

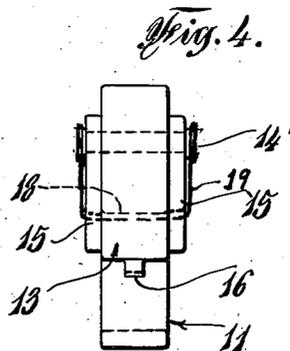
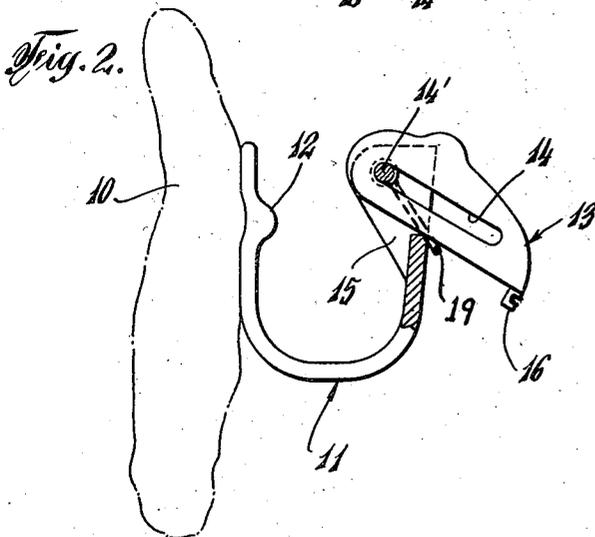
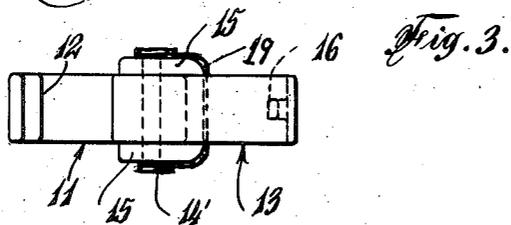
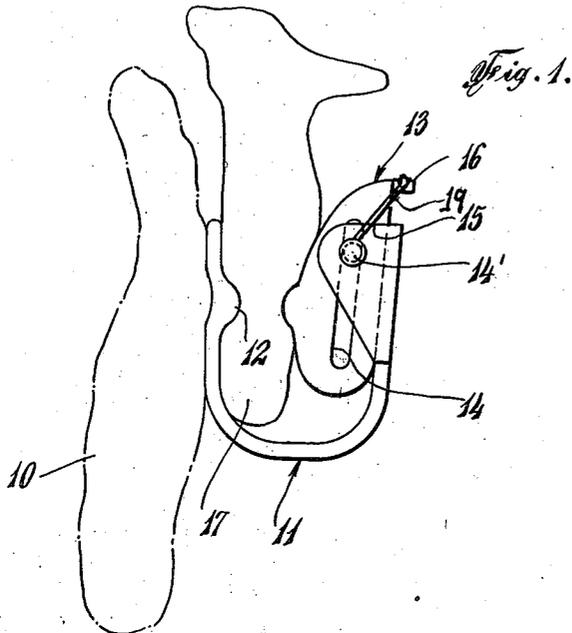
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The present invention relates to articles of jewelry, namely earrings and particularly to means for detachably securing them to the lobe of the ear of a wearer.

An object of this invention is to provide earring attaching means of novel and improved construction, which is easy to manipulate and which securely holds the earring while worn.

Another object of this invention is to provide a novel and improved earring fastening means which is easy and cheap to manufacture, simple to use and efficient in carrying out the functions for which it is designed.

Other objects and advantages will become apparent as this specification proceeds.

In the accompanying drawings forming part of this application, similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Fig. 1 shows an earring constructed in accordance with the teachings of this invention, as it is worn.

Fig. 2 shows said earring with attaching means in "open" position, partly in section.

Fig. 3 is a plan view of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is a side view of Fig. 2.

In the drawings, the numeral 10 designates an earring ornament carried on a U-shaped frame indicated generally by 11. Said frame includes a button form 12, on the ornament-bearing arm of the frame, in juxtaposition to a wedge member moveably mounted on the other arm of said frame. This wedge member 13, is provided with a longitudinal slot 14, through which is positioned a pin 14' which is securely mounted at its ends to the bracket elements 15. The wedge member 13, is of course, slidable with respect to the frame member, and also swingable about pin 14'. A tab 16 extending from and integral with the wedge member 13, is provided to facilitate manipulation of the wedge.

The earring is placed on the ear of the wearer whereby the ear's lobe 17 is between the button 12 and the wedge 13, that is, positioned between the arms of the frame; the earring clamp being in open position as is illustrated in Fig. 2. Now, the wedge 13 is raised and then slid downwardly into the frame, meaning between the arms of the member 11, whereupon the ear lobe 17 will become pinched or gripped. Upon withdrawal of

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the wedge 13, the lobe 17 is released. The opening 18 in the frame between the bracket elements 15, is to permit swinging the wedge member downwardly outwardly from the frame member 11.

To maintain the wedge member 13 downward in the frame 11, a stop element 19 is swung into position as in Fig. 1, to engage tab. 16. Said element 19, in the embodiment shown, is a U-shaped wire, the ends of which are pivotally mounted at the respective ends of the pin 14', exterior the frame 11.

This invention is capable of numerous forms and various applications without departing from the essential features herein disclosed. It is therefore intended and desired that the specific description herein be deemed illustrative and not restrictive and the patent shall cover all patentable novelty herein disclosed; reference being had to the following claim rather than to the particular embodiment herein to indicate the scope of this invention.

I claim:

In an earring, a frame including a substantially U-shaped element, an axis pin mounted on one of the arms of said element in spaced transverse relation with said arm, a wedge member having a longitudinal slot, slidably and pivotally mounted on said pin; the pin extending through said slot; said wedge member being adapted to slide on said pin between the arms of said element and to be swung laterally with respect to the U-shaped element, and means mounted on the frame to fix the position of the wedge member.

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