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Fig. 1.

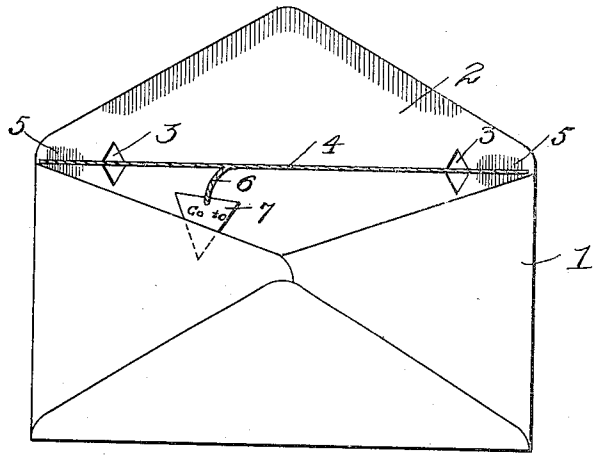
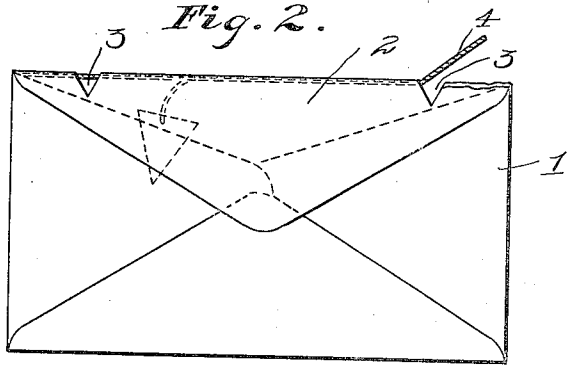


Fig. 2.



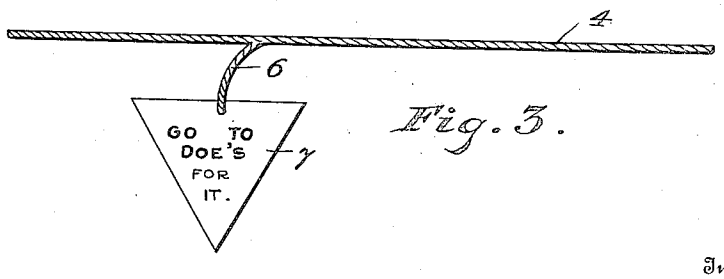


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS LEVY, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of the city of Seattle, in the county of King and State of Washington, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Envelops, of which the following is a specification.

My invention has for its primary object the provision of simple means through the medium of which an envelop can be opened without tearing or mutilating the contents thereof.

A further object resides in the provision of an improvement of this character which can be readily applied to envelops now in common use.

A further object is to provide in conjunction with this envelop opening means an advertising agent which upon opening of the envelop will be drawn out in a manner which will attract the attention of the recipient of the letter.

With the above and other equally desirable objects in view, to be referred to as the description progresses, the invention resides in the construction, arrangement and combinations of parts hereinafter described and succinctly defined in the appended claims.

Referring to the accompanying drawing in which like numerals of reference indicate like parts throughout the several views: Figure 1 is a plan view of an envelop constructed in accordance with my invention, said envelop being open so as to receive the letter or the like. Fig. 2 is a similar view with the closing flap sealed down and the opening cord having had one of its end portions withdrawn as during the primary step in the opening operation, and Fig. 3 is a detail view showing the present invention removed from the envelop.

Referring now to the drawing by numerals of reference 1 indicates the body of an envelop of ordinary form having its upper portion open so that the letter can be inserted, and 2 indicates the sealing flap which is adapted to be folded down and sealed on body 1. Now in carrying out my invention I provide flap 2 on the line of its fold with openings, as 3 so that portions of the cutter cord 4, intermediate its ends will be wholly exposed so as to be readily grasped by the operator. Cutter cord 4 has its end portions, which are arranged within the bounds of the envelop, adhesively secured at 5 on the line of fold of flap 2.

Reference numeral 6 indicates a branch cord serving as a flexible connection for a card 7 intended to receive any desired information or the like which will serve as an advertisement, for example see Fig. 3.

Openings 3 are provided at points in proximity to the end portions of the cutter cord so that when the cord is grasped through either of said openings, the adjacent end portion of the cord can be readily and quickly with drawn and the operator then grasping this free end portion will be enabled to quickly sever the flap 2 on its line of fold.

I preferably provide two openings 3 so that in the event of one being covered by the postage stamp, the other will be plainly in view.

When, by a quick movement the cutter cord is withdrawn, having severed flap 2 as previously described, card 7 is obviously quickly drawn from the envelop and will attract the attention of the operator so that any advertisement thereon will be read or noted by him.

Card 7 can be of any suitable material and of various shapes as will be found in practice to best suit the taste of the advertiser. The cutter cord can also be formed of any suitable material, as is obvious.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. In combination with an envelop provided with an opening, a cutter cord secured in said envelop and extending across the opening thereof so that it can be grasped and pulled to open the envelop, an advertising medium arranged in said envelop, and a flexible means secured to said advertising medium and connected to said cutter cord intermediate the ends thereof, whereby said advertising medium will be withdrawn from said envelop by said cutter cord.

2. In combination with an envelop provided with an opening, a cutter cord secured

in said envelop and extending across the opening thereof, a card arranged in said envelop and being spaced from said cutter cord, and another cord connecting said card to said cutter cord, whereby said card will be withdrawn from said envelop by said cutter cord.

Signed at Seattle, Washington this 5th day of March 1907.

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