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FIG. 1.

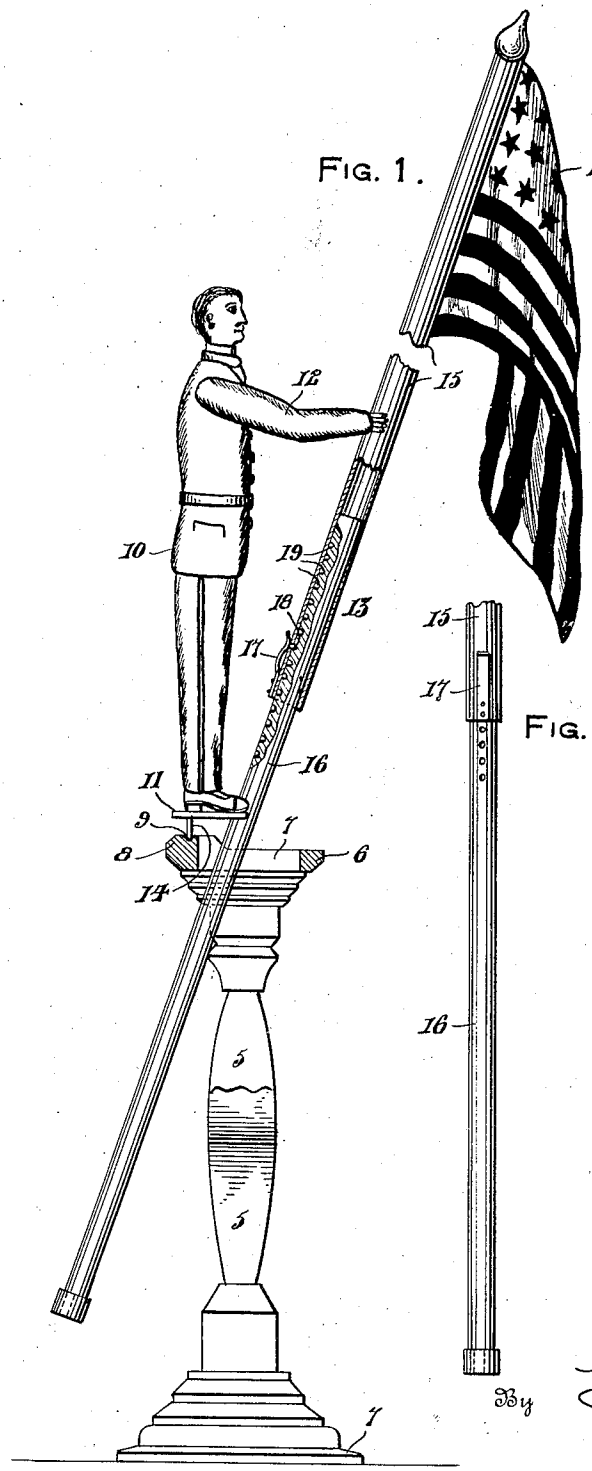
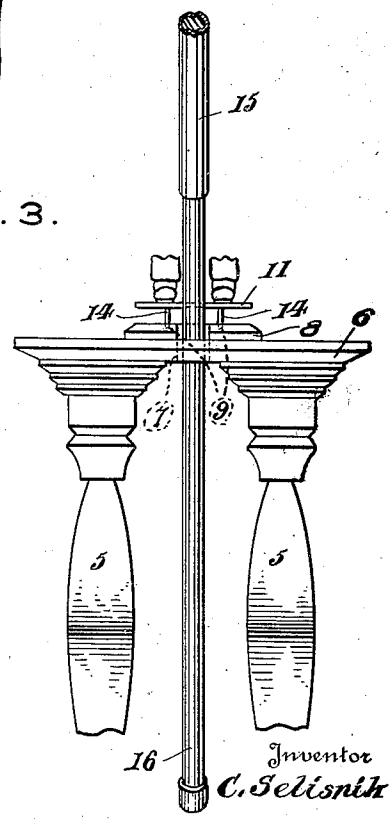


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FIG. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHRISTIAN SELISNIK, a citizen of Jugo-Slavia, residing at Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Flag Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in flag holders and relates more particularly to the provision of a balanced figure in fixed relation to a flag-carrying staff or pole and mounted for rocking movement whereby the figure and flag staff may oscillate for an extended period upon receiving an initial impulse so as to simulate the operation of a person waving a flag.

The primary object of the present invention is to provide a device of the above kind which will be of extremely simple construction and which may be adapted to serve as an ornament in the nature of a pedestal or the like.

Another object of the invention is to provide a simplified and improved form of balanced flag-waving toy.

Still another object of the invention is to provide the flag staff in adjustable sections whereby the center of gravity of the oscillating parts may be varied to accommodate changes in the levelness of the support for the device so as to secure as nearly a perfect balance and extended period of oscillation at all times.

With these general objects in view and others than will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter more fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and pointed out in the appended claims.

In the drawings forming a part of this application, and in which like designating characters refer to corresponding parts throughout the several views,

Figure 1 is a view partly in longitudinal section and partly in side elevation of a flag-waving toy constructed in accordance with the present invention,

Figure 2 is a fragmentary front elevational view of the device shown in Figure 1, and

Figure 3 is a fragmentary elevational view of the flag staff.

Referring more in detail to the several views, the invention preferably embodies a pair of spaced ornamental upright pillars or posts 5 rigidly connected in adjacent spaced relation by means of a platform 6 fixed upon their upper ends and a base 7 similar in form to the platform 6 and secured to the lower ends of said posts 5. The platform 6 is provided with an elongated slot 7′ between the posts 5 extending in a transverse direction and is further provided with a raised portion 8 provided with sockets 9 at the rear end of the slot 7′. A human figure 10 fixed upon a supporting plate 11 is provided with outstretched arms 12 rigidly secured to a normally inclined flag staff 13, and the plate 11 is provided with a pair of depending pins 14 which rest in the sockets 9 to permit forward and backward rocking movement of the figure and the flag staff, the latter being loosely projected downwardly through the slot 7 as clearly shown in Figures 1 and 2 with the lower end of the flag staff rearwardly of said figure. The flag staff 13 is composed preferably of telescopically-associated upper and lower sections 15 and 16 respectively with the lower section 16 engaging in a recess provided in the front edge of the plate 11 and slidable relative to the latter and relative to the upper section 15 for adjusting the length of the flag staff and correspondingly changing the center of gravity of the rocking parts. Means is provided for retaining the adjusted relationship between the flag staff sections and this means preferably comprises a resilient catch 17 fixed to the outer or tubular section 15 and having a pin 18 normally projected into an opening of the upper section and into any desired one of the sockets 19 provided in a longitudinal series upon the lower section 16 when said desired socket is adjusted to align with the pin 18. The upper section 15 of the flag staff carries any suitable form of flag or banner 20.

In operation, the figure 10 is given a manual impulse either forwardly or backwardly so as to cause rocking of the same upon the pins 14 resting in the sockets 9, thus causing movement of the flag staff with the figure, which movement continues for an extended period and the act of a person waving a flag is thereby simulated.

It is obvious that if the present device is placed upon a vibratory support, the flag-waving action will take place without the manual impulse above referred to and the device will then be particularly useful as an

ornament for the radiators of automobiles by the provision of any suitable means for retaining the pins 14 in the sockets 9.

While the form of the invention herein shown and described is what is believed to be the preferred embodiment thereof, it is nevertheless to be understood that various forms, modifications and arrangements of the parts may be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

What I claim as new is:—

1. A flag waving device of the class described comprising a platform having a transverse elongated slot, means for supporting said platform at an elevated position, said platform being provided with a socket at one end of said slot, a figure having a rigid depending pin rockingly engaging in said socket and supporting the figure upon the platform, a flag staff in fixed relation to the figure extending through the transverse slot of the platform to points above and below the latter, said flag staff comprising a pair of telescopically-associated sections relatively movable for changing the length of the flag staff, and means to releasably retain the flag staff sections in adjusted relation.

2. A flag-waving device of the class described comprising a platform having a transverse elongated slot, means for supporting said platform at an elevated position, said platform being provided with a socket at one end of said slot, a figure having a rigid depending pin rockingly engaging in said socket and supporting the figure upon the platform, a flag staff in fixed relation to the figure extending through the transverse slot of the platform to points above and below the latter, said flag staff comprising a pair of telescopically-associated sections relatively movable for changing the length of the flag staff, means to releasably retain the flag staff sections in adjusted relation, the last-named means comprising a catch carried by the outer flag staff section and extending through the same, the inner flag staff section being provided with a longitudinal series of sockets selectively engageable by said catch.

3. A balanced flag-waving toy comprising a pair of upright posts arranged in spaced relation, a platform rigidly connecting the upper ends of said posts and provided with a central transverse elongated slot, said platform being provided with a pair of sockets in its upper surface at one end of said slot, a human figure having pins rigid therewith and projecting downwardly from the feet portions of the same so as to rockingly rest in said sockets, an inclined flag staff projecting through said slot, said figure having outstretched arms fixedly attached to said flag staff, said flag staff including relatively movable sections for permitting adjustment of the flag staff in length and including an upper section to which the outstretched arms of the figure are fixed and a lower section resting against a member of the figure and slidable relatively to the same.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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