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FIG. 2.

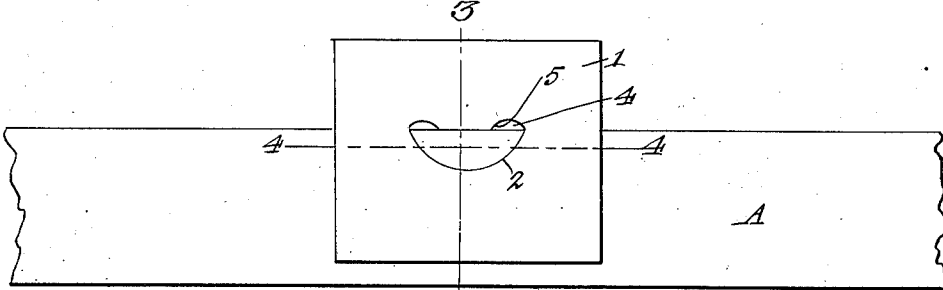


FIG. 1.

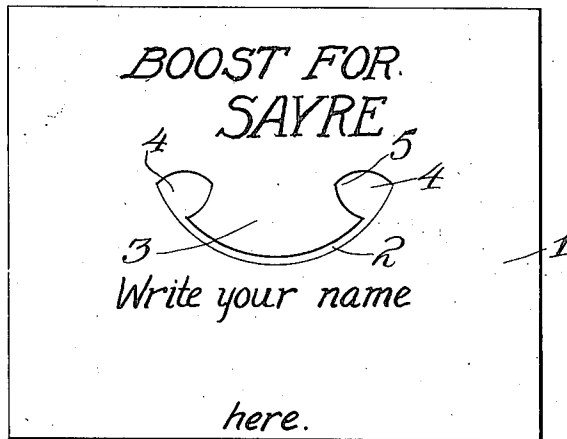
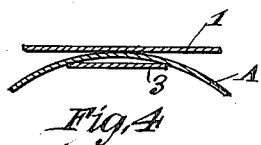
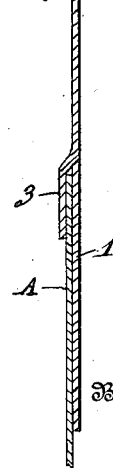


FIG. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EARL E. ALLEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sayre, in the county of Bradford, State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Marking Devices; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to marking devices and has particular reference to combination markers and checks for hats and coats,

The object of the invention is to provide a novel form of marks and checks which may be also used as an advertising medium, and which may be carried around by the owner of the hat or coat for use as occasion demands. Thus, I have devised a marker which may be made from small slips of pasteboard, celluloid, or other flexible sheet material, and has a peculiar slot cut therein to permit the positioning of the device upon a sweat-band, the hat-band, a pocket edge or a collar. The device may be distributed by dealers, bearing their advertisements, and has a blank space provided within which the user can place his name.

In the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification,

Figure 1 is a plan view of the device,

Fig. 2 is a plan view showing the device mounted on a hat-band, and

Fig. 3 is a section on line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is a sectional view on the line 4—4, of Fig. 2.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 1 represents a card of paste board, celluloid or a similar flexible sheet material which is capable of being cut or stamped out. Simultaneously with the cutting of the card, or as a subsequent operation, a slot 2 is cut in the blank whereby a tab 3 is formed. The slot 2 is generally crescent-shaped, and terminates at its extremities in the eyes 4. Thereby, the tab 3 is free to swing, within limitations, on the re-

silient neck 5, while the eyes 4 will receive the beaded or bound edge of a pocket edge or sweat-band A without causing the same to bend the tab out of the plane of the card to an undue degree. The side edges of the tab are concaved to provide pointed corners at its free end which serve to resist the pulling of the tab from off the beaded or pocketed edge of an article when the card is applied thereto as these pointed corners bite into the material of the article for this purpose. It of course will be apparent that in the application of the card to the article the rounded outer wider end of the tab will permit the free engagement thereof with said article.

Used as an advertising device, suitable space above the tab 3 is provided for the advertiser's wording, while below is left a space within which the user may write his name. If the material used is celluloid, the lower space will be roughened or dulled to permit the legible insertion of the user's name. This device may be cheaply turned out in large numbers as an advertising novelty, or may be distributed by societies, lodges, or communities as souvenirs.

What I claim as my invention is:—

An article of the character described comprising a body made from relatively flexible material, of substantially rectangular shape having an arcuate shaped slot medially therein and wholly within said body and also provided with opposed spaced openings inwardly directed toward each other and intersecting said slot at the ends thereof to form a tongue tapering from its outer end toward the inner end thereof, said tongue being provided with concaved side edges forming laterally projected pointed corners at its free end.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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