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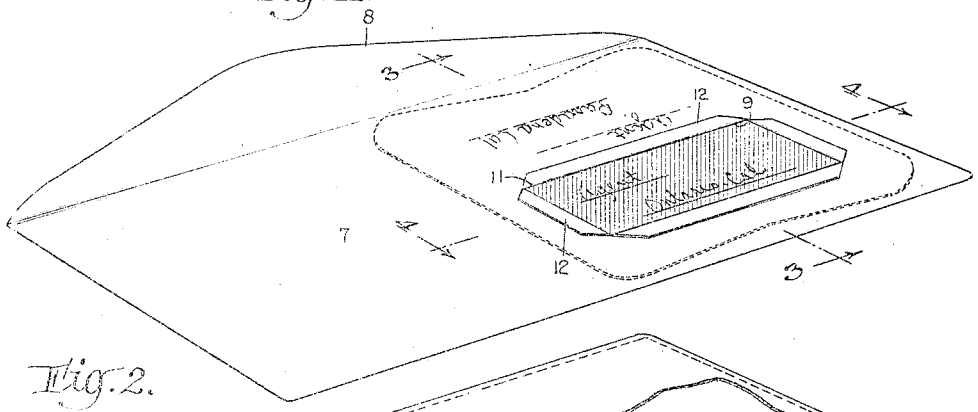


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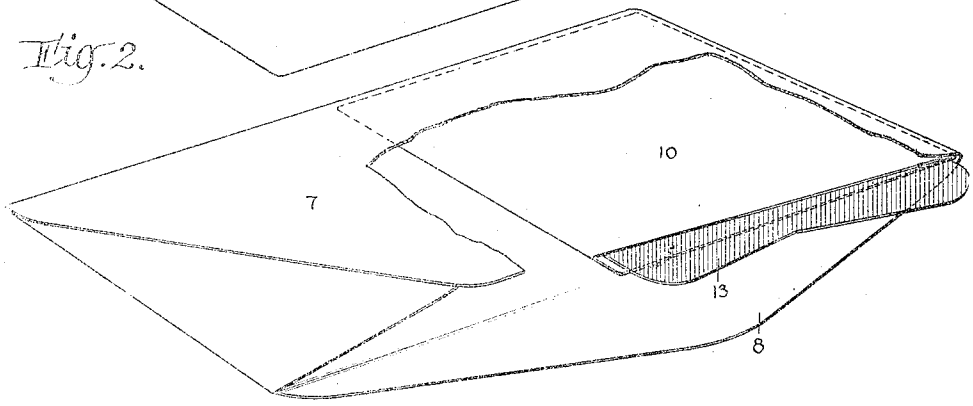


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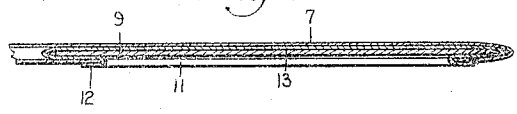


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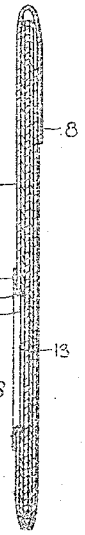


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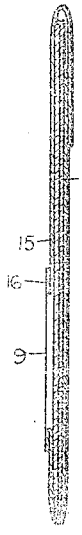
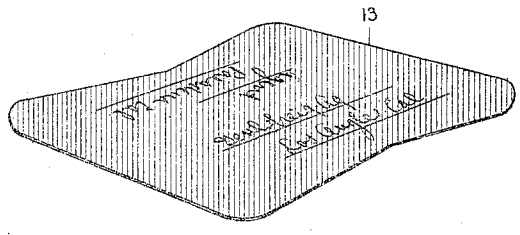


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, GEORGE L. BANKS and OTTO B. KIRKPATRICK, citizens of the United States, and residents of Los Angeles, in the county of Los Angeles and State of California, have invented a new and Improved Envelop, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Our invention relates to envelops for second-class mailing matter and is particularly adaptable for use by business firms having branches in different cities, such for example as railroad companies, insurance companies, etc.; our invention making it possible to use the envelop over and over again.

An object of the invention is to provide a simple, strong and inexpensive envelop which has a pocket for a removable address card.

Another object of the invention is to provide an envelop which has a cut-out in the front thereof for exposing a portion of the card when the same is in the pocket.

A still further object of the invention is to provide an envelop of the class described in which the address card is prevented from dropping out during transit by the closing flap of the envelop.

With the above and other objects in view, the nature of which will more fully appear as the description proceeds, the invention consists in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts as herein fully described, illustrated and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of the application, similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a perspective elevation of an envelop embodying our invention;

Fig. 2 is a similar view of the envelop from the inner face, a portion of the envelop being broken away to show the details of construction, and the address card being partly drawn out;

Fig. 3 is a cross section on line 3—3, Fig. 1;

Fig. 4 is a section on line 4—4, Fig. 1;

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of a mailing card; and

Fig. 6 is a cross section through a modified structure of the envelop.

Our envelop is characterized by the provision of a pocket inside of the envelop for an address card, the front of the pocket reinforcing the front of the envelop, which front is provided with a slot or cut-out for exposing the address card.

Referring to the drawings, 7 is an envelop of standard construction having a closing flap 8. The front section of the envelop has a cut-out or slot 9 through which the address is exposed. A pocket 10 is secured to the inner face of the front section of the envelop by gluing one side of the pocket to the inner face of the envelop. The side of the pocket secured to the front section of the envelop has a cut-out 11 which registers with the cut-out 9. Preferably the borders 12 of the cut-out 11 are folded back on to the outer surface of the front section and glued thereto so as to reinforce the address opening of the envelop. The pocket 10 may be closed at the lower end, as shown in Fig. 3, or left open if so desired. The upper edge of the non-secured side of the pocket preferably conforms to the edge of the rear section of the envelop, the secured side following the fold of the closing flap; in consequence the entrance into the pocket is facilitated due to the spacing between the two edges, as will be seen from Fig. 2.

The address card 13 extends through the entire depth of the pocket. The upper and lower edges of same form very shallow V's, thereby initially only the corners engage the pocket. These corners are also rounded so as to prevent the sticking of the card in the pocket. The card is prevented from falling out of the envelop by the closing flap 8, as the card extends up to the fold of said closing flap. The cut-outs 9 and 11 are placed near the bottom edge of the envelop so that a portion of the lower half of the card is exposed by the cut-outs; in consequence, the same card will accommodate four different addresses, two on each side. This allows the use of the card for four mailings, and the envelop could be used until it is worn out and unsuitable for mailing purposes.

In the modification shown in Fig. 6, the pocket is formed by a section 14 which is glued to the inner surface of the front section of the envelop at the edges of the section 14 which run from the folding flap to the lower edge of the envelop. In such a construction the cut-out or slot 9′ is reinforced at the edges by portions 16 of the front section of the envelop which are folded back onto the front surface of the slot in

a manner similar to that described in regard to Figs. 1 to 5 inclusive.

We claim:

1. In combination with an envelop having a closing flap and a cut-out in the front section, a pocket secured within the envelop having also a cut-out in register with the cut-out in the front section, and a card removable from said pocket and adapted to present an edge to the closing flap of the envelop at the fold of said closing flap.

2. An envelop having a closing flap and a cut-out in the front section near the bottom edge of the envelop, a pocket secured with one side thereof to the inner side of the front section of the envelop, said pocket extending from the bottom edge to the closing flap of the envelop and having a cut-out in register with the cut-out in the front section of the envelop, said pocket being open at the closing flap, the nonsecured side of the pocket having the upper edge thereof cut to conform with the upper edge of the rear section of the envelop so as to facilitate the entrance into the pocket, and an address card adapted to enter the pocket and be retained therein by the closing flap of the envelop.

3. An envelop having a closing flap and a cut-out in the front section near the bottom edge of the envelop, a pocket in said envelop extending from the bottom edge to the closing flap, said pocket being secured with one side to the inner face of the front section, said pocket having a cut-out, the borders of the pocket at the cut-out being folded back on to the outer surface of the front section of the envelop through the cut-out in said front section to reinforce the envelop at the cut-out, and an address card adapted to extend through the entire depth of the pocket, said card being adapted to be retained in the pocket by the closing flap of the envelop.

4. An envelop having a closing flap and a pocket to one side of the envelop extending from the bottom edge to the closing flap of the envelop and accessible from the inside of the envelop at the edge where the closing flap is formed, said envelop having a cut-out in the front thereof which leads into the pocket, and an address card having shallow V-shaped top and bottom edges and rounded corners for facilitating the entrance of the card into the pocket and prevent the sticking of same in the pocket, said card being adapted to extend through the entire depth of the pocket, said closing flap of the envelop retaining said card in the pocket.

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