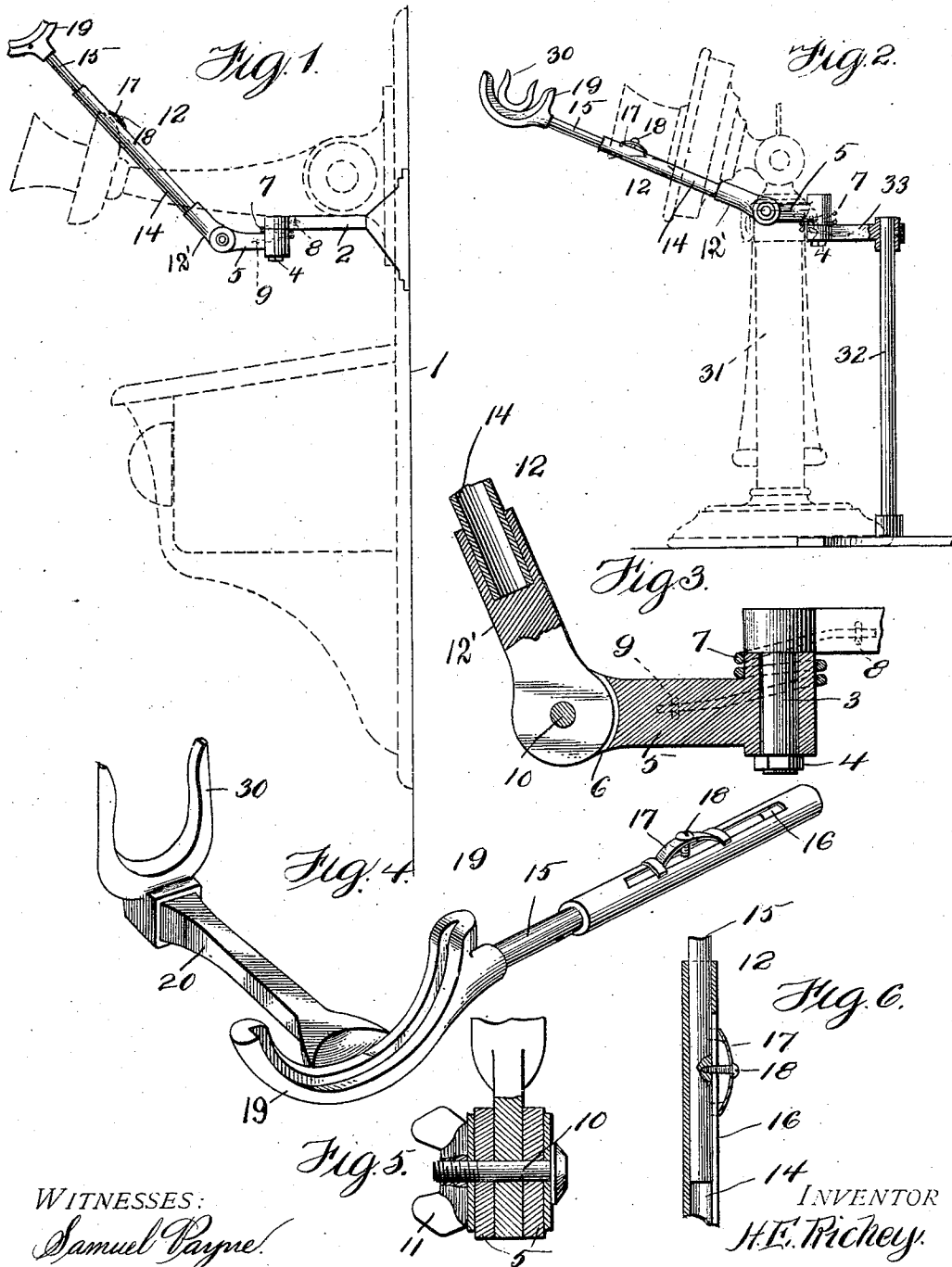


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HARRY E. RICHEY, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Perrysville, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Telephone Receiver-Holders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

This invention relates to telephone receiver holders, and the invention has for its object the provision of adjustable means for holding the receiver of a telephone in position while the same is being used. To this end, I have devised a novel attachment for wall and desk telephones, consisting of an adjustable rod for temporarily supporting the receiver of a telephone while a message is being transmitted and received over said telephone. The adjustable rod of my improved attachment is constructed whereby it may be elevated to any desired inclination, swung to any desired horizontal direction, and extended outwardly to conveniently retain a receiver in close proximity to the ear of a person transmitting or receiving a message over the telephone.

The detail construction entering into my invention will be presently described and then specifically pointed out in the appended claims, and referring to the drawing forming part of this specification, like numerals of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, in which:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved telephone receiver holder illustrating the same as applied to a wall telephone, Fig. 2 is a similar view of the holder as applied to a desk telephone, Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view of a portion of the holder, Fig. 4 is perspective view of the receiver supporting portion of the holder, Fig. 5 is a detail sectional view of an adjustable connection forming part of my improved holder, Fig. 6 is a detail sectional view of the extension rod of the holder.

To put my invention into practice, I provide a wall telephone 1 with a bracket 2 having a depending pin 3. Revolvably supported upon the pin 3 by a nut 4 is an arm 5 having a bifurcated outer end 6. In connection with the bracket 2 and the arm 5, I use a coiled spring 7, one end of which is attached to the bracket as at 8 while the other end of said spring is attached to the arm 5 as at 9. The spring 7 is employed for nor-

mally holding the arm 5 in alinement with the bracket 2 and for returning said arm to its normal position when it is swung to one side.

Adjustably connected to the bifurcated end 6 of the arm 5 by a bolt 10 and a winged nut 11 is an adjustable rod 12, embodying a socket section 12', a tubular section 14 and a telescoping section 15. The socket section 12' is pivoted in the bifurcated end of the arm 5, and receives the inner end of the tubular section 14 the latter being slotted, as at 16, and to adjustably hold the section 15 within the tubular section 14, I employ a spring 17, said spring being secured to the section 15 by a screw 18 and bearing upon the tubular section 14 to normally hold said sections in a fixed position with relation to one another.

The outer end of the section 15 is provided with a substantially semi-circular yoke 19, which carries a laterally extending arm 20, provided at the outer end with a fork 30, the prongs of which stand vertically, or at right angles to the arms 20. The yoke 19 is adapted to receive the bell shaped end of a telephone receiver, and is provided with a groove in its upper or concave face to receive the flange usually formed on telephone receivers. The fork 30 is adapted to receive the shank of the telephone receiver, and thus the yoke, the laterally extending arm, and the shank, serve to support a receiver irrespective of the inclination of the rod 12, and the position of the arm 5.

When my improved holder is used in connection with a desk telephone 31, I provide the telephone support with a standard 32 and upon the upper end of said standard I mount a bracket 33 having its outer end constructed somewhat similar to the bracket 2 previously described, with the exception that the pin 3 extends upwardly to receive the arm 5. The remainder of the holder when used in connection with the desk telephone is similar to the holder previously described in connection with the wall telephone.

From the novel construction of my improved telephone receiver holder it will be observed that the holder can be conveniently removed from its supporting hook and placed in the fork 30 and the yoke 19, and then can be easily and quickly adjusted to the ear of a person transmitting or receiving a message over the telephone.

Should it be desired to make the holder a

permanent fixture at any time, the winged nut 11 can be tightened and the screw 18 adjusted to increase the tension of the spring 17, whereby it will be impossible to easily  
5 move the sections 14 and 15 of the rod 12.

The telephone receiver holder in its entirety is constructed of light and durable metal, which may be nickel plated or suitably finished according to one's esthetic tastes.

10 What I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

In a telephone receiver holder or support, a supporting bracket carrying a pin, an arm mounted to swing on said pin, a coil spring  
15 having one end connected to the bracket and the other end connected to said arm for normally holding the arm in alinement with the

bracket, a receiver supporting arm embodying a socket section pivoted to said swinging arm, a tubular section held in said socket  
20 section, a rod telescoping said tubular section having a yoke at its outer end, a laterally-extending arm carried by said yoke and having a fork at its outer end, and a spring  
25 carried by said rod section and bearing against said tubular section of the receiver supporting arm to hold said rod section in adjusted position.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses:

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