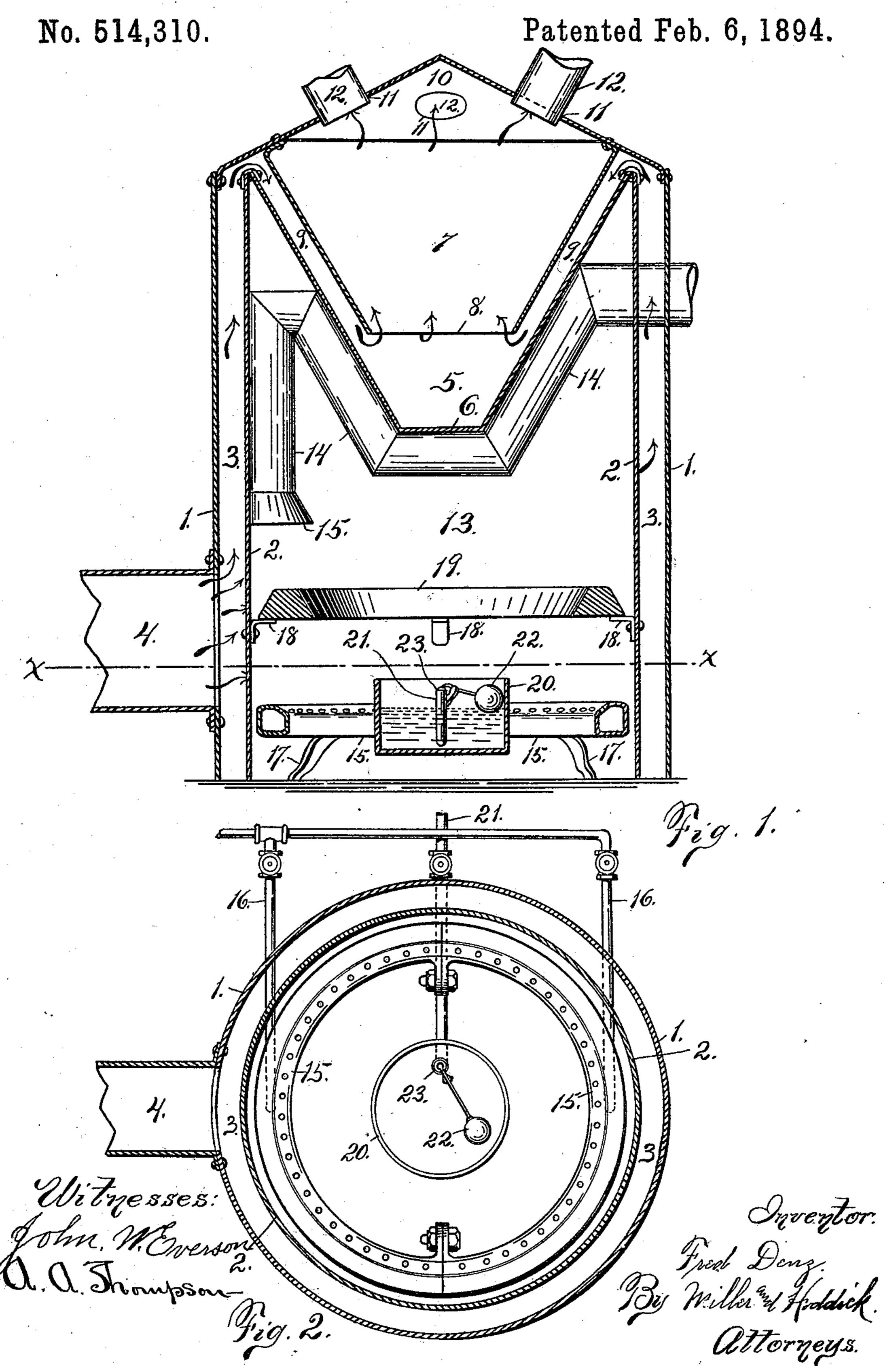
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRED DENZ, a citizen of the United States, residing at Buffalo, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Furnaces for Natural Gas; and I do hereby 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to that class of furnace which are specially adapted for the use of natural gas as fuel and its object is to provide an improved construction and arrangement by means of which a maximum amount of heat

is obtained.

which I have carried out my invention, and then claim what I believe to be novel.

In the drawings:—Figure 1 is a central vertical section of my improved furnace, and Fig. 2 is a horizontal section taken in the line x-x

of Fig. 1.

Referring to the drawings, 1 is the outer jacket and 2 the inner jacket of my improved furnace having the circular chamber 3 be-30 tween the same, and 4 is the cold air passage leading into this chamber. Secured along the top edge of the inner jacket 2 and extending downwardly is the inverted cone-shaped wall 5, with closed bottom 6. Just over this wall 35 5 and secured to the outer jacket 1 is another inverted cone-shaped wall 7, having the open bottom 8, and between these two walls 5 and 7 is the passage 9 which opens into and forms a continuation of the passage 3 between the 40 jackets 1 and 2. This passage 9 connects through the open bottom 8 with the hot-air chamber 10 in the top of the furnace from which the heated air passes through openings 11, and flues 12 to the points desired. Below 45 the wall 5,6 is the combustion chamber 13 in which is arranged the smoke pipe 14. The open end 15 of this smoke pipe is located against the wall of the jacket 2 on one side thereof and from this point the pipe extends

down along said wall across its closed bottom 6, up the other side and out through both jackets 1 and 3, to the chimney as clearly shown in Fig. 1. The burner is made of two semicircular sections 15. 15. bolted together 55 and gas is supplied to each section through the pipes 16. 16.

17 are the standards upon which the burner rests. Above the burner 15 and resting upon the standards 18, is the annular ring 19, of 60 metal against which the circular flame from

the burner 15 strikes.

Centrally arranged within the burner is the small water-tank 20 which is open at the top and to which water is supplied from the pipe 65 21. The water in this tank is kept automatically at the proper level by the float valve 22 arranged upon the upper end 23 of the pipe 21.

The operation of my improved furnace just described is as follows: The gas being lighted, 70 generates the heat required within the chamber 13. It is intensified by the heat thrown off from the ring 19 just above the burner. The vertical wall of the inner jacket 2 and the conical wall 5 impart their heat to the air 75 from the cold air passage 4 as it passes up through the passage 3 and down the passage 9 into the chamber 10. The heated products of combustion passing through the smoke pipe 14 which is in contact with the conical 80 wall 9 as shown permits of the utilization of this extra heat before it leaves the combustion chamber 13, thus additionally heating the conical wall 9 with greatly improved results. The water in the tank 20 is being con- 85 tinually evaporated and automatically replaced by means of the float valve 22. The moisture thus generated serves to reduce the injurious effects upon the lining of the chimney through which it passes, to a minimum. 90 The upward passage 3 between the jackets 1 and 2, and the downward passage 9 between the conical walls 5 and 7, afford a large extent of heating surface for the air which passes through them into the chamber 10 thus ma- 95 terially increasing the efficiency of the furnace.

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thereof and from this point the pipe extends | 1. A furnace for natural gas having two 50 up and across to the cone-shaped wall 5, then | jackets with a circulating space between 100

them, a heating wall above the combustion chamber having an inverted cone-shaped surface and a smoke pipe which passes across the combustion chamber in contact with such 5 wall substantially as and for the purpose stated.

2. A furnace for natural gas having two jackets with a circulating space between them a heating wall above the combustion chamber 10 having an inverted cone-shaped surface above which is a similar inverted cone-shaped wall with open bottom forming a continuation of

the circulating space between the jackets and a smoke-pipe which passes across the combustion chamber and in contact with the lower 15 cone shaped wall substantially as and for the purpose stated.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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