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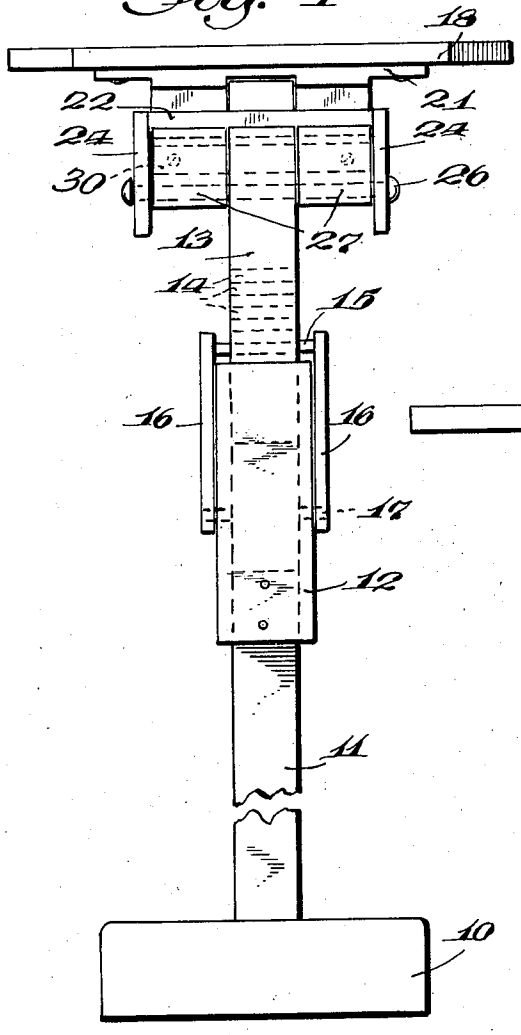


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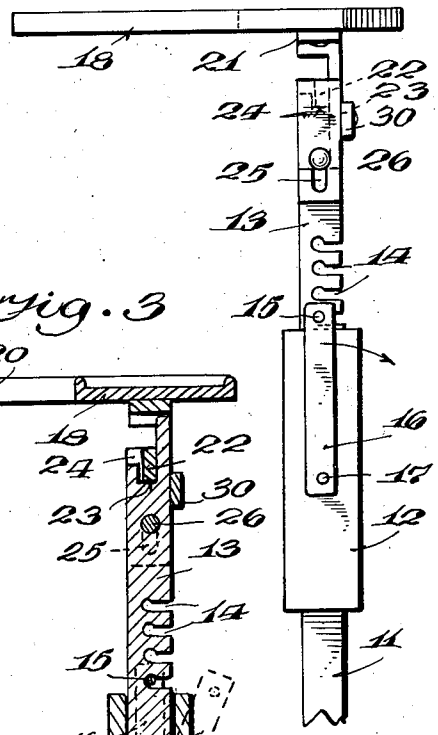


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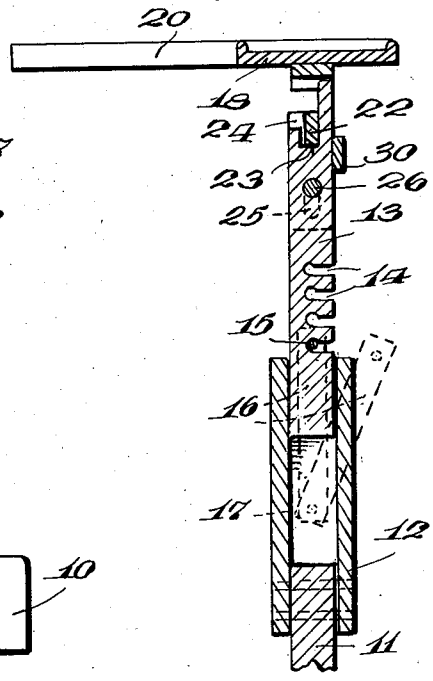
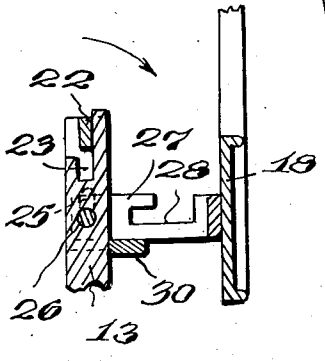


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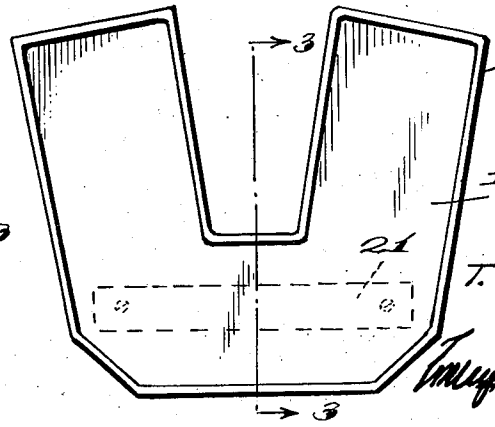


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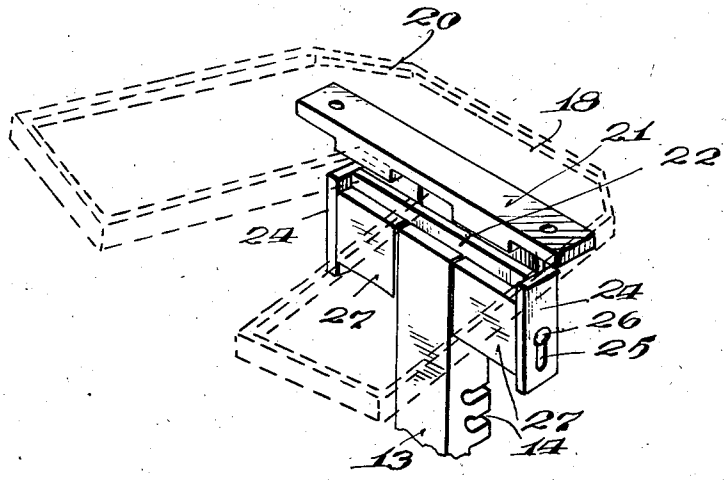


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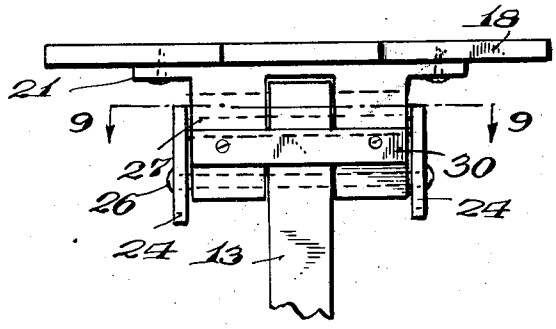


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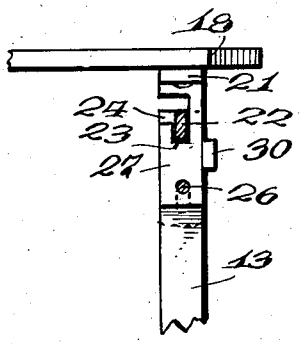
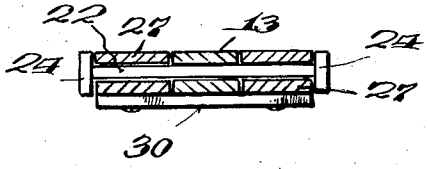


Fig. 9



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1 Claim. (Cl. 311—39)

This invention pertains primarily to appliances for aiding in the manipulation and treatment of women's hair, and it consists in a convenient form of adjustable pedestal table or stand, especially adapted to use in beauty parlors, and with relation to which it will be hereinafter described.

In the operation of a beauty parlor, especially in performing methods of treating hair involving the use of individual setting or curling means in considerable numbers, speed, precision and gentleness are all essential to success, and deftness in these particulars often distinugishes the expert operator.

For example, in giving a permanent wave, the average head requires twenty-four pads, twenty-four spacers, and twenty-four retention papers and rods, and the comb and thinning scissors are used at least twice for each curl. Accordingly, the number of movements of the operator's arms to block an average patron's hair will exceed two hundred and fifty. By using the present invention, there is a saving of approximately an hour in time for the patron in addition to the saving in the strain upon the operator, primarily, by reason of the fact that the various implements used are in close proximity to the subject, and they may be picked up and applied in a minimum of time and effort on the part of the operator.

The invention is not restricted to hair setting and curling, but may be utilized for applying dyes, henna packs, bleaches, and other wet treatments, and for washing and drying the hair and scalp, wherein the comfort of the patron is an important factor. Accordingly, it is another object to provide a simple and practical stand solidly and safely constructed of easily obtainable materials which may be easily and quickly set up or taken down, adjusted to the desired height and position and when so set up may be depended upon to remain in position with reliability and without danger of collapsing and spilling the dyes or bleach to the injury and damage of the patron or her garments.

Further objects and advantages of the invention will appear in connection with the following description of one of various possible forms of the stand, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein similar parts are correspondingly identified in the drawings.

Figure 1 is a front elevation showing the parts as adjusted for use;

Figure 2 is a side elevation of table and upper part of the pedestal;

Figure 3 is a vertical cross section of the same from front to back, the section line being shown at 3—3 in Figure 5;

Figure 4 is a partial cross-sectional view similar to Figure 3, showing the table tilted or folded down as it is when not in use;

Figure 5 is a plan view of the table;

Figure 6 is a perspective view of the upper portion of the pedestal, with the hinge and lining;

Figure 7 is a detailed elevational view;

Figure 8 is a view taken at right angles to Figure 7; and

Figure 9 is a sectional view taken substantially on the line 9—9 of Figure 7.

Referring now to the drawings in detail, 10 indicates a base of substantial dimensions adapted to rest solidly on the floor and in a position behind the chair occupied by the patron. This main base or support is provided with a central upright pedestal or stand 11, which supports a sleeve 12 and within which telescopes a second part 13 provided with a series of laterally extended keyhole slots 14, as shown more clearly in Figure 2. These slots are adapted to be engaged by a crossbar 15 which is carried by upwardly extending arms 16 pivoted at 17 in the sleeve 12. Thus, by moving these arms 16 about the pivot 17 in the direction of the arrow (Figure 2), then the crossbar 15 moves out of the keyhole slot 14 allowing the upper extension 13 to be moved up or down as desired, thereby to position the table 18 carried at its upper end to fit comfortably about the neck of the patron with the two arms extending forwardly. This table 18, which is shown more clearly in Figure 5, is of general U-shaped construction and is provided with a peripheral upwardly extending flange 20 and upon this table may be laid the curlers, pads, dye or bleach, as desired. Thus, all these parts are in close proximity to the head of the patron and within convenient reach of the operator whereby they may be easily and quickly picked up and applied with a minimum of time and effort.

This table 18 is provided with a transverse brace 21 on its underside and this is secured in foldable or hinged relation to the part 13, as shown more in detail in Figure 6. It is, of course, necessary to provide this hinge with locking means which will be strong and substantial and unlikely to loosen in normal operation, which would spill the articles supported on the table 18. This hinge comprises a locking member 22 which fits a transverse slot 23 in the upper part of the extension member 13 see Fig. 4. The ends of this locking bar 22 are secured to vertically disposed members 24 at each side, the lower ends of which

members are provided with slots **25** through which a headed pin **26** passes from one side to the other as shown in Fig. 1. The ends of this pin **26** are seated or fixed in blocks **27** which are provided with L-shaped recesses **28** (Figure 4) connected by a transverse brace **30**. Thus, when the locking bar **22** is raised as provided for by slots **25** to the position shown in Figure 4, it passes out of the L-shaped notch **28**, thereby allowing the bar **30** to swing in the direction of the arrow to the position shown in Figure 4. Thus, the table occupies a vertical position parallel to the pedestal and may be more conveniently and compactly stowed away.

When it is desired to replace the table in operating position, then the reverse takes place namely, the table is swung upwardly and in the opposite direction to the arrow, the part **27** passing under the locking bar **22**, whereupon this bar may be lowered to the position shown in Figure 3, with the part firmly locked in position against any tilting movement, as it is highly important that all the parts should be held in safe and reliable position without danger of spilling or dropping the contents or articles placed upon the table.

All the parts of the present apparatus are preferably made of readily obtainable material, wood being most suitable, yet, of course, plastics or fiber board could be used, if desired.

It will be clear from the above description that the stand as a whole may easily and quickly move into operative position, as shown in Figure 6, with the U-shaped table embracing the back of the neck of the patron, whereupon the various articles to be used by the operator will be in convenient and easy reach to be applied as necessary. After the treatment is concluded, then the entire stand is moved rearwardly with respect to the patron, allowing her to leave the chair. If the day's work is completed, it will probably be desirable to fold the table back to the position shown in Figure 4, then place the same against the wall for the night.

The entire construction is of simple and practical construction which may be easily adjusted to any position desired. The construction is strong, durable, safe and reliable at all times and is readily adapted to accomplish among others all of the objects and advantages herein set forth.

What I claim is:

A stand of the character described comprising in combination, a base with an upwardly extending pedestal, an extension on the upper end of said pedestal, a table of U-shaped construction at the upper end of said extension and hinged thereto, said hinge including a slot in the upper part of said extension, a locking bar movable in said slot, and a slotted member on the underside of said table and movable therewith, said bar having a sliding connection with respect to the pedestal whereby when raised in said slots the table is permitted to tilt.

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