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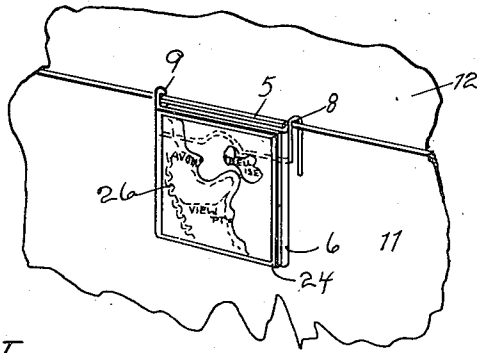


Fig. I.

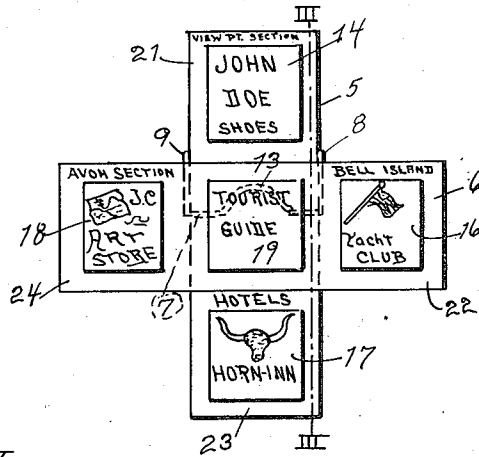


Fig. II.

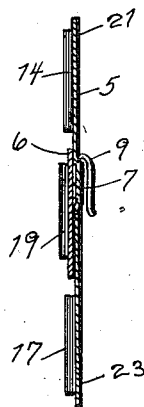


Fig. III.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, IRVIN M. VARNER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Boise, in the county of Ada and State of Idaho, have invented new and useful Improvements in Combined Folding Maps and Tourists' Guides, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a combined folding map and tourist's guide.

The principal object of this invention is to provide a simple advertising novelty which combines a plurality of maps and other information valuable to the tourist and a device which may be readily attached to the windshield of an automobile so as to have the maps in constant view of the traveler for ready reference.

Another object is to provide a device of this character which is simple in construction, cheap to manufacture and one utilizing the maximum of space with a minimum amount of room.

A still further object is to provide means whereby a plurality of advertisements may be superimposed one upon the other, which ads may be readily viewed by the user.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent during the course of the following description.

In the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, and in which like numerals are employed to designate like parts throughout the same,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my device attached to a section of an automobile windshield,

Figure 2 is a plan view of my device showing the same in opened position,

Figure 3 is a cross-section taken on the line 3-3 of Figure 2.

In the accompanying drawings wherein for the purpose of illustration is shown a preferred embodiment of my invention, the numerals 5 and 6 refer to blanks of paper of substantial thickness, which blanks are laid across each other as best shown in Figure 2.

A wire 7 is interposed between these blanks and has upturned hooked ends, as shown at 8 and 9. These hooked ends are adapted to pass over the upper edge of the lower section of the usual windshield here

designated by the numeral 11, while the numeral 12 designates the usual upper section of the windshield.

A curved portion 13 serves to further secure the wire 7 between the overlapped blanks 5 and 6. It is of course understood that these overlying sections are cemented or otherwise secured one to the other.

When the device is opened, as shown in Figure 2 it will be noted that pads 14, 16, 17 and 18 are secured to the end portions 21, 22, 23 and 24 of the blanks 5 and 6. While a pad 19 is secured to the center portion of the section 6.

These pads may take the form of single sheets or the sheets may be secured together so as to form a small booklet, having advertising matter thereon. When the four ends, 21, 22, 23 and 24 are folded over and upon each other so that the device presents the appearance shown in Figure 1, it will be noted that a map 26 is presented to view, which map may be printed or otherwise placed on the back of the end 24. It is of course understood that a similar map is formed upon each of the ends 21, 22 and 23, while the space which abuts the windshield may be reserved for the advertising matter of the producing company or the donator of the map.

In use the device is hung upon the windshield, as indicated in Figure 1, with one of the ends folded outwardly which presents a map. The tourist can then proceed over the roads indicated on this map without becoming confused and thereby avoiding much delay. Should the tourist desire to secure information relative to the section through which he is touring he may open the device and read such information from the pad 19. If he is interested in securing supplies he may also look at the advertisements of firms located in the particular section through which he is traveling.

It will thus be seen that I have provided a simple advertising device which is extremely novel and also exceedingly useful to the tourist.

It is to be understood that the form of my invention herewith shown and described is to be taken as a preferred example of the same and that various changes in the shape, size and arrangement of parts may be re-

sorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention or the scope of the sub-joined claim.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:

In a device of the character described, a vertically disposed blank, a horizontally disposed blank superimposed upon said vertically disposed blank, a supporting member

secured to said blanks a pad secured to the overlapping portions of said blanks, pads secured to end portions of said blanks outside of the margin of said overlapping portions and pads secured to the opposite side of said blanks from said pads.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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