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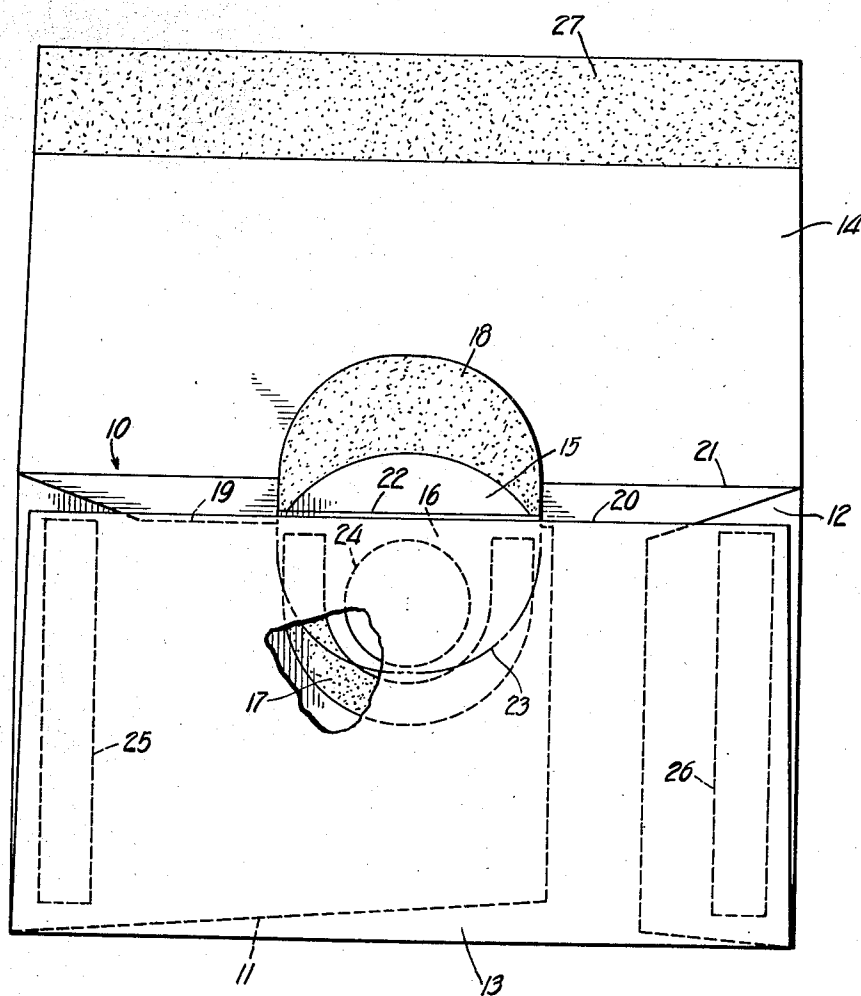
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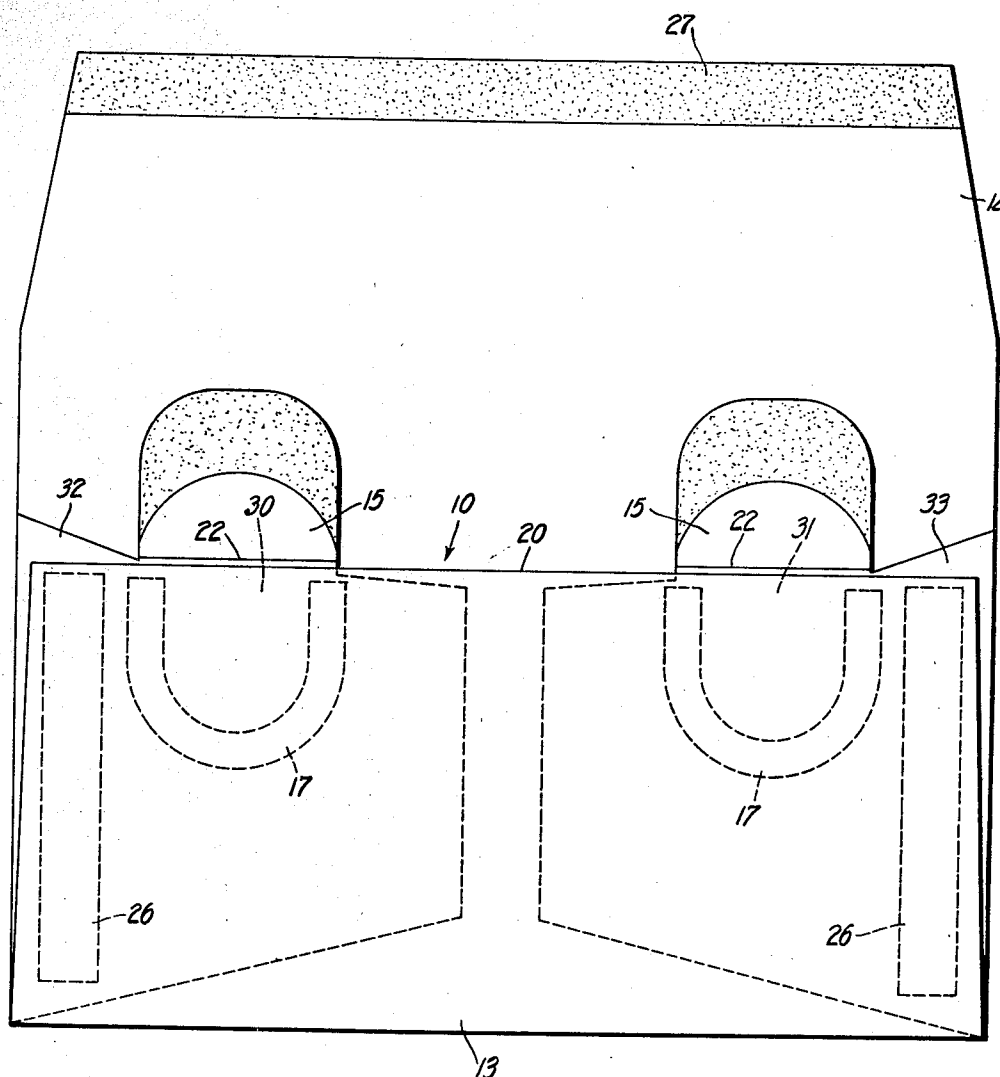
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Fig. 2.



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The present invention relates generally to envelopes and is more particularly directed to envelopes of the type having one or more pockets to receive and hold a coin or the like.

It is the object of the present invention to provide an envelope of this type made of a unitary blank and having sealing flaps for the coin receiving pockets, such pockets being further concealed by the customary sealing flap.

Other objects and advantages of the present invention will become apparent to persons skilled in the art from the following specification and the accompanying drawings, which illustrate two embodiments of the present invention. Other structural modifications falling within the scope of the appended claims will become apparent to persons skilled in the art.

In the drawings—

Fig. 1 shows a form of the invention provided with one coin receiving pocket; and

Fig. 2 shows a form of the invention provided with two coin receiving pockets.

The envelopes shown herein are employed for receiving and transmitting a letter or the like and also to receive and transmit one or more coins. More specifically, the pockets are designed to receive a quarter, and where the letter is to be accompanied by fifty cents the form shown in Fig. 2 is preferably employed with instructions that a quarter be inserted in each pocket.

The envelope consists of a main body portion 10, having end flaps 11 and 12, bottom flap 13, and top sealing flap 14. The end flap 12 is relatively narrow and is only wide enough to be attached to one end of the bottom flap. The end flap 11 extends considerably over the center line of the envelope and is provided with the integral pocket flap 15. The coin receiving pocket 16 is formed between the end flap 11 and the bottom flap 13 by means of the U-shaped gummed area 17 applied on the face of the flap 11 below the sealing flap 15, which is also provided with a gummed area 18 for sealing the coin pocket 16. The upper edge 19 of the flap 11 preferably extends slightly below the upper edge 20 of the bottom flap, and both edges 19 and 20 are disposed substantially below the crease score line 21 which folds the top sealing flap 14. The score line 22 which folds the sealing flap 15 is disposed slightly above the edge 20 of the bottom flap. This greatly facilitates the operation involved. The small sealing flap 15 is large enough to substantially cover the entire pocket area as indicated by line 23 which indicates the folded and sealed position of this flap and circle 24 indicates

the position assumed by the coin, as a quarter, and showing that it is completely enclosed and concealed in this pocket.

Gummed areas 25 and 26 hold the bottom flap attached to the end flaps and gummed area 27 serves to seal the main pocket of the envelope.

In the manufacture of the envelope, the blank is first cut to shape and scored. The end flaps are then folded over and all the gummed areas 17, 18, 25, 26, and 27 may then be applied in one operation. The areas 25, 26 may be applied to the end flaps or to the bottom flap as desired. The bottom flap is then folded over and caused to adhere to the end flaps by the gummed areas 17, 25 and 26.

In use the coins are inserted in the pocket. The coin will enter the pocket and while substantially filling the pocket, it does not project from the pocket and does not interfere with its sealing. The flap 15 is sealed in position, indicated by line 23. The fact that the score line 22 is above and slightly spaced from the edge 20 of the bottom flap permits the sealing to be effective in holding the coin in the pocket and practically eliminates any sliding of the coin, thereby eliminating the danger of the coin breaking through the edge of the pocket. When the flap 14 is sealed, the coin pocket is further covered and protected.

In the form shown in Fig. 2, the two coin pockets 30 and 31 are formed one in each end flap. In this form, therefore, the end flaps 32 and 33 are of substantially the same size and shape and each extends well over the body 10 of the envelope without, however, reaching the center of the envelope. Each end flap has the U-shaped gummed area 17, which causes adhesion between the bottom flap 13 and the end flaps, thus forming the coin receiving pockets. The sealing flaps 15 here are integral with the end flaps and have the score lines 22 spaced from the upper edge 20 of the bottom flap. Except for having two coin pockets and the attendant differences in the construction and arrangement of the end flaps, the construction of this envelope is the same as the envelope shown in Fig. 1, and the same reference characters are employed to designate the same elements. The manner in which this envelope is made and used is obvious from the previous description of the single pocket envelope.

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

1. An envelope comprising a body portion, a

pair of end flaps folded into contact with the body portion and having their adjacent ends spaced apart, a bottom flap covering said end flaps, and gummed to said end flaps on its ends, a U-shaped gummed area between said bottom flap and one of said end flaps, forming a coin receiving pocket therebetween, said end flap having an integral sealing flap for said pocket, and a sealing flap for said envelope provided with a gummed area along its marginal portion adapted for securement to said bottom flap.

2. An envelope comprising a body portion, a pair of end flaps folded over the body portion and having a combined length less than that of the body portion, a bottom flap covering said end flaps and gummed to said end flaps at its ends, thereby forming a main pocket between the body portion on one side and together with end flaps on the other side, the upper edges of said end flaps and bottom flap being disposed below the upper edge of said body portion, one of the end flaps having a U-shaped gummed area on its face in contact with the bottom flap, thereby forming a coin pocket therebetween, said end flap having a gummed sealing flap for said coin pocket extending upwardly therefrom, and a sealing flap for said main pocket serving when sealed to conceal the coin pocket and its sealing flap.

3. An envelope comprising a body portion, an end flap folded over said body portion from each end thereof having their ends spaced from each other, a bottom flap covering said end flaps and gummed to said end flaps at its ends, thereby forming a main pocket between the body portion

on one side and the bottom and end flaps on the other side, each of the end flaps having a U-shaped gummed area connecting intermediate portions of said bottom flap with said end flaps to form coin pockets, each of said end flaps having a sealing flap extending from the upper edge of its coin pocket, and a sealing flap for said main pocket serving when sealed to cover the said coin pockets and their sealing flaps.

4. An envelope comprising a body panel, a pair of end flaps folded over the body panel and having a combined length less than that of the body panel, an elongated gummed area formed on the rear surface of each of said end flaps extending parallel and adjacent to its fold line, a U-shaped gummed area formed on the rear surface of at least one of said end flaps, a bottom flap secured to said body panel and adapted to cover said elongated gummed areas and said U-shaped gummed area whereby to form a coin receiving pocket, said one end flap having an integral sealing flap for said pocket provided with a gummed area along the upper marginal portion of its rear surface and a main sealing flap secured to the upper edge of said body panel having a gummed area extending along the upper marginal portion thereof and adapted to cover said coin receiving pocket when folded into contact with said bottom flap.

5. An envelope as set forth in claim 4 in which the sealing flap for said pocket substantially covers the entire pocket.

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