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SIGN FOR ROADSIDES.
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY J. ARNOLD, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city and county of Denver and State of Colorado, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Signs for Roadsides; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the characters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a simply constructed and efficient sign which may be placed at roadsides at right angles to the road, whereby both sides of the sign may be used for displaying advertising matter.

Briefly, the invention comprises a framework composed of tubing about which the edges of a sheet metal sign member are rolled, whereby the tubing forms a border for the sign itself.

In the drawings:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the invention.

Fig. 2 is a fragmentary section taken on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary view on an enlarged scale, showing means for attaching guy wires.

Fig. 4 is a detail, showing another method of anchoring the standards in the ground; and Fig. 5 is a detail showing another method of anchoring the standards in the ground.

The framework comprises a pair of standards 10, onto the upper ends of which L's 12 are threaded, as indicated at 14. A transverse piece of tubing 16 is threaded into the other ends of the L's. Each standard 10 is provided with a T 20, which is slid upon the standard and secured in position by means of a set screw 22. A lower transverse tube 24 is threaded into the T's. The lower ends of the standards 10 are firmly fixed in the ground by means of concrete blocks 26, the concrete being poured into a hole around the standards 10, the top of the hole being then filled with earth. A loop 30, provided with eyes 32 on the lower side thereof, as shown in Fig. 3, is mounted upon the lower transverse parts, and guy wires 34 are fixed in the eyes 32, the lower ends of the guy wires being anchored in the ground, as by means of small stakes 36.

The sign proper comprises a display plate 40, composed of sheet metal, which is cut away at the corners, as indicated at 42, and has its edges rolled around the framework 60 composed of the transverse bars 16 and 24, and the standards 10, as shown at 44. In this manner both sides of the plate 40 may be used for advertising matter, one side being viewed by travelers going in one direction, and the other side by those going in the opposite direction. At the same time the portions 44, rolled about the tubing, form the sides or border of the frame, and make an attractive structure.

If desired, only a short portion of the standards 10 may be inserted in the ground and these may be provided with T's 50, receiving horizontal tubing 52, threaded therethrough. The lower ends of the guy wires 34 are anchored to the ends of these transverse tubes 52, and the latter are then embedded in concrete 54, which is covered with earth. This structure is desirable where the ground is rocky and it is impossible to drill deep holes to receive the standards 10, as indicated in Fig. 4.

This device is designed to be handled in knock-down form, the edges of the sign plate being rolled only partially. It is a matter of only a few moments to thread the pipes 10 and 16 into the L's 12, thread the T's 20 onto the pipe 24, slip the T's over the pipes 10, tighten the set screws 22, and place the sign plate over the frame, completing the rolling of the edges to secure the plate. Thus, large quantities of these signs can be carried in one load, which is not possible with the ordinary wooden signs.

I claim:

1. A sign comprising a horizontal member, an L threaded onto each end thereof, upright members threaded into said L's, T's slidable on said upright members, means securing said T's to intermediate portions of said upright members, a second transverse member threaded into said T's, and a flat sign plate having its edges rolled about said members, whereby both sides of said sign plate are exposed for display.

2. A sign comprising a horizontal member, an L threaded onto each end thereof, upright members threaded into said L's,
T's slidable on said upright members, means securing said T's to intermediate portions of said upright members, a second transverse member threaded into said T's, a flat sign plate having its edges rolled about said members, whereby both sides of said sign plate are exposed for display, means on the lower ends of said upright members for anchoring the same in the ground, and eyes on the lower transverse parts for the attachment of guy wires.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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