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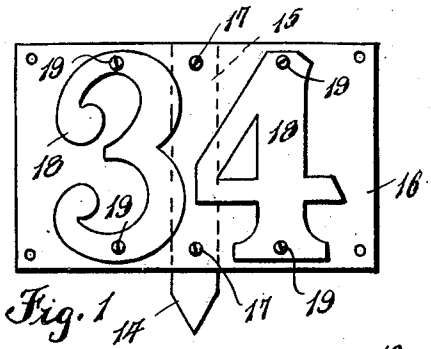


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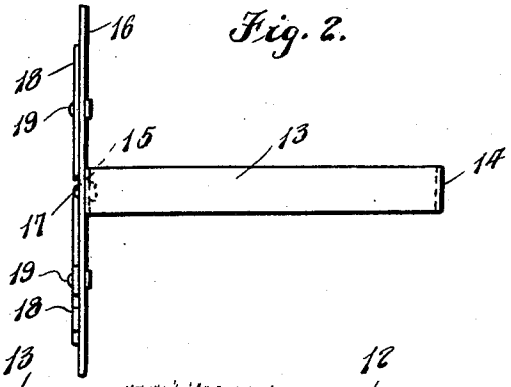


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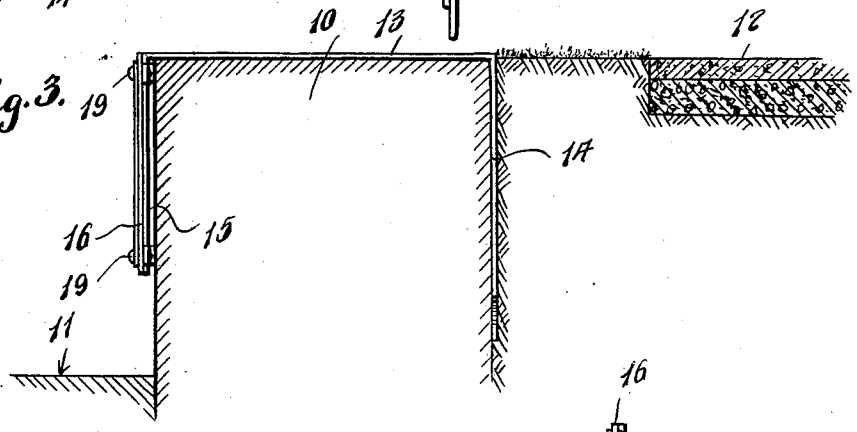


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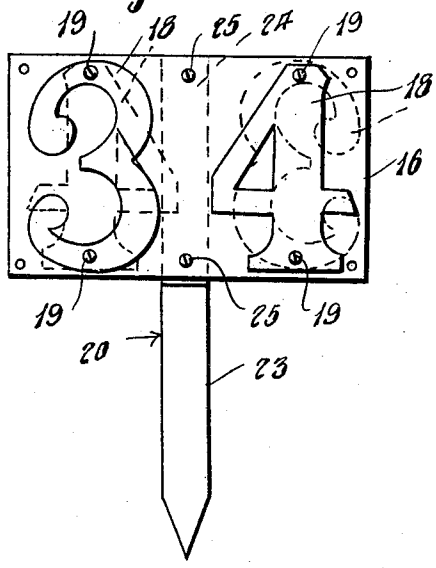


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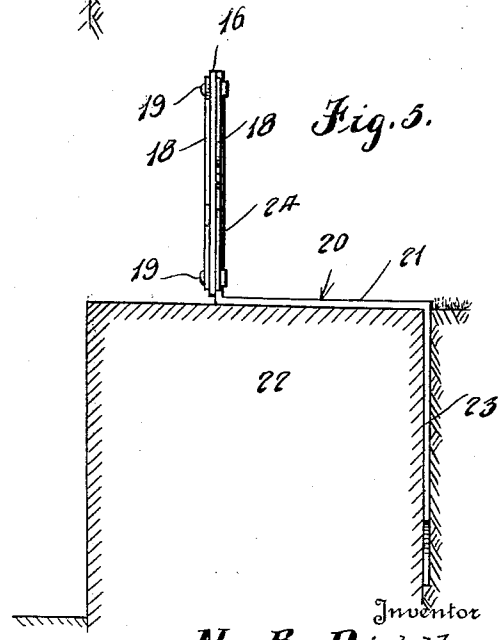


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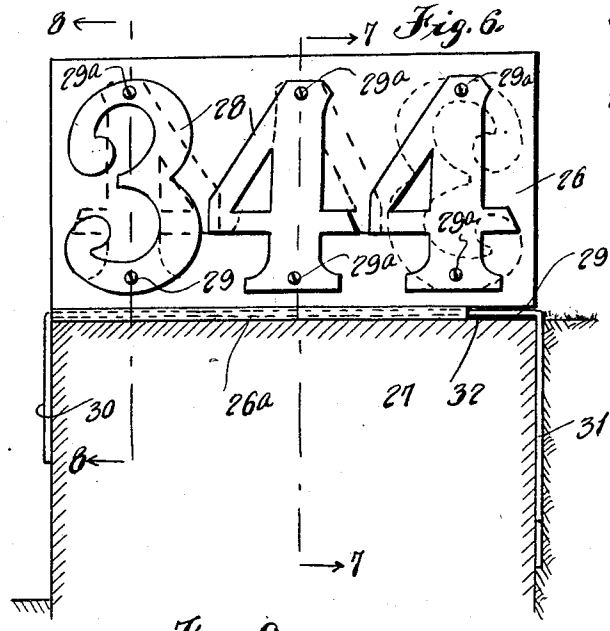


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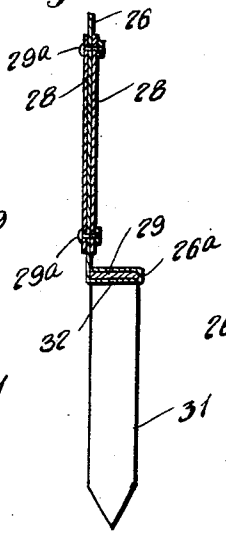


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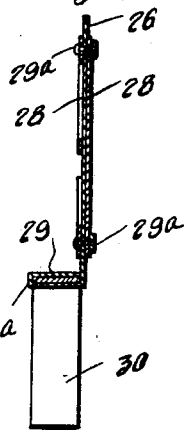


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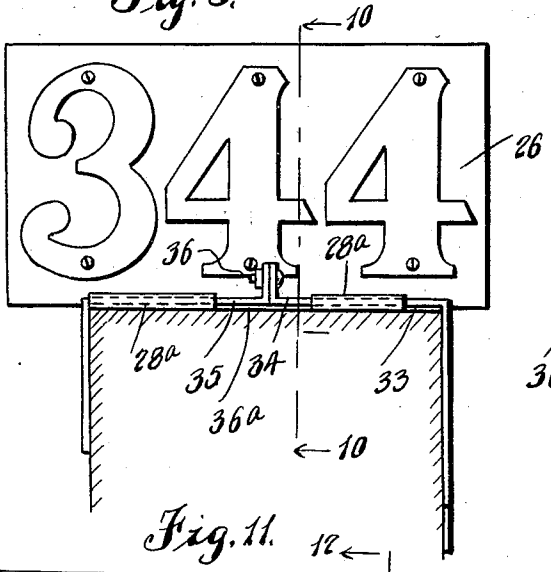


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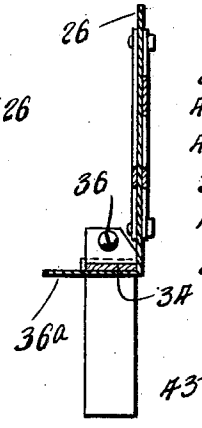


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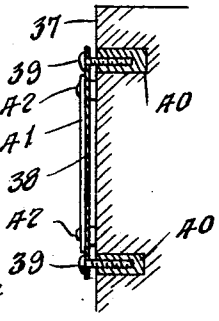


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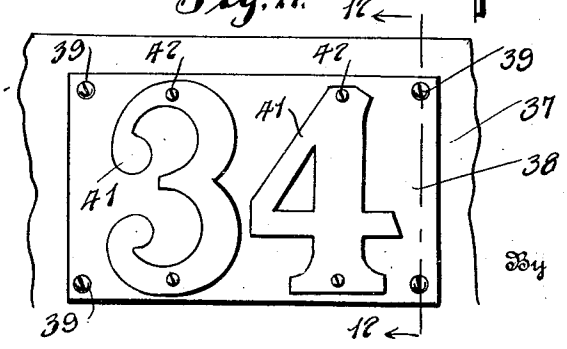
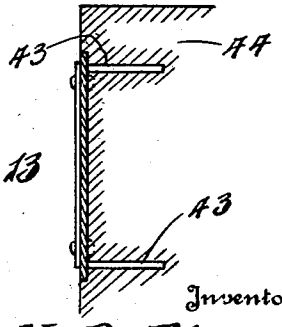


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CURB SIGN OR MARKER

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This invention relates to a curb sign or marker and is adapted for use in displaying a house number at the curb in such a manner that it may be observed and illuminated from and by automobiles and the like and also be observed by pedestrians, and used independently of or in collaboration with the usual house number.

It is aimed to provide a novel construction wherein the sign or the like may be secured in a novel and efficient manner to or adjacent the curb.

Additional objects and advantages will become apparent from a consideration of the description following taken in connection with accompanying drawings illustrating an operative embodiment.

In said drawings:—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of one form of sign as used in connection with a curb,

Figure 2 is a plan view of the sign of Figure 1,

Figure 3 is a view showing the sign of Figures 1 and 2 applied to a curb.

Figure 4 is a front elevation of a modified form,

Figure 5 is a view showing the form of Figure 4 applied to a curb,

Figure 6 shows a second modified form applied to a curb,

Figure 7 is a cross sectional view taken on the line 7—7 of Figure 6,

Figure 8 is a cross sectional view taken on the line 8—8 of Figure 6,

Figure 9 is a view showing a further modified form attached to a curb,

Figure 10 is a cross sectional view taken on the line 10—10 of Figure 9,

Figure 11 is a further modification,

Figure 12 is across sectional view taken on the line 12—12 of Figure 11, and

Figure 13 is a view similar to Figure 12 but taken through a still further modified form.

Referring specifically to the drawings and first to the form shown in Figures 1 to 3, 10 designates a curb, 11 the roadway and 12 the sidewalk, the same being of conventional form and arranged in front of a building.

In carrying the invention into effect, a U-shaped bracket 13 is provided which may be bent from a single strap of metal, having one leg at 14 driven or thrust into the ground adjacent the sidewalk 12 and another leg 15 disposed against the gutter side of the curb 10. A sign plate 16 is removably bolted as at 17 to the leg 15 and numerals, letters, or other indicia 18 are removably bolted as at 19 against the outer side of the plate 16. As a result of this construction, the sign may be readily observed from the street and especially at night, when illuminated by the headlights of vehicles.

In the form of Figures 4 and 5, the parts 16, 18 and 19 are constructed similar to the preceding form. A bracket 20 is used of slightly different form, the same having a horizontal arm 21 adapted to rest on top of a curb 22 and a leg 23 adapted to penetrate ground adjacent the sidewalk. It also has a leg 24 extending upwardly at a distance inwardly from the gutter side of the curb and to which the sign 16 is removably bolted as at 25. The same advantages and characteristics expressed with respect to the preceding form are true of this modified form, the main difference being that the sign is displayed above the curb.

In addition, in this form of Figures 4 and 5, the letters or insignia 18 are disposed on both sides of the plate 16 and hence the sign may be observed by pedestrians from the sidewalk as well as by persons traveling along the roadway 11.

Referring now to the form of Figures 6, 7 and 8, the sign plate employed as at 26 is disposed transversely of a curb 27 as distinguished from longitudinally like in the preceding form. This sign plate 26 has numerals or indicia 28 fastened against opposite sides thereof by bolts 29, common to the elements of both sides. Such sign may be viewed from opposite directions by both pedestrians on the sidewalk and from vehicles traveling along the roadway. The hollow portion of the sign plate 26 is folded into a horizontal base 26^a to assist in the support thereof, which base is hollow and has a bracket 29 threaded therethrough. Such bracket having legs at 30 and 31, the former engaging the gutter side of the curb and the

latter penetrating the ground adjacent the sidewalk and engaging the inner side of the curb. A horizontal leg of the bracket 29 which passes through the base of sleeve 26ª is shown at 32 and is longer than such sleeve 26ª so that the latter may be centered with respect to the bracket and a bend made in the bracket at the proper location for the leg 31.

The form shown in Figures 9 and 10 is somewhat similar to that shown in Figures 6, 7, and 8, the main difference being that the bracket 33 applied in the same relation as bracket 29, is made in two sections 34 and 35 connected together by a bolt or the like as at 36, the sign plate 26 in this instance having spaced sleeves 28ª adjustable on the sections 34 and 35 and the base portion of the sign 26 between the sleeves 28 being laterally extended as at 36ª to provide more extended contact with the top of the curb.

The sign as shown in Figures 11 and 12 may be fastened directly against the curb. In these figures the gutter side of the curb is designated 37 and the sign 38 has screws 39 passed through the same and engaged with lead or other plugs 40 suitably anchored in the curb. This sign plate 38 has numerals, letters or the like 41 bolted thereto as at 42.

In Figures 13, a sign similar to that of Figure 11 is used which is fastened in the same relation to the curb by means of rods 43, the same being embedded in the curb here designated 44, and positioned therein when the latter is being laid or is in a plastic state.

It is obvious that the various signs, may be made from any desired material. By way of example, they may be made out of polished aluminum or any other metal either in natural finish, enameled or otherwise. The sign also may be made of wood. The same is true of the letters or elements fastened to the sign since they may be made out of aluminum, wood or any preferred material. The sign plates and numerals and letters may be made out of xylonite and of any colors and can be made out of any composition.

In addition to the utilities of the device in displaying house numbers, as hereinbefore referred to, it will be apparent that the device has other uses, such for instance as displaying the names of cross streets at street intersections, for advertising places of business and other uses, and it is therefore understood that the invention may be so applied.

As a result of the constructon described, a sign is provided which may be readily observed as an automobile driver aided by the light from the headlights of the vehicle, as well as observed by pedestrians using the sidewalk.

Various changes may be resorted to provided they fall within the spirit and scope of the invention.

I claim is my invention:—

1. In combination with a curb, a sign mounted on the curb, a bracket mounting said sign, said bracket anchored in the ground and arranged in contact with the curb, and a sleeve on the sign engaging said bracket.

2. A sign of the class described comprising a sign plate, a relatively wide sleeve on said plate at its lower edge adapted to rest on a curb, and an attaching bracket threaded through the sleeve and having means engageable with a curb.

3. A sign of the class described comprising a sign plate, a relatively wide sleeve on said plate at its lower edge adapted to rest on a curb, and an attaching bracket threaded through the sleeve and having legs adapted to engage opposite sides of a curb.

4. A sign of the class described comprising a sign plate, a sleeve on said plate, and an attaching bracket threaded through the sleeve and having legs adapted to engage opposite sides of a curb, the sign bracket being adjustable relatively to the sign.

5. A sign of the class described comprising a sign plate, a relatively wide base integral therewith of tubular form, and a bracket engaged by the tube and serving to anchor the sign to a curb.

6. A sign of the class described comprising an attaching bracket consisting of a plurality of elements, fastening means to draw said elements together and into engagement with part of a curb, and sleeves on the sign through which the sections of the bracket pass.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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