on the flat portion 11, the body member 10 will

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be weighted by the patron's head on the rim of the basin 10 and the downwardly extending disposition of the front end portion 13 will provide a second point of support for body member 10 against the front face of basin 12 so that body member 10 is firmly positioned in place during use.

An important feature of this arrangement, as mentioned above, is that it obviates the necessity for any special means for associating the body member 10 with wash basins of varying size and differing rim configurations. In this connection, the radius of the formed edge (as at 14) between the front end portion 13 and the flat central portion 11 should be made as small as possible without rendering the formed edge sharp. By providing a small radius for the formed edge 14 in this manner the flat central portion 11 and front end portion 13 can be joined so that they do not ride the edge of the rim on basin 12 (see Fig. 3), and consequently are adapted to effect the two point support described above for body member 10 with widely varying shapes and sizes of wash basins.

The body member 10 is further formed with a rear end portion 15 extending angularly downward from the flat central portion 11 to provide a drain surface disposed to discharge into a wash basin with which the body member 10 is associated. To channel the liquids used during shampooing over the drain surface provided by the rear end portion 15, upstanding flanges 16 are formed at the side edges of the flat central portion 11 and these flanges 16 extend continuously for a substantial extent along the side edges of the rear end portion 14.

The neck rests of the present invention as described above have a distinct advantage in the simplicity of their construction. In use, the neck rests are easily associated with a wash basin when needed, and automatically position themselves properly in relation to the particular wash basin used. When not in use, the simplicity of construction is likewise advantageous in rendering the neck rests easily cleaned and maintained in satisfactory sanitary condition.

I claim:

A neck rest adapted for association with wash basins and the like for use in shampooing, comprising a body member having a flat central portion adapted to rest with a horizontal disposition on the rim of a wash basin and extend from said rim over the bowl of said basin, a front end portion on said body member extending vertically downward from said flat central portion and

forming a front wall adapted to contact the front face of a wash basin and cooperate with said flat central portion to position and hold the body member in place during use in association with a wash basin, a rear end portion on said body member extending angularly downward from said flat central portion and providing a drain surface discharging into an associated wash basin, and upstanding flanges disposed at the side edges of said flat central portion and extending continuously for a substantial extent along the side edges of said rear end portion to channel liquid over the drain surface provided by said rear end portion.

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