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Fig. 1.

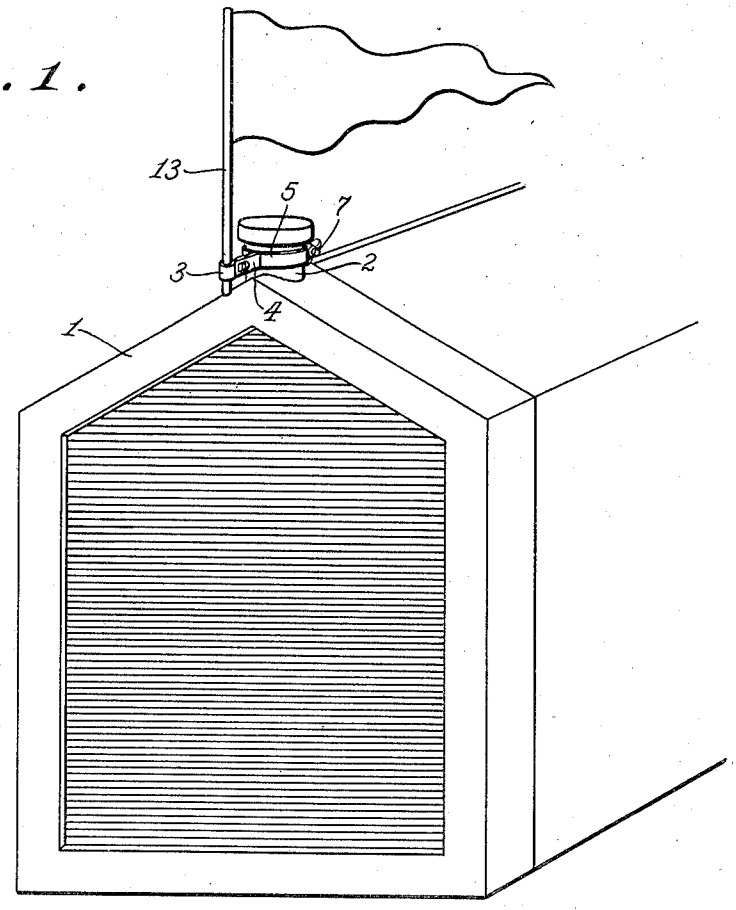


Fig. 2.

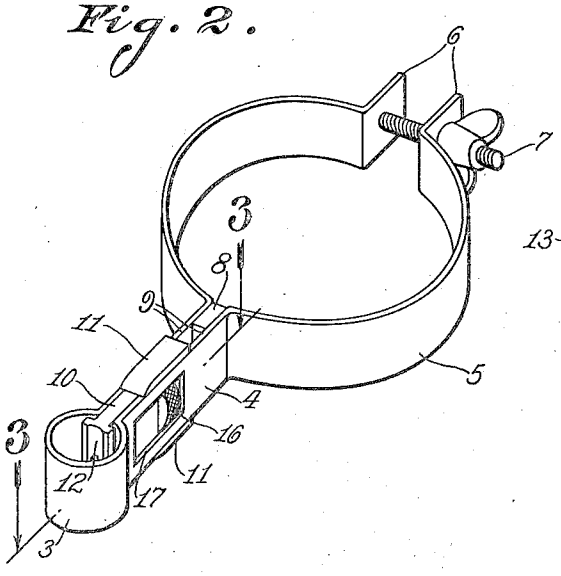
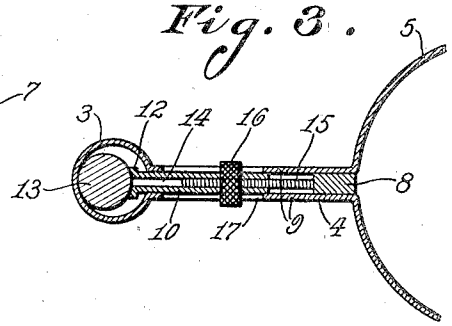


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHRISTIAN BUEHLER, a citizen of the United States, and residing at Luxemburg, St. Louis County, Missouri, have invented the new and useful Improvement in Flag Holders for Automobiles, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to flag holders or such devices as may be used for mounting flags and similar articles in a conspicuous place upon an automobile or any other desired locality.

One of the objects of this invention is to provide novel means for mounting a flag which shall be arranged to positively clamp the flag staff and to be securely mounted on the automobile or other support.

Another object of this invention is to provide a flag holder which shall be simple and cheap to manufacture, and reliable in its operation.

Further objects will appear from the detail description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 represents a flag holder embodying this invention mounted for use;

Figure 2 is an enlarged perspective view of a flag holder embodying this invention; and

Figure 3 is a section on line 3—3, Figure 2.

Referring to the accompanying drawing, 1 designates the radiator of an automobile having a filling spout 2 to which this device may be clamped.

The device consists of a strip, preferably of metal, formed as illustrated in Figure 2, to provide a loop 3 of a size and shape adapted to receive the flag staff, an extension 4 extending rearwardly from the loop 3 and a supporting clamp 5. The support 5 is preferably formed into two oppositely curved arms or jaws adapted to embrace the spout 2 or any other similar support and is provided with rearwardly extending ears 6 drilled so as to receive a clamping screw 7.

The two arms of the clamp 5 are rigidly connected together by being soldered or otherwise attached to a spacing block 8 located between the two side members 9 of the extension 4. This block 8 being rigidly connected to both arms makes it possible to clamp the support 5 securely to the spout 2 by means of the screw 7.

The block 8 also serves to space the two side members 9 from one another so as to provide space therebetween in which a sliding clamping block 10 may operate. This block is provided with shoes 11 adapted to engage the upper and lower edges of the members 9 so as to guide the block 10 therebetween. The block is also provided with a head 12 which may be recessed to receive the flag staff 13.

The block 10 is drilled lengthwise thereof to provide a passage 14 for a screw 15 soldered to the block 8 near the middle thereof and extending forwardly between the members 9. The block 10 is further provided with a window adapted to receive a knurled adjusting nut 16 which, after being inserted into said window, is engaged with the screw 15 thereby providing a means for adjusting the clamping block 10 backward and forward between the members 9. Said members are provided with windows 17 to accommodate the movement of the nut 16.

In operation, the device is clamped upon the radiator spout 2 or any other suitable support by means of the screw 7 in a well known manner. The block 10 is retracted by turning the nut 16 backward on the screw 15. After the flag staff is inserted in the loop 3, the block 10 is again urged forward by means of the nut 16 to engage and positively clamp the staff 13 in the loop 3, the block 10 being guided in its movement in the extension 4 by the shoes 11. A rigid and secure mounting for a flag is thereby provided.

It is obvious that various changes may be made in details of construction without departing from the spirit of this invention; it is, therefore, to be understood that this invention is not to be limited to the specific details shown and described.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

1. A flag holder, comprising, a flat strip formed to provide, at its middle portion a flag socket, at adjacent portions an extension, and at its terminal portions a loop adapted to embrace a radiator spout, a sliding clamp, for clamping a flag staff in said socket, and a screw and a knurled nut operating on said clamp, and means for clamping said loop upon a radiator spout.

2. A flag holder, comprising a flat strip formed to provide, at its middle portion a flag socket, at adjacent portions an extension, and at its terminal portions a loop

adapted to embrace a radiator spout, a guide on said extension, a clamping abutment slidable along said extension and having a head engaging said guide, means for moving said abutment to clamp a flag staff in said socket and means for clamping said loop upon a radiator spout.

3. A flag holder, comprising, a flat strip formed to provide, at its middle portion a flag socket, at adjacent portions an extension, and at its terminal portions a loop adapted to embrace a radiator spout, a clamp slidable along and guided by said extension and adapted to clamp a flag staff in said socket, and means for clamping said loop upon a radiator spout.

4. A flag holder, comprising, a flat strip formed to provide, at its middle portion a flag socket, at adjacent portions an extension, and at its terminal portions a loop adapted to embrace a radiator spout, said extension having apertured side plates, a clamping abutment sliding between and guided by said plates, a manipulative element operable through said apertures adapted to move said abutment to clamp a flag staff in said socket, and means for clamping said loop upon a radiator spout.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature this 22nd day of August, 1921.

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