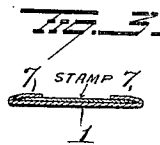
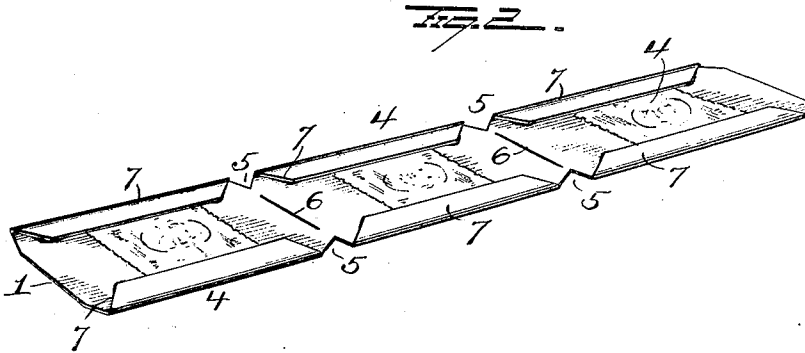
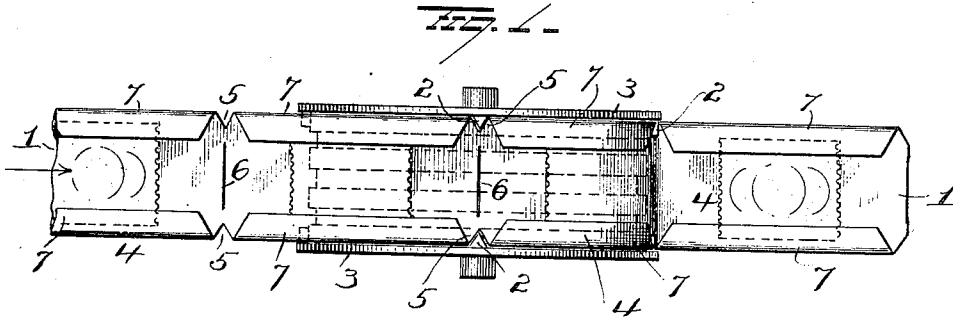


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, SARA L. W. COE and HENRIETTA WERDEN, of New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pocket-Strips for Use in Vending-Machines; and we 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.

This invention relates to means for carrying and discharging goods for use with vending or delivery apparatus, and more particularly to means for carrying and delivering such small articles as postage stamps,—the object of the invention being to provide a connected series of pockets to contain postage stamps and adapted to be operated by means of suitable feeding mechanism which may comprise a roller over which the connected series of pockets pass, and to so construct said series of pockets that they will be accurately fed and to construct each pocket in such manner that the stamps can be readily placed therein and easily removed therefrom.

With this object in view the invention consists in certain novel features of construction and combinations of parts as hereinafter set forth and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view showing the relation of our pocket strip to a feed wheel of a vending machine, and Figs. 2 and 3 are detail views showing the construction of the pockets and the manner of holding stamps therein.

1 represents a strip of connected pockets, said strip being notched at its respective edges and at the points of juncture of the pockets for the reception of lugs 2 on a feed wheel 3. The pairs of lugs 2 are located a distance apart on the periphery of the feed wheel exactly equal to the length of a pocket 4 so that the notches 5 at the intersection of said pockets will accurately receive said lugs and the pocket strip be caused to be fed forwardly a sufficient distance to project one pocket from the machine at each impulse of the feed wheel,—the pocket strip and feed

wheel thus operating somewhat after the manner of sprocket gearing. When a pocket containing a stamp or stamps is fed from the machine it can be torn from the strip and to facilitate such tearing of a pocket, the strip is weakened at the intersection of the pockets by means of slits 6.

The pocket strip may be made of comparatively stout paper having its side edges bent upon the body of the paper, as shown at 7. Each bent over portion 7 of each pocket is secured near respective ends by means of suitable adhesive material and thus receptacles are formed for the side edges of a stamp or stamps. The stamp or stamps can be readily inserted into the receptacles and as the central body portions of the stamps are exposed they can be readily removed from the pocket.

Having fully described our invention what we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is,—

1. A flexible pocket strip comprising a connected series of pockets, each comprising receptacles at respective edges of the strip and said strip having notches in its side edges at the intersection of the receptacles of adjacent pockets for the accommodation of feeding means.

2. A flexible pocket strip comprising a connected series of removable pockets for the reception of postage stamps, each of said pockets comprising receptacles at respective edges of the strip, said strip being weakened at the intersection of the pockets and also provided in its side edges at the intersection of the receptacles of adjacent pockets with notches for the accommodation of feeding means.

3. A flexible pocket strip comprising a connected series of detachable pockets, each of said pockets comprising a section of the strip having its side edges folded over, each of said bent over portions being secured at its ends and forming receptacles for diametrically opposite portions of a stamp.

4. A flexible strip having notches at intervals in each of its edges and weakened transversely of the strip between said notches, the portions of the sides of the strip between the notches being bent partially over the

body portion of the strip and secured at their
ends, said bent over portions forming recep-
tacles for the edge portions of stamps or
tickets at respective edges of the strip be-
5 tween the notches and weakened portions of
the latter.

In testimony whereof, we have signed this

specification in the presence of two subscri-
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