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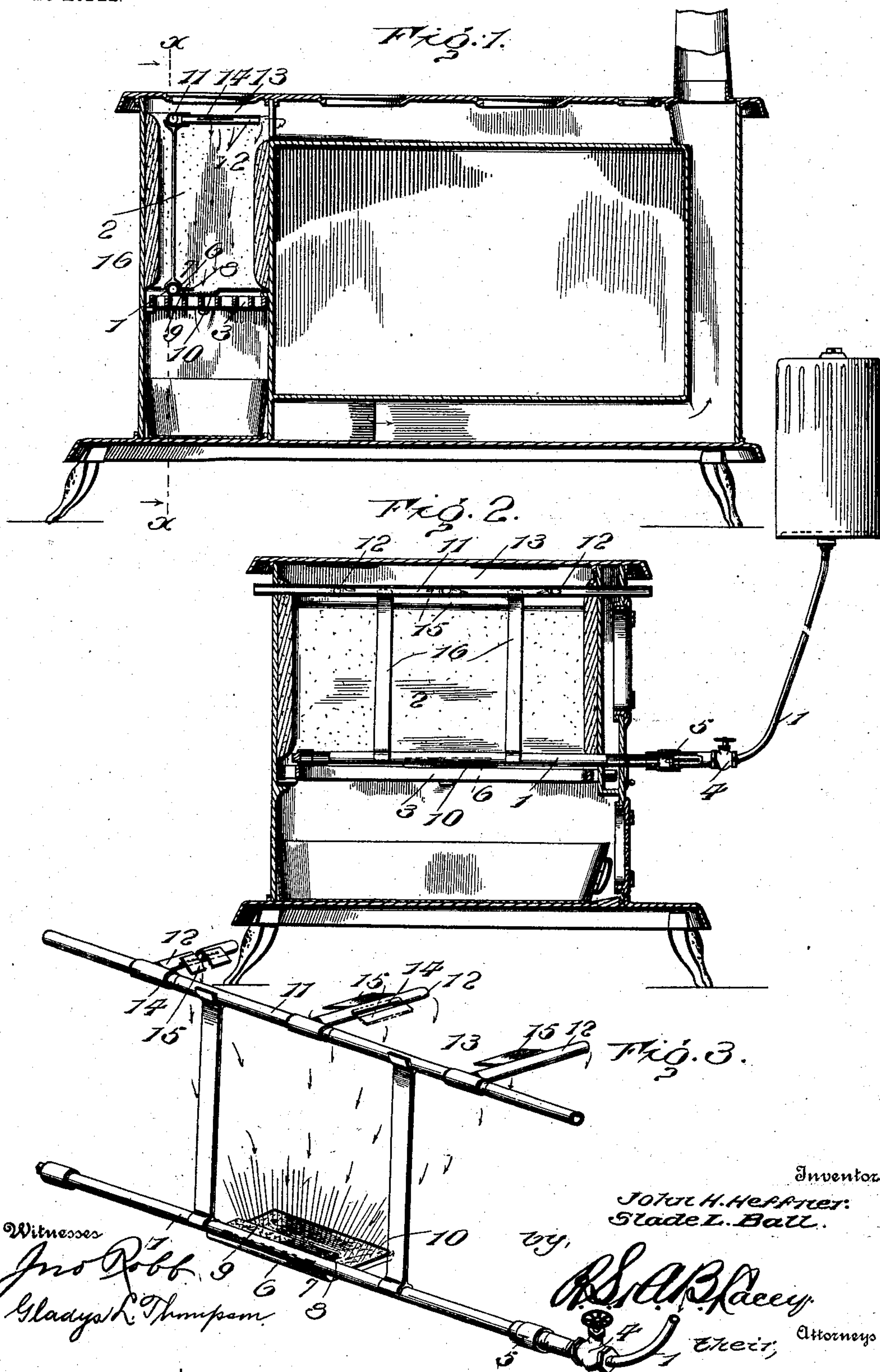
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JOHN H. HEFFNER and SLADE L. BALL, citizens of the United States, residing at Thornton, in the county of Lime-
stone and State of Texas, have invented cer-
tain new and useful Improvements in Crude-
Oil Burners, of which the following is a speci-
fication.

This invention aims to provide a new and
novel structure of crude-oil burner of the
type adapted for application to ordinary cook-
stoves, kitchen-ranges, and furnaces. The
burner provides a particular construction of
draft means for assisting combustion, thereby
giving the article a greater breadth of utility
and adaptation.

For a full description of the invention and
the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowl-
edge of the details of construction of the
means for effecting the result reference is
to be had to the following description and
drawings hereto attached.

While the essential and characteristic fea-
tures of the invention are susceptible of modi-
fication, still the preferred embodiment of
the invention is illustrated in the accompa-
nying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a longitudinal section of a cook-
stove, showing the invention applied. Fig.
2 is a section on the line X X of Fig. 1. Fig.
3 is a perspective view of the burner removed
from the stove.

Corresponding and like parts are referred
to in the following description and indicated
in all the views of the drawings by the same
reference characters.

The different structural features of the
burner are preferably substantially as here-
inafter described. However, they are suscep-
tible to a greater or less degree of modifica-
tion with reference to the spirit of the inven-
tion involved. In the drawings, the numeral
1 indicates a pipe or tube extending longitu-
dinally the length of the fire-box 2, being
supported by the grate 3, if convenient. This
pipe 1 leads from an oil-reservoir located at
a safe distance from the stove, and a needle-
valve 4, of common form, is utilized to regu-
late the amount of oil passing to the burner
proper. Also, for safety, an automatic check-
valve 5, disposed at a point in the pipe 1 ap-
proximately near the valve 4 outside of the

fire-box, is employed to prevent the oil from
backing into the oil-tank. The inner end of
the pipe 1 is closed, as will be noted upon re-
ferring to the drawings, a longitudinal open-
ing 6 being provided in the side of said pipe
intermediate its ends and about the center of
the fire-box. The burner 7 comprises a plate
8 and is rigidly secured in the burner-open-
ing 6, said plate having a layer of asbestos 9
thereon to absorb the oil as it passes from
the tank and constituting a wick, the oil be-
ing ignited therefrom. A pan 10 extends
outward from the pipe 1 below the burner 7,
and all drippings from the said burner are
caught therein and burned in the same man-
ner as from the burner proper. Asbestos is
also secured to the upper surface of the
pan 10.

To promote combustion and also to give a
draft carrying off the smoke from the burner,
a draft-pipe 11 extends from the front to rear
of the fire-box 2, passing through the same,
communicating with the open air. This pipe
11 is located approximately a distance above
the burner-pipe 1 and near the top of the stove.
Branch pipes 12 extend at right angles to the
pipe 11 to the hot-air space 13 of the stove.
These pipes may be of any suitable number,
three being illustrated, according to the size
and character of stove, and are provided with
openings 14 in the sides thereof, the central
pipe or pipes having the openings upon both
sides and the end pipes having them only
upon the side toward the burner. The pur-
pose of these openings 14 is to allow the air
passing into the branch pipes 12 to freely cir-
culate above the flame of the burner, this as-
sisting combustion in the well-known man-
ner. Deflector-plates 15 are disposed above
the openings 14, projecting laterally from the
pipes 12, and serve to more thoroughly dis-
tribute the air above the flame. It will be
understood that a direct circulation of air is
thus established above the burner, the advan-
tages of which are apparent.

When the oil is turned on at the valve 4,
the same passes immediately to the burner 7
and is ignited there. The heating of the
draft-pipe 11 and its branch pipes 12 causes
a circulation of air through the same, and
this air takes off all smoke and assists com-
bustion in the manner described.

Braces or connecting members 16 join the burner-pipe and the draft-pipe 11 rigidly together, thus giving an article of united structure and not of separate parts. However, the
5 above is a matter of convenience and not of essential importance within the scope of the invention. The pipe connections are all of ordinary screw-joint type and all fixtures to be placed in the stove, tubing, and plates
10 adapted to resist the effect of heat.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

1. In a crude-oil burner for stoves, an oil-supply pipe, valve means for regulating the
15 flow of oil to the said pipe, a burner disposed about centrally upon the inclosed portion of said pipe, an air-supply pipe located above the oil-supply pipe and connected to the latter by braces, branch pipes extending at right
20 angles to the air-supply pipe and into the smoke-chamber of the stove, openings provided in said pipes at a point approximately above the burner, whereby combustion is promoted, substantially as set forth.

25 2. In a crude-oil burner for stoves, an oil-

supply pipe extending across the fire-space of the stove, a longitudinal opening provided in said pipe and a plate rigidly secured in said opening and adapted to support a non-combustible material to which the oil is fed
30 and from which it is burned, a drip-pan projected from the oil-supply pipe and extended below the burner-plate, an air-supply pipe extending from the front to rear of the fire-box and passing through the walls thereof,
35 branch pipes disposed at right angles to the air-supply pipe and leading into the smoke-chamber of the stove, openings in the sides of the said branch pipes and lateral deflector-plates arranged above the last-mentioned
40 openings and adapted to spread the air above the burner and promote combustion, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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