

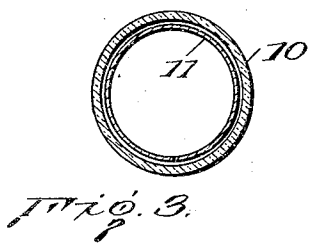
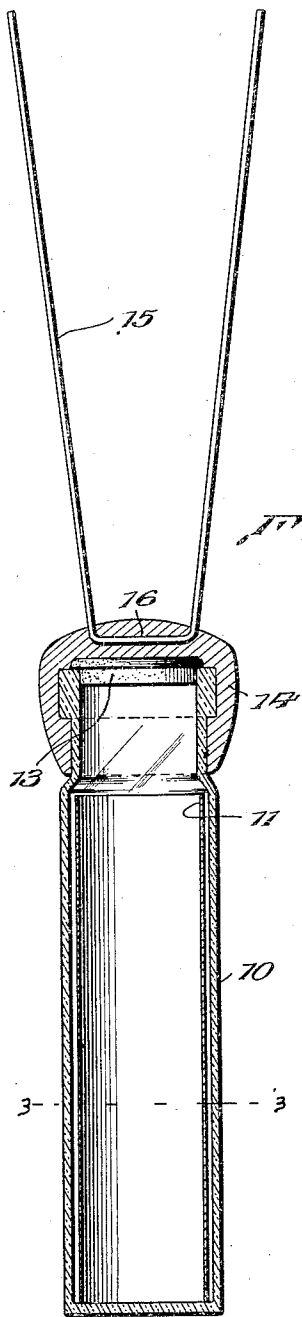
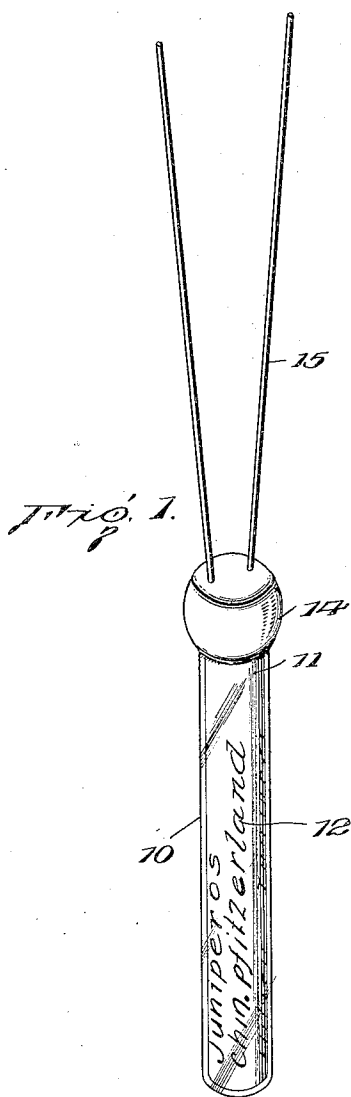
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This invention relates to means for identification of shrubs, trees, bushes and like cultural products of nurseries. At the present time it is conventional practice to label the growing plants, etc., with marker tags bearing the name of the plant; such tags usually consisting of small wooden panels or cards attached to a stalk by wire or cord.

capable of various modifications in form and material and it is to be understood that the specific embodiment, constituting as it does only a preferred form, does not impart a limitation to the scope of the invention.

By reason of exposure to the elements comparatively frequent replacement of such tags is necessitated. With individual culturists such replacement is seldom, if ever, effected. In practically all cases, a few weeks' exposure of the tags to rain and sun obliterates the indicia.

In the form of invention as shown in the drawings the marker comprises a container 10 formed of transparent material such as a small glass bottle of elongated cylindrical form in which is disposed a label 11 having title indicia 12 written or printed thereon in india ink. The label 11 is generally formed of a small paper sheet of such size as to be rolled and inserted through the open top of the container so that it bears evenly against the internal face of the container. After insertion of the label the end of the bottle container is closed by a stopper such as a cork 13 and the closure thus effected is then hermetically sealed by a cap 14 which is applied over the end of the container in any suitable manner so as to effect proper hermetical seal.

It is a primary object of my invention to provide an identification marker which is ineffaceable and indestructible from exposure to the action of the elements. Other objects include: The provision of a marker of such character, having means for hermetically sealing a visible label in a container adapted for ready attachment to some portion of a plant; the provision of means for maintaining a marker label in a weather proof holder sealed against action of the elements; to provide a device of this character including a container of transparent material having a marker label disposed therein and provided with means for attaching engagement to some portion of a plant.

The cap 14 may be formed of a plastic composition or it may be of suitable metal crimped or otherwise secured in position. The specific material and form of cap are relatively unimportant so long as the hermetical seal is brought about.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a perspective of a marker as constructed in accordance with the principles of the invention.

Figure 2 is a vertical section taken there-through.

Figure 3 is a horizontal section on the line 3—3 of Figure 2.

This specification and the accompanying drawings describe and illustrate a physical embodiment of the principles of this invention, being the best means I have thus far devised for putting the invention into practice. The details as shown and described are

Attaching means in the form of a thin copper wire 15 is secured to the marker by embedding a portion of the wire as at 16 within the material forming the body of the cap 14. This attaching means may be of any suitable material and may be otherwise disposed relative to the container in any of a number of positions. The attaching wire 15 is of a length sufficient so that it may be readily engaged with the stalk of a plant or some portion of the bush or shrub to which the marker is to be attached. The device as illustrated forms a permanent, indestructible and ineffaceable marker for plants, trees, shrubs and the like, as the identifying label is hermetically sealed in a transparent container so that the indicia cannot fade or become in

any manner obliterated by exposure to any action of the elements. It is obvious that the closure for the container 10 may be of any conventional form such as a screw top or other known forms of closure, so long as the provision of a seal at the cap is effected.

I claim:

A marker tag comprising a glass bottle of cylindrical form, a label disposed in said bottle, a stopper in the end of said bottle, a cap disposed over said stopper and bottle and in such manner as to seal the same, and a flexible attaching element having a portion thereof embedded in the body of the cap.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.
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