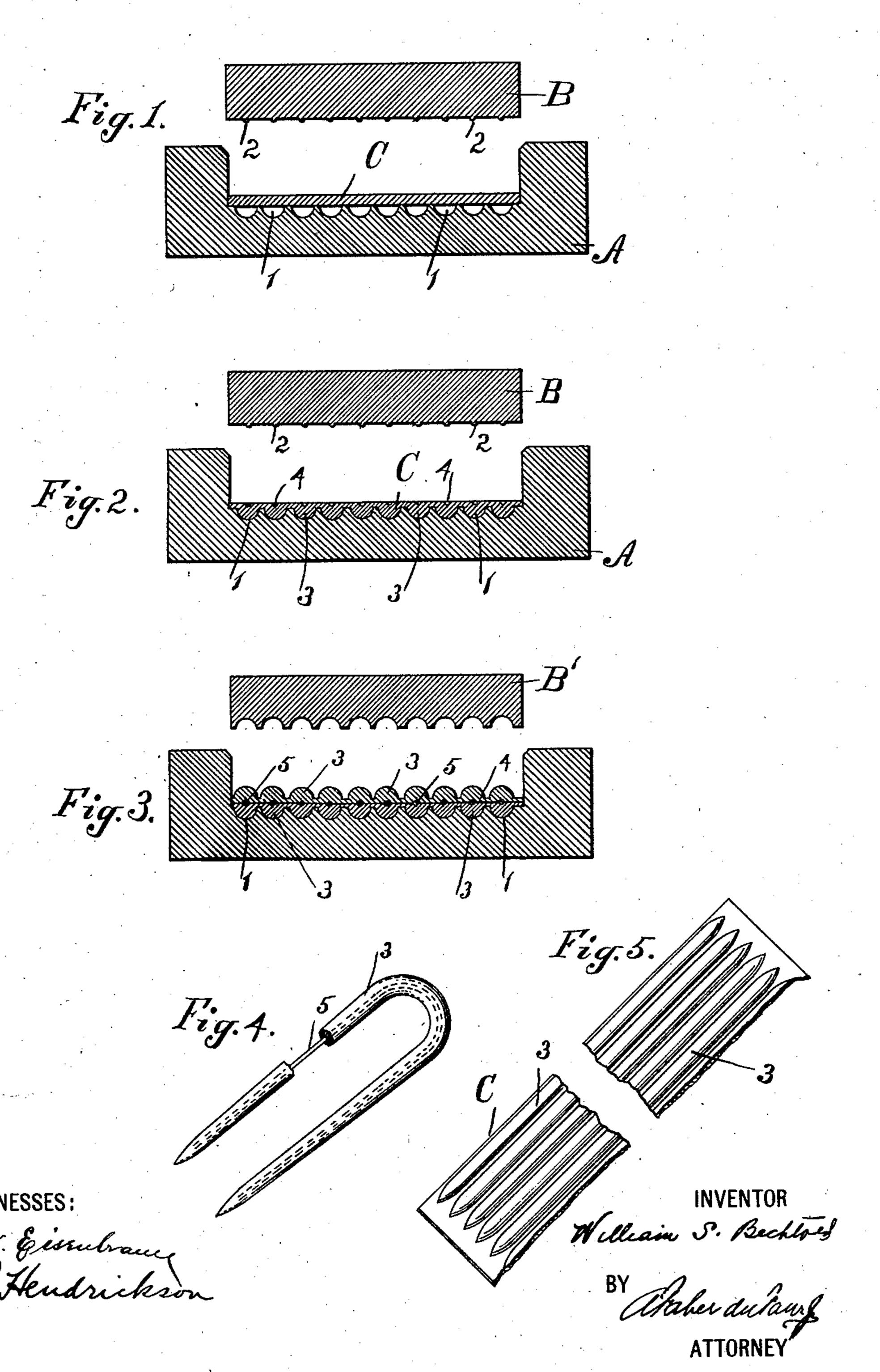
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAMS. BECHTOLD, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and 5 State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Processes of Manufacturing Hair Pinsor the Like, of which the following is a specification.

My invention has reference to improve-10 ments in the manufacture of hair-pins and the like composed of a combination of material which becomes plastic under the application of heat and of a metallic reinforcing-core adapted to give strength to the pin or like 15 article.

To this end my invention consists, essentially, in first forming blanks of moldable material with longitudinal beads and with longitudinal depressions on opposite sides, in-20 serting wires into the longitudinal depressions, then uniting two sections placed face to face together with the interposed wires, and finally separating and forming the pins or like articles.

The nature of my invention will best be understood when described in connection with the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a transverse section showing a die and punch with the strip to be 30 molded placed within the die. Fig. 2 is a similar section showing the material pressed into the die. Fig. 3 is a similar view showing the die and punch for closing two strips together. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a 35 hair-pin manufactured according to my process. Fig. 5 is a perspective of the blank.

Similar characters of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several.

views of the drawings.

Referring to Figs. 1 and 2 of the drawings, the letter A designates a die provided with a series of parallel grooves 1, curved at their ends to points, and B is a punch provided with ribs or projections 2, extending longitu-45 dinally thereon and arranged centrally with respect to the grooves in the die. The blank C of suitable material—such, for instance, as celluloid or tortoise-shell—in the form of a strip is placed into the die A and subjected

to the action of the punch B while under the 50 influence of heat, as usual, to render it moldable or plastic. The action of the punch and die is to bring the blank into the shape shown in Figs. 2 and 5, the same then having longitudinal beads 3 on one face terminating in 55 points and coinciding recesses or grooves 4 on the other face. The production of these blanks constitutes the first step of the present process. The next step of the process consists in inserting in the recesses or grooves 60 of one of said blanks cores 5, made of resilient wire or other suitable material having the proper strength and then placing upon said blank face to face a similar blank, and then, as the third step, uniting the two. The unit- 65 ing of the two parts with the interposed wires may be done in the same die before employed combined with a proper punch B', as shown in Fig. 3. The die and punch are of course heated in a suitable manner, as be- 70 fore. The blank as now formed is then cut longitudinally between the beads, and the several strips are finished and bent into pins, as shown in Fig. 4, in the usual manner. In practice I make the wires shorter than the 75 length of the beads, so that the points of the wires will be covered by the surrounding material after finishing.

It is evident that the uniting of the two parts with the interposed wires may be ac- 80 complished by the use of a suitable cement.

What I claim as new is—

1. The herein-described process for the manufacture of hair-pins and the like; consisting in first forming under heat and pres- 85 sure blanks with longitudinal beads on one side and with coincident recesses or grooves on the other side, placing wires into said grooves or recesses, uniting face to face two such blanks, together with the interposed 90 wires under the combined influence of heat and pressure, longitudinally separating said blanks, and finishing to form hair-pins and the like.

2. The herein-described process for the 95 manufacture of hair-pins and the like, consisting in first forming under heat and pressure blanks with longitudinal beads on one

on the other side, placing wires into said grooves or recesses, uniting face to face two such blanks, together with the interposed wires, longitudinally separating said blanks, and finishing to form hair-pins and the like.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set

my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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