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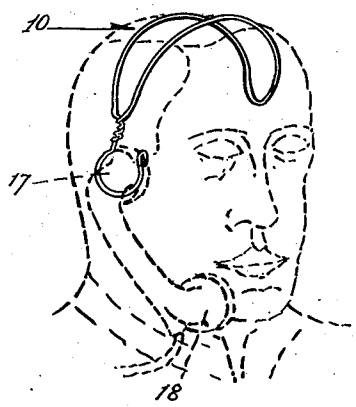


Fig. 1.

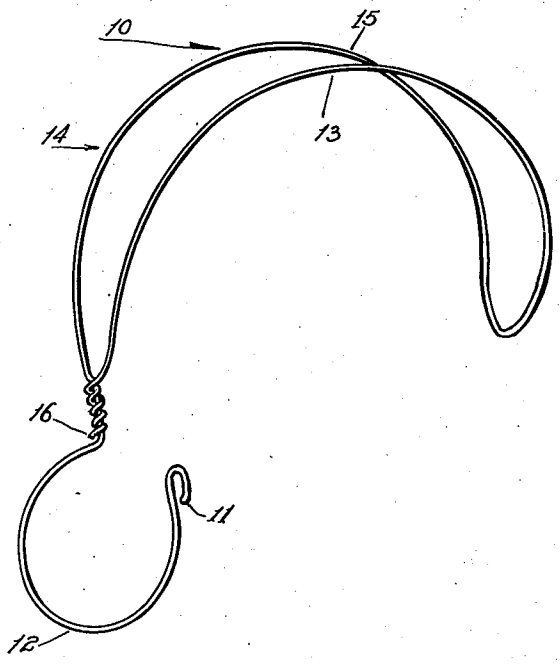


Fig. 2.

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This invention relates to a device supported on the head of the user for holding the ear piece of a telephone.

It is among the objects of my invention to provide a device that is removably supported on the head of a user and which in that position will have a nest within which the ear piece of a telephone will rest. This positions the mouth piece of the telephone adjacent the mouth of the user, so that the user may hear and talk with both hands free. My device is made of a single length of wire, and is economical to manufacture, lasting in wear and efficient in operation. My invention also contemplates such other objects, advantages and capabilities as will later more fully appear, and which are inherently possessed by my invention.

While I have shown in the accompanying drawings a preferred form of my invention, yet it is to be understood that the same is susceptible of modification and change without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Referring to the drawings, Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a device embodying my invention in use; and Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the device.

The embodiment selected to illustrate my invention comprises a single length of metal wire 10, extending from one end 11 briefly upwardly, then downwardly, inwardly and upwardly to form a curved longitudinal nest 12. The wire 10 is then bent substantially at right angles and extends upwardly, horizontally and downwardly to form the rear support 14. At the lowest extent wire 10 is then bent upwardly, horizontally in the reverse direction and downwardly to form the front support 13. These supports 13 and 14 together form head rest 15. The wire 10 is bent around the support 14 to hold the device in position adjacent end 16.

In use the user places head rest 15 on his or her head. The user then places ear piece 17 of the telephone head set as shown in Fig. 1, in nest 12. As the ear piece 17 lies supported in nest 12, the mouth piece 18 is positioned at the mouth of the user. The user does not have to hold any part of my device or the telephone head set with his or her hand. This leaves the user's

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hands free for writing, or other work, while using the telephone. When the user finishes using the telephone the ear piece is easily removed from the device. The user may retain the device in position on the head for further calls, or remove it and replace it as desired.

I prefer that my length of wire 10 be made of spring steel in order that it may firmly conform to the contour of the head, but any suitable substance such as metal, composition, plastic or rubber may be used.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:

A head band and holder for a telephone receiver formed of a single length of metal wire extending from one end briefly upwardly, then downwardly, inwardly and upwardly to form a curved longitudinal nest with a closed bottom and an open top, the wire beyond said net being bent at substantially right angles and extending upwardly, horizontally and downwardly, then reversed and extending upwardly, horizontally and downwardly to form a head band, the other end of the wire being then bent around itself above the nest portion, said head band adapted to removably engage the head of a user, said nest adapted to removably receive through its open top the ear piece of a telephone head set and removably hold in its closed bottom the ear piece so as to position the mouth of the telephone head set adjacent the user's mouth, so that the user may use the telephone head set without supporting the same with either hand.

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