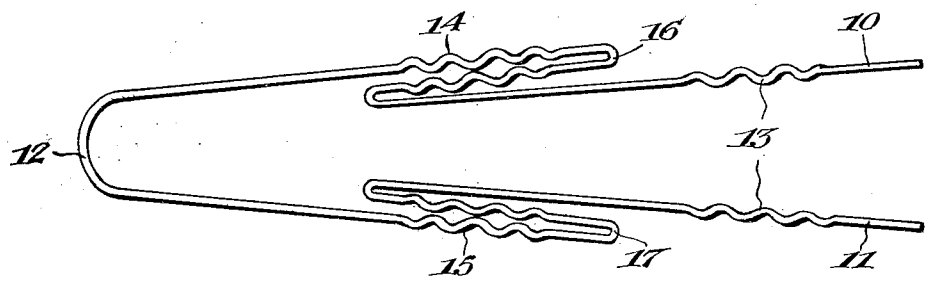
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROSETTA M. WILSON, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Claremore, in the county of Rogers and State of Oklahoma, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hairpins, of which the following is a specification.

My present invention relates generally to hair pins and more particularly to wire hair pins, my object being the provision of a novel construction which follows closely along the line of the ordinary two prong hair pin in shape and at the same time attains advantages in use particularly as regards retention in the hair of which the ordinary hair pin either with or without crimped extending prongs is entirely incapable.

It is a well known fact that the ordinary U-shaped wire hair pin is difficult to retain in use and this is especially true with those having little moisture in the hair. My invention avoids the above difficulty due to its construction which I will now describe with respect to the accompanying drawing forming a part of the invention and in which the figure is a plan of a hair pin constructed in accordance with my invention.

Referring now to the figure, my invention proposes a generally U-shaped hair pin formed of wire whose extensions 10 and 11 are jointed by an integral cross bar or arch 12 at one end. These extensions, in accordance with my invention, are either plain or crimped as at 13, intermediate their ends, and are formed of greater length than is usually the case to provide for portions 14 and 15 by doubling the extensions back upon themselves to thus construct an effective supplemental holder in the nature of prongs 16 and 17. As seen the supplemental prongs are approximately parallel to and spaced from the main prongs, the spaces opening toward the free ends of the main prongs 10 and 11 so as to receive part of the hair through which the pin is extended and those portions of the main prongs, bent back upon themselves as before stated to form the supplemental prongs, are preferably crimped so as to present both inner and outer gripping surfaces and in this way effectively cooperate with the main prongs in securely fastening and holding the hair pin in place when in use.

It is furthermore to be observed from the illustration that the supplemental prongs 16 and 17 are preferably located in the length of the main prongs between the arch 12 of the pin and the crimped portions of the main prongs where these prongs are crimped at all.

My improved hair pin thus follows in general outline and shape the wire hair pins now commonly in use and as before stated needs only an increase in the length of the ordinary prongs to provide for the supplemental prongs which my invention contemplates.

I claim:—

1. A wire hair pin of U-shape formed of a single strand of wire having its prongs provided with portions doubling back upon themselves intermediate their ends to form supplemental U-shaped prongs of reduced length as compared to the main prongs, whose closed ends extend generally in the direction of the free ends of the main prongs and in adjacent though spaced relation to the latter.

2. A wire hair pin of U-shape, formed of a single strand of wire having its prongs provided with portions doubling back upon themselves intermediate their ends to form supplemental U-shaped prongs of reduced length as compared to the main prongs whose closed ends extend generally in the same direction as the main prongs and toward the free ends of the latter, said supplemental prongs having their inner and outer side portions crimped as and for the purpose described.

3. A wire hair pin of U-shape, formed of a single strand of wire having a pair of prongs crimped at points intermediate their ends, an integral arch connecting the prongs at one end, and supplemental U-shaped prongs located between the said arch and the crimped portions of the main prongs, at opposite sides of, and spaced from the main prongs, said main prongs having portions doubling back upon themselves to form the said supplemental prongs, and the inner and outer sides of the supplemental prongs being crimped.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

ROSETTA M. WILSON.