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Fig. 1

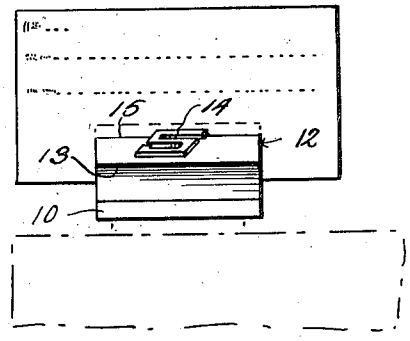


Fig. 2

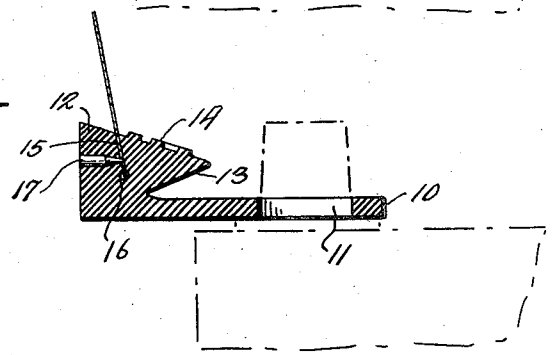


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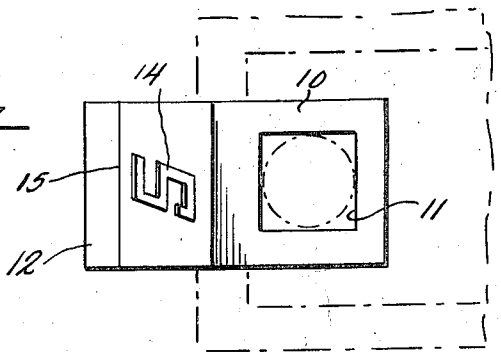
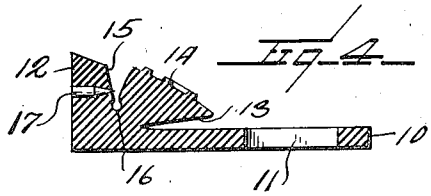


Fig. 4



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The object of this invention is to provide means for marking batteries while they are being recharged in garages, service stations and electrical shops, so that the batteries may be readily identified, and a further object is to provide a marker of this character which is made of rubber so that it will not corrode or be affected by the battery acid, and so constructed that the marker is provided with a portion having a square hole for the battery terminal, thus permitting the rubber marker to be squeezed down over the battery terminal, and which is further provided with a slit whereby a battery tag may be carried, the portion of the marker having the slit being also provided with a number which may be used in place of using a tag.

My invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing wherein:

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved marker and tag holder;

Figure 2 is a section from front to rear thereof showing a tag in place;

Figure 3 is a top plan view of the structure shown in Figure 2;

Figure 4 is a section on the same plane as Figure 2 but showing the slot open, for the reception of a tag or card.

Referring to the drawing, 10 designates the body of the marker which is made of rubber, this body being flat and relatively thin and formed with a central aperture 12 preferably square, which will permit the marker to be pressed down over a battery post, the opening 12 being slightly smaller than the battery post so that the aperture 12 will be expanded in forcing it down over the battery post and will contract upon the post so as to hold the marker securely in position against accidental detachment.

At one end the body 10 is provided with an upwardly extending portion 12, the inner edge of which extends downward and inward to the plane of the upper surface of the marker, as at 13. This overhanging portion 13 is provided so that the portion 12 may have a relatively wide face 14. This face 14 may be provided with a number cast with the rubber of the body or otherwise formed, these numbers ranging from 1 to 25 or more and being of such size that the numbers may be readily read. These numbers on the markers correspond with like numbers and the names of battery owners in separate files, thus providing for regular customers of a garage or shop.

The upwardly extending portion 12 is also formed with a downwardly and slightly forwardly extending slit 15, the lower end of which is intersected by a transverse bore 16. This slit is for the purpose of holding a card or tag bearing a number, a name or some other indicia indicative of the ownership of the battery or such tags may be used to indicate the work which is to be done upon the battery. This slit is opened by a downward push of the fingers so that the tag can be inserted in an instant. When released, the slit closes, clamping the tag as in a rubber vise. The transverse bore 16 permits the ready opening of the slit.

If desired, a pointed hard rubber peg 17 may be forced through the back of the marker with the point of this peg slightly intersecting or penetrating the slit 15. The purpose of this peg is to cause the sharp point of the peg to penetrate the tag when the tag is inserted in the slit and thus hold the tag more securely within the slit.

It is to be noted that the face 14 extends downward and forward so that any numbers or other indicating matter placed upon this face may be easily read and, further, it will be noted that the slit 15 extends upward and rearward so that a card supported in said slit will extend upward and rearward, thus making it easily read. The square hole in the marker is of such area as to fit snugly over small battery posts but because of the fact that the article is made of rubber, the aperture may be readily expanded to fit over large battery posts without too much resistance.

It will be seen that this article provides for the ready identification of batteries by number or the ready insertion into the tag holder of a tag bearing either the battery owner's name or number or directions as to the work to be done upon the battery.

The overhang 13 permits the opening of the slit 15, as shown in Figure 4, for the reception of a card or tag.

The holder may be very cheaply made; is readily put in place; cannot be affected by the acids of the batteries, and forms an extremely convenient means whereby the battery may be marked or tagged.

While I have referred to the peg 17 as being made of hard rubber, it is to be understood that any other material which is unaffected by acid might be used for this purpose, such for instance, as glass, and while I have described the numeral 14 as being formed by molding the rubber body, yet it is also to be understood that these nu-

merals might be applied to the face of the rubber body in any suitable manner.

What is claimed is:

1. A battery marker including a body of soft rubber, the body having an aperture for the reception of a battery post, the rubber of the body permitting the body to be expanded to pass over the battery post and then contract thereon, the marker at one end having an upwardly extending portion having a downwardly and forwardly extending slit within which a tag may be placed, the slit being intersected at its inner end by a transversely extending bore whereby to permit a pin to be inserted through the bore to hold the tag in place.

2. A battery marker including a body of soft rubber, the body having an aperture for the reception of a battery post, the rubber of the body permitting the body to be expanded to pass over the battery post and then contract thereon, the marker at one end having an upwardly extending portion having a downwardly and forwardly extending slit within which a tag may be placed, the slit being intersected at its inner end by a transversely extending bore, and a peg inserted through the rear face of the upward extension and having a point intersecting the slit.

3. A battery marker and tag holder of the character described made of elastic rubber, the holder having a flat body portion formed with a central rectangular opening adapted to be disposed over and resiliently engage with a battery post, the body portion at one end extending upward and at its lower edge overhanging the flat body, said upward extension having a downwardly and forwardly inclined upper face having identifying indicia thereon, the upward extension having a slit extending downwardly and forwardly from said upper face and terminating in a transversely extending bore, the slit being thereby adapted to receive a tag.

4. A battery marker and tag holder of the character described made of elastic rubber, the holder having a flat body portion formed with a central rectangular opening adapted to be disposed over and resiliently engage with a battery post, the body portion at one end extending upward and at its lower edge overhanging the flat body, said upward extension having a downwardly and forwardly inclined upper face having identifying indicia thereon, the upward extension having a slit extending downwardly and forwardly from said upper face and terminating in a transversely extending bore, the slit being thereby adapted to receive a tag, and a hard rubber pin inserted through the back of said extension and having a point intersecting said bore whereby the tag may be locked in place within the slit.

5. A battery marker and tag holder of the character described made of rubber, the holder having a flat body portion formed with an opening adapted to be disposed over a battery post, the body portion at one end extending upward, one end of the upwardly extending portion extending laterally and overhanging the flat body, the upward extension having a slit extending downwardly from its upper face.

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