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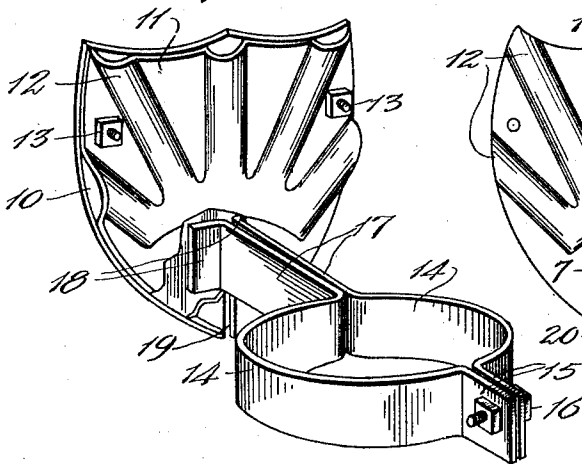


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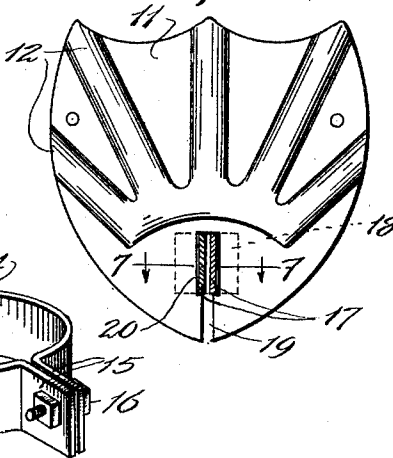


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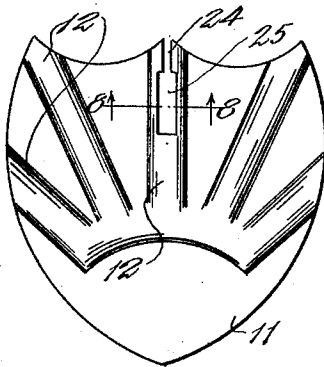


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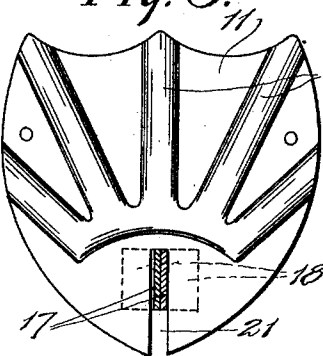


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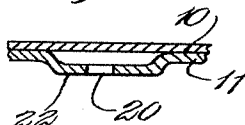


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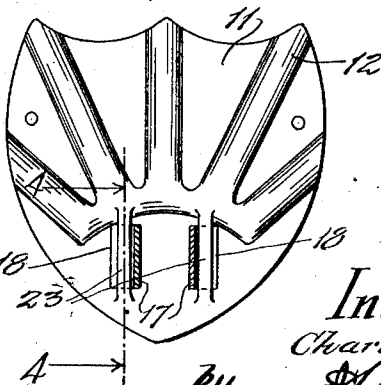


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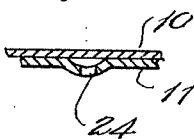
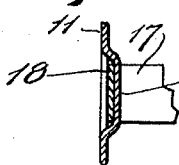


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This invention relates to a flag holder and has special reference to a flag holder adapted to be secured to the radiator cap of an automobile.

One important object of the invention is to improve the general construction of devices of this character.

A second important object of the invention is to provide an improved flag holder and bracket therefor in which the flag holder may be quickly and easily separated from its bracket when desired without making it necessary to remove the bracket from the radiator cap.

A third important object of the invention is to provide an improved device of this character wherein the connection or disconnection of the flag holder and its bracket may be accomplished without the use of any tools.

With the above and other objects in view as will be hereinafter apparent, the invention consists in general of certain novel details of construction and combinations of parts hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings and specifically claimed.

In the accompanying drawings like characters of reference indicate like parts in the several views, and:

Figure 1 is a perspective view, partly broken away, showing one form of the improved flag holder and bracket.

Figure 2 is a view of the rear face of the flag holder with the shank of the bracket shown in section.

Figure 3 is a view similar to Figure 2 but disclosing a slightly modified form.

Figure 4 is a view similar to Figure 2 showing a second modification.

Figure 5 is a detail section on the line 4—4 of Figure 4.

Figure 6 is a view similar to Figure 2 but showing a fourth modification of the device.

Figure 7 is a detail section on the line 7—7 of Figure 2.

Figure 8 is a detail section on the line 8—8 of Figure 6.

In each instance the flag holder consists of a front plate 10 and a rear plate 11, the latter

being stamped or cast to provide segmental tubular portions 12 preferably radially arranged and forming grips for gripping the staffs of flags supported by the flag holder. These portions 12 serve to hold the staffs in properly positioned arrangement. Clamping bolts 13 are used to draw the two plates toward each other so that the flag staffs inserted between them are properly gripped. Also with each flag holder proper is associated a bracket which is formed from a pair of strips of metal, preferably resilient, and these strips are bent to provide substantially semi-circular portions 14 of proper size to grip an object such as the filling tube of an automobile radiator. Parallel terminal portions 15 extend from one end of each arcuate portion and a suitable clamping bolt 16 is provided to clamp these parts together. From the other end of each arcuate portion 14 extends a stem section 17 and at the extremity of each stem section there is provided an outwardly turned terminal flange 18.

In the form shown in Figures 1 and 2 a slot 19 extends upwardly from the bottom point of the plate 11 centrally thereof and the upper part of this slot is abruptly enlarged as at 20. The slot 19 is of sufficient width to permit passage therethrough of the stem sections 17 when these are pressed together as by the fingers of the operator but these sections normally spring apart at their flange ends so as to assume the positions shown in Figure 2, thus engaging the sides of the enlarged portion 20 of the slot and holding the flag holder from accidental detachment from the bracket. In the form shown in Figure 3 there is provided a slot 21 extending upward from the central point of the bottom edge of plate 11 but in this case the slot is of uniform width throughout and friction is relied on to prevent the accidental displacement above mentioned. In both this form and in the form of Figure 2 the plate 11 may be pressed rearwardly as shown in Figure 7 at 22 to allow space for the flanges 18.

In the form shown in Figure 4 the material of the plate 11 is slit with pairs of parallel slits and the metal between the slits is struck out as at 23 to form a loop in which one of

the flanges 18 engage. Obviously, there are two of these loops and the engagement position of the flanges is clearly shown in Figures 4 and 5. In the form shown in Figure 6 the central flag holding portion 12 of the plate 11 is provided with a downwardly extending slot 24 corresponding to the slot 19 and enlarged as at 25 to correspond to the portion 20 of the form shown in Figure 2.

In each of these forms the user grips the portions 17 of the clamp to bring their free ends close together and simply slips them into the slot, releasing the grip when the clamp shanks are in proper position.

There has thus been provided a simple and efficient device of the kind described and for the purpose specified.

It is obvious that minor changes may be made in the form and construction of the invention without departing from the material spirit thereof. It is not, therefore, desired to confine the invention to the exact form herein shown and described, but it is desired to include all such as properly come within the scope claimed.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, is:

1. A flag holder consisting of a pair of plates provided with means to hold the staff of a flag therebetween in definite selected positions, one of said plates having a slot extending inwardly from a marginal portion, a bracket having an end portion adapted to fit in said slot and provided with oppositely extending flanges engaging between said plates on opposite sides of the slot, and clamp screws for drawing said plates together.

2. A flag holder consisting of a pair of plates provided with means to hold the staff of a flag therebetween in definite selected positions, one of said plates having a slot extending inwardly from a marginal portion and abruptly enlarged at its inner end, a bracket having an end portion adapted to pass through the outer end of the slot and spread to fit in said slot and provided with oppositely extending flanges engaging between said plates on opposite sides of the slot, and clamp screws for drawing said plates together.

3. A flag holder consisting of a pair of plates provided with means to hold the staff of a flag therebetween in definite selected positions, one of said plates having a slot extending inwardly from a marginal portion and abruptly enlarged at its inner end to form a rectangular socket, a bracket consisting of two cooperating strips of resilient metal bowed apart at one end to embrace an object to which the bracket is adapted to be attached and having a shank formed of parallel portions of said strips each having an outwardly turned terminal flange, said shank being adapted to pass into said slot and to have its members spring apart to engage the sides of

the inner end of the slot with the flanges between the plates, and means to draw said plates together.

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