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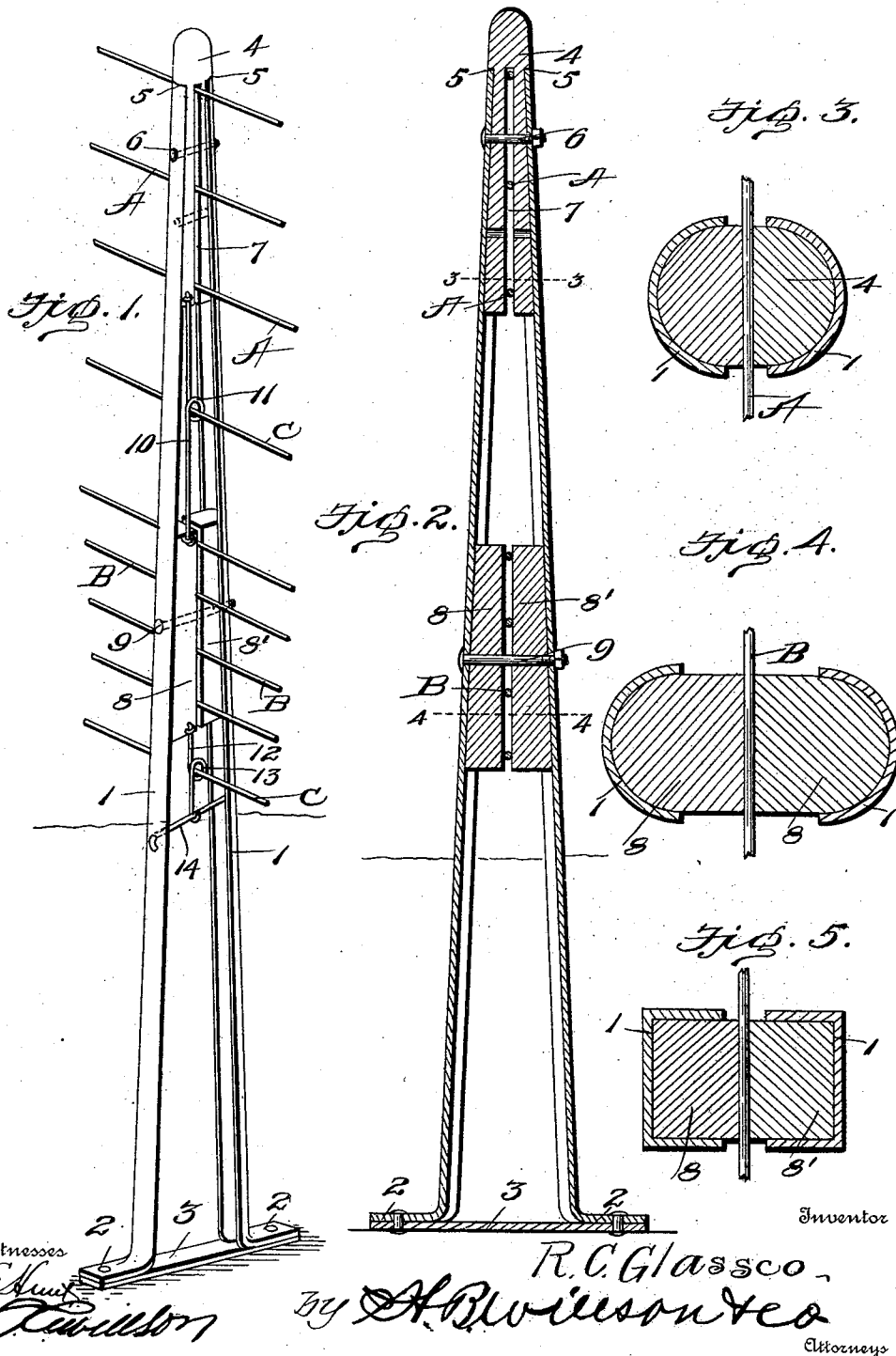
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Fig. 6.

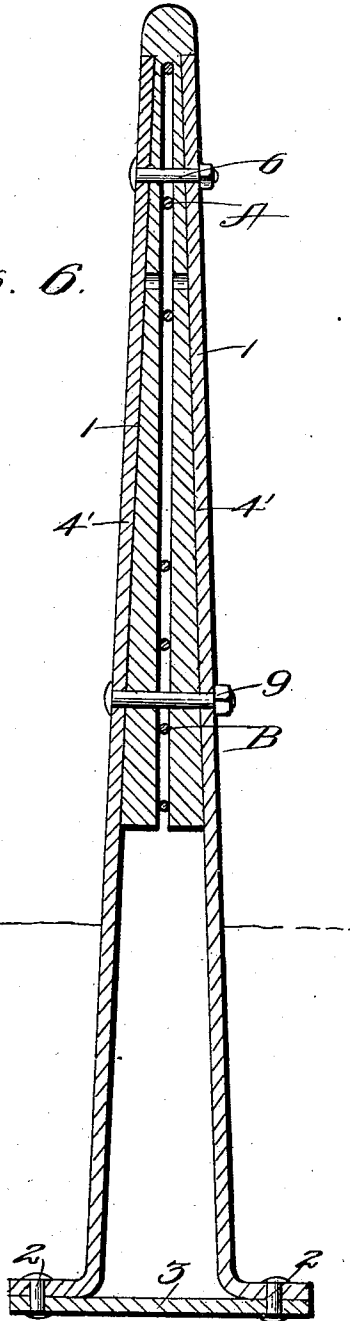
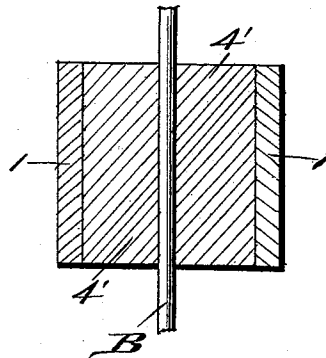


Fig. 7.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT C. GLASSCO, a citizen of the United States, residing at Anderson, in the county of Madison and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fence-Posts; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to improvements in fence-posts, and more particularly to that class employed in connection with woven and other forms of wire fences; and the object is to provide a simple, inexpensive, and durable device of this character.

To this end the invention consists in the construction, combination, and arrangement of the several elements of the device, as will be hereinafter more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings the same reference characters indicate the same parts of the invention.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved fence-post. Fig. 2 is a vertical transverse section of the same. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section on the line 3 3 of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a similar view on the line 4 4 of Fig. 2. Fig. 5 is a section of a modified form of post. Fig. 6 shows another form of the post, and Fig. 7 a cross-section of the same.

1 1 denote counterpart members comprising two strips of steel of suitable length, thickness, and width and curved or concaved to give them the maximum strength. The lower ends of the members are turned outwardly to form the feet 2 2, which are connected by a brace 3, as shown, with the concave faces of the members facing each other.

4 denotes a cylindrical block of wood rounded at its upper end and formed with the shoulders 5 5 to conform to the size and shape of the upper parallel ends of the members 1 1, between which it is secured by the transverse bolt 6, and it is also provided with an axial slot 7 to receive the horizontal fence-wires A A, which are rigidly clamped between the parallel walls of the block by the bolt 6. A second or lower orifice (shown in dotted lines) is also formed in the block 4, so that it may be ele-

vated in connection with the bolt 6, if desired, to make a higher fence.

8 8' denote semicylindrical blocks secured in place by the transverse bolt 9, the fence-wires B B being clamped between them, as shown.

10 denotes a stay-wire formed with a loop 11 to receive the fence-wire C, and its upper and lower ends are stapled to the blocks 4 and 8, respectively, while a second stay-wire 12, having a loop 13 to receive the fence-wire C, has its upper end stapled to the block 8 and its lower end twisted around a transverse brace-wire 14, fixed in the lower portion of the post.

The surface of the ground is denoted by the waving lines D D.

A post thus constructed may be made of any length to conform to the height at which it is desired to build the fence.

In Fig. 5 I have shown the member 1 1 as being rectangular, in which form the wooden blocks would be correspondingly shaped, so as to be secured between them.

In Fig. 6 I have shown the parallel metal uprights 1 1 formed of flat steel strips or bars, and in lieu of the blocks 4 and 8 8' I have substituted one continuous block 4'.

It will of course be understood that various changes in the form, proportion, and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of this invention.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A composite fence-post, comprising the counterpart concave converging members 1 1, the conical block 4, formed with the annular shoulders 5 5, and the axial longitudinal slot 7, to receive the fence-wires and means for securing said members, block and fence-wires together, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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