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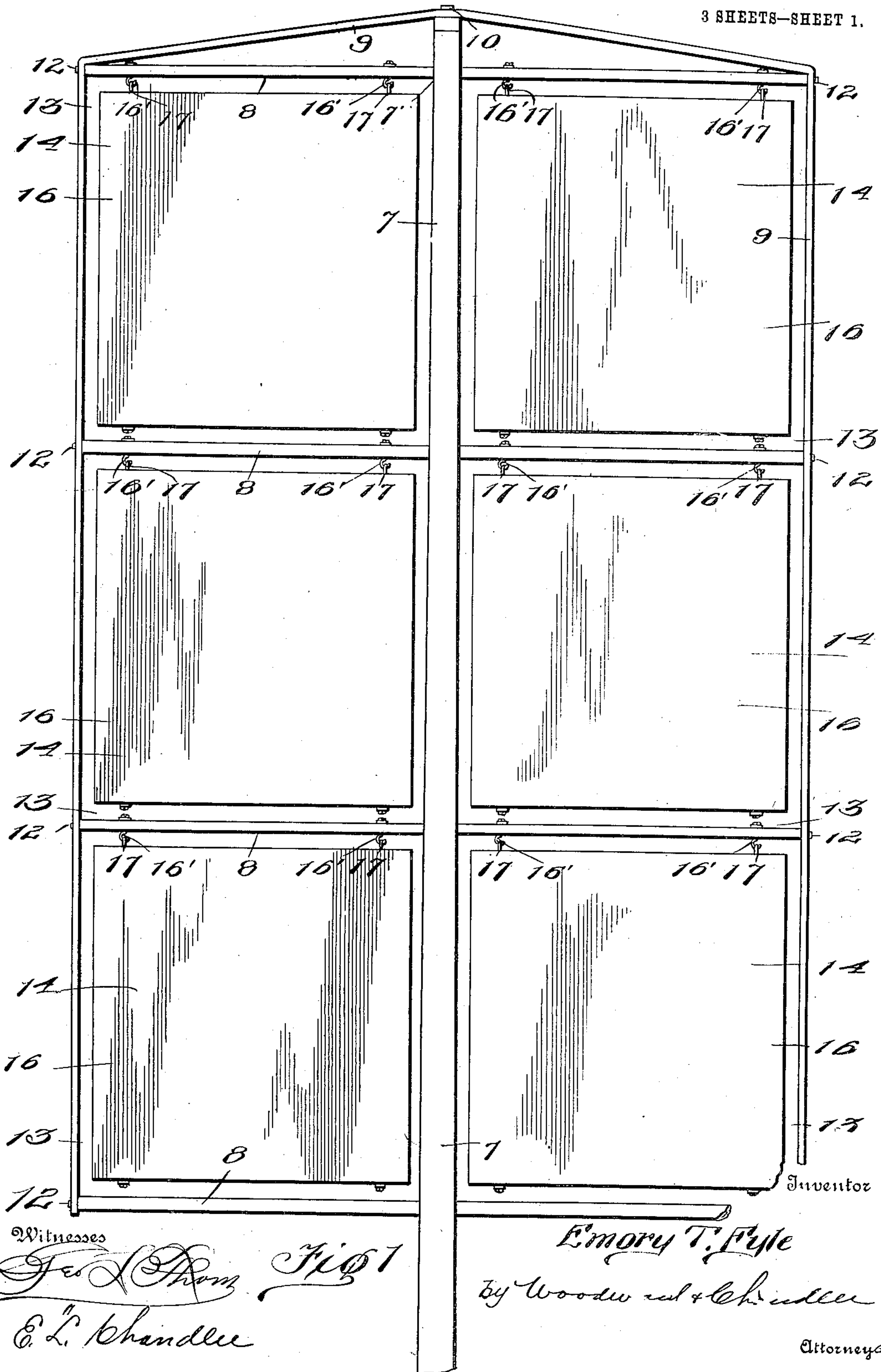
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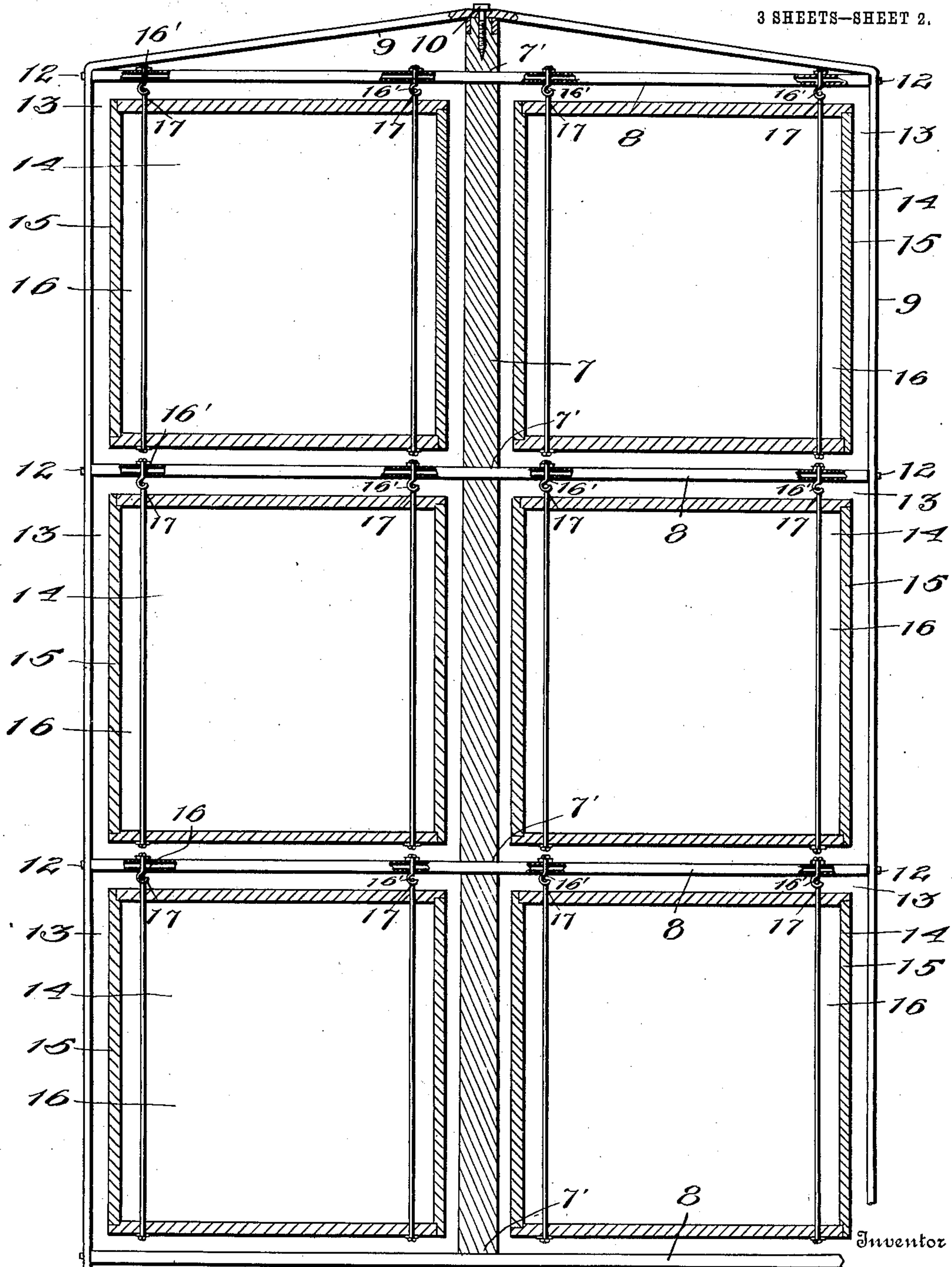
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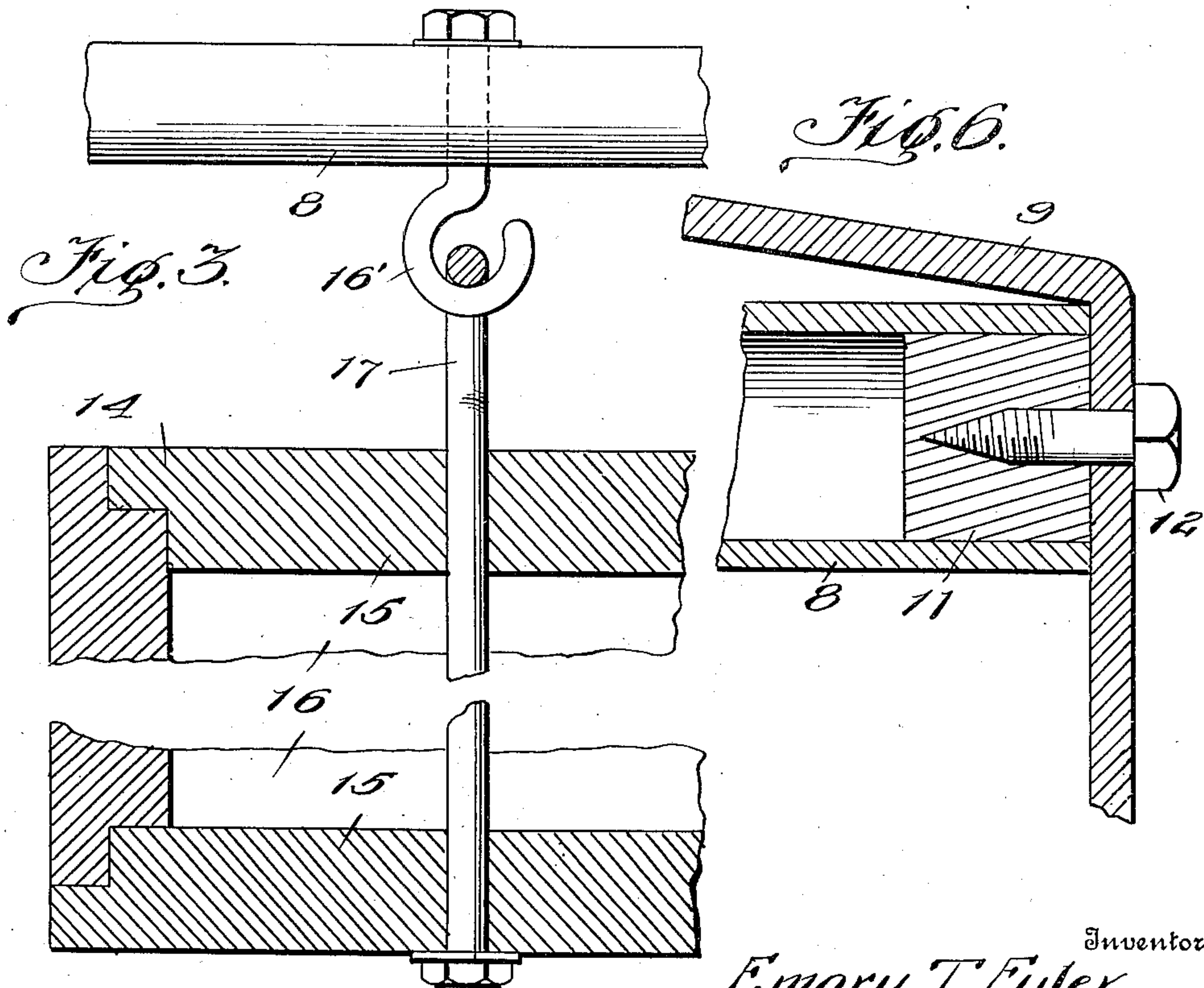
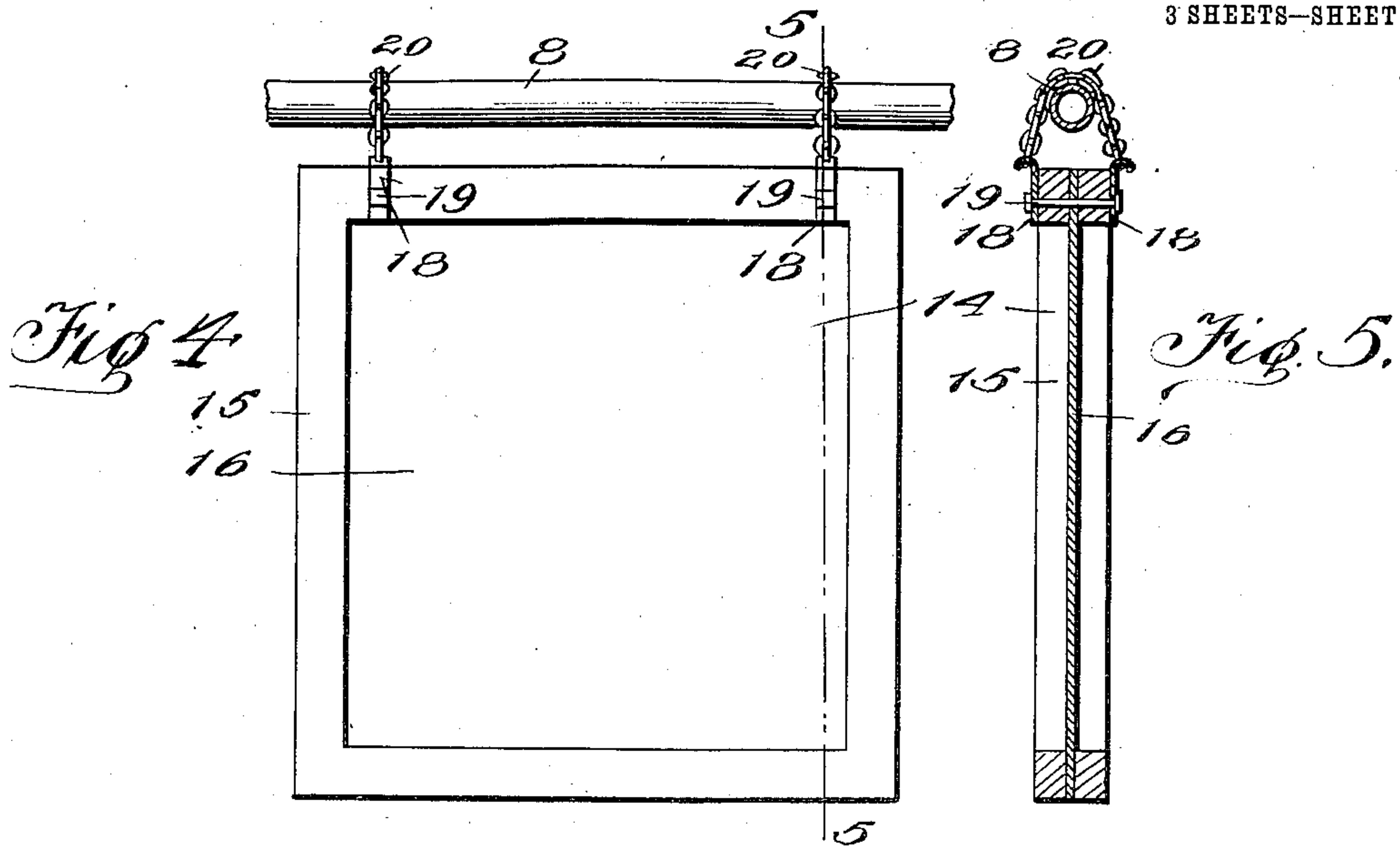
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMORY T. FYLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Seattle, in the county of King and State of Washington, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bill-Boards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to signs and more particularly to bill boards, and has for its object to provide a sign of this class, which may be placed out of doors and in exposed places and which will be constructed to withstand the action of the weather.

Another object is to provide a sign which will be so constructed as to resist high winds.

A further object is to provide a sign which, while having the above advantages will be simple and cheap.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description and it will be understood that changes in the specific structure shown and described may be made within the scope of the claims without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the drawings forming a portion of the specification and in which like numerals of reference indicate similar parts in the several views: Figure 1 is an elevational view of the sign. Fig. 2 is a vertical section. Fig. 3 is an enlarged detail section showing one means of attaching the sign-units to the arms. Fig. 4 is an enlarged elevational view, showing another means of attaching the units. Fig. 5 is a vertical section taken on line 5—5 of Fig. 4. Fig. 6 is an enlarged detail showing the connection of the inclosing strip with the arms.

Referring now to the drawings, the present invention comprises a central upright post 7, having a plurality of vertically spaced transverse openings 7' therein, receiving parallel, horizontal arms 8.

An inclosing strip 9 is disposed upon the top of the upright and receives therethrough a fastener 10, which is engaged in the top of the upright. At opposite sides of the upright, the strip 9 is brought outwardly and downwardly to the outer ends of the topmost arm 8, when it is turned down over the ends of the arm, and is then carried downwardly over the ends of the arms 8 therebelow. The arms 8 are formed of sections of pipe, and are thus hollow, and each arm has plugs of wood 11, or of other suitable material, engaged in its ends, these plugs 11 receiving fastening screws 12 engaged through the strip 9.

There are thus formed a plurality of inclosures 13 at either side of the upright, and in each of these inclosures there is located a sign-unit 14. Each of these units consists of a frame 15, in which there is mounted a suitable sheet of material 16 upon which signs or announcements may be painted or pasted.

In Fig. 3 of the drawings there is shown a means for attaching the units to the arms 8, which consists of hooks 16' carried by the arms, and eye members 17 having shanks engaged vertically through the frames of the units, the hooks and eyes being mutually engaged to allow swinging of the units, thus avoiding damage from high winds. In Fig. 4 there is shown another means of attaching the units, which includes hooks 18 arranged in pairs at opposite sides of the top portions of the frames 15, the hooks of each pair being connected to the frame by a single bolt 19, passed therethrough. Each pair of hooks 18 receives a chain 20, which is engaged over the arm 8 which carries the unit.

What is claimed is:

1. A sign comprising a central upright, transverse arms carried by the upright and extending oppositely therebeyond, a strip secured upon the top of the upright and extending laterally and downwardly to the ends of the uppermost arm and then downwardly over the ends of the several arms, said strip being secured to the ends of the arms, and sign units carried by the arms.

2. In a sign structure the combination with an upright of transverse arms carried by the upright and extending oppositely therebeyond, an inclosing strip secured upon the top of the upright and extending laterally and downwardly and then directly downwardly, said last named portion being secured to the ends of the arms, and sign units carried by the arms.

3. In a sign, the combination with an upright, of hollow arms carried by the upright, plugs engaged in the ends of the arms, means for connecting the ends of the arms, fasteners engaged in the connecting means and in the plugs, and sign-units carried by the arms.

4. A sign unit comprising a frame, a sign bearing sheet mounted in the frame, hook members disposed against opposite sides of the frame and a fastening device engaged through the hook members, the frame and the sign bearing sheets, said hooks being adapted for engagement with a supporting chain.

5. A sign comprising an upright having transverse passages formed therethrough, arms engaged in the passages, a strip disposed upon the top of the upright and extending laterally and then downwardly over the ends of the arms, a fastener engaged through the strip and in the upper end of the upright, means for fastening the strip to the ends of the arms, and sign units carried by the arms. 15
6. A sign comprising an upright, said upright having transverse passages formed therethrough, arms engaged through the passages, a strip disposed upon the upper end of the upright and extending downwardly to the ends of the arms, plugs engaged in the ends of the arms, fastening devices engaged through the strip and in the plugs, a fastening device engaged in the strip and the top of the upright, and sign units carried by the arms. 20

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

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