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ABSTRACT: A face lifting device for removing temporarily and more or less permanently the sagging muscles and/or skin of the face consisting of an elastic band having an adjustable buckle and clasp, one at each end of the band, for securing the ends of the band together. The band is located to engage the sides of the face above and adjacent to the ears and extends across the head under the hair and around the back of the neck. Preferably, the buckle and clasp are joined at the top of the head. The surface of the band adjacent the skin of the face is covered with an adhesive similar to that employed in adhesive bandages, such an adhesive being noninjurious to the skin. In attaching the band to the head an upward tension is applied to the skin by the band on each side of the face by means of an elastic cord extending from the band at the nape of the neck up under the hair of the head to the buckle and clasp connection, this obviating the need for having the band tightly attached to the head. The band may either be worn exposed in the privacy of the wearer or in public by being made decorative and if desired, appropriately covered by a suitable hairdo, wig, hairpiece or hat.

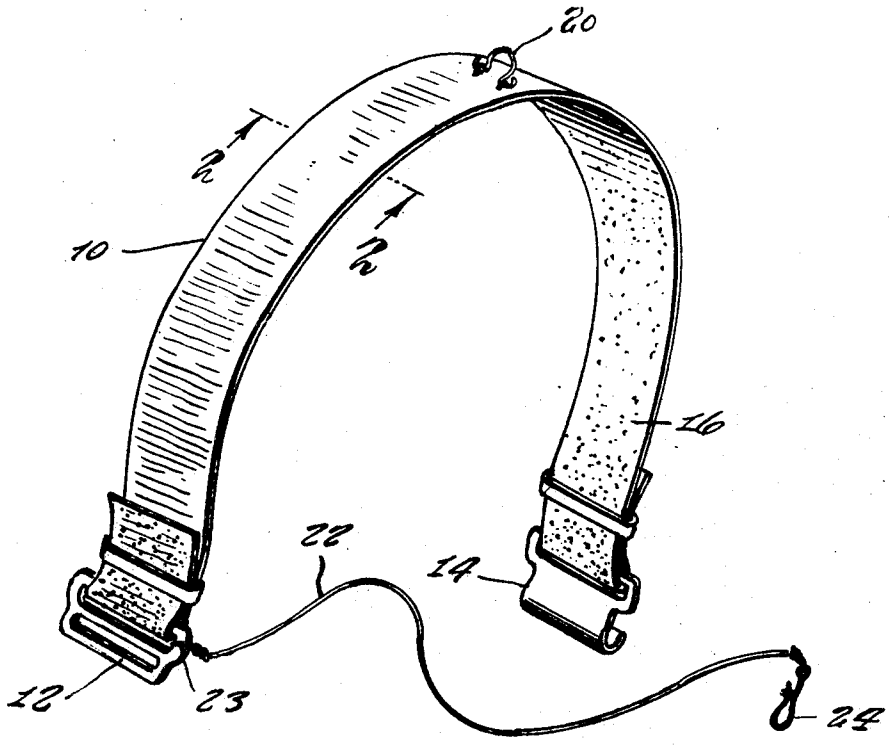


Fig. 1

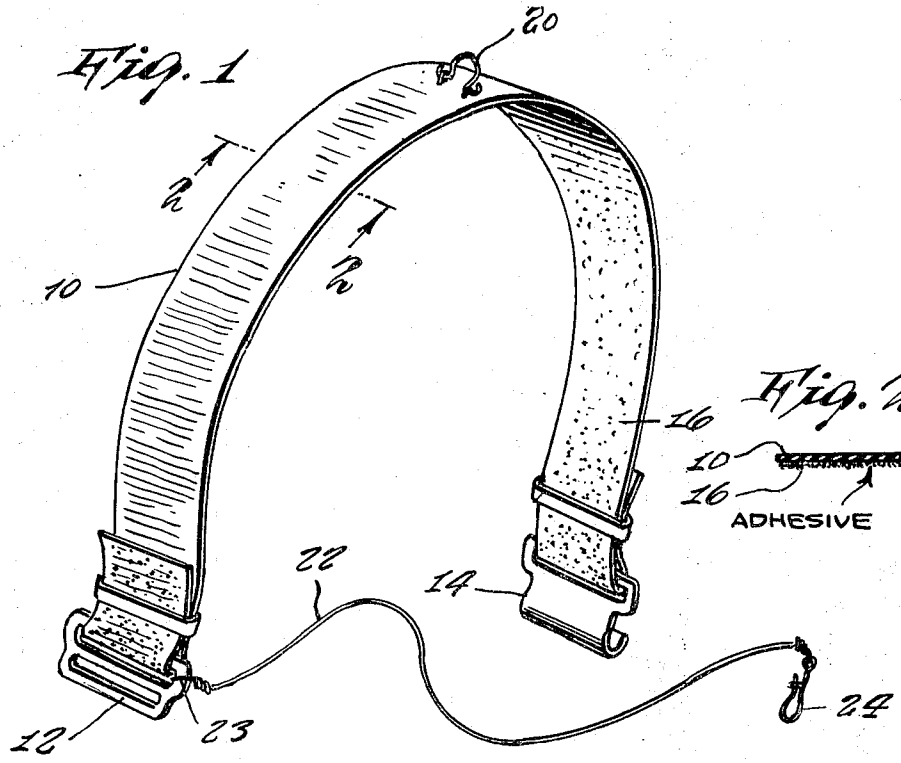


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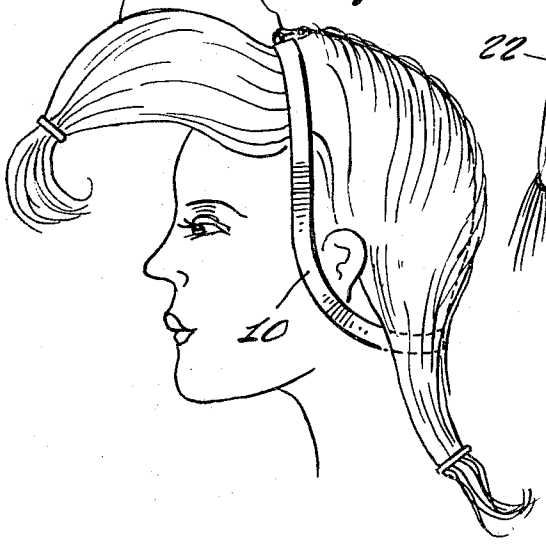


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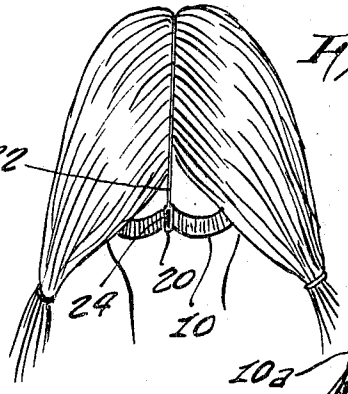


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This invention relates to a lifting and supporting device for the facial muscles particularly that of a woman.

Ordinarily to eliminate or reduce sagging face muscles and/or skin, recourse is had to cosmetic surgery or the application of chemical face lift methods, the latter being generally short lived. To obviate the use of cosmetic surgery which is expensive, painful, and time consuming, or the alternate employment of chemical treatments, it is the primary object of this invention to provide an elastic band provided with an adhesive for attachment to the skin of the face, the band encircling the head, the sides of the face immediately forwardly of the ears and the back of the neck to thus provide a combined muscle lifter and muscle supporter.

Another object of this invention is to provide an adjustable buckle and clasp, one at each end of the band for connecting the ends of the band together in its operative position on the head.

Still another object of this invention is to provide for use with the band an elastic cord that extends medially at the back of the head from a point of connection on the band at the nape of the neck to the buckle and clasp connection of the band at the top of the head.

Yet another object of this invention is to utilize an adhesive on the face side of the band that is similar to that employed in adhesive bandages which is in no way injurious to the skin.

Another object of this invention is to form the exposed face of the band fanciful or decorative such as to be visibly worn by the wearer with parts of the band hidden by an appropriate hairdo, wig or hat.

Still another object of the invention is the provision of a face lift device of the type indicated that is safe to use, effective and which does not require the services of a skilled operator to apply the same in order that it may function efficiently.

Further objects of the invention will appear as the description proceeds.

To the accomplishment of the above and related objects, my invention may be embodied in the form illustrated in the accompanying drawings, attention being called to the fact, however, that the drawings are illustrative only, and that change may be made in the specific construction illustrated and described within the scope of the appended claims.

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of the face lift elastic band.

FIG. 2 is a sectional view thereof taken on line 2–2 of FIG. 1.

FIG. 3 is a side view of a woman's head with the elastic band applied thereto.

FIG. 4 is a rear view of the head showing the application of the tensioning cord to the elastic band.

FIG. 5 shows a decorative form of face lift elastic band as worn in public.

Referring in greater detail to the drawing, FIG. 1 shows a band or ribbon **10** of any desired length, width and thickness made of a combination of rubber threads interwoven with cotton or linen threads such as to have stretch characteristics. At one end, the band **10** is adjustably secured to a buckle **12** and at its other end to a clasp **14**, the connection thereto being also adjustable. Provided on the inside face of the band **10** is an adhesive coating **16**, the adhesive being similar to that employed in adhesive bandages so as to be noninjurious to the skin. The adhesive coating **16** may be applied to the entire length of the band **10** or to such portions thereof that will contact the skin of the face.

The band **10** is of a length such as to have its center portion positioned at the back or nape of the neck with its sides extending upwardly along the sides of the face immediately forwardly of the ears, as seen in FIG. **3**, and up over the top of the head with the opposite ends of the band connected by the buckle **12** and clasp **14**. Prior to placement of the band **10** on the head some of the hair is moved forwardly as at **18** to be later moved back when the band is attached to the head to conceal at least the upper head encircling part thereof. The neck encircling part of the band **10** is concealed by the hair draped over the back of the neck.

At the center of the band **10** there is secured thereto a suitable eye or loop **20** which projects from the outer face of the band, and in the placement of the band on the head is located at the nape of the neck. An elastic cord **22** has one end fastened as at **23** to the buckle **12** and is provided at its other end with a hook **24**, preferably one of the type having a spring catch so as to obviate disengagement thereof. With the band **10** applied to the head, which need not be tight, the elastic cord **22** is threaded through the hair and the hook **24** connected to the band eye or loop **20**, as seen in FIG. **4**. The length of elastic cord **22** is such as to apply an upward pull or lifting action on the face engaging sides of the band **10**. As these sides of the band are adhesively engaged with the sagging skin in the zones of the face adjacent to the ear the band **10** will raise the sagging muscles and support the same in their raised position.

The band **10** may be worn as long as desired and has the advantage of producing no health hazard or risk to the wearer. The wearing of the band sets no limit on the duration of the sagging muscle raising effect and with constant use and application will strengthen the facial muscles, reduce or obviate the sagging thereof, and produce an improved and youthful facial appearance in the wearer.

The band **10** may be worn applied to the face and head in the privacy of the wearer while at home, at night and even while asleep.

The band **10** may also be worn visibly in public applied to the face and head as shown in FIG. **5**. In this case the outer face **26** of the band **10***a* may be made decorative particularly as to the part thereof that will be visible with the other parts of the band (decorative or plain) concealed by an appropriate hairdo, wig or hat.

Depending on the location of the adherence of the band to the skin of the cheek, the band will effect either a modest or a stunning lift of the contour thereof, and also considerably smoothes out the skin of the throat.

While certain novel features of my invention have been shown and described and are pointed out in the annexed claims, it will be understood that various omissions, substitutions and changes in the forms and details of the device illustrated and in its operation can be made by those skilled in the art without departing from the spirit of the invention.

I claim:

1. A lifting band device for the skin of a face having sagging facial muscles comprising:

a. an elastic band;

b. interconnecting means at each end of the band for detachably securing the ends of the band together;

c. an adhesive coating noninjurious to the skin on one side of the band; and

d. tension means carried by said band and connected at one end to one of said interconnecting means, whereby said band is applied to the head of a person with its adhesive side against the skin of the face, the center portion of the band extending across the nape of the neck and the ends of the band secured together at the top of the head by said interconnecting means, said tension means being connected to the center portion of the band to apply a lifting action to the sides of the band adhesively secured to the sides of the face to raise and support the sagging facial muscles.

2. The lifting band device of claim **1**, wherein said elastic band is formed of interwoven rubber and fabric threads such as to have stretch characteristics.

3. The lifting band device of claim **2**, wherein said interconnecting means comprises:

a. a buckle adjustably connected to one end of the band; and

b. a clasp connected to the other end of the band.

4. The lifting band device of claim **3**, including an eye secured to the center of the band and projecting from the outer face thereof.

5. The lifting band device of claim **4**, wherein said tension means comprises:

a. an elastic cord;

b. the connection of one end of the cord being to said buckle; and

c. a hook connected to the other and free end of said elastic cord, whereby in the placement of the lifting band on the head of the wearer, the elastic cord is woven rearwardly through the hair of the wearer and its other free end secured by the hook to the eye at the center of the band disposed at the nape of the neck.