WIG HEAD STAND

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A stand designed to receive a head for a wig with a tapered upper portion which is inserted in a complementary hole in the wig head and a base sufficiently broad to receive feet thereon to maintain the stand in an upright and convenient position between an individual's legs for working on a wig.

The present invention relates to apparatus for working on wigs and has particular reference to an improved stand for supporting a wig on a wig head while work is performed on the wig.

In order to preserve the appearance of a wig and in order to perform the many hairdressing chores that may be performed on a wig as are usually done on human hair, it is necessary that the wig on a wig head be held in a position where an operator can perform his work. It is best that the wig head with the wig thereon be positioned where the operator can assume the most comfortable working position so that he can best concentrate on the meticulous care needed in some operations so that the wig will present the best possible appearance on the wearer and will serve its purpose of enhancing the appearance of the wearer.

Also, the wigs must receive care at home where they are combed and may have other hair care operations performed on them.

In the prior art, stands for wig heads have usually been made for attachment to tables. In such cases unless a table of lower height than normal is available or a specially made table is used, the wig is not presented at the best height to be worked on by the wearer or hairdresser.

Therefore, the present invention presents a stand upon which the wig on its wig head may be held without the need of nailing furniture by attachment thereto and presents the wig at the most comfortable position for performing work thereon.

Basically the present invention is a stand for supporting a wig head, for use by a seated person, with the stand having a broad base for placing of feet thereon and a tapered upper portion for gripping between the legs and for receiving the wig head thereon.

These as well as further advantages which are inherent in the invention will become apparent from the following description, reference being had to the accompanying drawing wherein:

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of the wig head stand of the present invention in use;

FIG. 3 is a front elevational view in partial section of the present invention; and

FIG. 3 is a top plan view of the wig stand of FIG. 2 with the head removed and dashed outline of an upper support element.

Referring to FIG. 1 there is shown in a perspective view the wig head stand with an upright support pole 11 attached to a broad flat base 12. The upper portion 13 of pole 11 is inwardly tapered from an intermediate part of pole 11 and wig head 14 is supported thereon.

In use, a person, such as the woman shown in dashed outline, working on a wig 15 will place it on wig head 14 which is of styrofoam or some similar material which can hold the wig by receiving the pins which are used to hold the wig 15 to head 14. Seated comfortably, she will place her feet firmly on the broad flat base 12 which should be wide enough to receive the bottom of the feet, one on each side of upright pole 11. As shown, her knees will press on opposite sides of pole 11 and should reach so as to receive the knees just above where the upper portion 13 of pole 11 begins. In this manner the stand will remain firmly upright during all operations performed on the wig 15.

FIG. 2 supplemented by FIG. 3 shows the present invention in more detail. By screw attachment the upright pole 11 is attached at its bottom to flat base 12. The upper portion 13 of pole 11 is tapered inwardly with a taper that is complementary to the upwardly extending tapered hole 16 in the wig head 14. A nylon plug 17 fitting into the top of the hollow portion of pole 11 and extending over the top rim of pole 11 protects wig head 14 from damage since wig head 14 may be of styrofoam and the pole 11 may be of metal. Additional protection to wig head 14 is provided by washer 18 which has a center opening therein which allows it to pass down tapered portion 13 a measured distance so as to support wig head 14 so that the upper end of pole 11 does not push into or penetrate wig head 14 or damage the tapered portion of the softer material of wig head 14 and make the removal of wig head 14 from pole 11 difficult because of the formation of a press fit thereon, this type of fit not being desirable.

It will thus be apparent that with the wig stand of the present invention a wig may be worked on in comfort and with less effort in a more convenient manner and there is less chance of damage to the wig head.

It will be obvious to those skilled in the art that various changes may be made without departing from the scope of the invention and the invention is not to be considered limited to what is shown in the drawings and described in the specification.

What is claimed is:

1. A wig head stand for support of a wig head thereon comprising a horizontally enlarged base having an upper foot-receiving support surface, and a substantially elongated support and knee-gripping element attached to said base and extending a sufficient distance above said base to permit a seated individual to gripingly engage said elongated element between inner sides of the legs adjacent the knee caps when the feet are resting on said foot-receiving surface, said elongated element of a predetermined height for use of the wig head by a seated person, and having an inwardly tapered portion extending upward from an intermediate part of said element.

2. The wig head stand of claim 1 further characterized by said base having sufficient foot-receiving support surface to accommodate one of the user's feet on each side of said elongated element.

3. The wig head stand of claim 1 further characterized by a plastic-like rounded plug extending from the top and over the rim of said elongated element.

4. The wig head stand of claim 1 further characterized by a horizontally extending stop means resting on said tapered portion of said elongated element.

5. The wig head stand of claim 4 further characterized by
said horizontally extending stop means being a washer with a hole therethrough of less diameter than the largest diameter of said tapered portion of said elongated element.

6. The wig head stand of claim 1 further characterized by a wig head form, to which a wig can be attached, having an inwardly tapered opening in its bottom of a substantially complementary shape to said tapered portion of said elongated element and mounted over a top portion of said elongated element.

7. The wig head stand of claim 6 further characterized by a plastic-like rounded plug extending from the top and over the rim of said elongated element within the opening in the bottom of said wig head form.

8. The wig head stand for claim 6 further characterized by a horizontally extending stop means resting on said tapered portion of said elongated element a predetermined distance below the top of said elongated element to support said wig head form thereon.

9. The wig head stand of claim 7 further characterized by a horizontally extending stop means resting on said tapered portion of said elongated element a predetermined distance below the top of said elongated element to support said wig head form thereon.

4. said horizontally extending stop means being a washer with a hole therethrough of less diameter than the largest diameter of said tapered portion of said elongated element.

10. The wig head stand of claim 9 further characterized by said tapered portion extending from an intermediate part of said elongated element located at a height above said base to accommodate the knee caps within said tapered portion.

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