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Fig. 1.

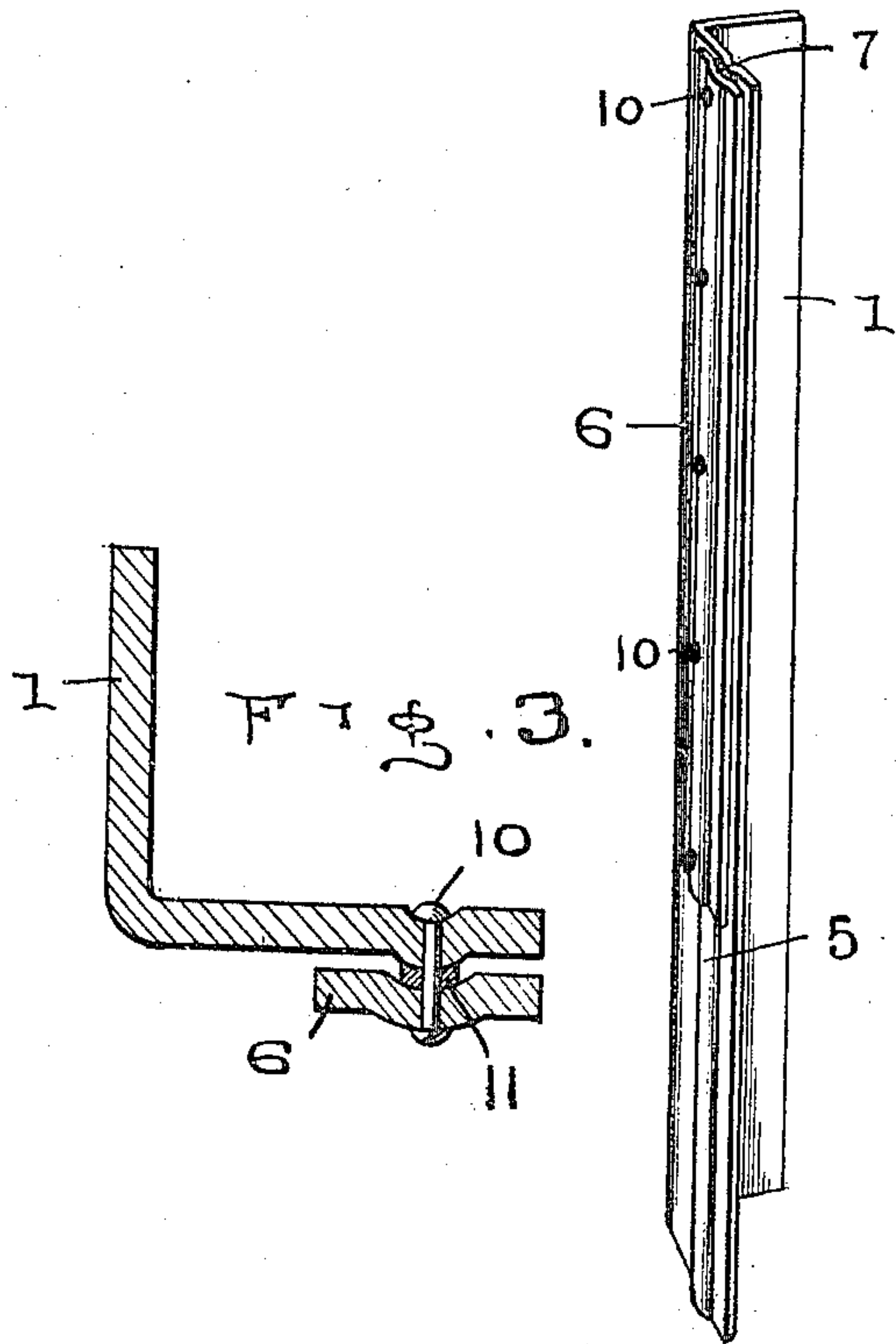
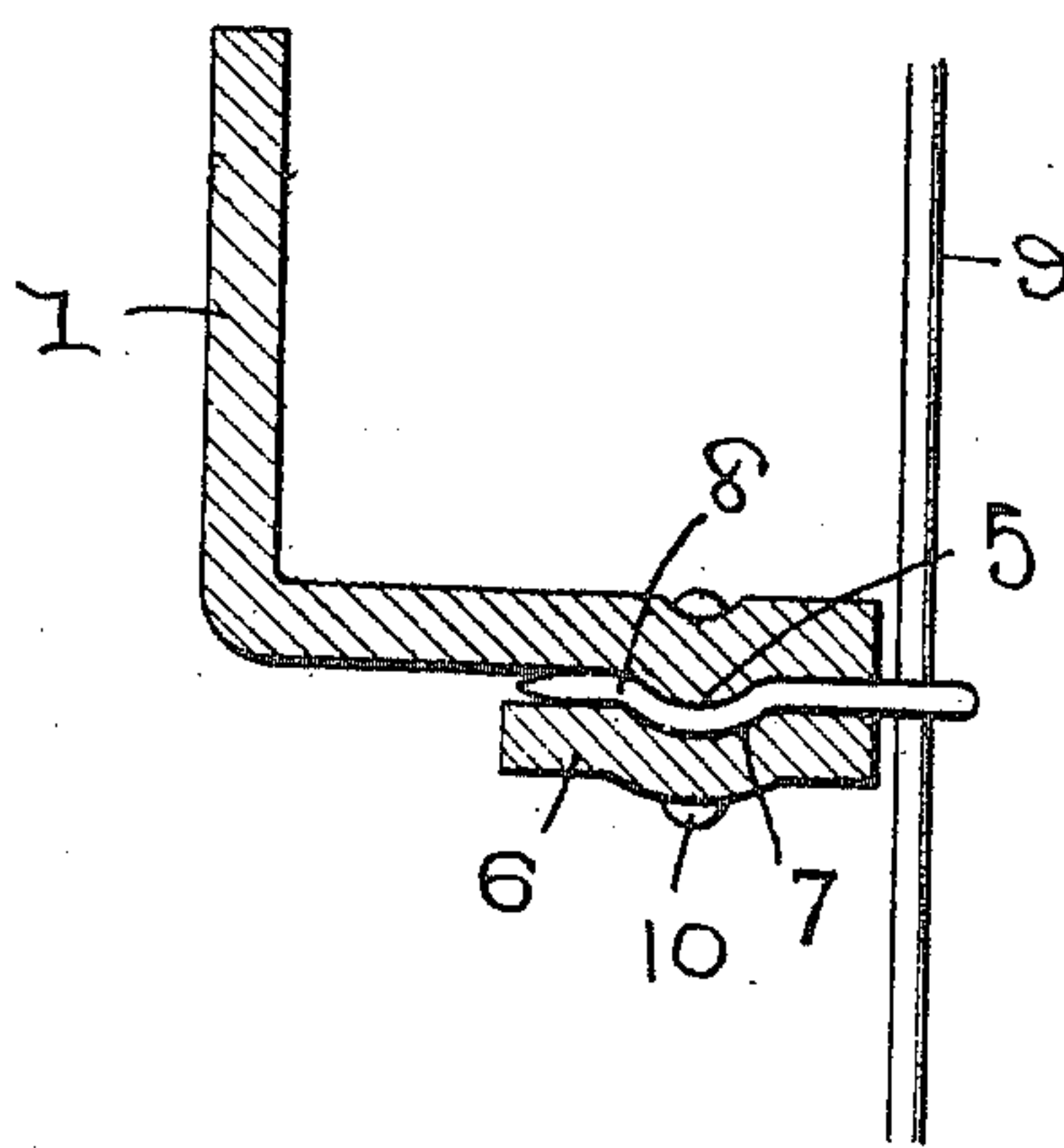


Fig. 2.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, RALPH S. JONES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Goodrich, in the county of Taylor and State of Wisconsin, 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 appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to new and useful improvements in fence post constructions and more particularly to that class constructed of metallic substances and my object is to provide a substantially triangular shaped post, and, a further object is to provide means at one edge of the post for attaching wires thereto.

Other objects and advantages will be hereinafter referred to and more particularly pointed out in the specification and claims.

In the accompanying drawings which are made a part of this application, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the post with the plate applied. Fig. 2 is an enlarged sectional view of the post with the wire attached thereto, and, Fig. 3 is a similar view with the wire removed.

Referring to the drawings in which similar reference numerals designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, 1 indicates the post, which is preferably triangular shaped, and formed of metal, one angle of said post being provided with a rib 5, which is formed by bending outwardly a section of the post and cooperating with the face of the post having the rib thereon is a plate 6, said plate having a longitudinal bent out portion to form a channel 7, which cooperates with the rib on the post. The plate 6 is spaced a sufficient distance from the face of the post to receive a staple 8 or other securing means for the wire 9 and as the staple extends in a circuitous path when driven between the plate and the post, the staple will be securely held in engagement with the post. The plate is secured to the post by means of rivets 10 or

otherwise and the plate is held in its spaced relation with the post by introducing washers 11 between the post and plate, the rivets 10 passing through the washers to hold the same in position.

In applying the wires to this form of post, the staples 8 or other securing means are placed around the wires and the ends of the staples entered into the space between the post and plate and by driving the staple inwardly its full length, the ends of the staples will be forced over the rib 5 and into the channel 7, thereby forming a bend in the staples at a point between their ends. This operation firmly secures the staples to the post, as the curved portion of the staples will prevent the staples from being removed from the space between the post and plate.

These posts can be very cheaply constructed and while extremely light for handling, they are strong and durable in use. It will further be seen that the wires can be quickly applied to the posts and in such manner as to prevent the wires from being casually disengaged therefrom.

What I claim is:—

1. The herein described post construction, comprising the combination with an angular post, one section of which is provided with a longitudinal rib, of a plate having a channel to register with said rib and means independent of said post and plate and introduced between the same to hold said plate in spaced relation with the post.

2. In a post construction, the combination with a post substantially angular in cross section, one angle of the post having a rib, of a plate having a channel adapted to register with said rib, washers to space said plate from the post and means for securing the plate and washers to the post.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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