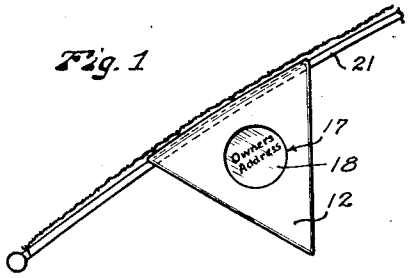
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Fig. 1



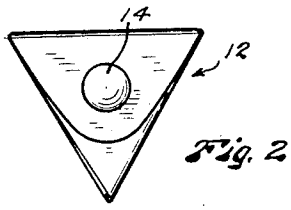


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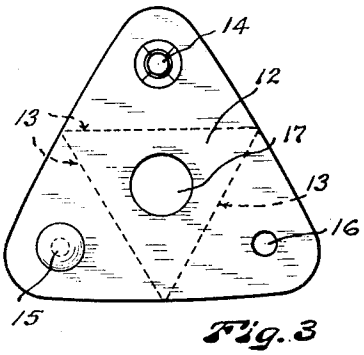


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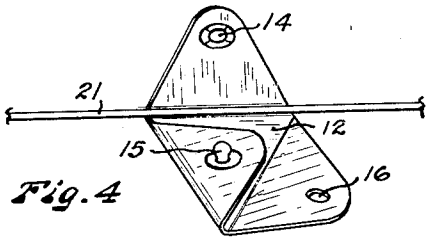


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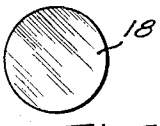


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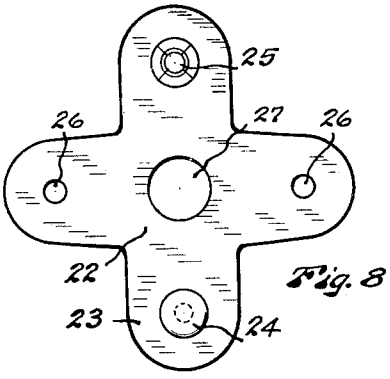


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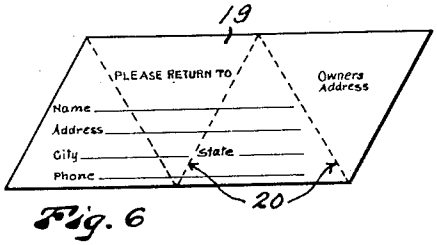


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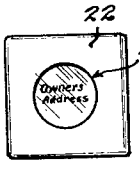


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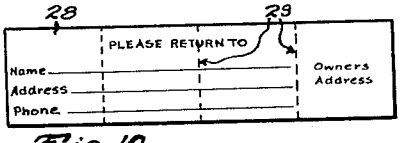


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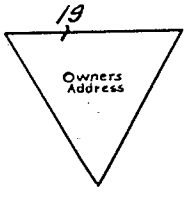


Fig. 7

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My invention relates to identification tags for umbrellas and the object of my invention is to provide an umbrella identification tag of neat and attractive appearance which may be affixed to an umbrella and carried thereon and which may contain the name, address, phone number, and other information relative to the owner of the umbrella whereby if the umbrella is lost or inadvertently left by the owner in a public place, as on a street car or in a store, the person who finds the umbrella will quickly find the name and address of the owner and will be prompted to return the umbrella to the owner.

Another object is to provide an umbrella identification tag in the form of a folder adapted to receive an identification slip, said folder having a sight opening through which a small portion of the identification slip is visible and having tab portions adapted to fold over the identification slip, whereby the identification slip is completely enclosed and protected from moisture and dirt.

A further object is to provide an umbrella identification tag in which the folder is made of a substantially triangular piece of material whereby there is very little waste of material in cutting out the folders and whereby the three corners of a folder may be folded into overlapped relation to form a tag of substantially triangular shape which is not expensive to manufacture, which is very neat and ornamental in appearance and which may easily be attached to the rib of an umbrella by passing one of the folded over corners around the umbrella rib and then securing the three corners together.

Other and more specific objects will be apparent from the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing.

In the drawing Figure 1 is an elevation showing one side of an umbrella identification tag made in accordance with my invention as the same may appear when secured to the rib of an umbrella.

Fig. 2 is an elevation showing the other side of the umbrella identification tag, the same being detached from the umbrella rib.

Fig. 3 is an inside elevation of the cover portion of the tag as it may appear when opened out flat. The lines on which certain parts are folded being shown by dotted lines.

Fig. 4 is a fragmentary perspective view showing the flaps of the cover portion of the tag partially open.

Fig. 5 is an elevation of a transparent disc which may be used in making up the tag.

Fig. 6 is an elevation, before folding, of an identification slip used in this tag the lines on which the slip is folded being shown by dotted lines.

Fig. 7 is an elevation of the identification slip after folding.

Fig. 8 is an elevation of the folder of a modified form of umbrella identification tag showing the inside of the same as it may appear when opened out flat.

Fig. 9 is an elevation of the tag shown in Fig. 8 as it may appear when folded.

Fig. 10 is an elevation of an identification slip of a form which may be used in the tag shown in Figs. 8 and 9.

Like reference numerals designate like parts throughout the several views.

In accordance with my invention, as disclosed in Figs. 1 to 7 inclusive, I provide an umbrella identification tag embodying a folder formed of a single piece 12 of flexible material cut to substantially triangular shape, see Fig. 3, and adapted to have the corner portions thereof folded along dotted lines 13 so that they overlap each other. The three corner portions or flaps which are adapted to be folded in overlapped relation are preferably held together by a snap fastener of the form commonly used on gloves, said snap fastener comprising socket member 14 secured to one corner and a shank member 15 secured to another corner of the folder 12. The third corner of the folder 12 has a hole 16 provided therein which is adapted to be placed over the shank member 15 before the socket member 14 is snapped over said shank member.

The folder 12 has a sight opening 17 provided approximately in the center thereof. A disc 18 of thin transparent material, as celluloid, is preferably provided for insertion into the folder so as to cover the sight opening 17. This disc 18 may be loose from the folder and adapted to be placed in the same or it may be cemented or otherwise secured to the folder.

The information by which identification of the owner may be established is preferably written or printed on an identification slip 19 of the form shown in Fig. 6. This slip 19 is preferably in the form of a parallelogram adapted to be folded on dotted lines 20 into triangular shape, as shown in Fig. 7. Space is provided on the slip 19 for information, as the name, address and telephone number of the owner of the umbrella, and the words owner's address are preferably printed on the identification slip in such a position that they will be in registration with the sight opening 17

and will be visible when the folder is completely folded.

In applying the folder to the umbrella the transparent disc 18 is placed in the folder over the opening 17, the identification slip, properly filled out and folded as shown in Fig. 7 is then placed in the folder with the words "owners address" visible through the sight opening 17. The corner flap with the shank 15 thereon is then folded inwardly onto the slip 19, the corner flap with the hole 16 therein is next folded over the flap which carries the shank 15 and the hole 16 passed over the shank 15, the flap which carries the socket 14 is then passed around an umbrella rib 21 or a like portion of the umbrella and folded over the other two flaps and the socket 14 is snapped into engagement with the shank 15 thus securing the folder to the umbrella with the identification slip completely enclosed therein. To insert or remove the identification slip 19 it is not necessary to open up the flaps having the shank 15 and hole 16, the opening up of the flap which carries the socket 14 being sufficient to afford access to the interior of the folder. The disc 18 and folded slip 19 help to support the edges of the folder when all of the parts are assembled. The folder is preferably made of a light flexible moisture proof material which will not fray or ravel around the edges and at the location of the holes 16 and 17. I find that ordinary rubber sheeting is a satisfactory material for this purpose. When folded, this folder is thin, and neat appearing and is not noticeable from the exterior of the umbrella to which it is attached.

In Figs. 8, 9 and 10 I have shown an alternative form of folder comprising a central portion 22 having four flaps 23 extending outwardly from opposite sides thereof. Two of these flaps carry respectively the shank member 24 and the socket member 25 of a snap fastener while the other two flaps have holes 26 therein. A sight opening 27 is provided in the portion 22 and a transparent plate 18 of the form shown in Fig. 5 may be placed over this sight opening. An identification slip 28 of the form shown in Fig. 10 may be folded along dotted lines 29 to form a square and the identification slip placed in the folder 22. When the flaps 23 are folded the flap having the shank 24 thereon is next to the identification slip 28, the two flaps with the holes 26 therein are next with the holes fitting over the shank 24 and the flap with the socket member 25 thereon is on the outside and may be passed around a rib of an umbrella in a manner similar to that described in connection with the triangularly shaped tag.

In either the triangularly shaped folder or the square folder it is possible to permanently secure all of the flaps, except the one which carries the snap fastener socket, together, said flaps thus secured together then forming a pouch with the flap which carries the snap fastener socket forming an opening and closing member for the pouch and also forming a member which may be passed around the umbrella rib in the same manner as when the other flaps are not permanently secured together.

The foregoing description and accompanying drawing clearly disclose a preferred embodiment of my invention but it will be understood that this disclosure is merely illustrative and that such changes in the invention may be made as are clearly within the scope and spirit of the following claims:

I claim:

1. An identification tag for the reception of an identification slip, embodying a folder having a plurality of flaps adapted to be folded one upon another, one portion of said folder having a sight opening therein for exposing a portion of an identification slip in said folder and snap fastener means securing the flaps of said folder together.

2. An identification tag for attachment to an umbrella rib, embodying a folder having a plurality of flaps arranged to be folded one upon another with one of said flaps extending around the umbrella rib, an identification slip in said folder, one side of said folder having a sight opening therein exposing a portion of said identification slip, and snap fastener means releasably securing said flaps together.

3. An identification tag for attachment to an umbrella rib, embodying a folder having a plurality of flaps arranged to be folded one upon another with one of said flaps extending around the umbrella rib, an identification slip in said folder, one side of said folder having a sight opening therein exposing a portion of said identification slip, a transparent member within said folder over said sight opening, and snap fastener means releasably securing said flaps together.

4. An identification tag for attachment to an umbrella rib, embodying a substantially triangular folder having three corner portions forming flaps adapted to be folded into overlapped relation to form a substantially triangular relatively flat container for the reception of an identification slip, one of said flaps adapted to extend around an umbrella rib, and snap fastener means for said flaps embodying a shank member on one flap and a socket member on another flap, the third flap having a hole therein adapted to fit over said shank member when said third flap is positioned between said other two flaps.

5. An identification tag for attachment to an umbrella rib, embodying a substantially triangular folder having three corner portions forming flaps adapted to be folded into overlapped relation to form a substantially triangular relatively flat container, one of said flaps adapted to extend around an umbrella rib, an identification slip within said container, one side of said folder having a sight opening which exposes a portion of said identification slip, and snap fastener means releasably securing said flaps together.

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