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Fig. 1.

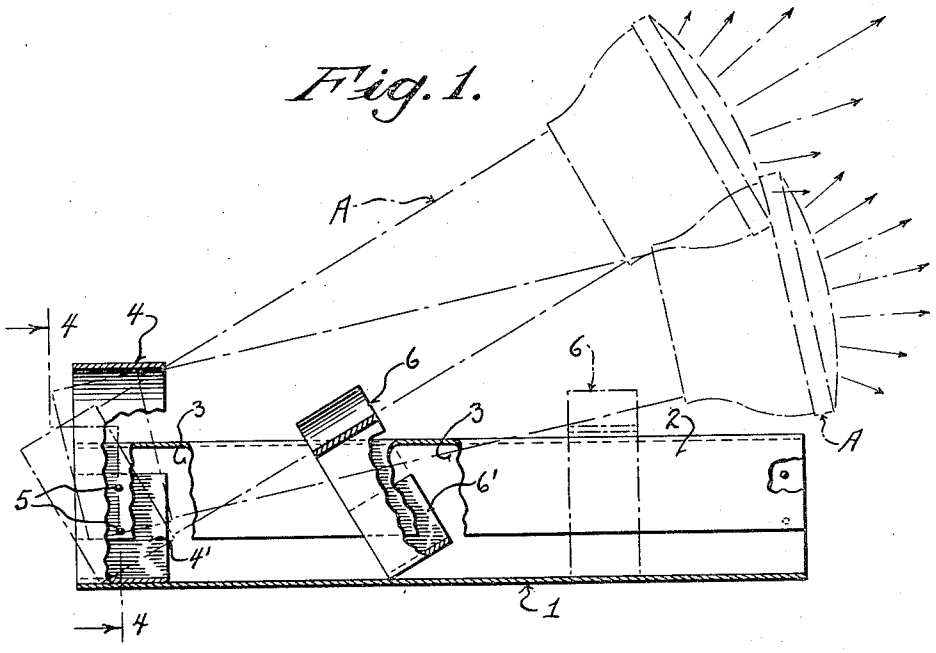


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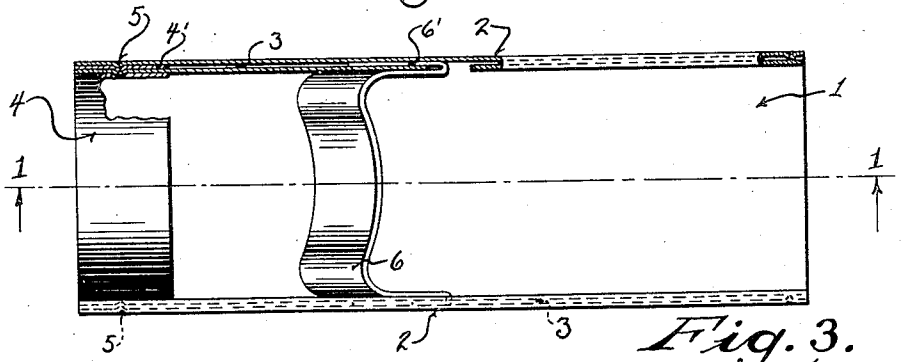


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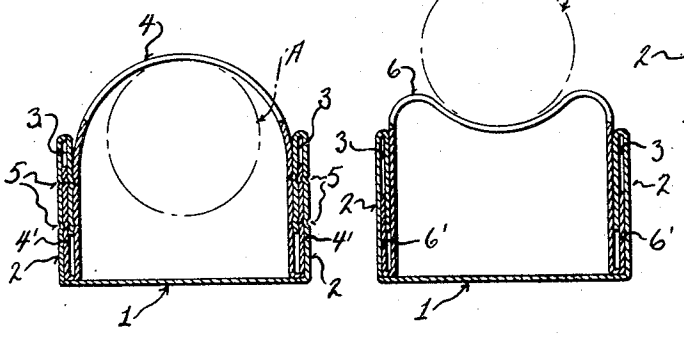
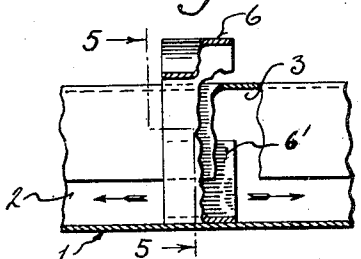


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My invention refers to flashlight holders, and it has for its object to provide an adjustable holder particularly designed for use about an automobile for repair or adjustment purposes.

Specifically, my invention embodies a sheet metal trough having an end band, and its edges are folded downwardly and inwardly to form a runway or track. Mounted in the track is an underslung loop having upturned ends for slidably engaging the trough track, whereby the shank portion of a flashlight is nested under the end band and supported at its ends by the slidable loop.

Thus, the flashlight so nested may lie practically flat within the trough, or by adjustment of the underslung loop, the angle of said flashlight is varied as to its angle, whereby the light may be accurately directed upon that portion of the automobile requiring attention.

It is understood that the flashlight so used may be adjusted from place to place upon the ground so as to protect said flashlight and at the same time is moved to the required position.

An object of my invention is to fabricate the holder from scrap sheet metal which would otherwise be wasted, whereby the said holder is economically produced at a minimum cost.

With the above and other objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts, substantially as hereinafter described, and more particularly defined by the appended claim, it being understood that such changes in the precise embodiment of the herein disclosed invention may be made as come within the scope of the claim.

In the accompanying drawings is illustrated one complete example of the physical embodiment of the present invention constructed according to the best mode so far devised for the practical application of the principles thereof.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 represents a sectional side elevation of a holder embodying the features of my invention, the section being indicated by line 1—1 of Figure 2.

Figure 2 is a plan view of the same, with parts broken away and in section to more clearly illustrate structural features.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary sectional elevation view of a portion of the trough and the underslung loop, positioned vertically with reference to the trough.

Figure 4 is a cross-sectional view through the trough and the upwardly bowed band, this section being indicated by line 4—4 of Figure 1.

Figure 5 is a cross sectional view through the trough and adjustable underslung loop, this section being indicated by line 5—5 of Figure 3.

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Referring by characters to the drawing, 1 indicates a sheet metal rectangular trough, having side walls 2—2. The upper edges of the side walls are folded inwardly and downwardly to form tracks 3, and at one end of the trough 1 provide an upwardly bowed band 4 having feet 4', which feet are fitted into the tracks 3, and said band is then secured by a series of indentures 5, which indentures bind the various interlocked layers of metal, whereby the bow is rigidly secured.

Mounted in the trough is an underslung loop 6, the lower ends of which have upturned feet 6', which feet engage the trough tracks 3, whereby the said loop is adjusted back and forth thereon, for varying the angle of any standard flashlight A, as indicated in dotted lines Figure 1.

When the flashlight is housed within the trough it may be moved from place to place within without damaging the flashlight, and as indicated in dotted lines Figure 1, the flashlight under normal conditions, rests practically flat within the trough with its butt end nested under the band, while its light deflecting end rests upon the underslung loop.

Should it be desired to vary the angle of the flashlight, the underslung loop may be pushed toward the nesting band, whereby the flashlight will be elevated to any desired angle for deflecting light to the proper position.

Hence, as indicated in full lines Figure 1, when the flashlight is elevated at a high angle the loop 6 may also assume an angle position corresponding to the angle of the flashlight, and assuming this position its lower heel end will rock upon the bottom wall of the trough, and thus said loop will be frictionally locked to securely maintain the flashlight at its proper angle.

From the foregoing description it will be noted sheet metal plants have a great volume of scrap metal, which is ordinarily thrown away may be salvaged and from this said metal the holder is fabricated.

I claim:

A flashlight holder comprising a sheet metal trough having the edges of its side walls folded inwardly and downwardly to form tracks, an upturned bowed band at one end of the track, feet extending from the lower ends of the band into the tracks, means for securing the band feet and trough side walls together, an underslung loop having upturned feet slidably adjustable within the trough tracks for varying the angle of a flashlight casing which is adopted to be supported at the butt end under the band, and at its lighting end over the loop.

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