

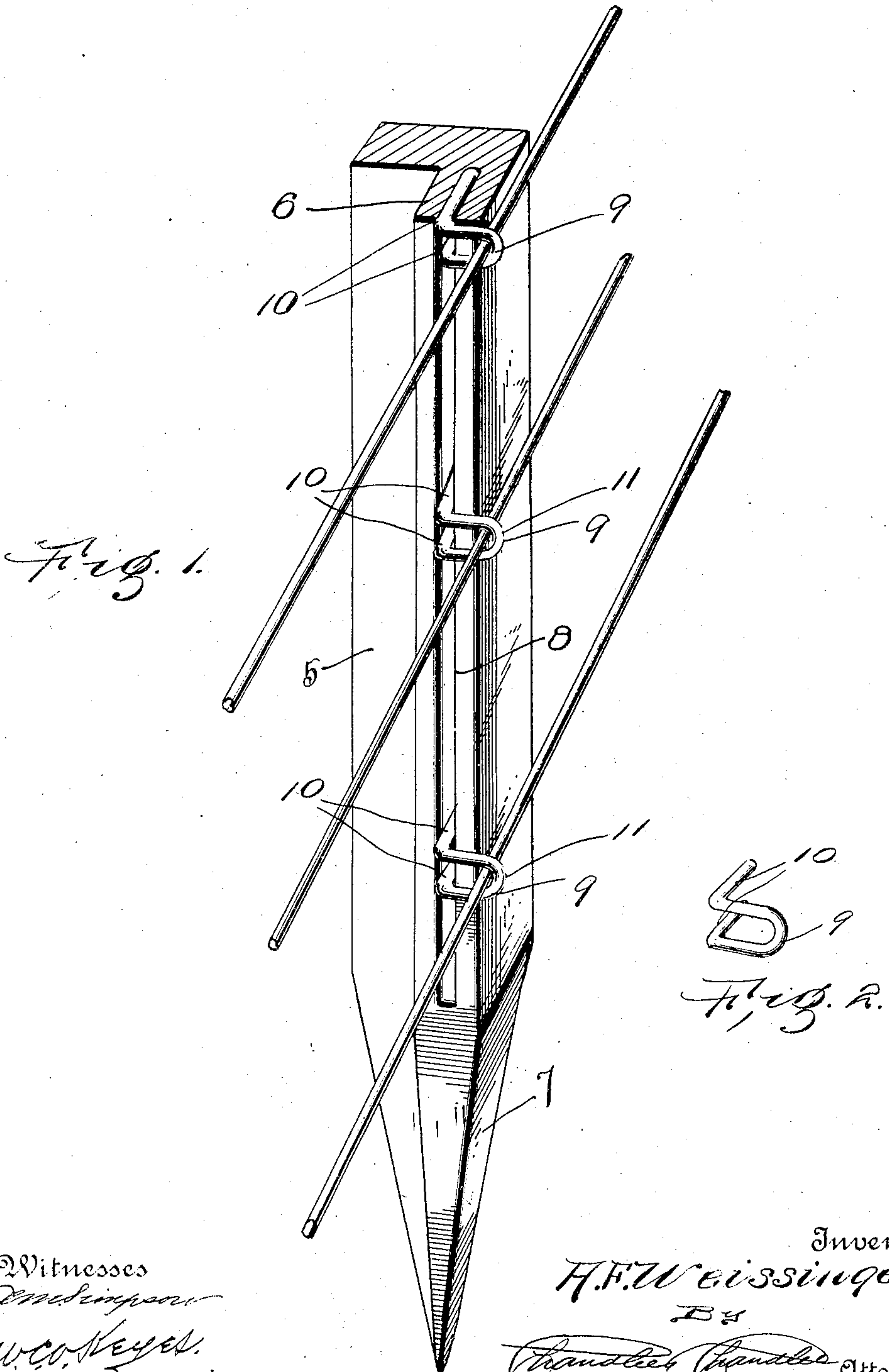
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## FENCE-POST.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ALBERT F. WEISSINGER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Okemos, in the county of Ingham, State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fence-Posts; 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 ap-  
10 pertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to fence-posts, and has for its object to provide a metallic post to which wires may be attached at any height and in which the wires may not be detached  
15 therefrom by strain placed thereupon.

In the drawings, forming a portion of the specification, in which like numerals of reference indicate similar parts in both views, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the complete  
20 post. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of one of the staples.

Referring now to the drawings, the present post comprises a metallic plate 5, having a longitudinally-extending rib 6 at one side and  
25 having a sharpened lower end 7. The rib 6 is slotted longitudinally in its outer face, as shown at 8, for a purpose to be presently described. In connection with the post just described there are employed a plurality of  
30 staples 9, the legs 10 of which are bent at right angles at points approximately midway between their ends.

The legs 10 of the staples are of a size to wedge tightly within the slot 8, and to attach

a wire to the post one of the staples is dis- 35  
posed with the free ends of its legs in the slot and with its bight 11 extending beyond the face of the rib 6, which lies flush with the edge of the plate 5. The wire is now en-  
40 gaged between this face of the rib and the bight of the staple, or, if desired, the staple may be engaged with the wire before it is disposed in position. In the same manner  
45 any number of wires may be attached to the post, and it will be apparent that strain upon the wires, such as would be exerted by stock attempting to force a passage through the fence, will have no loosening effect upon the staples.

What is claimed is—

In a fence-post, the combination with an upright having a longitudinally-slotted longitudinal rib upon one face lying flush with one edge thereof, of angular staples disposed  
50 with their legs engaged in the slot and lying with their angular portions against the slotted face of the rib, the bights of said staples extending beyond the face of the rib which lies flush with an edge of the upright and being  
55 arranged for the reception of wires between themselves and the said face of the rib. 60

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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