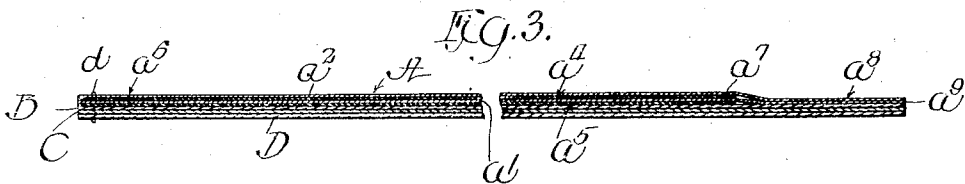
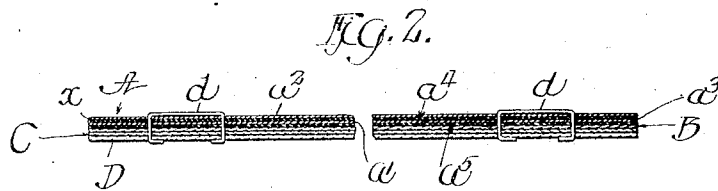
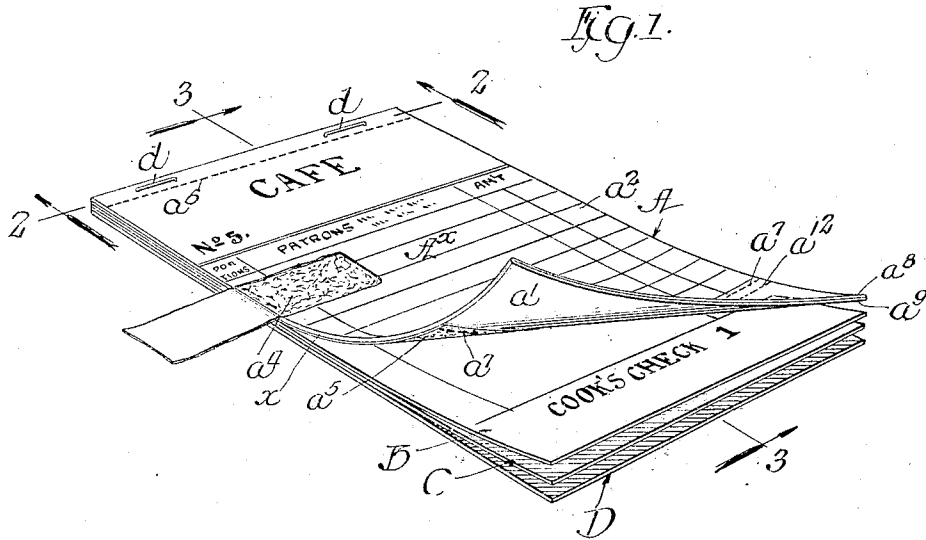


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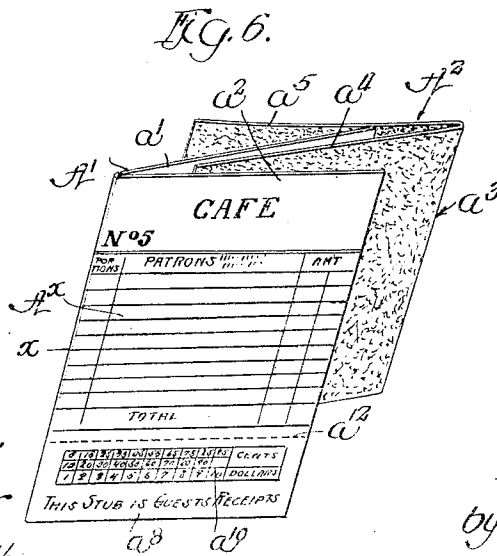
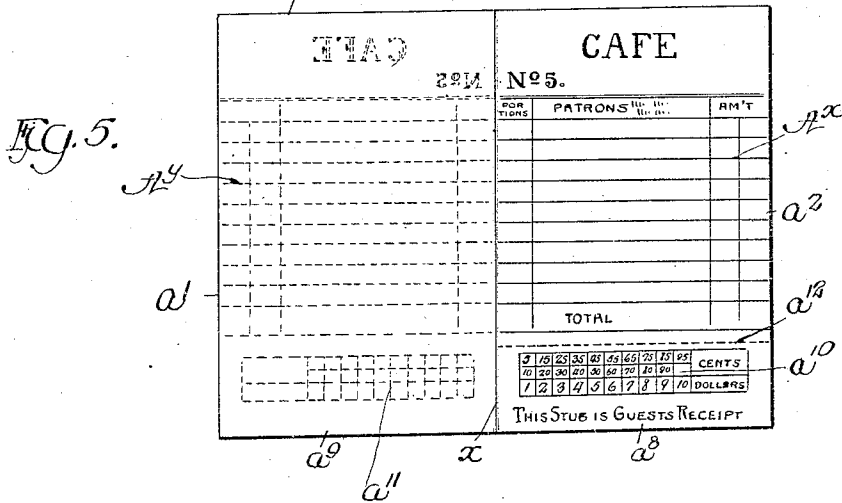
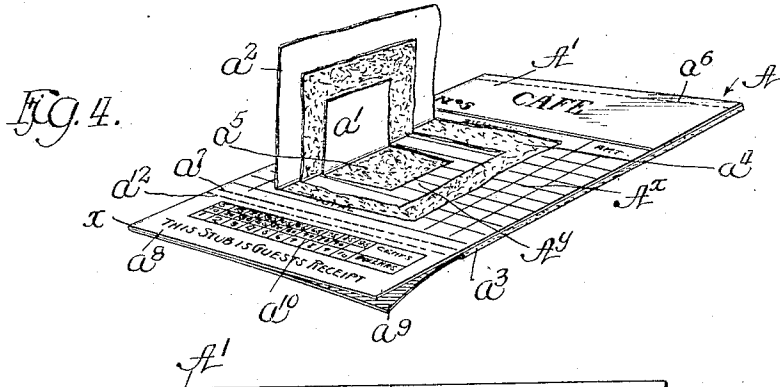
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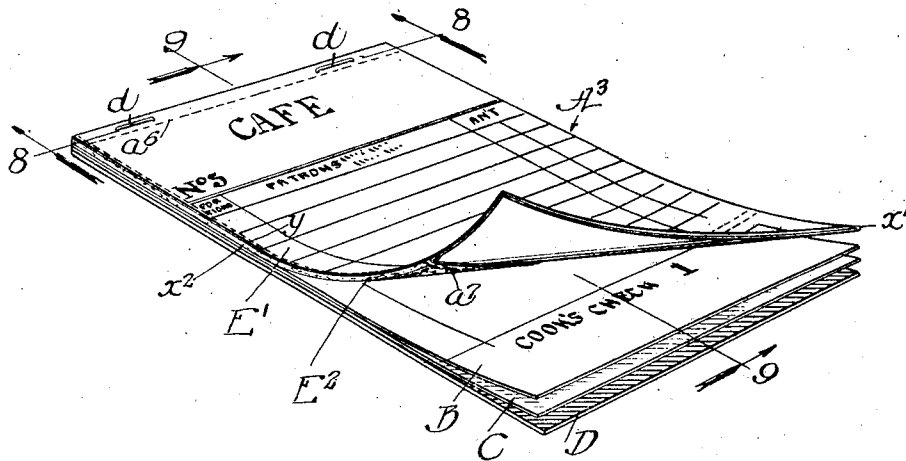


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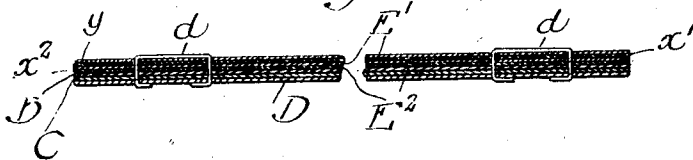
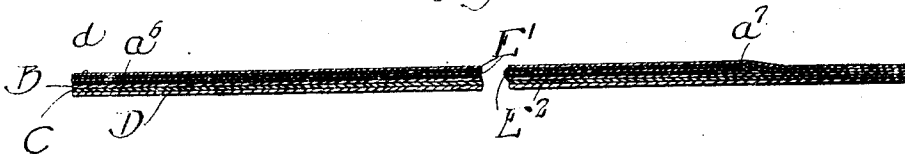


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD Z. LEWIS, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Manifolding Salesmen's Checks; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to a manifolding salesman's check and the object of the invention is to provide a check constructed in such a way that it is not only adapted for the production of the usual original and carbon copies of the same, but is also adapted to produce in inscribing the original bill an indestructible record of the bill which cannot be tampered with without detection and upon which will be reproduced whatever is written upon the original bill including any changes or alterations made thereon.

The invention relates to the same kind of salesman's check as that shown and described in Letters Patent No. 972,551, issued to me on October 11th, 1910, and, as shown and described herein, is applied to a check for meal service and more particularly to the checks used on dining cars. In said check form there is provided an original check upon which the order is written, two or more cook's checks underlying said original check, upon which carbon impressions are made of what is written on the bill, and a backer or card to which all of the parts are attached. Means are provided between the original check and the cook's checks to produce carbon impressions on the latter, and after the order is written on the original the carbon copy of the same is torn out and sent to the cook. In case additional orders are written there remains another cook's check or slip which will receive a carbon reproduction of what is added to the bill. After this is detached the total is written on the original which is reproduced on the card.

The invention relates specifically to the construction of the original check.

In the drawings:—Figure 1 shows my improved check with parts torn away or turned up to disclose the underlying sheets.

Fig. 2 is a section through the check on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the original check showing parts torn away. Fig. 5 is a plan view of the sheet containing the original check, before it is folded. Fig. 6 is a perspective view illustrating the manner in which the carbon sheet is interfolded with the sheet containing the original check. Fig. 7 is a perspective view illustrating a modified form of the check. Fig. 8 is a section through the check shown in Fig. 7 on the line 8—8 thereof. Fig. 9 is a section on the line 9—9 of Fig. 7.

Referring now to that embodiment of my invention illustrated in Figs. 1 to 6, inclusive, A is the original check as a whole; B, C, the duplicate checks which are herein referred to as cook's checks; and D, the cardboard backer to which said several checks are attached. As illustrated in the drawings, each of the checks is printed as usual with any desired items and with such other printed matter as is called for by the particular use to which the check is to be put.

The original check A is a composite check and comprises a sheet A¹ containing an original and a record check and an interfolded carbon sheet A². The strip or sheet of paper A¹ (see Fig. 5), in one direction, is equal to the height of the check and in a direction at right angles thereto is equal to twice the width of the check. Said sheet is divided into two sections α^1 α^2 which are defined by means of a line of perforations or of score marks α to permit the ready folding of one section upon the other. Upon the obverse side of one section, the right hand section α^2 as shown in the drawings, is printed an original check form A^x, while upon the reverse side of the other section α^1 , that is to say upon the side of the sheet A¹ opposite the side upon which the original check form appears, is printed a duplicate copy or record A^y of the original check, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 5, this form being arranged so that when the section α^1 is folded under the section α^2 , the original check and duplicate check will register with each other.

With the sheet A¹ is interfolded a carbon sheet A² (see Figs. 4 and 6) having a carbon surface on both sides. Said carbon sheet is folded along a longitudinal median

line a^3 to form sections a^4, a^5 , each of which is of substantially the width of the sections a^1, a^2 of the sheet A^1 and of a length somewhat less than that of said sections a^1, a^2 .
 5 When interfolded with the sheet A^1 , the section a^4 of the carbon sheet A^2 lies between the sections a^1 and a^2 of the sheet A^1 , while the section a^5 of the carbon sheet lies beneath the section a^2 of said sheet A^1 . After
 10 being interfolded as described, the sheet A^1 and the carbon sheet A^2 are permanently stitched together along the top and bottom of the printed form A^x as indicated at a^6, a^7 . The original check A and the two duplicate
 15 checks B, C are then secured to the card backer D by means of staples d, d , or in any other convenient manner.

It will be apparent that in the assembled manifolding check the carbon sheet section
 20 a^5 , which is on the underside of the original check A , will, in the first instance, come in contact with the uppermost cook's check B and, after said cook's check is detached, in contact with the one next underneath it,
 25 C , and that when this is torn out, said carbon section comes in contact with the card or backer D .

As shown herein, the sections a^1 and a^2 of the folded sheet A^1 are provided below
 30 the forms A^x, A^y with parts a^8, a^9 which extend below the carbon sheet sections a^4, a^5 and upon which are printed punch checks a^{10}, a^{11} printed with items of dollars and cents. The part a^8 containing the punch
 35 check a^{10} is made detachable from the composite check A by means of a line of perforations a^{12} , and after the composite check has been punched to indicate the total amount of the bill, this part a^8 is detached
 40 and handed to the purchaser as a receipt. The amount punched is indicated on the punch check a^{11} which remains attached to the record check section a^1 .

The advantages of my improved manifolding salesman's check are apparent from
 45 the above description. An unalterable record of whatever is written on the original section is produced on the record check section. It is impossible to get at this record
 50 check section to alter or change any item without tearing the check along the stitching lines.

In the check above described the only way
 55 that the check might be tampered with would be by inserting a card between the original check section and the record check section which would prevent the items written on the original check section from being
 60 duplicated on the record check section. This would be of little moment, however, for the reason that it would also prevent the order from being duplicated on the cook's check. Nevertheless, in order to prevent such a possibility I provide the modification illustrated
 65 in Figs. 7 to 9. In this construction the

composite check A^3 is made as before by interfolding a sheet E^1 with a carbon sheet E^2 , and the printing and arrangement of the parts are in every way the same as in the case first described, except that the fold line
 70 x^1 of the sheet E^1 is located on the right, and the fold line x^2 of the carbon sheet, on the left. The two sheets are then permanently stitched together by a vertical line of stitching y which connects the top and bottom
 75 lines of stitching a^6, a^7 . This permanently incloses the record sheet on all sides and prevents the insertion of a card to prevent the order written on the original check section from being reproduced on the record check
 80 section. By arranging the fold lines of the sheet E^1 and of the carbon sheet E^2 in the manner described, the vertical line of stitching is located on the left so as not to come within the column in which the items of cost
 85 of the articles ordered are written.

I claim as my invention:—

1. A manifolding salesman's check comprising, in combination with a suitable
 90 backer and one or more detachable duplicate check forms, a composite check consisting of a single piece of paper folded to form an outer original check section and record check section lying beneath said
 95 original check section, and a carbon sheet interfolded with said check forming sheet, having one section located between said original and record check sections, and a second section located beneath said record
 100 check section, the parts of said composite check including said original and record check sections and said interfolded carbon sheet being permanently stitched together at the top and bottom thereof, and means
 105 for securing said checks to said backer.

2. A manifolding salesman's check comprising, in combination with a suitable
 110 backer and one or more detachable duplicate check forms, a composite check consisting of a single piece of paper folded to form an outer original check section and a record check section lying beneath said
 115 original check section, and a carbon sheet interfolded with said check forming sheet, having one section located between said original and record check sections, and a second section located beneath said record
 120 check section, the parts of said composite check being permanently stitched together at the top and bottom thereof, and along the side margin formed by the free edges of said sheet.

3. A composite record check comprising a sheet of paper folded in two sections, an
 125 original check section and a record check section, and a carbon sheet folded in two sections, said sheet of paper and carbon sheet being interfolded with a carbon section between said original and record sections and a carbon section under said record
 130 section.

check section, the parts of said composite check being permanently stitched together at the top and bottom thereof.

4. A composite record check comprising a
5 sheet of paper folded in two sections, an
original check section and a record check
section, and a carbon sheet folded in two
sections, said sheet of paper and carbon
sheet being interfolded with a carbon sec-
10 tion between said original and record sec-
tions and a carbon section under said record
check section, the parts of said composite
check being permanently stitched together
at the top and bottom and along the side
15 margin formed by the free edges of said
sheet.

5. A manifolding salesman's check com-
prising, in combination, a suitable backer
and one or more detachable duplicate check
20 forms, a composite check consisting of a
single piece of paper folded to form an
outer original check section and a record

check section lying beneath said original
check section, transferring means inter-
posed between said original check section 25
and said record check section, and transfer-
ring means interposed between said record
check section and said detachable duplicate
check forms, said composite check includ-
ing said original and record check sections 30
and said transferring means being perma-
nently stitched together at the top and bot-
tom and along the side margin formed by
the free edges of said folded sheet, and
means for securing said several parts to 35
said backer.

In testimony, that I, claim the foregoing
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