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Fig. 2

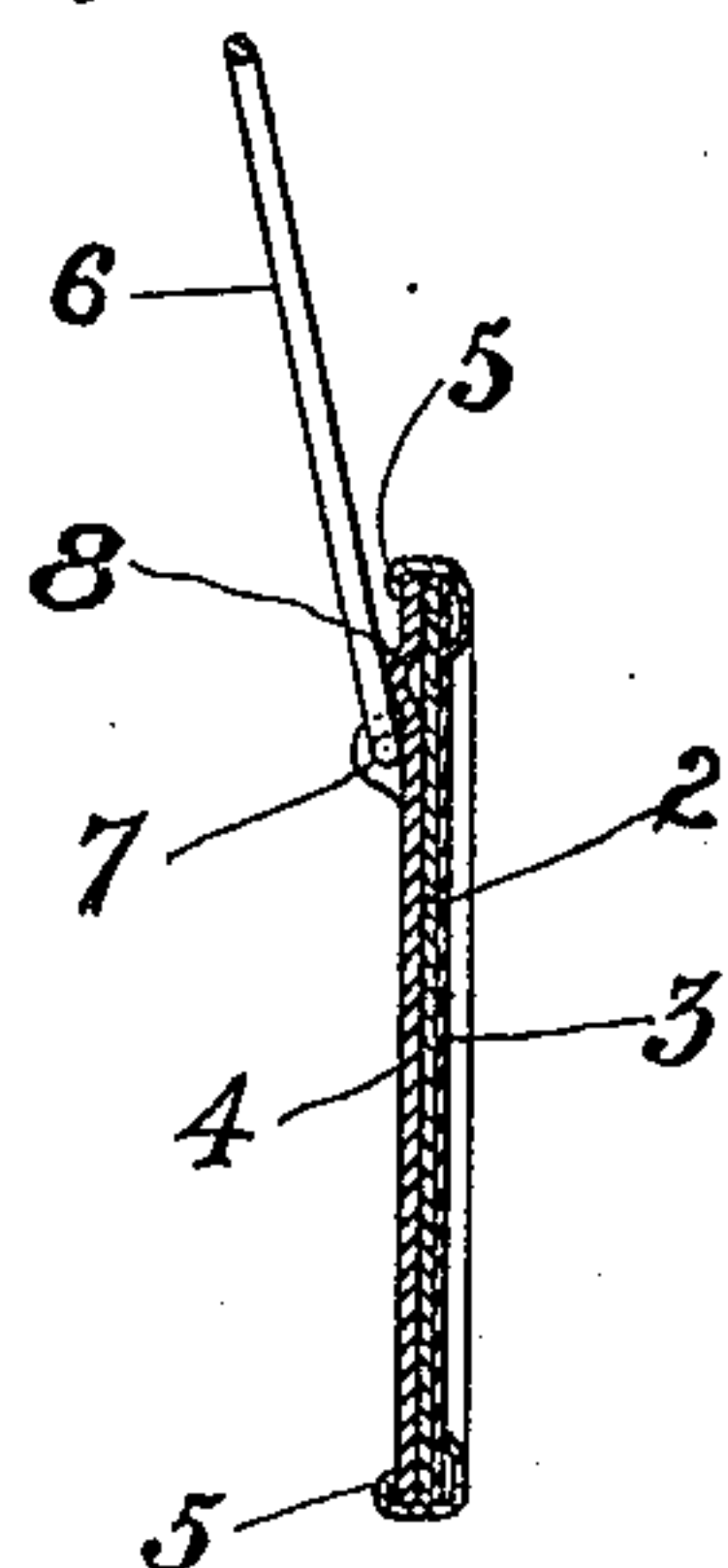


Fig. 1

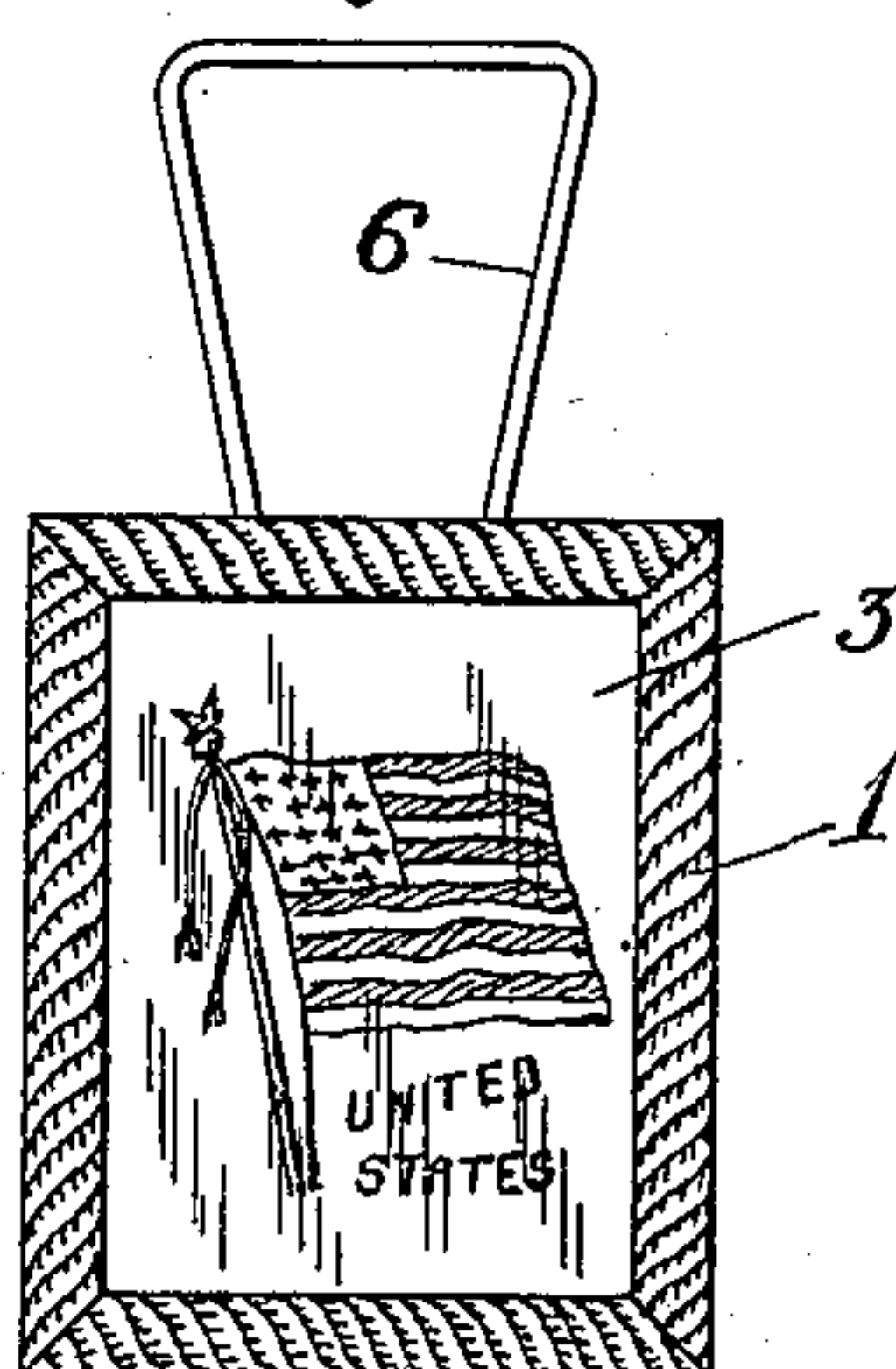


Fig. 4

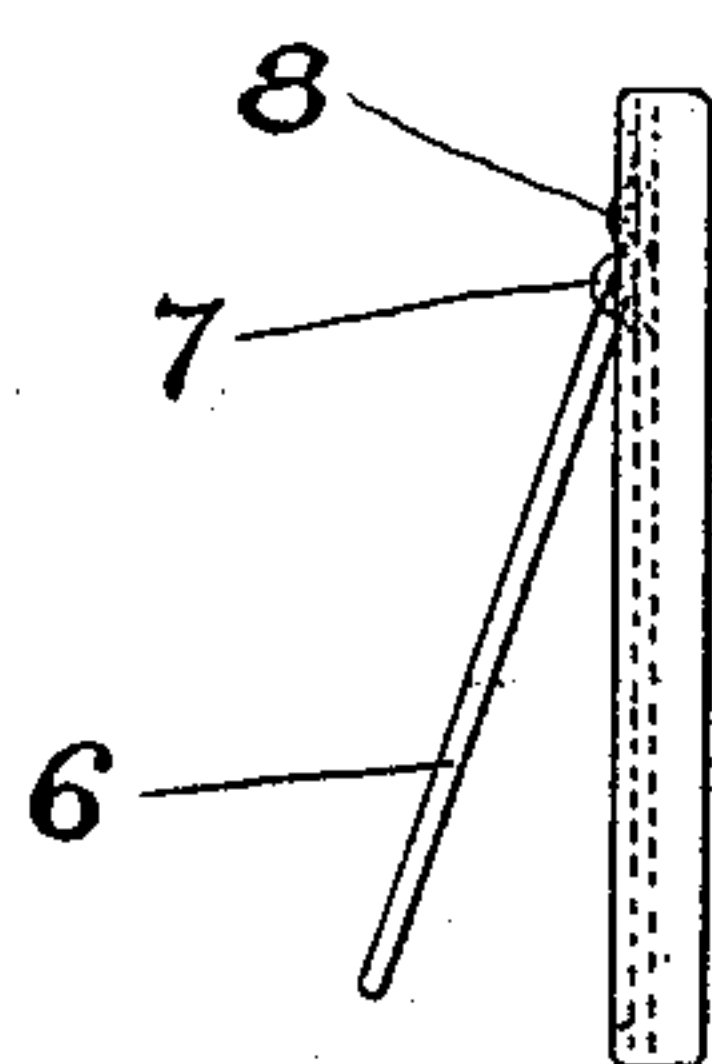


Fig. 3

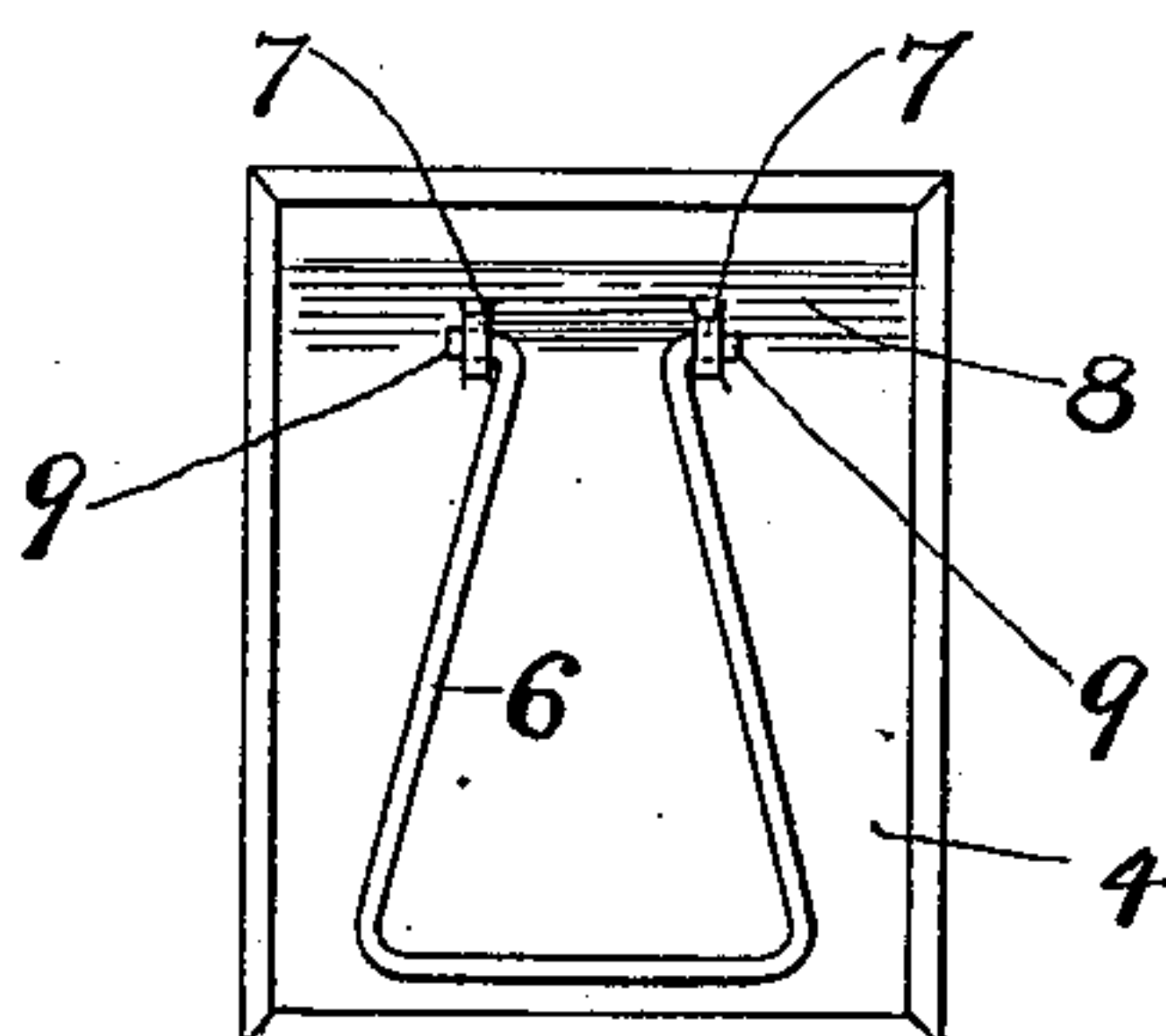
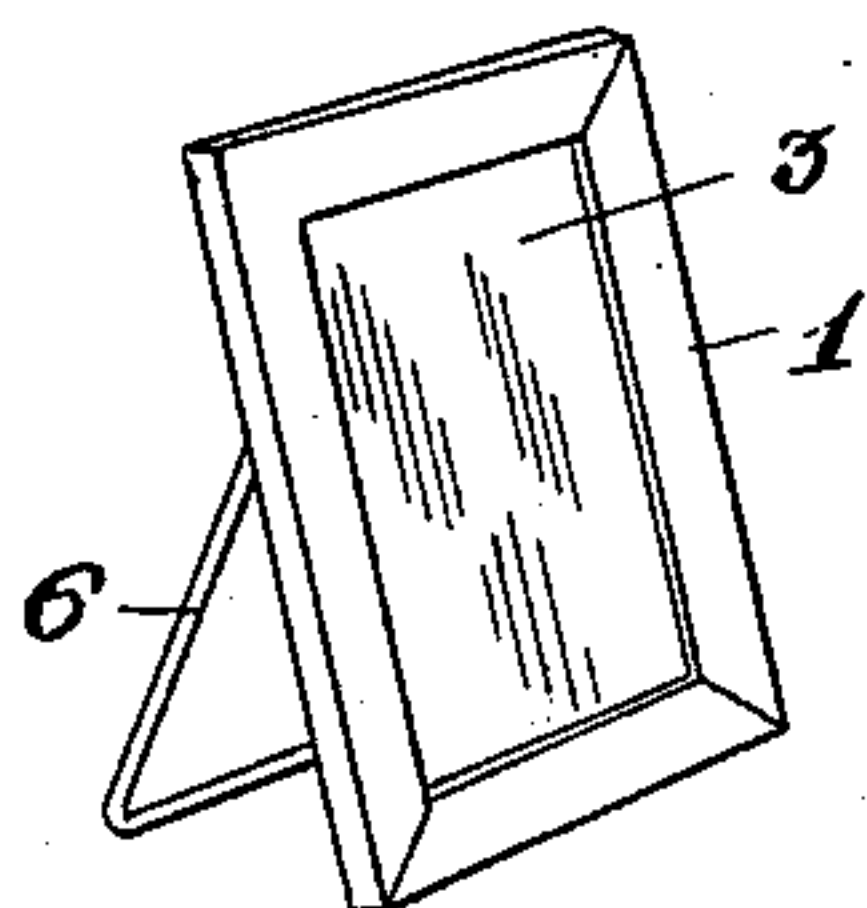


Fig. 5



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RUDOLPH LIEBMANN, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Picture-Frames, of which the following is a specification.

My invention has reference to improvements in metallic picture-frames, and especially to miniature-frames. It has for its object to form a closed frame provided with a supporting-bracket by means of which the picture can be either supported by said bracket or suspended by the same, while at the same time the use of solder or attaching-rivets is entirely dispensed with.

The nature of my invention will best be understood when described in connection with the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a face view of a picture-frame embodying my invention, showing the supporting-bracket turned upwardly for suspending the picture. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a rear view showing the supporting-bracket turned down. Fig. 4 is a side elevation of Fig. 3. Fig. 5 is a perspective drawn to a smaller scale than the preceding figures.

Similar numerals of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several views of the drawings.

Referring to the drawings, the numeral 1 designates an open rectangular frame made of sheet metal in dish form and adapted for the reception of the picture 2, the celluloid film 3, and the back 4. The back is made of a substantially flat piece of metal, and the back and frame are closed by clenching the front over the back, as at 5, Fig. 2. The supporting-bracket 6 is hinged to the back near

its upper end in suitable ears 7, formed by piercing and drawing outwardly the metal of the back instead of attaching said ears, as formerly, by the use of rivets or solder. The supporting-bracket is made of resilient wire in substantially U shape, with outwardly-projecting pins 9. To insert the supporting-bracket, its two limbs are forced together and the pins permitted to snap into the ears. In view of the friction caused by the tension so established the supporting-bracket will remain in any position in which it is placed and the picture can be set at any desired angle. The back is raised transversely above the line of hinging, as at 8, so that when the supporting-bracket is turned upwardly it cannot fall parallel with the frame, but can assume only an oblique position, as shown in Fig. 2, so that when the picture is suspended from a usual suspension device the picture hangs at the proper angle.

What I claim as new is—

A metallic picture-frame composed of a dished frame, a flexible, transparent film placed into said frame, a picture placed behind said film, a back placed back of the picture over which the frame is closed, ears made integral with said back, and a supporting and suspending bracket made of resilient wire and having its ends extending into said ears; said back being raised transversely above the line of hinging of the supporting-bracket, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of two witnesses, this 27th day of October, 1896.

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