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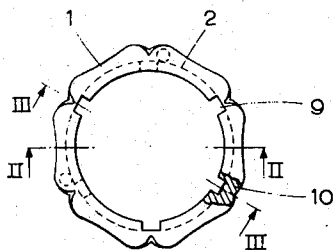


FIG. 1

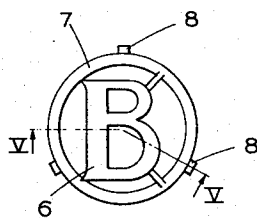


FIG. 4

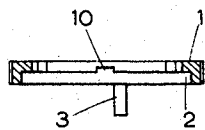


FIG. 2

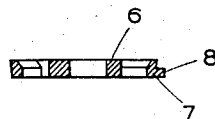


FIG. 5

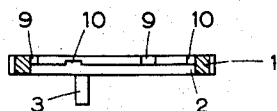


FIG. 3

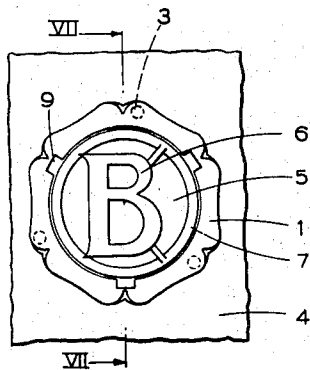


FIG. 6

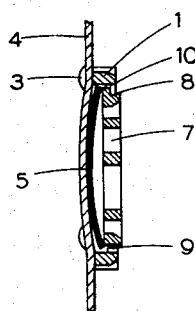


FIG. 7

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This invention concerns improvements in decorative mounts which are particularly, but not exclusively, suitable for applying to powder compacts, handbags, leather goods and like personal articles. It will be understood that it is very frequently desirable to be able to apply, to such a personal article, a decorative mount including, for example, the initial of the owner or some similar personal motif. However, it will also be understood that it is not practicable to manufacture a complete range of such motifs and apply them permanently to the articles, since the number of articles that must then be kept in stock would exceed the economic limit. It is, therefore, an object of the present invention to provide a decorative mount wherein a part of the mount is interchangeable and is the personal portion of the mount. In this way the personal portion of the mount can be adapted to the purchaser of the article in a simple and easy manner.

According to the invention there is provided a removable decorative mount comprising a ring member adapted to be secured to a supporting surface, such ring member having an undercut channel on its inner periphery; an insert having a plurality of lugs upon its outer periphery, such lugs being adapted to pass through apertures adjacent the inner periphery of the ring member to enter said channel; and resilient means adapted to be interposed between the insert and the supporting surface.

It will be understood that the inner periphery of the ring member is of generally part-cylindrical form and that the outer periphery of the insert is of similar form but of such diameter as to fit closely within the inner periphery of the ring member. The ring member is permanently attached to the supporting surface of the personal article and the insert is capable of being mounted in the ring member (and of being retained therein) after the ring member has been secured to the article. In this way, if the insert is in the form of a personal motif such as an initial, it may readily be applied to the article on purchase of the same and it is unnecessary to keep a stock of articles already fitted with specific initials. Quite clearly the invention is not to be considered to be limited to the use of initials only.

From a further aspect of this invention there is provided a removable decorative mount comprising a ring member adapted to be permanently secured to a supporting surface and an insert adapted to be engaged with the ring member from the side thereof remote from the supporting surface and to be retained in position in a relatively permanent fashion.

In order that the invention may more readily be understood one embodiment of the same will now be described in detail, with reference to the accompanying drawings, in which:

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Figure 1 is a plan view of a ring member,

Figure 2 is a section of the ring member on the line II—II of Figure 1,

Figure 3 is a section of the ring member on the line III—III of Figure 1,

Figure 4 is a plan view of an insert,

Figure 5 is a section of the insert on the line V—V of Figure 4,

Figure 6 is a plan view of the assembled mount, and

Figure 7 is a section of the mount on the line VII—VII of Figure 6.

In this embodiment of the invention a ring member 1 has a substantially cylindrical inner periphery and is itself in the form of a shallow cylinder having an undercut channel or recess 2 adjacent to its inner periphery. The outer periphery of the ring member is of decorative form and need not be a true cylinder, and in this arrangement is in the form of a six-rayed rose. The under-side of the ring member 1 carries three legs 3 which are integral with the ring member and are adapted to be passed through suitably located apertures in the supporting surface 4, e.g. the lid of a powder compact, and to be riveted so as to secure the ring member permanently to the lid of the powder compact (see Figures 6 and 7). In addition a dish spring metal plate 5 forming resilient means is secured between the ring member 1 and the lid of the powder compact 4.

The personal motif is, in this embodiment of the invention, in the form of an initial 6 carried in a circular ring 7 which is provided with three equally spaced radially directed lugs 8. The periphery of the ring 7 is such that it will fit within the inner periphery of the ring member 1. This inner periphery of the ring member 1 is provided with three equally spaced apertures 9 which extend into the undercut channel 2 and so permit the lugs on the insert to enter into the channel. The method of inserting the insert is to engage the lugs 8 in the apertures 9 and then press the insert inwardly against the resilient plate 5. Thereafter the insert is turned so as to lock the lugs 8 underneath the surface of the channel. In order to accurately position the insert, the upper surface of the channel is provided with three equally spaced recesses 10 which will house the lugs 8 when brought into engagement, so that the insert clicks into position when suitably aligned.

I claim:

1. A removable decorative mount comprising a ring member adapted to be secured to a supporting surface, such ring member having an undercut channel on its inner periphery; an insert having a plurality of lugs upon its outer periphery, such lugs being adapted to pass through apertures adjacent the inner periphery of the ring member to enter said channel; and resilient means adapted to be interposed between the insert and the supporting surface.

2. A mount according to claim 1, wherein said ring member carries a plurality of legs adapted to pass through the supporting surface.

3. A mount according to claim 1, wherein the upper surface of the channel is provided with recesses to house the lugs on the insert.

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