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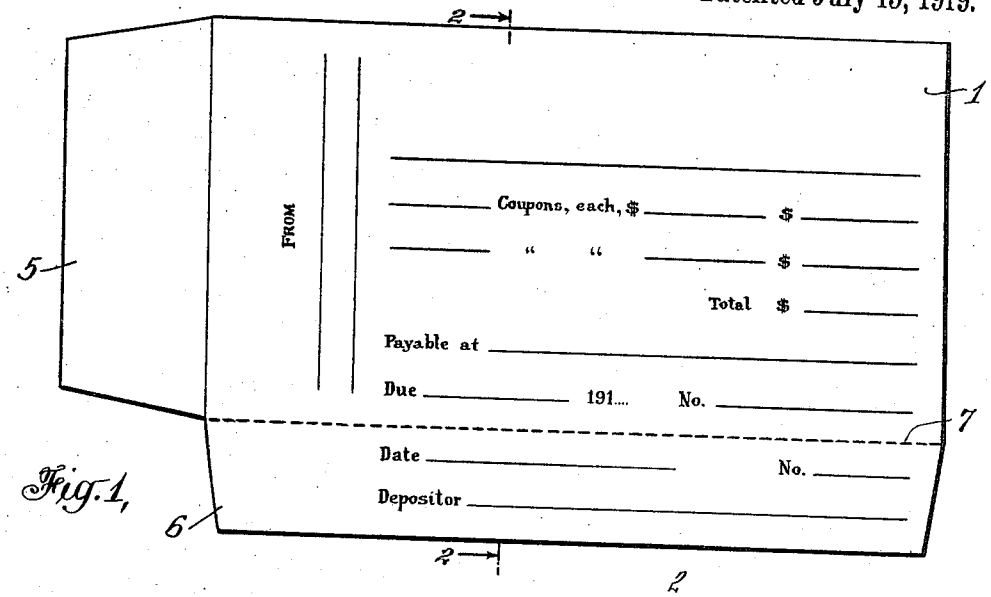


Fig. 1,

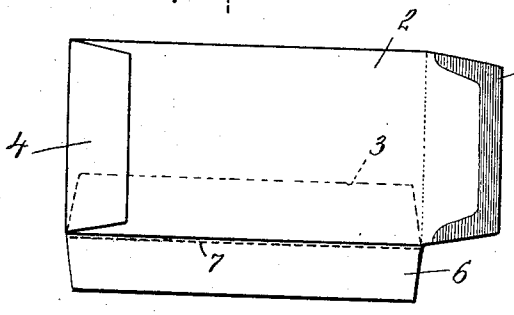
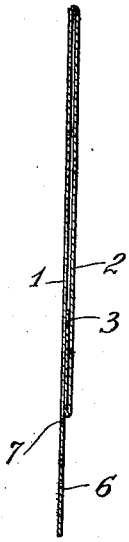


Fig. 2,

Fig. 3,



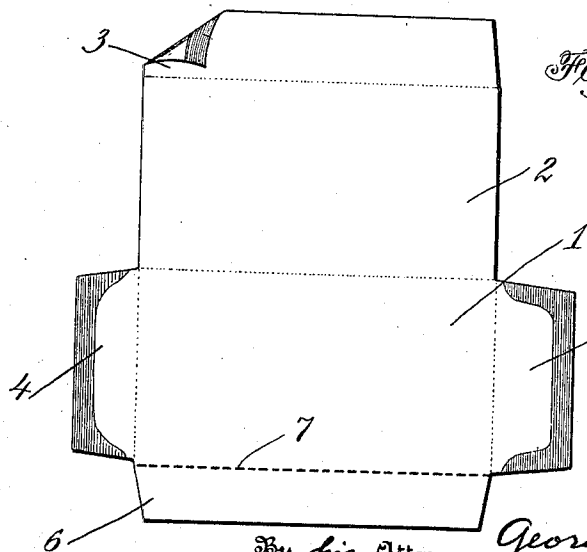


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE F. HOGAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook, State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Coupon-Envelops; 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.

The present invention relates to improvements in envelops; and it resides in the provision of an article of the class or character indicated which is designed for use in banking transactions involving deposits of interest-bearing coupons and the like, and which is furnished, to that end with a coupon portion which may be printed and numbered at the same operation as the printing and numbering on the face of the envelop, this coupon portion being detachable from the envelop, after the latter has been filled, without impairing either the usefulness or the appearance of the envelop, and constituting a permanent memorandum of the deposit indicated upon the envelop, the depositor thereof, and the date of deposit, etc.

According to the invention, the blank from which the envelop is constructed comprises front and back portions or members of equal size, the front member being provided with a pair of end flaps which are foldable rearwardly against the outer face of the back member to close the envelop at its ends. Both members are formed along one edge with continuations or flaps; the one on the back member being adapted to be folded inwardly and pasted against the inner face of the front member to fasten the two members together, while the one on the latter member is designed to receive the printing above referred to and is rendered easily severable from the said front member along the junction line therebetween, owing to the provision of perforations or scoring at such point.

The accompanying drawing discloses one form which the invention may take in actual practice, and which, for all present purposes, may be regarded as preferred; but it is to be understood that no limitation to the precise details embodied in said form is contemplated excepting in so far as may be expressly recited in the invention as subsequently claimed.

In said drawing:

Figure 1 is a front view of the envelop;

Fig. 2 is a transverse section thereof, on line 2—2, Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a back view of Fig. 1, on a reduced scale; and

Fig. 4 is a plan view of the envelop blank, on the same scale as Fig. 3.

The improved envelop is constructed from a paper blank of suitable size, and, as shown in Fig. 4, comprises primarily a pair of rectangular members 1 and 2, having equal dimensions, and a pair of end flaps 4 and 5. The members 1 and 2 constitute, respectively, the front and back of the envelop, the two flaps 4 and 5 being formed on the member first mentioned and serving to close the envelop at its bottom and top, for which purpose their inner faces are coated with gum or other adhesive.

The rear member or back 2 is provided at its free longitudinal edge with a flap 3, and the front member 1 with a similar flap 6, these flaps being of substantially the same width, and extending the entire length of the respective members on which they are formed; but whereas there is no line of demarcation between the parts 2 and 3, the parts 1 and 6 are separated by a line of perforations or scoring, as indicated at 7, so that this flap may be readily detached from the envelop by tearing along the line indicated.

The outer faces of the front member 1 and its flap 6 are designed to receive certain printing thereon, and to be similarly numbered, as has already been stated; and since the said flap and member constitute continuations of each other and initially occupy a common plane, the printing and numbering on both of them can be effected at one and the same operation, thereby facilitating such operation, as well as reducing both its cost and the time which it consumes. In the construction illustrated, the front of the envelop is marked with spaces to be filled in with the number of coupons which the envelop contains, their individual and total values, the place and date of payment, and

the serial number of the envelop; while the detachable flap has spaces printed on it to receive the name of the depositor, the date of the deposit, and the serial number borne by the envelop.

In making up the envelop, the flap 3 is first folded over against the inner face of the rear member 2, after which the latter is folded against the front member 1, and the said flap 3 then secured thereto, its outer face having been coated with an adhesive substance for that purpose. The flap 4 is next folded over and pasted against the member 2, thereby closing the envelop at one end; the other end flap 5 being left open to permit the insertion of the coupons in the envelop, after which it is folded over and pasted in place similarly to the flap 4, completing the closing of the envelop. The marked spaces on the front member 1, and the flap 6 may be filled in at any desired time, either before or after the envelop has been sealed; but in any case, the said flap is torn off, after having been filled in, forming a coupon which gives a permanent record or memorandum of the deposit indicated upon the envelop.

I claim as my invention:

An envelop consisting of a single blank of sheet material, comprising a front member, a rear member of the same size and shape folded against the front member, a gummed flap distinct from the rear member but integral therewith extending along the entire bottom edge thereof and folded inwardly between the two members and fastened against the inner face of the front member so as to secure said members together, end flaps at opposite ends of one of said members folded against the outer face of the other member, and a record coupon distinct from but integral with the front member and extending along the entire bottom edge of that member, said coupon being detachable from the front member, when desired, to serve as a permanent memorandum of the envelop and its contents; substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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