

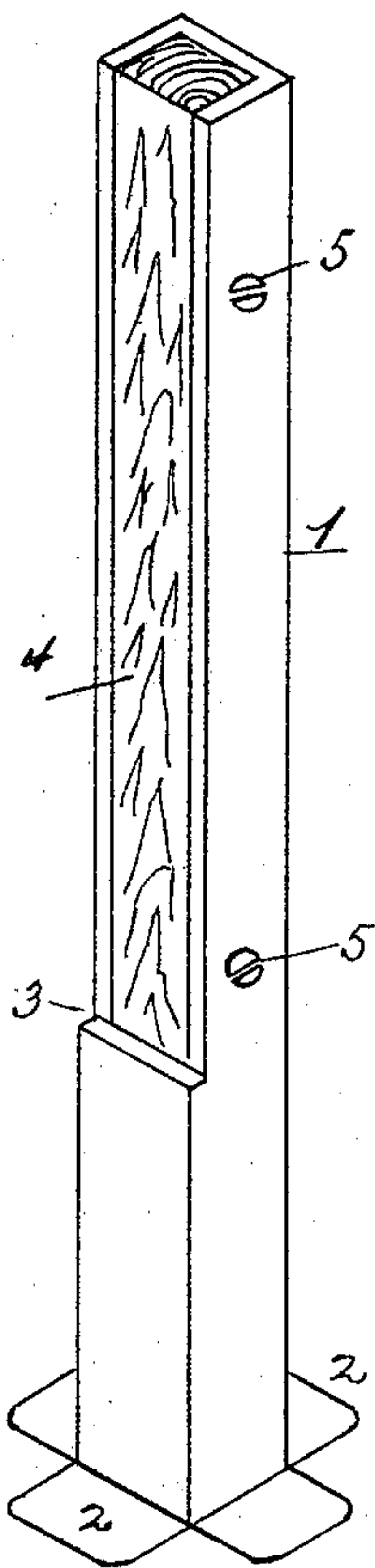
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Fig. 1.



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Fig. 2.

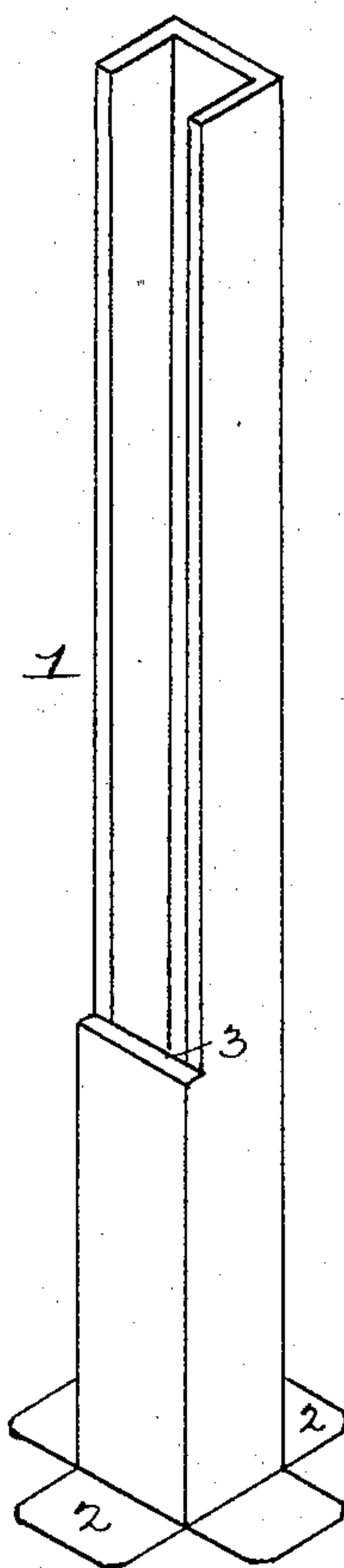
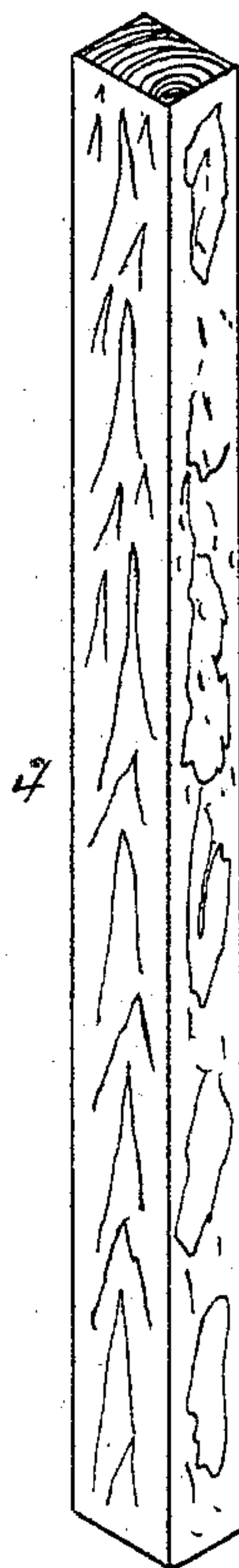


Fig. 3.



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FENCE-POST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JOHN A. ROUTZONG and JOSEPH C. ROUTZONG, of Xenia, Greene county, Ohio, have made a new and useful
5 Improvement in Fence-Posts, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the drawings making a part of this specification.

Our invention relates to a combined metallic
10 and wooden fence-post, and its object is to provide an improved construction of the same which shall possess superior advantages with respect to efficiency in use.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of parts hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a combined metallic and wooden fence-post constructed in accordance with our invention. Fig. 2 is a similar
20 view of the metallic casing, the wooden post being removed. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the wooden post, detached.

In the said drawings the reference-numeral
25 1 designates a rectangular metallic casing provided at its lower end with feet 2, formed integral therewith and extending outwardly at right angles therefrom. From the point 3 (see Figs. 1 and 2) said casing is cut away at
30 one side to the top thereof. The numeral 4 designates a wooden post fitting in the said

casing, one side being exposed at the cut-away portion of the casing, so that staples, nails, or other devices may be driven into the post for securing fence wires or rails in place. 35

The numeral 5 designates screws which pass through holes in the sides of the metallic post and engage with the wooden post to hold it in place.

Having thus fully described our invention, 40 what we claim is—

1. As an improved article, a metallic fence-post comprising the rectangular hollow lower portion, having the lower ends turned outwardly at right angles forming feet, and the
45 upper portion cut away on one side from the upper end to a point at or near the center, substantially as described.

2. The combination with a metallic fence-post comprising the rectangular hollow lower
50 portion, having the lower ends turned outwardly at right angles forming feet, and the upper portion cut away on one side from the upper end to a point near the center, of the rectangular wooden post, inserted in said
55 metallic post and secured thereto by means of screws, substantially as described.

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