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SEAL PRESS IDENTIFICATION

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Fig. 1.

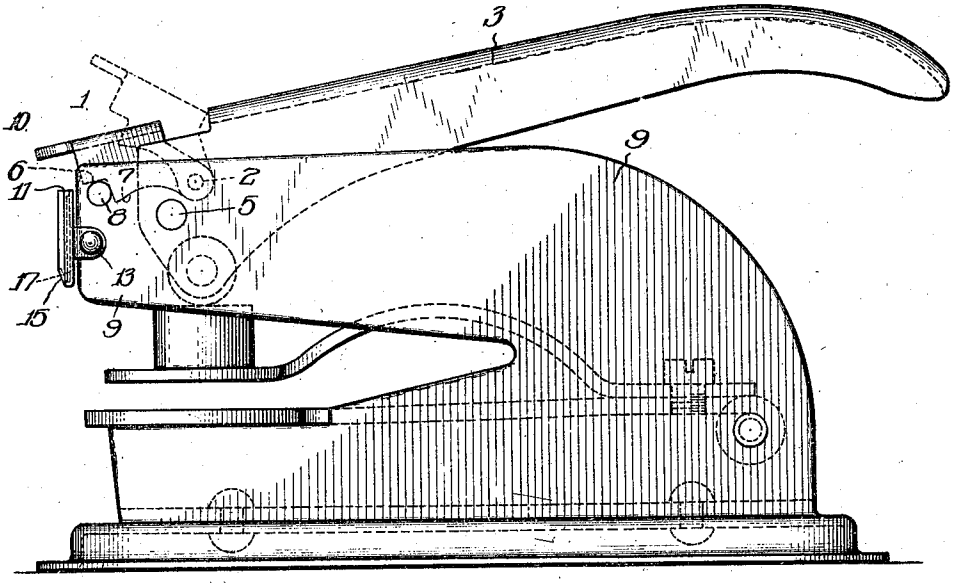


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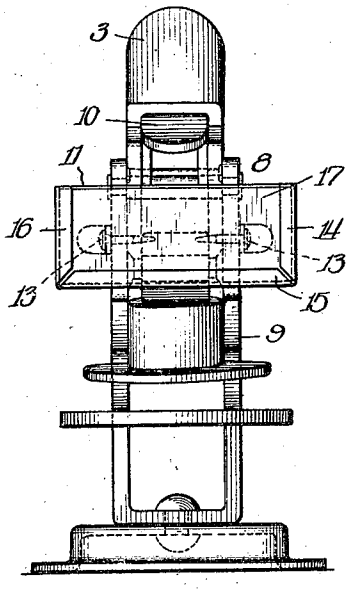


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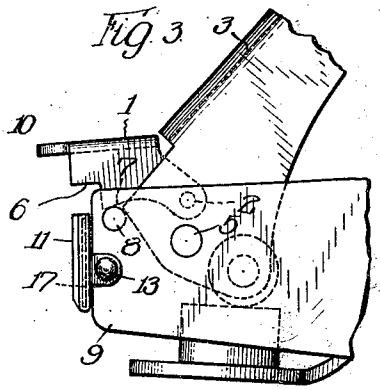
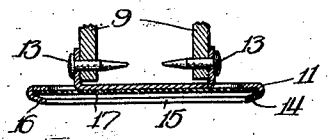


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARSHALL H. JACKSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Seal-Press Identification, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates generally to impression seals and the like, but more particularly to a seal press characterized by the inclusion of identification means for indicating the nature or subject of the legend which the seal is formed to print or emboss.

The general purpose of the invention is the provision of identification means in association with a seal press. The custom among persons dealing in seal presses is to purchase them in large quantities and it is an object of this invention to provide means whereby the handling of seals by dealers may be facilitated. This invention approaches the problem by making the character of the die or the legend thereof ascertainable without operating the seal.

Another object is the provision of identification means in association with the seal press which will readily permit of changes to accord with changes in the impression dies, which may be replaced at any time without disturbing the label holder or operating parts of the seal, which will be so related to the seal as to be prominent but unobtrusive, and so arranged in association with certain elements of the press that the latter will coact with the holder to retain the identifying member within the holder.

Specifically the invention provides identification means for seal presses of the type shown in Patent No. 1,346,150 of May 13, 1920 to which reference is made for a detailed description of the mechanism and operation of the parts related to or associated with the identification means provided by this invention.

In the accompanying drawing I have shown in Fig. 1 a side elevation of the seal press with the operating handle secured in depressed position by the locking dog, and, in dotted lines, the position of the locking dog when raised to release the operating handle.

Fig. 2 is a front view illustrating the arrangement of the identification means.

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary side view showing the normal position and relation of the handle and locking dog when the handle is raised; and

Fig. 4 illustrates the preferred manner of attaching the identification frame or holder to the seal press.

Referring to the drawings the numeral 1 designates the locking dog of the seal press fulcrumed at 2 between the flanged side walls of the operating lever or handle 3, said operating lever being fulcrumed upon a pintle 5 between the cheeks of the jaw 9. The locking dog is provided with shoulders 6 and 7 which abut against the jaw connecting bar 8. The shoulder 6 holds the lever in locked position or closed when abutting against the connecting bar, the shoulder 7 limiting the upward swing of the lever when the dog is raised and out of locking position. The dog is provided with a finger piece 10 for convenience in handling.

A frame or holder 11 is attached to the spaced cheeks of the jaw 9 by rivets 13 or other suitable means, the frame being provided with marginal grooves 14, 15 and 16, formed preferably by bending the side and bottom edges back toward the front face of the frame. The frame as thus constituted forms a pocket open at the top and at the front, adapted to receive a flat identification member or tag 17. This tag may consist of a sheet of paper, cardboard or the like properly inscribed, or it may consist of a metal sheet or plate suitably embossed, engraved or otherwise marked to denote the legend of the seal. The holder 11 is attached to the jaw 9 in such relation to the locking dog 1 that the forward portion and finger piece 10 of the latter overlie and form a closure for the upper open side of the holder and effectively retain the identifying tag 17 within the holder under all conditions of handling and use to which the seal press is subjected and put.

It will be observed that the tag will be retained in the holder even when the dog is unlocked and raised because the release and consequent upward movement of the lever swings the dog forward and projects the shoulder 6 across the vertical plane of the holder. Removal and replacement of the identifying member may be easily effected by merely unlocking the dog, depressing the operating lever and slipping the tag out or in.

This is the only way the identifying member or tag may be inserted or removed with-

out destroying it. It is unnecessary in removing or replacing the tag to open the marginal pockets of the holder, or to remove or replace the holder. Changes in the identifying tag may then be made as often as may be desired.

I claim:

1. The combination with an impression seal having an operating handle and a locking dog at the forward end of the handle, of a holder open at the top and an identification tag adapted to fit in said holder, the holder being positioned directly under the locking dog and in such relation thereto that the dog will retain the tag within the holder.

2. The combination with a seal press having an adjustable member projecting at the front of the frame, of a tag holder arranged at the front of the frame and cooperating with the adjustable member to retain the tag.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name.

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