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HEAD COVERING

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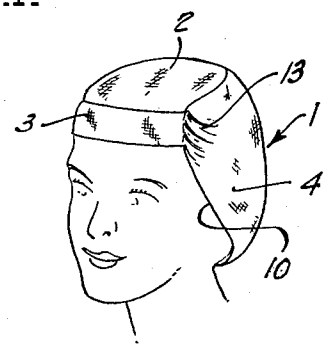


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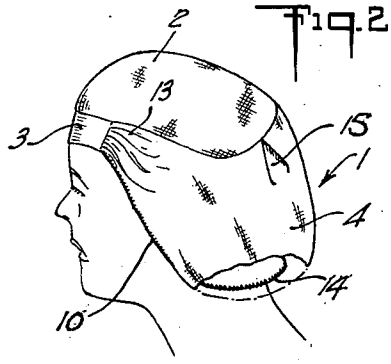


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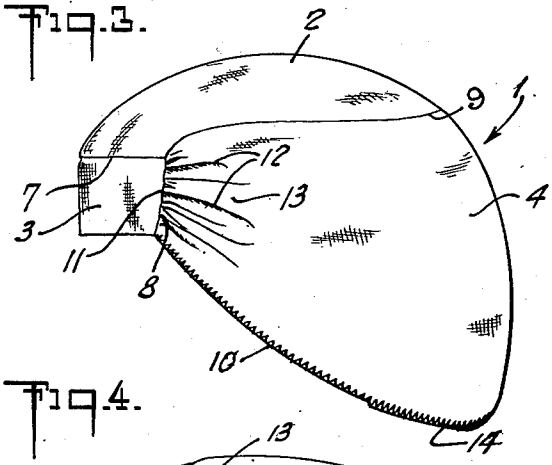


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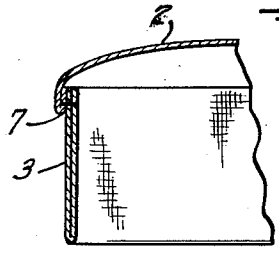


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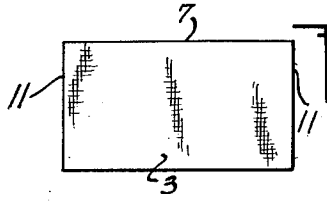


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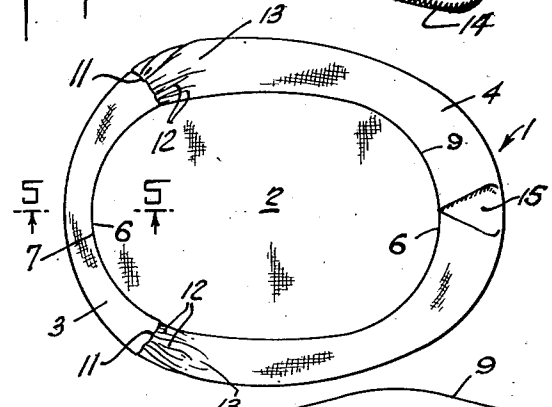


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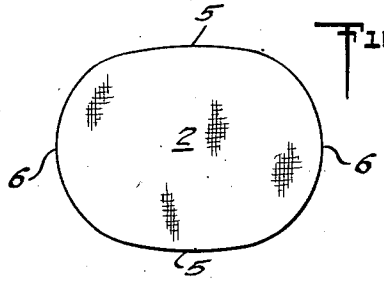
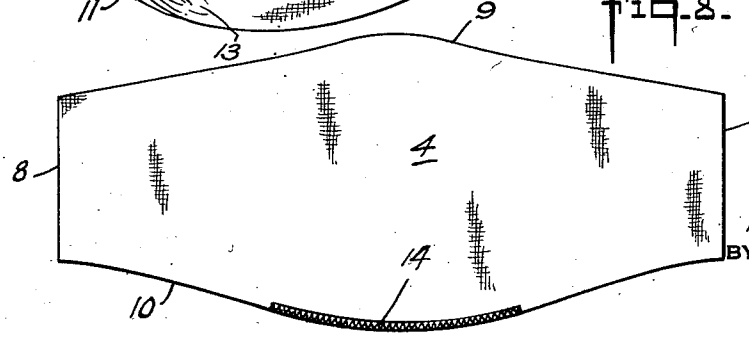


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This invention relates to head coverings and more particularly to head coverings for women which are adapted to cover and confine women's hair. The head covering of this invention is particularly suitable for use by nurses in surgery and in other instances where, for sanitary or safety reasons, it is necessary to completely cover the hair and hold it in position within the confines of the head covering so that the hair will not fall, become dislodged, or obstruct vision.

Various head coverings for covering and confining hair for the above-mentioned reasons have been proposed heretofore. They are, however, subject to numerous disadvantages, namely: they are expensive to make; they are unattractive; they are uncomfortable and do not fit properly; they do not adequately confine the hair in position with the result that the hair often becomes dislodged and must be pushed back under the head covering; and they are not designed to cover and confine hair worn in a variety of hair styles.

It is an object of this invention to provide an inexpensive, attractive head covering for women which will cover and confine women's hair and prevent accidental dislodgement thereof.

It is an additional object of this invention to provide a readily conforming women's head covering consisting of a few simple parts which are easily assembled.

It is a further object of this invention to provide a women's head covering which conforms to the head and hair of the wearer and remains snugly and comfortably in position.

It is a still further object of this invention to provide a head covering for women which will cover and confine hair worn in a variety of hair styles.

These and other objects of the invention will become apparent from a consideration of the following specification and the accompanying drawing wherein, for illustrative purposes, there is shown and described a preferred embodiment of the invention.

In the drawings:

Fig. 1 shows the head covering of this invention being worn;

Fig. 2 is an oblique rear view of Fig. 1, illustrating the position of the snood part of the head covering with the lower portion of the snood part being cut away to reveal its inner construction;

Fig. 3 is an isometric side elevational view of the head covering;

Fig. 4 is a top view;

Fig. 5 is a fragmentary view on an enlarged scale of Fig. 4, taken along the lines 5—5;

Fig. 6 is a plan view of the forehead part of the head covering prior to being folded upon itself to form a double thickness;

Fig. 7 is a plan view of the crown part; and

Fig. 8 is a plan view of the snood part.

In the embodiment of the invention illustrated in the drawing, there is shown a head covering 1 consisting

generally of a crown part 2, a forehead part 3, and a snood part 4. Although the head covering may be constructed from various materials, it is preferably made from inexpensive, light, easily laundered material, such as sanforized cotton cloth. Crown part 2, shown in its preferred form in Fig. 7, has substantially straight sides 5 and arcuate ends 6. It may, however, be elliptical or in other suitable forms. Rectangular forehead part 3 is joined at its upper long marginal edge 7 to an adjacent peripheral edge of crown part 2. When a crown part of the shape shown in Fig. 7 is used, the forehead part is joined to the crown part at the adjacent peripheral edge of one of the arcuate ends 6. To aid in absorbing perspiration, the forehead part may be made of material folded upon itself to form a double thickness, as shown in Fig. 5. Snood part 4, which is sufficiently full to enclose the hair, may have, as shown in Fig. 8, straight marginal edges 8 and outwardly bowed upper marginal edge 9 and lower marginal edge 10. The snood part is joined at upper marginal edge 9 to the remaining peripheral edge of crown part 2 which, because of the outwardly bowed shape of upper marginal edge 9, assumes the configuration shown in Fig. 3, thus providing conformability of the crown part to the top of the head.

Side marginal edges 8 of the snood part are each joined to the adjacent side marginal edge 11 of forehead part 3. The side marginal edges 8 are made longer than the adjacent side marginal edges 11 of the forehead part to which they are joined so that, when joined, side marginal edges 8 can be gathered to form pleats 12 which will provide pockets 13 adjacent the temples of the wearer. These pockets provide a fullness to the head covering to accommodate hair worn in those styles in which the hair is massed on the sides of the head or over the ears and added comfort is obtained because the pockets provide adequate room for receiving the hair, thereby lessening the pressure and tight feeling caused by forcing or packing the hair under the head covering.

The lower marginal edge 10 of the snood part extends downwardly and rearwardly from the lower marginal edge of forehead part 3, preferably in a slight downward arc, to cover the ears and hair on the side of the head of the wearer. By extending lower marginal edge 10 of the snood part in this manner, essentially the full face of the wearer can be exposed which, in addition to being more comfortable, permits unrestricted vision. The lower marginal edge is then continued around adjacent the nape of the neck of the wearer.

Lower marginal edge 10 has an elastic 14 or equivalent means to gather the snood part to form a pocket for receiving and confining the hair. While not limited thereto, the elastic means is preferably located along a part of the lower marginal edge of the snood part adjacent the nape of the neck of the wearer, rather than along the entire marginal edge. By limiting the length of the elastic means in this manner, constriction on the side of the face of the wearer is lessened, while still providing for the formation of a pocket in the snood part for receiving and confining the hair.

The snood part may be pleated to permit it to expand so that it can receive and cover various amounts of hair. To this end, the center portion of the snood part adjacent the peripheral edge of the crown part may have a longitudinal pleat 15.

The head covering of this invention can be joined together by stitching or other well-known means. To obtain an attractive, smooth, unbroken appearance on the exterior of the head covering, the parts are joined with the seams on the interior of the head covering. Sewing the parts together with an over-lock stitch is particularly

suitable because neat, nonravelling seams can be obtained.

It is apparent that numerous modifications and variations of the foregoing illustrative example may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention, as defined in the appended claims.

I claim:

1. A head covering for women comprising a crown part, a substantially rectangular, elongated forehead part joined at a long marginal edge to the adjacent peripheral edge of said crown part, an elongated, substantially rectangular-shaped snood part joined at its upper long marginal edge to the remaining peripheral edge of said crown part, the side marginal edges of said snood part being joined to the side marginal edges of said forehead part, said side marginal edges of said snood part being longer than said side marginal edges of said forehead part and being gathered to form pockets, the lower long marginal edge of said snood part extending downwardly and rearwardly from the lower marginal edge of said forehead part to extend around the nape of the neck of the wearer when said head covering is worn.

2. A head covering for women comprising a crown part, a substantially rectangular, elongated forehead part joined at a long marginal edge to the adjacent peripheral edge of said crown part, an elongated, substantially rectangular-shaped snood part joined at its upper long marginal edge to the remaining peripheral edge of said crown part, said upper long marginal edge being longer than said remaining peripheral edge, and being gathered thereon, the side marginal edges of said snood part being joined to the side marginal edges of said forehead part, said side marginal edges of said snood part being longer than said side marginal edges of said forehead part and being gathered to form pockets, the lower long marginal edge of said snood part extending downwardly and rearwardly from the lower marginal edge of said forehead part to extend around the nape of the neck of the wearer when said head covering is worn, and means on said lower marginal edge of said snood part for gathering said snood part to form a pocket.

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