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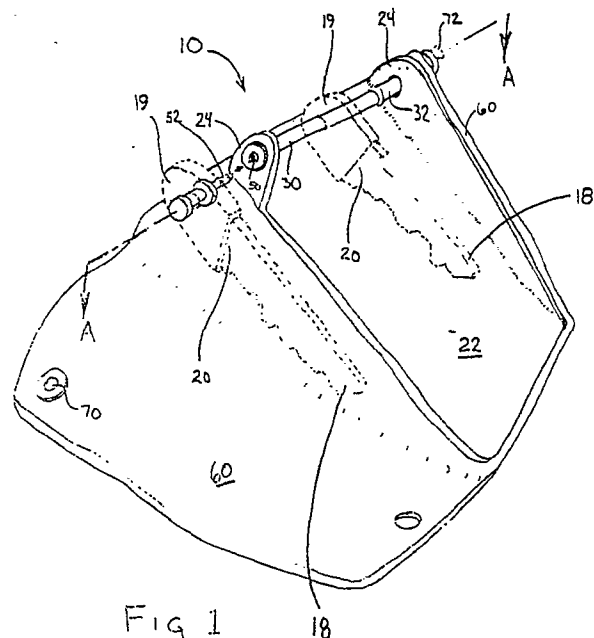
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**Nottingham NG1 1LE(GB)**(54) **Modified key retaining device.**

(57) A modified key retaining device (10) for retaining a plurality of modified keys (18) having uniformly shaped, encapsulated head elements (20). The device includes a pair of half members (30, 32) for sandwiching therebetween a plurality of the head elements (20) of the modified keys (18). One of the half members (30) has a cylindrical portion (34) with a threaded connection means (36') thereon to allow detachable threaded connection to the other half member (32). A substantially rigid, elongate planar backing member (22) is also provided. The backing member (22) has an outwardly extending flange means (24) perpendicularly disposed thereto. The flange means (24) has a circular aperture means (25) through which the cylindrical portion (34) may be slidably inserted.

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