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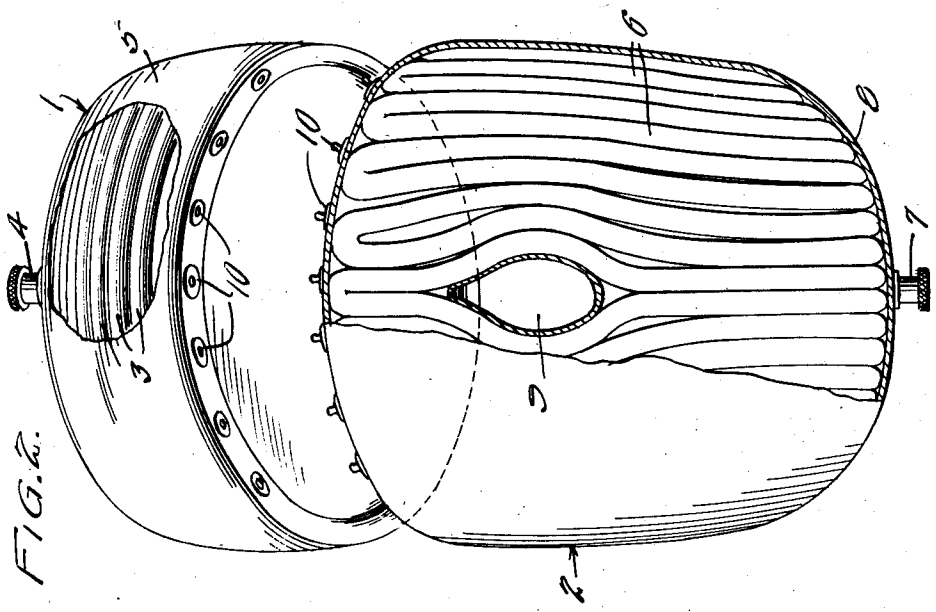


FIG. 2.

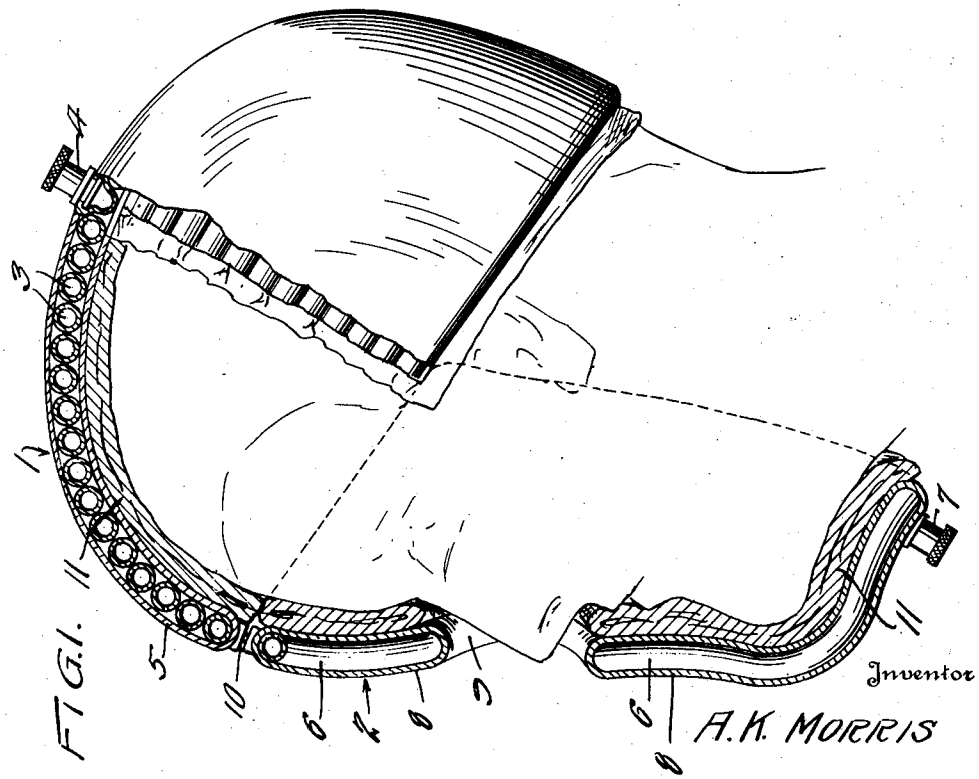


FIG. 1.

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The object of my invention is to provide a novel and useful cap and face mask for use by barbers' shops and beauty parlors, and to provide a more efficient construction for masks of this kind. I attain this and other objects of my invention by the device illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of the mask in use, partly in section and partly in side elevation;

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the cap and the lower portion of the mask with portions of the outer shell broken away to show the interior construction.

Like numerals indicate like parts in each of the several views.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, the cap 1 consists of a flexible covering 5 folded over and containing coils of rubber tubing 3, as shown in Fig. 1.

For the cap I provide a suitable sealable vent 4 including a cap element the vent being in communication with tubing 3 for admitting water to and withdrawing it from the tube. I may apply any suitable cloth or other absorbent material 11 under the cap 1 and next to the head of the wearer, as shown in Fig. 1. I provide a face mask 2 having the shell 8 folded over and enclosing the tube 6 as shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

For the face mask I provide a suitable sealable vent (with cap) in communication with the tube 6 for admitting water to and withdrawing it from that tube.

Tubing for the cap 4 is a continuous tube arranged preferably spirally within the walls of the flexible shell or cover 5. Tubing 6 for the face mask is a single tube arranged preferably in a series of flattened coils disposed within the covering or shell 8. In each instance, one end of the coil of tubing is closed while the other end is in communication with the vent.

I provide a suitable opening 9 in the face mask 1, to receive the nose of the user and admit of wearing the mask comfortably. I also provide a series of snap fasteners 10 on the contacting edges of cap 1 and mask 2, whereby these members may be fastened together after they have been placed on the head of the customer or user.

In use, I provide a suitable cloth cap and mask 11 of absorbent knitted or gauze material which is first dipped in water and placed on the head and face of the customer. Then the tubing in the cap and face mask is filled with hot water, and the cap and face mask is placed over the cloth so as to apply and retain the heat and cause it to efficiently steam or heat the face and head of the user.

My device will be used in barbers' shops and elsewhere as an aid to shaving to soften the beard and also to soften the face and scalp preliminary to a massage and facial treatment. The cloth cap 11 is used only once and is then thrown away or sent to the laundry.

The hot water cap and face mask 2 are made to last for several years. The cap 1 and mask 2 will be lined outside and inside with some kind of rubber or waterproof material.

The cap may be also used advantageously for treating fever patients by using ice water in the tubing in place of hot water.

It is within the contemplation of my invention to use any flexible, non-leaking container of hot or cold water, without the coils, if desired.

What I claim is:

1. In a device of the class described, the combination of a pair of flexible coverings or shells one of said members being shaped in the form of a cap and the other said element being shaped to constitute a face mask, means for releasably fastening one element to the other, each of the aforesaid elements having tubing coiled within the shell, and each also having a sealable vent in communication with the tubing in the respective shells.

2. In combination with the device disclosed in claim 1, a cap and face mask of absorbent netted or gauze material adapted to be applied next to the face and head of the wearer and over which the first described cap and face mask may be placed.

3. In a device of the class described, the combination of a pair of flexible coverings or shells adapted to contain water, one of said members being shaped in the form of a cap, and the other of said members being shaped to constitute a face mask to cover the face

and forehead of the user, means for rigidly and detachably fastening one of the aforesaid flexible coverings to the other, each of the said members having a sealable vent for receiving or discharging hot or cold water from the respective shells.

4. In combination with the device disclosed in claim 3, a covering suitable for a cap and face mask of absorbent, knitted or gauze material adapted to be applied next to the face and head of the wearer and over which the flexible coverings hereinbefore described may be placed.

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