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FIG. 1

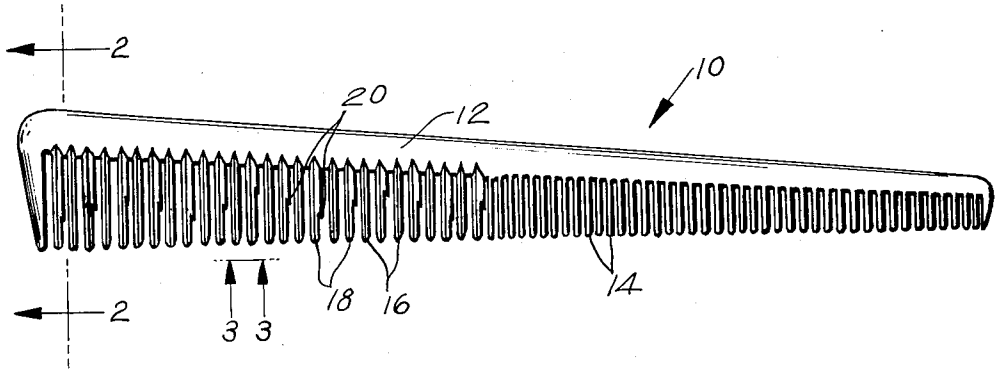


FIG. 2

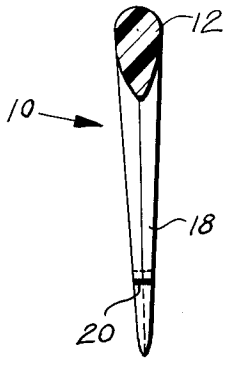
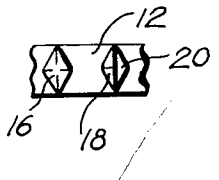


FIG. 3



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This invention relates to combs and more particularly to a barber's comb.

It is an object of the present invention to provide a barber comb which can be effectively used for guiding the hair into the cutting elements of an electric clipper.

Another object of the present invention is to provide a barber comb of the above type which is extremely durable, especially effective in operation, and which will not interfere with the normal use of the comb for other purposes.

Other objects of the invention are to provide a barber comb bearing the above objects in mind which is of simple construction, has a minimum number of parts, is inexpensive to manufacture and efficient in operation.

For other objects and for a better understanding of the invention, reference may be had to the following detailed description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawing, in which:

FIGURE 1 is a plan view of a barber comb made in accordance with the present invention;

FIGURE 2 is a transverse cross sectional view taken along line 2—2 of FIGURE 1; and

FIGURE 3 is a fragmentary plan view taken along line 3—3 of FIGURE 1.

Referring now more in detail to the drawing, a barber comb **10** made in accordance with the present invention is shown to include a substantially rigid spine portion **12** having a plurality of closely spaced fine teeth **14** of increasing length at one end, such closely spaced teeth **14** extending substantially one-half the length of the spine **12**.

The other half of the spine **12** is provided with a plurality of relatively coarse alternately spaced even teeth **16** and relatively coarse cutaway teeth **18**, as is clearly shown in FIGURE 1. Each of the cutaway teeth is provided with a cutout portion extending fractionally inwardly from the free end thereof toward the spine **12** to define individual shoulders **20**. An imaginary line connecting all of the shoulders **20** of the alternately spaced cutaway teeth defines a substantially sine wave form which has the effect of guiding the hair into the cutting elements of the cutter in such a way as to prevent overloading of the cutter and

to provide a clean cutting action upon the hair. The coarse teeth also increase in length along the spine, in continuation of the fine teeth.

It will now be recognized that this comb is extremely durable, especially effective for its intended purpose, and also constructed for normal use for regular barbering procedures.

While various changes may be made in the detail construction, it shall be understood that such changes shall be within the spirit and scope of the present invention as defined by the appended claims.

What I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent of the United States is:

1. A clipper comb comprising in combination a spine, a plurality of fine teeth at one end of said spine, a plurality of coarse clipper guide teeth at the opposite end of said spine and said guide teeth having hair positioning means guiding hair into a clipper movable relative thereto, said spine comprising a substantially rigid shaft portion extending longitudinally along one edge of said comb, said fine teeth being uniformly spaced apart and of proportionally increasing length from said one end toward said opposite end of said spine, said clipper guide teeth being of generally uniformly spaced apart arrangement increasing in length from said fine teeth toward said opposite end of said comb and said hair positioning means comprising a plurality of shoulders formed by alternately spaced apart ones of said guide teeth, said shoulders forming an imaginary guide line of generally sine wave form.

2. A clipper comb combination comprising a spine, a plurality of fine teeth at one end of said spine, a plurality of coarse clipper guide teeth at the opposite end of said spine and said guide teeth having hair positioning means guiding hair into a clipper movable relative thereto, said spine comprising a substantially rigid shaft portion extending longitudinally along one edge of said comb, said clipper guide teeth being uniformly spaced apart and said hair positioning means comprising a plurality of shoulders formed by alternately spaced apart ones of said guide teeth, said shoulders forming an imaginary guide line of generally sine wave form.

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