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KEY CARRIER

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Fig. 1.

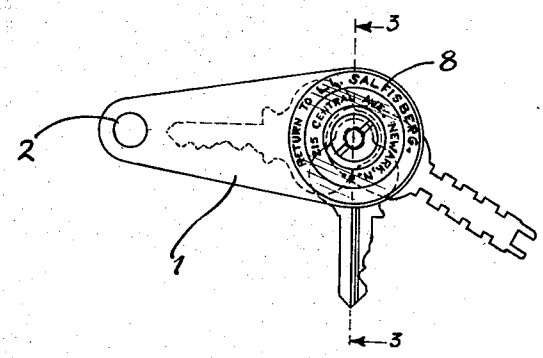


Fig. 2.

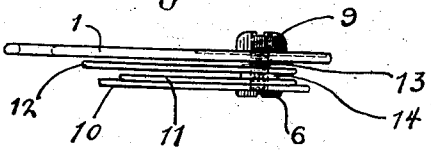
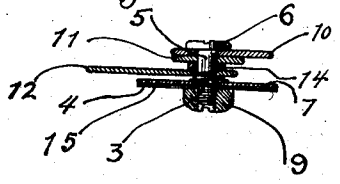


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEROY L. SALFISBERG, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Newark, county of Essex, State of New Jersey (whose post-office address is 215 Central Avenue, Newark, New Jersey), have invented an Improvement in Key Carriers, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to an improvement in key carriers, one object thereof being to provide a key retainer whereby a plurality of keys are held in a pre-arranged order and with suitable frictional resistance to permit rotation from one position to another. A further object has been to provide a key carrier having a removable member for receiving markings such for example as the name and address of the owner of the keys, some identification of the keys, or other desirable information. It is further intended that the key carrier may be used to segregate a given group of keys so that they may readily be selected from a number of different keys assembled on a keyring or other ordinary key retainer. Thus, for example, by the use of applicant's device, it is possible to carry a group of keys associated with the use of an automobile, thus rendering any one of these keys readily accessible. Similarly other keys can be carried in groups according to their different purposes and the carriers assembled on a keyring.

One embodiment of my invention is illustrated in the drawings submitted herewith and forming a part of the present specification and in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view,

Figure 2, a side view, and

Figure 3, a transverse section on the line 3—3 of Figure 1.

Referring to the drawings, my improved key carrier comprises a base 1, having a keyring receiving opening 2 and a threaded bolt receiving opening 3. A recess 4 is provided in one face of the base 1 surrounding or adjacent to the opening 3. A bolt 5 having a flanged head 6 engages and passes through the opening 3. A paper disk or other mark receiving member 7 having markings such as letters 8 or other indicia is positioned in said recess 4, being retained therein by means of a transparent covering disk 15 of celluloid or other suitable transparent material and a locking nut 9 engaging the threaded end of the bolt 5. This nut serves the double purpose of retaining the mark receiving member and of locking the bolt in such position that the head 6 thereof will properly retain the desired number of keys.

As shown in the drawings, keys 10, 11, and 12 are mounted on the key carrier, said keys being pressed normally toward the under face of the flanged head 6 of bolt 5 by means of a spring 13. One or more washers as 14 may be assembled on the bolt 6 to maintain proper spacing between the head 6 and the base 1 so that the frictional engagement of the several keys can be more effectively maintained.

I claim as my invention—

1. A key carrier comprising a base having a threaded opening and a recess in one face adjacent to said opening, a bolt engaging and extending through said opening, a mark receiving member positioned in said recess, and means co-operating with said bolt to retain said member in operative position in the recess.

2. A key carrier comprising a base having a threaded opening and a recess in one face surrounding said opening, a mark receiving member positioned in said recess, a transparent covering for said member, and a nut threaded on the end of said bolt to retain the covering and the mark receiving member in operative position.

3. A key holder comprising a base, a pivotal support extending through said base for retaining a plurality of keys at one side of said base in position to be rotated with respect thereto, a mark receiving member at the other side of said base, and means co-operating with said pivotal support to retain the mark receiving member in effective operative position.

4. A key holder comprising a base and means at one end for securing a plurality of keys in pivotal relation thereto, means for yieldingly retaining said keys in predetermined angular relation with respect to said base, and means at the other end of said base for attaching a base suspending device thereto.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification this 3rd day of January, 1925.

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