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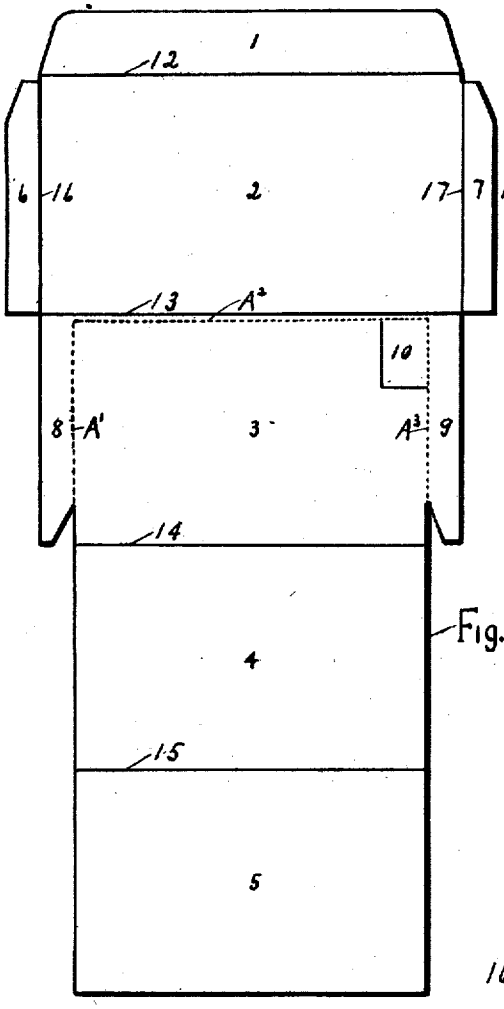


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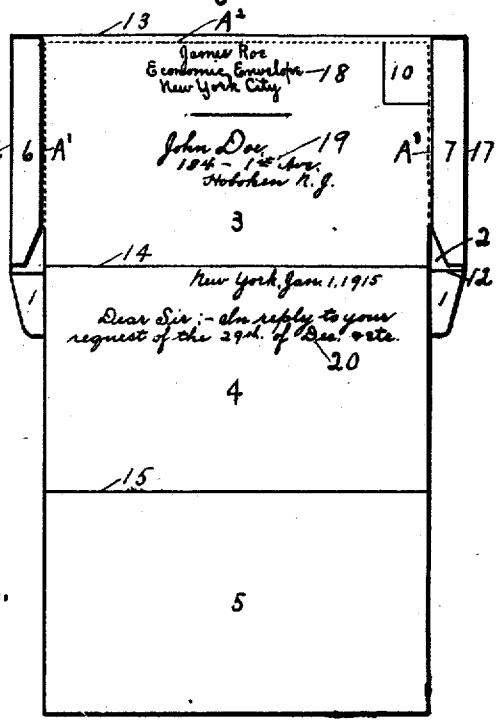


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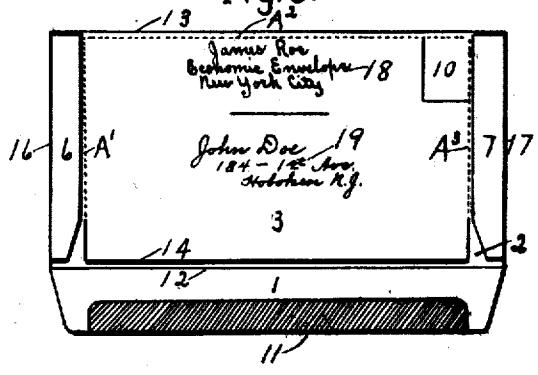
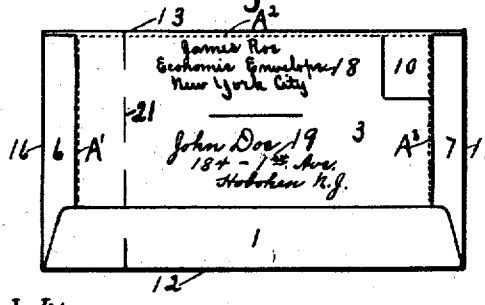


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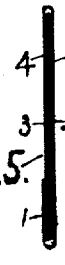


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK J. VEITCH, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York city, in the borough of Bronx and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Letter-Paper Having Envelop Attachment, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in a combined letter sheet and envelop, and it has for its object to provide a structure so formed that the upper portion of the letter sheet is utilized as the front or address portion of the envelop, so that the user may simultaneously address the envelop and head the letter either before or after the body portion of the letter is folded and placed within the envelop. The improvements dispense with the necessity for duplicating the addressee's name and postoffice, as is customary in known forms of combined letter sheet and envelop. Furthermore, the letter sheet itself is impressed with the postoffice mailing date, which in many cases forms an important record.

In the accompanying drawings,

Figure 1 is a plan view of the blank from which my improved structure is formed;

Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the envelop sections secured together;

Fig. 3 is a front view of the envelop structure, the flap being unsealed;

Fig. 4 is a similar view with the flap sealed;

Fig. 5 is a vertical corss-section on line 21 of Fig. 4.

Referring to the drawings, and particularly to Fig. 1, it will be seen that the blank comprises an envelop structure of which the front section or wall 3 forms also the top or upper portion of the letter sheet, the latter comprising the sections 3, 4 and 5, which are to be folded on the lines 13, 14 and 15. The rear section or wall 2 of the envelop has connected thereto at its upper end the flap 1, and is formed at its sides with the tabs or flaps 6 and 7 to be folded inwardly and gummed to the side edges or tabs 8 and 9 projecting from the ends of the section 3.

It will be noted that the part 3 forming the front wall of the envelop is only secured by the flaps 6 and 7 throughout a portion of the length of the side edges of the part 3. For this purpose the tabs or extensions 8 and 9 are of less length than the turned over flaps 6 and 7, the result being that the wall 3 is narrower at its detached portion than at its attached portion. This is important because it leaves a clearance at the ends of the wall 3 which facilitates the insertion of the letter sheet extension into the envelop.

The blank is perforated on the lines A′, A^2 and A^3 of the section 3 so that the letter sheet may be easily detached from the rear body section of the envelop, when the latter has served its purposes.

In practice the envelop structure will preferably be completely formed before the article passes into the hands of the user. In forming the envelop, section 2 is folded back of section 3 and the gummed flaps 6 and 7 are folded upon and secured to the flaps 8 and 9. 12, 16, 17 indicate boundary lines of the envelop structure when formed. The structure is then ready for use in the following manner:—

1. The name and residence of the addressee is written upon the section 3, which forms the face of the envelop.

2. The date may be placed in the upper right hand corner of section 4; or if desired the date may be placed upon the lower left hand corner of section 5.

3. The usual salutation may be placed in the upper left hand corner of section 4, and thereafter the body of the letter is written on sections 4 and 5.

When the letter is completed section 5 is folded, on line 15, and thereafter section 4 is folded back on line 14, and, with section 5, is placed within the envelop structure comprising the upper portion 3 of the letter sheet, which now forms the address face of the envelop structure, and portion 2 which forms the rear section of the envelop structure. Thereafter the flap 1 is gummed to the flaps 6 and 7, or to section 3. The envelop may be opened by tearing away the flaps 1, after which the letter portions 4 and 5 may be withdrawn from between the envelop sections and the front section of the envelop detached from its rear-body portion on the lines A′, A^2 and A^3. The flaps 1, 6 and 7 are narrow relatively to the face

of the envelop to leave an exposed space on the front of the envelop sufficient in extent for the address.

It will be understood that various changes may be made in the form of the improvements. For example, I have illustrated the flap 1 as gummed lengthwise for securing the same to the section 3. It will be understood, however, that the flap may be gummed to the side tabs 6 and 7, and that in some cases this second method of sealing will be preferable, inasmuch as it leaves the letter free from any adhering matter when the envelop is opened and the front section thereof detached with the letter sheet from the rear envelop-section.

What I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States is:—

1. As a new article of manufacture, a combined letter sheet and envelop comprising an envelop body having front and rear walls united along one longitudinal edge, a portion of the front wall being shorter than the rear wall, flaps integral with one of said walls turned over and secured to the other wall, a letter sheet integral with said front wall at the edge adjacent the shortened portion, and a closure flap on the bottom edge of said rear wall adapted to be turned over on said front wall, said closure flap and end flaps being formed to leave on the front wall a free space for an address which may serve as a heading for the letter.

2. As a new article of manufacture, a combined letter sheet and envelop comprising an envelop body having front and rear walls united along one longitudinal edge, a portion of the front wall being shorter than the rear wall, flaps integral with the rear wall turned over and secured only to the unreduced portion of the front wall, a letter sheet integral with said front wall at the edge adjacent the shortened portion and of substantially the same width as the shortened portion of said front wall, and a closure flap on the bottom edge of said rear wall adapted to be turned over on said front wall, said closure flap and end flaps being formed to leave on the front wall a free space for an address which may serve as a heading for the letter.

3. As a new article of manufacture, a combined letter sheet and envelop comprising a front envelop wall, a rear envelop wall united to the front wall along a longitudinal edge, said walls being joined at their opposite edges by turned over flaps integral with one of said walls and secured to the other wall, a letter sheet integral with said front envelop wall and adapted to be folded within the envelop, and a closure flap on the bottom edge of the rear wall adapted to be turned over and sealed against the front wall and thereby close the envelop, the flaps which are folded over from the back wall over the end and the edge of the front wall being narrow relatively to the face of the envelop to leave an exposed space on the front of the envelop sufficient in extent for the address which may serve as a heading for the letter.

4. As a new article of manufacture, a combined letter sheet and envelop comprising an envelop body having front and rear walls united along one longitudinal edge, said walls being joined on their opposite side edges by turned over flaps integral with one of said walls and sealed to the other of said walls, a portion of said front wall being shorter than said back wall, and a letter sheet integral with said front wall on the edge adjacent the shorter portion and narrower than the front wall, said front wall being adapted to receive an address which will serve as the heading for a letter on the surface facing the same way as said front wall and being weakened along the edges of said flaps, and a closure flap on the bottom edge of said rear wall and adapted to be turned over on said front wall.

5. As a new article of manufacture, a combined letter sheet and envelop comprising an envelop body having front and rear walls united along one longitudinal edge, said walls being joined on their opposite side edges by turned over flaps integral with one of said walls and secured to the other wall for a portion of the length of said side edges, leaving a portion of the length of said walls detached, said front wall at its detached portion being narrower than the attached portion thereof and shorter than said rear wall, said front wall being adapted to receive an address and being weakened along the edges of said flaps, a sheet extension extending from the lower edge of said front wall and integral therewith, and of substantially the same width as the narrower portion of said front wall, and adapted to receive writing or printing on the surface facing the same way as said front wall, and a closure flap on the bottom edge of said rear wall and adapted to be turned over on said front wall.

6. As a new article of manufacture, a combined letter sheet and envelop comprising an envelop body having front and rear walls united along one longitudinal edge, said walls being joined on their opposite side edges by turned over flaps integral with one of said walls and co-extensive therewith and secured to the other wall for a portion of the length of said side edges, leaving a portion of the length of said wall detached, said front wall at its detached portion being narrower than the attached portion thereof and shorter than said rear wall, said front wall being adapted to receive an address and being weakened along the edges of said flaps, a sheet extension extending from the lower

edge of said front wall and integral therewith, and of substantially the same width as the narrower portion of said front wall, and adapted to receive writing or printing on the surface facing the same way as said front wall, and a closure flap on the bottom edge of said rear wall and coextensive therewith, and adapted to be turned over on said front wall and thereby close the envelop.

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