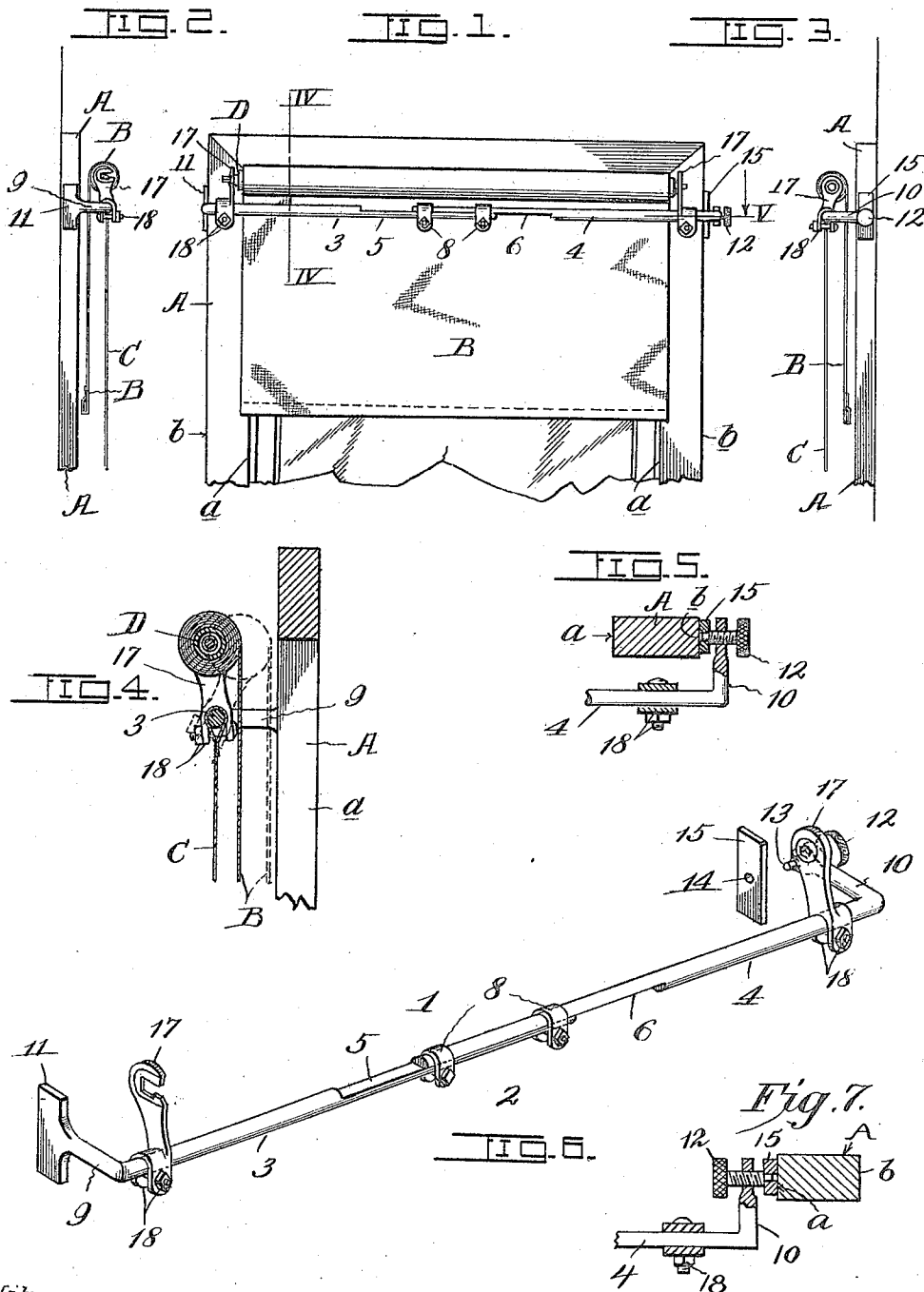


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ALVA C. CLUGSTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Dewey, in the county of Washington and State of Oklahoma, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Adjustable Shade and Curtain Fixtures, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to adjustable window-shade and curtain fixtures, and one object is to produce a comparatively simple and inexpensive device of this character which can be readily adjusted to fit window casings of different widths and one which will not scratch or otherwise mar the surface of said casings.

A further object is to provide adjustable means for holding shade rollers of different lengths and whereby such rollers can be adjusted toward or away from the window casings.

Other objects of the invention will hereinafter appear, and in order that said invention may be fully understood, reference will now be made to the accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a broken elevation of a window casing with my device applied thereto.

Fig. 2 is a view of one edge of the window casing and one end of the device.

Fig. 3 shows the opposite edge of the window casing and opposite end of the device from that disclosed by Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is a broken, vertical section, enlarged, on line IV—IV of Fig. 1.

Fig. 5 is a broken, horizontal section on line V of Fig. 1.

Fig. 6 is a perspective view of the device removed from the window sash.

Fig. 7 is a view similar to Fig. 5, but showing the set screw reversed to support the pole from the inner side of the window casing.

A designates a window casing, B a window shade, and C a lace or other curtain, all of which may be of ordinary type.

1 designates my fixture which embodies a curtain pole 2, consisting of two sections 3 and 4, the adjacent ends of which are adapted to slidably engage each other, so that said curtain pole may be lengthened or shortened to accommodate window casings of different widths. The engaging portions of the sections 3 and 4 are reduced in thickness as indicated at 5 and 6, so that the combined thicknesses thereof is equal, or

approximately equal, to the thickness of the rest of the sections, to present a comparatively smooth surface to the curtain C, which is suspended from the curtain pole 2.

After the curtain pole 2 has been lengthened or shortened the sections 3 and 4 are firmly locked together by a pair of clamps 8, embracing the reduced portions 5 and 6. The outer ends 9 and 10 of the sections 3 and 4, respectively, are bent at, preferably, right angles thereto, the end 9 being provided with a plate 11 and the end 10 with a set-screw 12, threaded in said end and provided with a reduced terminal 13 to fit in a hole 14 in a plate 15, corresponding in size to the plate 11.

The ends of the shade roller D are removably-mounted in brackets 17, provided at their lower terminals with gripping members 18 swiveled and slidably mounted upon the sections 3 and 4 of the curtain pole 2.

In practice, if the shade B is sufficiently narrow to permit, the curtain pole 2 is shortened to allow the plates 11 and 15 to engage the inner edges *a* of the window casing A, in which event the set screw 12 is reversed in the terminal 10 to engage the plate 15, which is interposed between said terminal 10 and the adjacent edge *a* of the window casing A. However, if the shade B is of sufficient width to overlap the inner edges *a* then the curtain pole 2 is extended to allow the plates 11 and 15 to engage the outer edges *b* of the window casing A. When the plates 11 and 15 are placed in engagement with the edges of the window casing the curtain pole 2 is shortened sufficiently to exert pressure on said plates to temporarily hold them in place, after which the sections 3 and 4 are locked together with the clamps 8. The set screw 12 is then tightened to firmly force the plates 11 and 14 into engagement with the edges of the window casing, so that there will be no danger of the fixture swinging downward out of position. The brackets 17 are then adjusted toward or away from each other to accommodate the shade roller D, after which said brackets may be rocked backward or forward, as indicated by the dotted and full lines, Fig. 4, to bring the shade B into proper relation with the surface of the window casing A.

From the foregoing description, it is apparent that I have produced a device embodying all of the advantages above enu-

merated, and while I have shown and described the preferred form of my invention, I reserve the right to make such changes in the construction, proportion, and arrangement of parts as properly fall within the spirit and scope of the claim.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

10 A curtain pole consisting of two sections having overlapping inner ends, means to secure said ends together and in adjusted position, the outer ends of the sections being turned at right angles, one of said right-  
15 angular ends having a threaded hole, a perforated plate, and a screw engageable

through said threaded hole, said screw having a reduced terminal receivable in said perforation of the plate, said set screw being reversible so as to engage in said threaded hole from either end thereof and said plate being shiftable so as to be engageable with either the inner or outer side of a window casing to allow the pole to be supported from either the inner or outer sides of the window casing.

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

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