This invention relates to a pocket envelope for receiving and retaining travel tickets and baggage checks and to a baggage identification means for use with the said envelope. It is the usual custom for the ticket agent such as an airline agent to deliver the travel ticket to the buyer in an envelope and when the user's baggage is checked in at the terminal the baggage checks are also placed in the envelope or attached thereto by means of pins. The following description is a time-consuming operation and there is no assurance that the baggage checks will be in place at the termination of the flight.

The principal object of this invention is to provide a ticket envelope and a baggage check for use in combination with the envelope which will eliminate the time usually required for attaching the checks to the envelope and which will safely assure that the checks will be immediately available at the termination of the flight.

Another object of the invention is to provide a baggage identification strip which can be instantly and permanently attached to the piece of baggage and which will provide a baggage check which will instantly adhere to the airline ticket envelope.

A further object is to provide a ticket envelope which will enable the ticket to be swung aside for viewing without removing it from the envelope.

Other objects and advantages reside in the detail construction of the invention, which is designed for simplicity, economy, and efficiency. These will become more apparent from the following description.

In the following detailed description of the invention, reference is had to the accompanying drawings which forms a part hereof. Like numerals refer to like parts in all views of the drawing and throughout the description.

In the drawing:

FIG. 1 illustrates the improved airline ticket envelope in its folded condition;

FIG. 2 illustrates the envelope of FIG. 1 opened to expose the interior thereof;

FIG. 3 shows the reverse face or front of a baggage identification strip as used in this invention;

FIG. 4 illustrates the reverse face or back of the strip of FIG. 3;

FIG. 5 illustrates the envelope opened to expose a typical ticket and a plurality of the improved baggage checks in place therein; and

FIG. 6 is a perspective view illustrating the appearance of the baggage identification strip of FIG. 3 as it would appear when applied to a piece of baggage.

This invention employs two cooperating elements, to wit, an envelope and a baggage identification strip. The envelope comprises a paper blank cut in a shape to form a front flap 11, a side flap 12, and a bottom flap 13. The front flap corresponds in size to the back portion 10 and is foldable thereover along a vertical fold line 16. The bottom flap 13 is folded upwardly over the back portion 10 along a horizontal fold line 14. The side flap 12 is of less height than the back portion 10 and is folded inwardly over the folded back portion 13 along a vertical fold line 15 and adhesively secured to the bottom flap 13 to form a ticket pocket which is open at the top and also open along the side thereof adjacent the vertical fold line 16. An adhesive band 17 of pressure responsive adhesive such as a dry latex gum or other pressure-responsive gumming composition is applied to the envelope blank preferably on the inside surface of the front flap 11, as shown in FIG. 2.

The improved baggage identification strip, illustrated in FIGS. 3 and 4, comprises an elongated, relatively stiff paper strip divided into two loop portions 18 and 19 and a baggage check 21. Fold lines 20 are preferably indented into the strip between the loop portions 18 and 19 and a scored or perforated tear line 22 joins the baggage check 21 to one of the loop portions. The loop portion 19 carries an identification number, such as indicated at 23, and the baggage check 21 carries a corresponding identification number, as indicated at 24. A dry pressure adhesive area 25 is applied to the back of the portion 18 and a dry pressure adhesive area 26 is applied to the back of the loop portion 19. The adhesive areas 25 and 26 are applied adjacent the extremities of the loop portions distant from the fold lines 20. A third dry pressure adhesive area 27 is applied to the back of the baggage check 21. The adhesive areas 25 and 26 are continuous across the tear line 22, as shown in FIG. 4.

When the user's ticket is purchased, the ticket agent places the ticket in the pocket formed by the flaps 12 and 13, as shown at 28 in FIG. 5. When the user checks his baggage at the airport, the baggage attendant loops one of the strips of FIG. 3 through the handle of the baggage piece, as indicated in broken line at 29, FIG. 6, and presses the two adhesive areas 25 and 26 together between the thumb and finger so that the loop portions 18 and 19 encircle the handle. He then severs the baggage check 21 therefrom along the tear line 22 and presses the dry adhesive area 27 of the baggage check against the dry adhesive area 17 of the envelope. The envelope can then be folded closed along the fold line 16 with full assurance that the ticket and all of the baggage check will remain in place without danger of loss or displacement until the termination of the flight when the checks can be pulled from place if desired by the delivering baggage man.

The element 21 has been herein referred to by the brief term "baggage check." Technically, it is called a "baggage claim check" since it is the necessary evidence for claiming the baggage at the termination of a trip.

While a specific form of the improvement has been described and illustrated herein, it is to be understood that the same may be varied within the scope of the appended claims, without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Having thus described the invention what is claimed and desired to be secured by Letters Patent is:

1. In a travel ticket envelope of the type having a pocket for receiving a travel ticket and a flap foldable over said pocket, adhesive means on said flap on an area thereof spaced from the free lateral edge of said flap for adherence thereto of a baggage check relating to said ticket, said adhesive means comprising a dry pressure-adhesive area on said envelope, said area being non-adhesive with any portion of said envelope or said flap but being cohesive with a dry pressure-adhesive area on said baggage check pressed thereagainst.

2. In combination with a baggage claim check a travel ticket envelope of the type having a pocket for receiving a travel ticket and a flap foldable over said pocket, a first area of dry pressure-adhesive applied to the inside of said flap, said area being non-adhesive with said envelope when said flap is folded thereover, an area of dry pressure-adhesive on the back of said claim check, said latter area being pressed against and cohesive with
the first area and maintaining said claim check exposed on the inside of said flap, the front of said claim check being non-adhesive.

3. In combination with a baggage strip of the type consisting of an elongated foldable strip having a loop portion adapted to be looped about a piece of baggage with means for securing the two extremities of the loop portion together and with a separable baggage claim check projecting from one extremity of said loop portion, an envelope pocket for receiving a travel ticket, a flap closing said pocket, an area of dry pressure-adhesive on the inner face of said flap said area being non-adhesive to said envelope, and an area of dry pressure-adhesive on the back of said baggage claim check, said two areas retaining said check on and enclosed by said flap.

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