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IDENTIFICATION MARKER

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FIG. 1

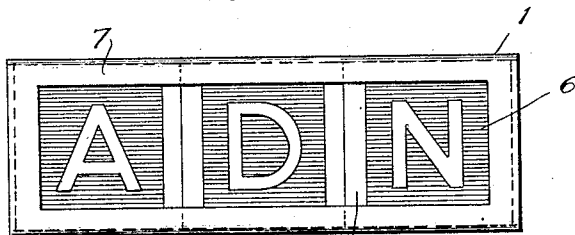


FIG. 2

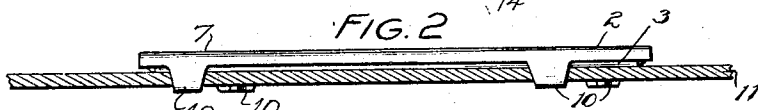


FIG. 3

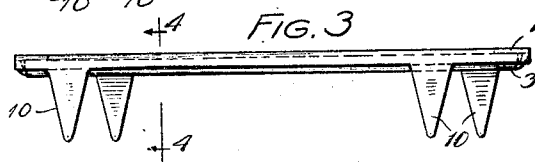


FIG. 4

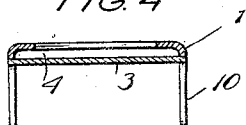


FIG. 5

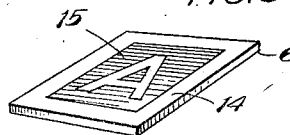


FIG. 6

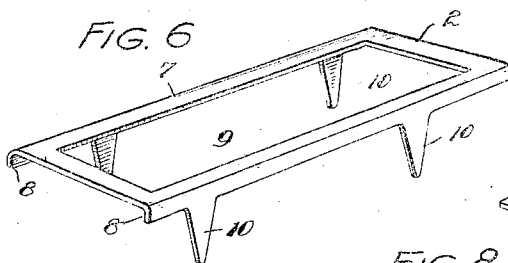


FIG. 7

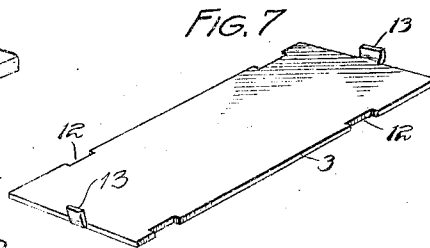


FIG. 8

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The main objects of this invention are to provide an improved form of marker for attachment to personal goods whereby such goods or the owner thereof may be identified; to provide an identification marker having an improved form of holder adapted to support either a personal card or character plates such as those shown in my Patent No. 1,537,321, issued May 12, 1925; to provide a holder of this kind which will permit the card or character plates to be inserted or removed while the holder is attached to the goods; and to provide a marker of this type which may be readily attached to baggage or other personal goods without the use of separate fastening means.

An illustrative embodiment of this invention is shown in the accompanying drawing, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a front plan of a marker to which this invention is applied.

Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same showing it applied to an article which is represented in section.

Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the holder showing the prongs extended.

Fig. 4 is a transverse section of the holder, taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of one of the initial plates.

Fig. 6 is a perspective view of the frame part of the holder.

Fig. 7 is a perspective view of the back panel of the holder which fits within the frame.

Fig. 8 is a front plan of a personal card adapted for insertion within the holder in place of the initial plates.

In the monogram panel shown in my aforementioned patent, the frame of the holder is provided with a plurality of lugs which are bent over the backs of the character plates for securing them to the holder. In such a construction, it is necessary to insert the initials into the holder before the latter is attached to the goods, or, if the initials are to be changed after attachment, the holder must first be removed from the baggage or other goods to permit the lugs to be bent away from the initial plates.

In the specific construction herein shown, the present invention is applied to an improved holder having an opening at each end thereof permitting the insertion of the personal card or initial plates through either

end of the holder while it is attached to the goods. The holder comprises an improved frame to which the plates or cards are fastened by means of a back panel provided with lugs adapted to be bent across the openings at the ends of the holder.

In the form shown, the improved marker comprises a holder 1 which consists of a frame 2 and back panel 3 arranged so as to form a pocket between them having an opening 4 at each end of the holder for the insertion of a personal card 5 or a plurality of character plates 6.

The frame 1 preferably comprises a sheet metal stamping providing a rectangular face part 7 having bent out therefrom a pair of side flanges 8 for retaining the character plates or personal card in proper position behind an opening 9 formed in the part 7. Formed on the flanges 8, are prongs 10 adapted for detachably securing the holder to the goods by being inserted through slits in the goods and then bent over as shown in Fig. 2, wherein the baggage or other personal article is represented at 11. The prongs 10 are staggered so that those on one side will not overlap those on the opposite side of the frame.

The panel 3 is rectangular in shape and is of sufficient width to span the pocket of the frame 2, so as to bear against the edges of the flanges 8. Formed in the side edges of the back panel 3, are recesses 12 which fit around the prongs 10. Formed on the ends of the back panel 3, are lugs 13 adapted to be bent across the openings 4 to secure the character plates or personal card within the pocket.

In the form herein shown, the plates 6 are square in form, but they may be octagonal, or of any other symmetrical shape wherein both the length and breadth are equal, so as to permit the plates to be arranged in the frame in position to have the characters readable either horizontally as shown in Figure 1 or vertically. The characters may be engraved, embossed, stamped or printed on the plates. Extending around each of the plates 6, is a border 14 having the same color as the part 7 of the frame 2 so as to simulate partitions extending transversely across the opening 9 between the different characters. The border 14 is of less width than the frame part 7, so that only those portions which extend across the opening

9 are visible. The plates 6 are preferably provided with dark backgrounds 15 for the characters.

The holder 1 and plates 6 may be made of sheet metal and polished or plated to produce any desired finish, or otherwise suitably embellished to render the marker highly decorative.

To assemble the improved marker, the back panel 3 is placed on the flanges 8 between the prongs 10 of the frame. One of the lugs 13 is then bent inwardly into engagement with the inner face of the frame part 7. The panel 3 is shorter than the frame part 7 so that the lugs, when bent inwardly, do not project beyond the frame. The holder is then attached to the goods as hereinbefore described. The other lug 13 is not bent inwardly until after the character plates or cards have been inserted. With this improved construction, the holder may be attached to the goods by the manufacturer of the goods and the initials or cards may be inserted by the retailer or anyone.

When the personal card 3 is used in place of the initial plates, a celluloid insert or window is inserted into the pocket of the frame 2 between the face 7 and the card. The window shields the card and also serves as a filler.

I claim:—

1. A marker comprising a frame having a face part provided with a sight opening and having the side edges thereof bent outwardly to form a pair of flanges, prongs formed on said flanges for attachment to a support, a back panel bearing against the edges of said flanges and held thereby in spaced relation to said face part, said face part and

panel providing a pocket having openings at the ends of said frame for the insertion of an identification tag, and lugs on the ends of said panel adapted to be bent inwardly across said last mentioned openings.

2. A marker comprising a frame having a face part provided with a sight opening and having the side edges thereof bent outwardly to form a pair of flanges, prongs formed on said flanges for attachment to a support, a back panel bearing against the edges of said flanges and held thereby in spaced relation to said face part, said panel being shorter than said face part and forming therewith a pocket having openings at the ends thereof for the insertion of an identification tag, and lugs on the ends of said panel adapted to be bent inwardly across the openings of said pocket.

3. A marker comprising a frame having a rectangular face part provided with a sight opening and having the side edges thereof bent outwardly to form a pair of substantially parallel flanges, prongs formed on said flanges for attachment to a support, a back panel bearing against the edges of said flanges and held thereby in substantially parallel spaced relation to said face part, said prongs frictionally engaging the edges of said panel, said face part and panel providing a pocket having openings at the ends of said frame for the insertion of an identification tag, and lugs on the ends of said panel adapted to be bent inwardly across the openings of said pocket.

Signed at Chicago this 19th day of February, 1926.

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