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Fig. 1

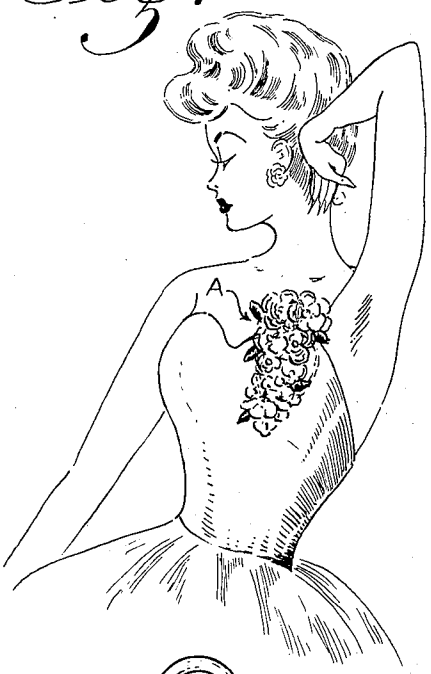


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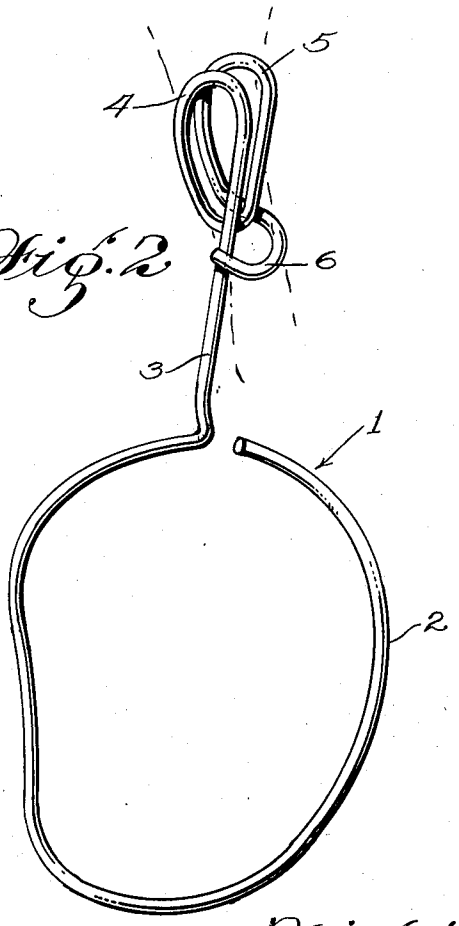


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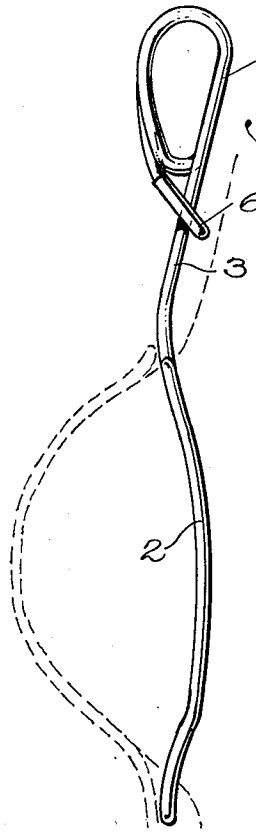


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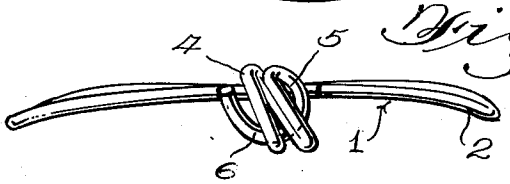
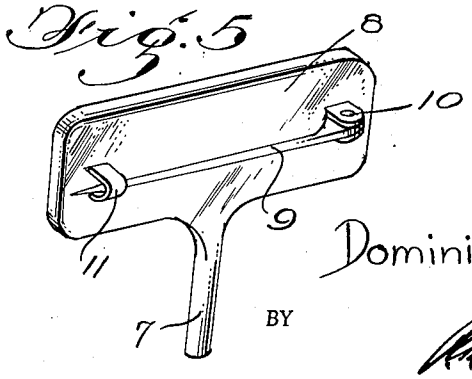


Fig. 5



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The present invention relates to improvements in flower holders and has reference more particularly to a corsage support or holder for strapless evening gowns.

One of the important objects of the present invention is to provide a corsage support that can be readily and easily positioned on the wearer and when properly positioned will support a corsage without requiring the use of any fastening means for attaching the device.

A still further object is to provide a corsage support that will be form fitting, thus enabling the device to be worn without causing any discomfort to the wearer.

Another object resides in the provision of a corsage support that will be inexpensive, simple in construction and durable.

Other objects and advantages will become apparent from the following description when taken in connection with the accompanying drawing.

In the drawing forming a part of this specification and wherein like reference characters designate corresponding parts throughout the several views:

Figure 1 is a view showing my corsage support in position on the wearer and supporting a corsage.

Figure 2 is a perspective view of the corsage support.

Figure 3 is a side view showing the corsage support in position on the wearer.

Figure 4 is a top plan view, and

Figure 5 is an enlarged perspective of a modification of the corsage securing means as associated with the support.

In the drawing the numeral 1 designates generally my corsage holder or support, the same being formed of any well known plastic such as Lucite or of wire.

The device is formed from a single length of rod-like resilient material and is bent to provide an open breast encircling loop 2. A shank portion 3 extends upwardly from the top of the loop 2 and the upper end portion of the shank is bent to form a pair of coacting spring clamping jaws 4 and 5, between which the stem portion of a corsage is to be positioned and clamped.

The free end portion of the shank terminates in a hooked extremity 6 that extends across the intermediate portion of the shank 3, directly below the spring clamping jaws 4 and 5, as clearly shown in the drawing.

The looped portion 2, it will be observed, is bent at various points in order that it may conform to the configuration of the breast of the

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wearer, over which it is positioned when in use.

When used with a strapless evening dress, the looped portion 2 of the corsage holder is positioned around the left breast of the wearer and will be held in place by the brassière as indicated in Figure 3. The shank 3 and the spring jaws 4 and 5 protrude above the top of the brassière and strapless evening gown.

The corsage A will have the stem or stems thereof clamped between the jaws 4 and 5, with the free ends of the stem extending downwardly through the hooked extremity 6. In this manner the corsage will be supported and held in proper position by the support 1 in a draped manner over the left breast portion of the strapless evening gown in the manner as illustrated in Figure 1 and the holder will be entirely concealed from view.

With a corsage support of the character thus described, the use of pins or other fastening means is entirely eliminated. Further, the corsage support may be readily and easily placed in position as well as removed.

In Figure 5 there is illustrated a modification of the corsage securing means as associated with the support or holder. In this particular form, the shank 7 terminates at its upper end in a plate-like portion 8. A pin 9 is pivotally attached at one end to the plate 8, as at 10, and its free end coacts with a catch 11 embedded in the other end portion of the plate 8. This plate may, if desired, be padded.

The stem of the corsage will be held against the plate 8 by the pin 9 in the obvious manner.

A corsage support or holder of the character disclosed and described herein can be manufactured and sold very inexpensively and due to its simplicity can be properly adjusted to position when in use.

While I have shown the preferred embodiment of my invention, it is to be understood that various changes in the size, shape and arrangement of parts may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention and the scope of the appended claim.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is:

A corsage support for strapless evening gowns comprising: an elongated, resilient, rod-like shank portion; a relatively large, substantially closed loop formed on the lower portion of said shank portion and adapted to encircle the breast of a wearer, the plane of said loop being arcuately curved to conform to the chest curvature

of the wearer, said shank portion extending upwardly from said loop and being rearwardly inclined from the plane of said loop; two adjacent, relatively smaller loops formed on the upper extremity of said shank portion, said loops lying substantially flat together to form resilient clamping jaws; and a hooked extremity on one of said smaller loops encircling said shank portion and acting to maintain said smaller loops together so that the stem of a corsage may be wedged therebetween.

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