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PERSONAL WEAR MARKER.

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Fig. 1.

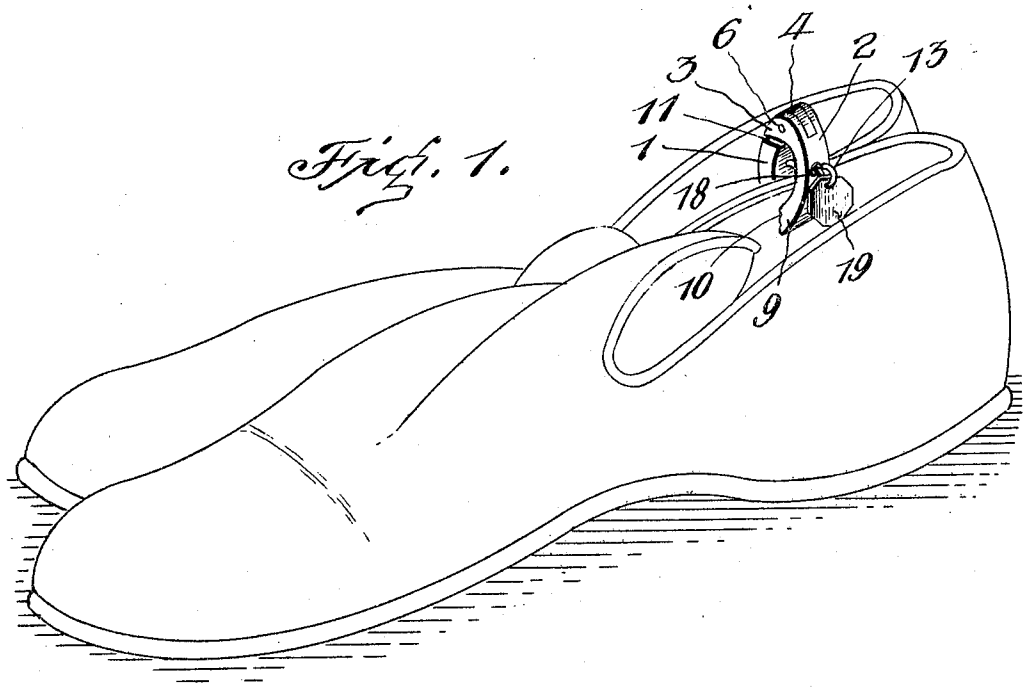


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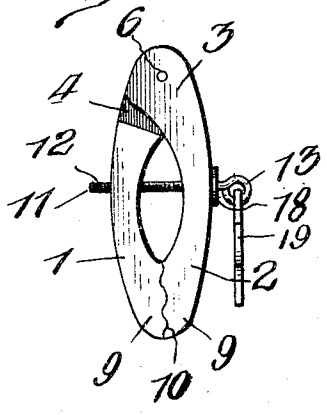


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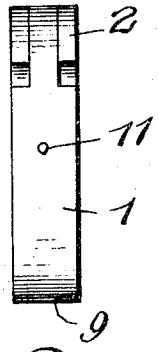


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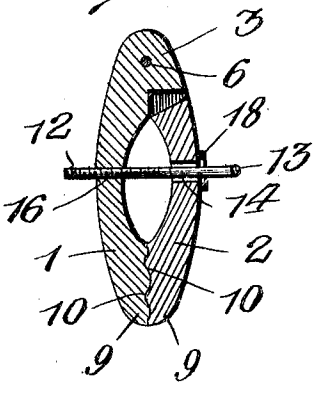
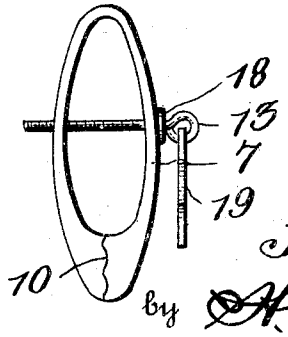


Fig. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN B. SPENCER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Butte, in the county of Silverbow and State of Montana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Personal-Wear Markers; 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.

My invention relates to improvements in marking or identifying devices, and more particularly to a tag holding or attaching device which is specially designed for use upon rubber overshoes or other articles of personal wear.

The object of my invention is to provide a simple, inexpensive, and efficient tag-bearing device of this character which may be used at public gatherings and the like for attaching together two rubber overshoes or other articles, so as to prevent them from becoming separated and to permit them to be easily identified.

With the above and other objects in view the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, as will be more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved device applied to a pair of rubber overshoes. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the device. Fig. 3 is an edge view of the same. Fig. 4 is a longitudinal sectional view, and Fig. 5 is a side elevation of a slightly-modified form of the invention.

The embodiment of my invention illustrated in the drawings is particularly adapted for use upon a pair of overshoes and comprises two similar members 1 and 2, which may be either pivotally connected, as shown in the first four figures of the drawings, or connected by means of a spring, as shown in Fig. 5. The pivotal connection 3 of these members is preferably effected by forming one end of the member 1 with a reduced end or tongue 4, which projects into a slot formed in one end of the other member 2 and by passing a pivot-pin or rivet 6 through said ends, as shown. The spring connection of the members 1 and 2 (shown in Fig. 5 of the drawings) is effected by forming said members of a single piece of resilient material and bending or bowing same, as shown at 7; but it will be understood that these members 1 and 2 may be formed of separate pieces and united by a suitable spring. The free end of each of the members 1 and 2 is formed with a clamping-jaw 9, which is here shown as provided with corrugations 10, which permit said jaw to firmly engage the object or article to which the device is attached. In order to clamp the jaws 9 together or upon the article or object to which the device is applied and which is illustrated in Fig. 1 of the drawings as a pair of rubber overshoes, I provide a rod or bolt 11, which has one of its ends screw-threaded, as at 12, and its opposite end formed with a loop or eye 13. This rod or bolt 11 is adapted to extend freely through an elongated opening or slot 14, formed in the member 2, and into a screw-threaded opening or socket 16, formed in the member 1, as clearly shown in Fig. 4 of the drawings. A washer 18 is provided upon the bolt or rod 11 between its eye 13 and the outer face of the member 2, so that when said bolt or rod is screwed inwardly the two members will be drawn toward each other and their jaws 9 clamped upon the object between them. Upon the eye 13 of this clamping rod or bolt 11 is pivotally attached an identifying-tag 19. This tag is preferably formed of metal and may contain any suitable or desired descriptive matter.

The construction, use, and advantages of my invention will be readily understood from the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings. It will be seen that the device may be used for various purposes; but it is particularly designed for clamping two rubber overshoes together and attaching an identifying tag or device thereto, so that the owner of the shoes may readily identify them when they become mingled with those belonging to other people at a public gathering.

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

1. A device of the character described comprising movable jaws, a screw-rod for clamping said jaws together, and an identifying or marking device attached to said screw-rod, substantially as described.

2. A device of the character described comprising movable jaws, a screw-eye passing freely through an opening in one of said jaws and engaged with the threaded opening in the other of said jaws, and a tag upon the eye of said screw, substantially as described.

3. A device of the character described comprising two pivotally-connected members having coacting jaws at their free ends, a screw-eye passing freely through an opening in one of said jaws and engaged with the threaded opening in the other of said jaws, a washer upon said screw beneath the said eye, and an identifying-tag pivoted upon the eye of said screw, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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