

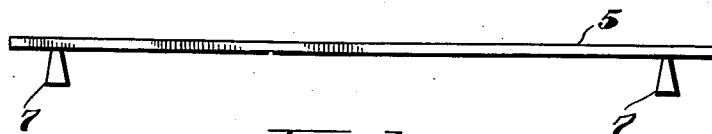
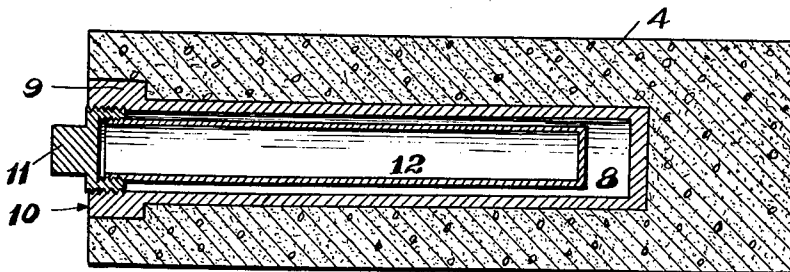
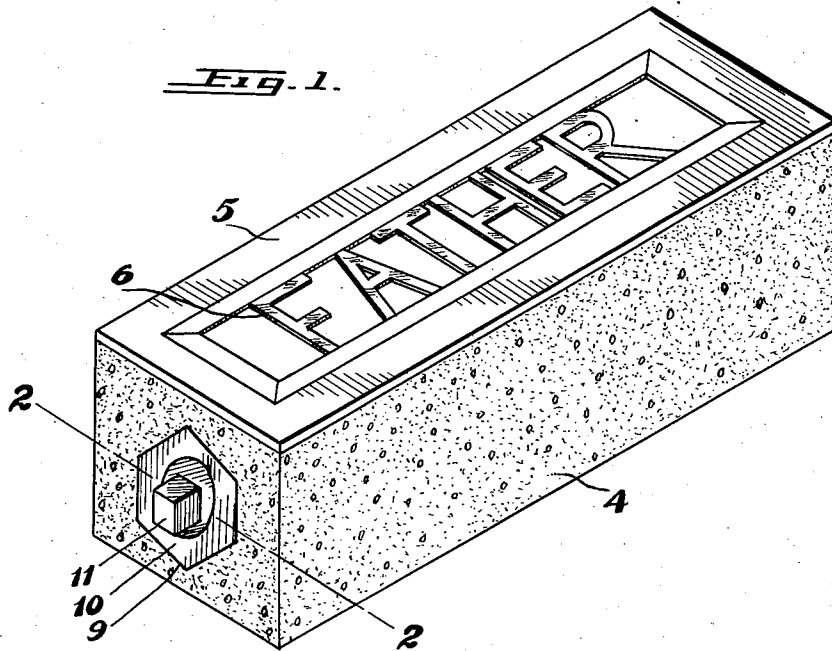
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The invention relates to improvements in markers for graves as described in the present specification and shown in the accompanying drawing.

5 An object of the invention is to provide a marker comprising a cement block or the like intended to be sunk into the ground and having a metal plate at the top for disposition flush with the ground surface, whereby it will be exposed to view yet will not obstruct mowing of the lawn surface of the ground.

10 A further object is to furnish the marker with a cylinder embedded in the block and having a mouth closed by a stopper such as a screw plug which carries a container disposed in the bore of the cylinder. The container is detachable from the plug and is protected by its lodgement in the cylinder. The container is intended to contain documents or other papers relating to the deceased which relatives or other parties may desire to repose in this depository for future reference or inspection. The cylinder together with the plug and container may and it is proposed will be made of a non-corrosive material in order to preserve the contents over a long period of time and to guard against binding of the plug which would render the container inaccessible.

15 The invention provides an inexpensive marker that can be made up and sold by stores direct to the public.

Referring to the accompanying drawing:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the marker.

Figure 2 is a horizontal section thereof taken on line 2—2 of Figure 1.

20 Figure 3 is an edge view of the top plate.

Like numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in each of the figures throughout the drawing of the invention.

25 The block 4 is preferably of an oblong shape as shown. It is proposed to construct it of a mouldable material such as cement. The top plate 5 may and will conform to the top of the block and rest thereon.

The top plate will be fashioned with appropriate inscriptive matter as indicated at 6. It may be manufactured from a non-corrosive alloy such as bronze.

30 Anchoring pieces 7 may be cast integral with the underside or attached thereto in order to be mouldably embedded in the block so as to permanently unite the top plate thereto. The anchoring pieces are depicted as integrally constructed in Figure 3 and will of course be suitably arranged preferably in the vicinity of the corners of the plate.

35 The cylinder 8 is a tubular member having its inner end closed and its outer end open. An enlarged head 9 is formed at the outer end, such as the hexagonal shaped element shown, to preclude the cylinder from turning or having a tendency to

turn in the block when screwing in the plug or unscrewing it. The cylinder is disposed longitudinally of the block with the end face 10 of the head flush or substantially flush with an end of the block.

40 The plug 11 serves as a closure for the cylinder and for the container 12. It has a screw-threaded connection with the head of the cylinder and a similar connection with the container which is entirely disposed in the bore of the cylinder.

45 An advantage of this construction is that the container is removed from the cylinder in the detachment of the plug which facilitates its removal and saves providing other means to effect its removal.

50 The cylinder is preferably mouldably embedded in the block, but may be otherwise secured therein. Non-corrosive material will be used in the manufacture of the cylinder, the plug and the container.

What I claim is:—

1. A grave marker comprising a block having an open-ended chamber therein, a detachable closure for said chamber, a container lodged in the chamber, and means rigidly connecting the container to the closure to effect its removal therewith.

2. A grave marker comprising a block having an open-ended chamber therein, a detachable closure for said chamber, a container lodged in the chamber and rigidly carried by the closure and means providing a detachable connection between the container and the closure.

3. A grave marker comprising an elongated block having an opening extending inwardly from an end thereof, a cylinder fixedly lodged in the opening and having the outer end of its bore open and the inner end closed, a stopper detachably fitted in the open end thereof, and a container lodged in the cylinder and rigidly connected to the stopper.

4. A grave marker comprising an elongated block having an opening extending inwardly from an end thereof, a cylinder fixedly lodged in the opening and having the outer end of its bore open and the inner end closed, a plug having a screw-threaded connection with the open end of the bore, and a container lodged in the bore and having an open end closed by a screw-threaded connection with the plug.

5. A grave marker comprising an elongated block of mouldable material, a cylinder mouldably embedded therein with an open end flush with an end of the block, a plug having a screw-threaded connection with the open end of the cylinder, and a container lodged in the bore of the cylinder with an open end threadedly connected to the plug.

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