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SIGN HOLDER.

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Fig. 1.

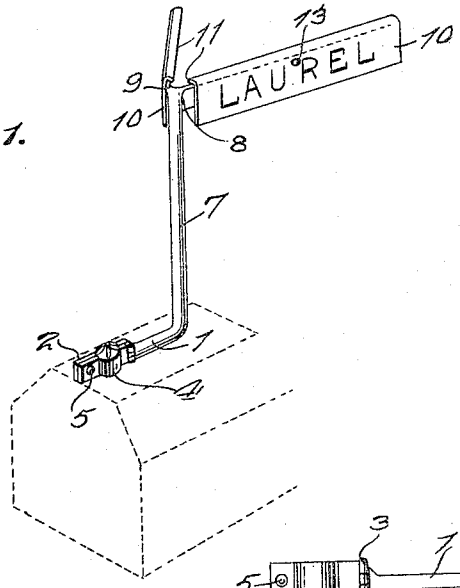


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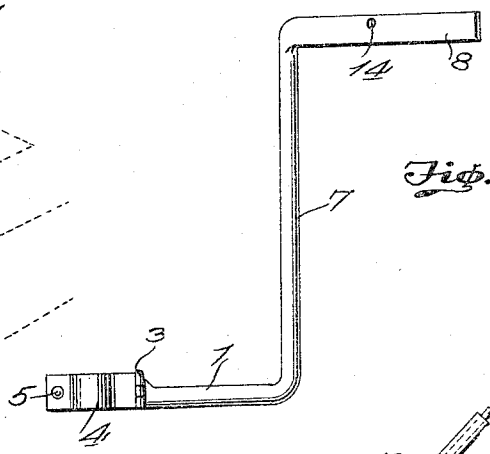


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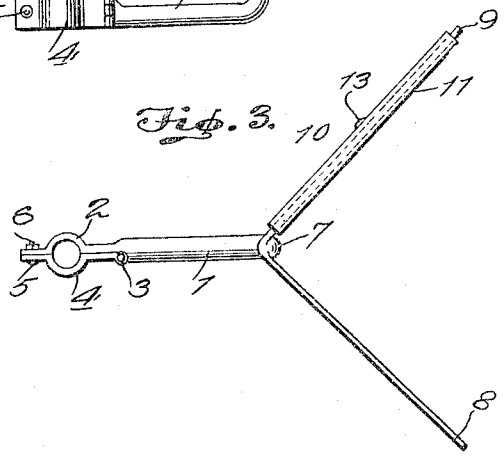
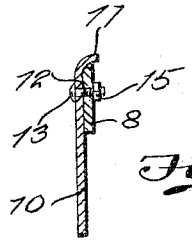


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALTER L. SCHWARTZBERG, a citizen of the United States, residing at Shreveport, in the parish of Caddo and State of Louisiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sign-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to sign holders and more particularly to a sign preferably adapted for use on a motor vehicle.

The primary object of my invention resides in the provision of a sign holder for use primarily on a jitney bus to enable persons to recognize a jitney as well as the distance thereof while it approaches the point where the party is standing thereby avoiding the person a long wait or if it be the right jitney allowing him time to signal the jitney.

Another object of my invention resides in the provision of an improved means for mounting the sign holder on a motor vehicle, said means being arranged in a manner that it can be seen by persons walking on either side of the street.

A still further object of my invention resides in the improved construction of sign as well as the novel means for removably associating the sign with the holder.

A still further object of my invention resides in the provision of a device of the character described that is simple in construction, efficient in operation and one that can be manufactured and placed on the market at a minimum cost.

Other objects as well as the nature, characteristic features and scope of my invention will be more readily understood from the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and pointed out in the claims forming a part of this specification.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention applied to the hood of a motor vehicle, the latter being shown in dotted lines; Fig. 2 is a side elevational view of my invention; Fig. 3 is a top plan view of my invention; and Fig. 4 is an enlarged transverse sectional view taken through the securing means of the sign.

Referring more particularly to the drawings in which similar reference numerals designate like or corresponding parts throughout the different views, I provide a sign holder formed substantially from one piece of metal; one end, which constitutes a base 1, is enlarged and flattened and bent to provide a semicircular-shaped clamp 2. Pivotally secured to the base 1 adjacent the end thereof through the medium of a pin 3, is a similarly formed semicircular clamp 4. The outer terminals of each of the clamps are provided with registering openings through which pass a bolt 5, said bolt being engageable by a nut 6 for removably holding the clamps 2 and 4 in engagement with the radiator knob of the vehicle as illustrated to advantage in Fig. 1 of the accompanying drawings. The base is arranged preferably longitudinally and rearwardly of the hood. The portion adjacent the base 1 is bent upwardly and is adapted to be arranged perpendicular to a hood to provide a supporting standard 7, the outer end thereof being bent outwardly at right angles in a direction opposite the base and slit to its point of distortion to provide diverging sign holding arms 8 and 9, the outer upper edges of which are slightly beveled and rounded for a purpose to be hereinafter described. Because of the diverging arrangement of the arms it is obvious that when the holder is in the position heretofore described, any signs or the like associated therewith can be readily seen from both sides of the street as well as from a distance.

The improved sign in this instance consists preferably of a plate 10, rectangular in plan, the upper longitudinal edge being bent inwardly to provide a flange 11 for engagement with the upper beveled edge of one of the arms. In order to removably secure one plate to one of the arms, I have provided the plate with an opening 12 for receiving a bolt or other suitable fastening device 13, the bolt also passing through an opening 14 intermediate the ends of one arm and being finally engaged by a nut 15. As is obvious two plates are employed for association with the arms of the said holder, said plates being removably held in engagement with the arms through the medium of the nuts and bolts, lateral and longitudinal movement being prevented because of the close relation of the flanges 11 with the arms.

Although I have shown and described the preferred embodiment of my invention, I desire to be understood that I am not to be limited to the exact details shown; however, great stress is laid upon the arrangement of

a sign holder adapted for removable association with motor vehicles, preferably jitney buses for aiding prospective passengers in determining whether or not a certain jitney is the one they intend to board.

From the above description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, it can easily be seen that I have provided a device that is simple in construction, containing but a few simple parts that can be cheaply manufactured and assembled and when assembled can be placed upon the market and sold at a minimum cost.

It will be understood that the above description and accompanying drawings comprehend only the preferred embodiment of my invention and that various minor changes in detail of construction, proportion and arrangement of the parts may be made within the scope of the appended claims and without sacrificing any of the advantages of my invention.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

1. A sign holder formed from a single piece of metal including a base, a standard arranged at right angles thereto, divergent sign holding arms integral with and extending at right angles from, the upper end of the standard, sign plates removably clamped on said arms, and means for mounting the base on the radiator cap of a motor vehicle.

2. A sign holder formed from a single piece of metal including a base, a standard arranged at right angles to the base, and a pair of diverging sign holding arms formed on the upper ends of the standard, sign plates having their upper ends provided with flanges, means for removably clamping the plates to the arms so that the flanges engage the upper ends of the arms, and means for mounting the base on the radiator cap of a vehicle.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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