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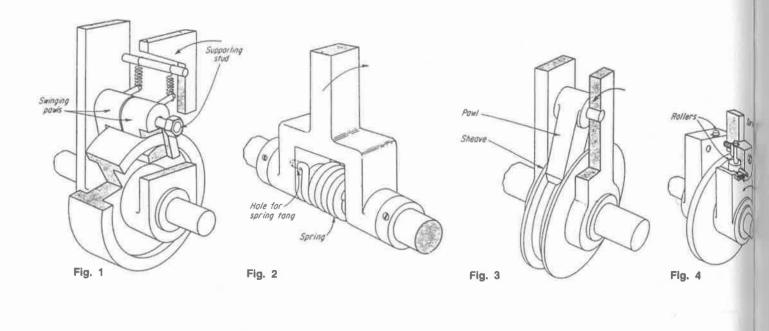
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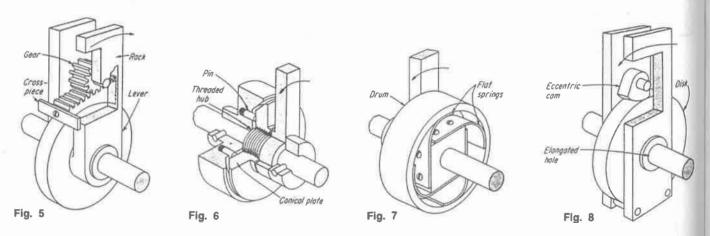
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Ratchets with springs, rollers, and other devices keep motion going one way.





- Fig. 1 Swinging pawls lock on the rim when the lever swings forward, and release on the return stroke. Oversize holes for the supporting stud make sure that both the top and bottom surfaces of the pawls make contact.
- Fig. 2 A helical spring grips the shaft because its inner diameter is smaller than the outer diameter of shaft. During the forward stroke, the spring winds tighter; during the return stroke, it expands.
- Fig. 3 A V-belt sheave is pushed around when pawl wedges in the groove. For a snug fit, the bottom of the pawl is tapered like a V-belt.
- **Fig. 4 Eccentric rollers** squeeze a disk on its forward stroke. On the return stroke, rollers rotate backwards and release their grip. Springs keep the rollers in contact with the disk.
- Fig. 5 A rack is wedge-shaped so that it jams between the rolling gear and the disk, pushing the shaft forward. When the driving lever makes its return stroke, it carries along the unattached rack by the cross-piece.
- Fig. 6 A conical plate moves like a nut back and forth along the threaded center hub of the lever. The light friction of spring-loaded pins keeps the plate from rotating with the hub.
- Fig. 7 Flat springs expand against the inside of a drum when a lever moves one way, but they drag loosely when the lever turns the drum in the opposite direction.
- Fig. 8 An eccentric cam jams against the disk during the motion half of a cycle. Elongated holes in the levers allow the cam to wedge itself more tightly in place.

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