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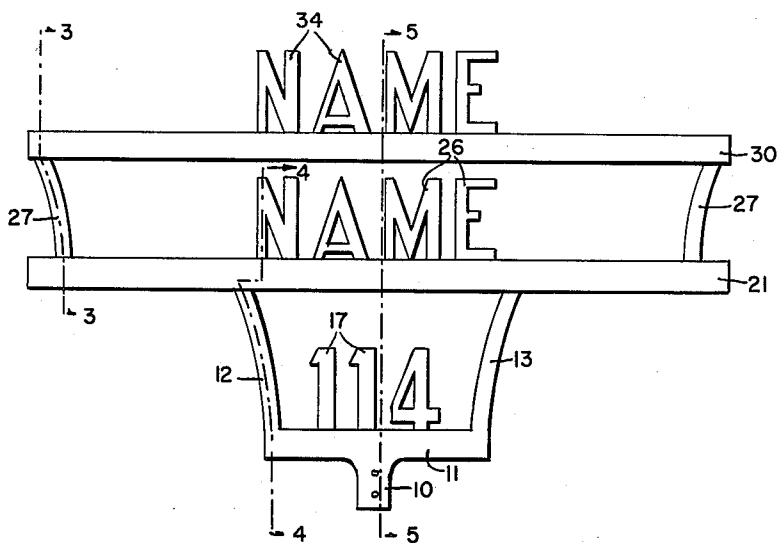


FIGURE 1

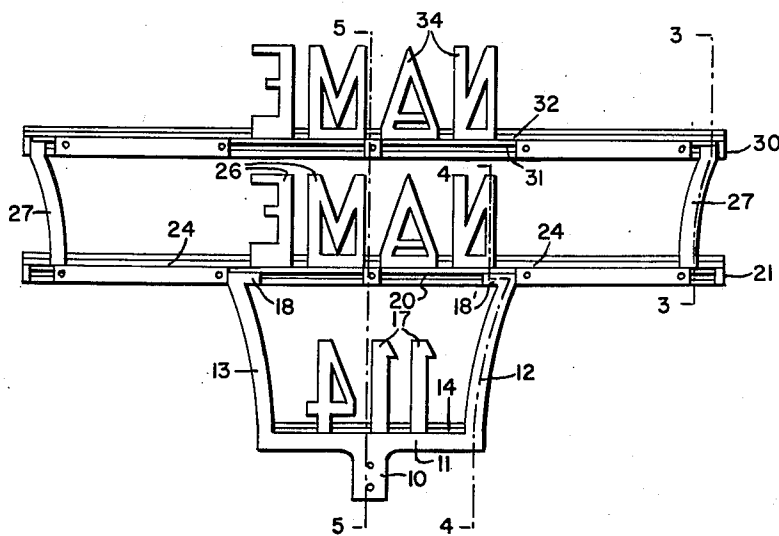


FIGURE 2

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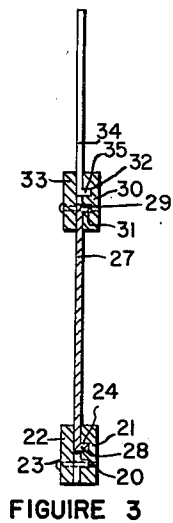


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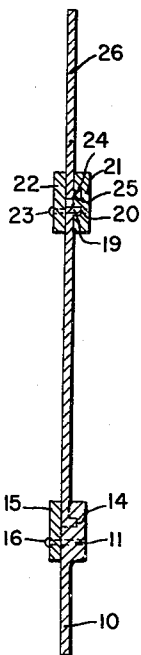


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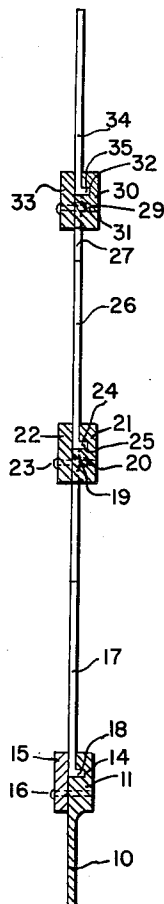


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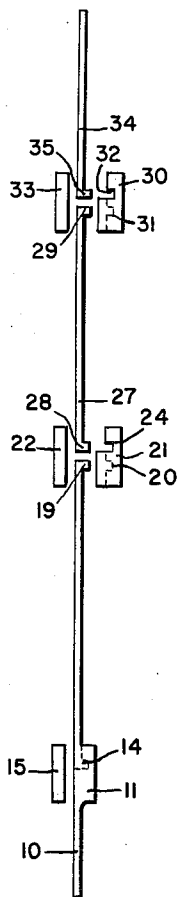


FIGURE 6

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The present invention relates to signs, the structure of which is composed of a plurality of parts that are adapted to be assembled in composite relationship. The signs to which this invention relate are adapted to be used for streets, homes, and the like, and an object of the invention is to provide an improved sign that is adapted to be readily assembled from standardized parts to form the desired composite sign structure displaying desired indicia.

The foregoing and other objects are attained by structure one form of which is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a view in front elevation showing a sign constructed in accordance with the present invention;

Figure 2 is a view in rear elevation with certain parts broken away to illustrate the details of the structure by means of which the various elements are secured in assembled position;

Figure 3 is an enlarged view in section, taken on line 3—3 of Figure 1, and looking in the direction of the arrows;

Figure 4 is an enlarged view in section, taken on the broken line 4—4 of Figure 1, and looking in the direction of the arrows;

Figure 5 is an enlarged view in section, taken on the line 5—5 of Figure 1, and looking in the direction of the arrows; and

Figure 6 is an enlarged view in end elevation, of the device in Figure 1, with parts exploded.

Referring to the above drawings, the sign in which this invention has been embodied is illustrated as being formed with a supporting element 10 formed with a longitudinal base member 11 and upwardly extending arms 12 and 13. The base member 11 is formed with a groove 14 and provided with a cover plate 15 which is adapted to be screwed in position, illustrated in Figures 4 and 5, by means of screws 16.

The base member 11 is adapted to support desired indicia 17 (illustrated in Figure 2 as numerals), these indicia being formed with flanges 18 which are received within the groove 14, the indicia being clamped in a desired position by means of the cover plate 15.

Each of the arms 12 and 13 is formed with horizontal supporting arms 18', these arms being formed with flanges 19 which are received within a groove 20 formed within a longitudinally extending supporting plate 21. A cover plate 22 is adapted to be screwed to the plate 21 by means of screws 23, this plate clamping the supporting arms 18' in the assembled position as illustrated in the drawings.

Supporting plate 21 is also formed with a longitudinal extending groove 24 which is adapted to receive the flanges 25 that are formed upon suitable indicia 26 (in Figures 1 and 2 illustrated as being letters to spell out a name), these indicia being selected as desired and placed in the position illustrated so that the flanges 25 of each indicia may be clamped in the groove 24 by means of the cover plate 22.

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This invention contemplates the provision of composite sign structures in which additional lines of indicia may be displayed and, to this end, includes vertically extending supporting arms 27 which, as illustrated in Figure 3, are formed with top and bottom flanges 28 and 29, respectively. Flanges 28 are received within the groove 24 to support the arms 27 in the erect position illustrated in Figures 1 and 2. The arms thus become the supporting structure for a second horizontal supporting plate 30, the structure of which is identical to plate 21. In this fashion plate 30 is formed with a lower groove 31 that corresponds to the groove 20 and an upper groove 32 that corresponds to the groove 24 in the plate 21. Flanges 29 are thus received within the groove 31 and are clamped in position by means of a cover plate 33 that is identical in structure to the cover plate 22.

The horizontal plate 30 is thus adapted to receive additional indicia 34, the lower portions of each of which are formed with flanges 35 which are received within the groove 32 and which are clamped in position by the cover plate 33.

While the invention has been described with specific reference to the structure shown in the accompanying drawings, it is not to be limited save as defined in the appended claim.

We claim:

30 A sign comprising a supporting element having a base member thereon, a groove in the base member, indicia having a flange adapted to be received in the groove, a cover plate secured to the element to clamp the flange on the indicia in the groove, upwardly extending arms at the ends of the supporting element and formed with flanges lying parallel to the supporting element, a supporting plate having a plurality of grooves formed therein, second indicia having a flange, 35 a plurality of second supporting arms having flanges at the ends thereof, a cover plate to secure the flanges at one end of the second arms to the plate and to secure the flanges of the second indicia to the said plate, a second supporting plate having a groove therein to receive the flanges on the other ends of the second arms, a second cover 40 plate to secure the last named flanges to the groove of the second plate, and third indicia having flanges adapted to be secured to the second plate.

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