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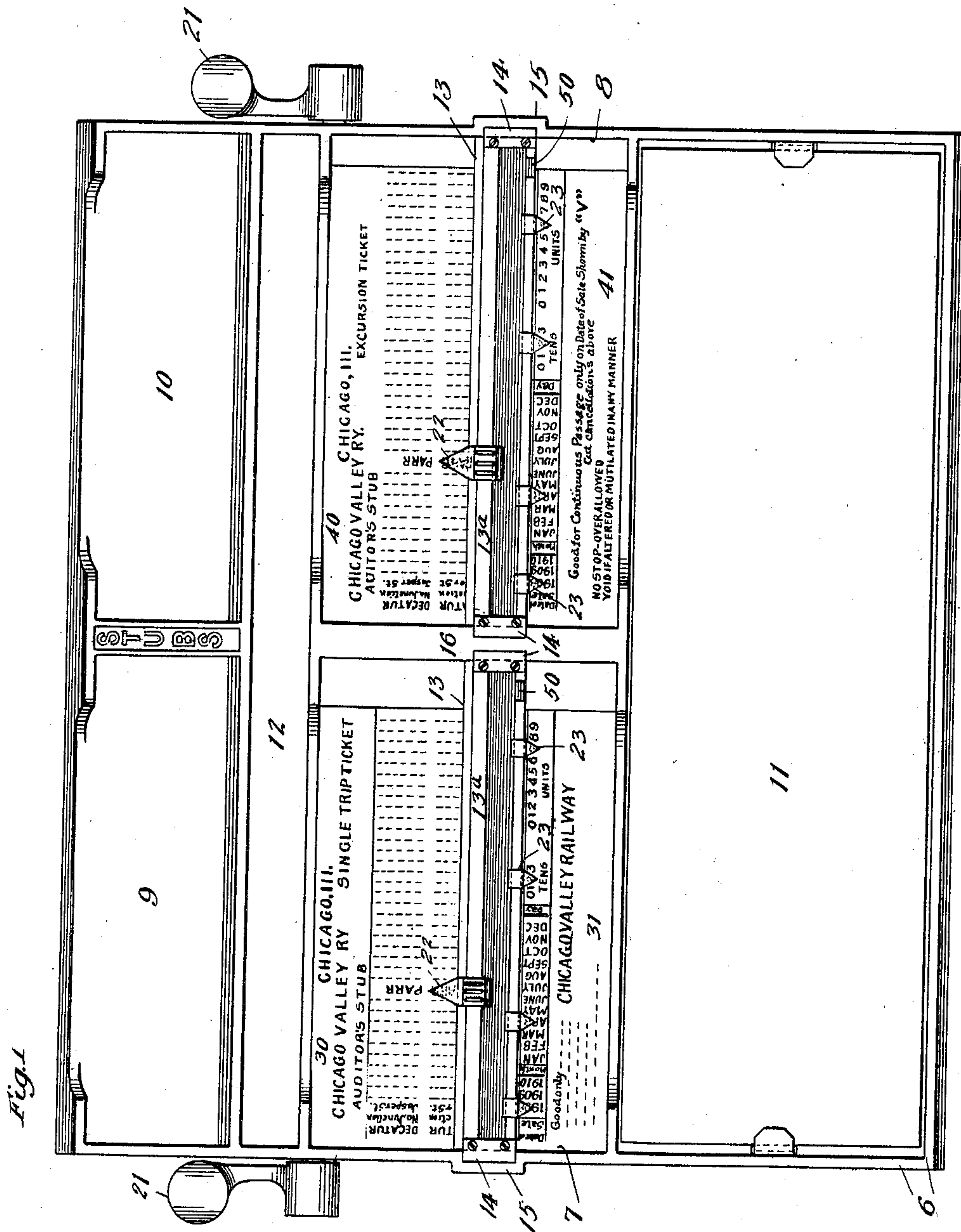
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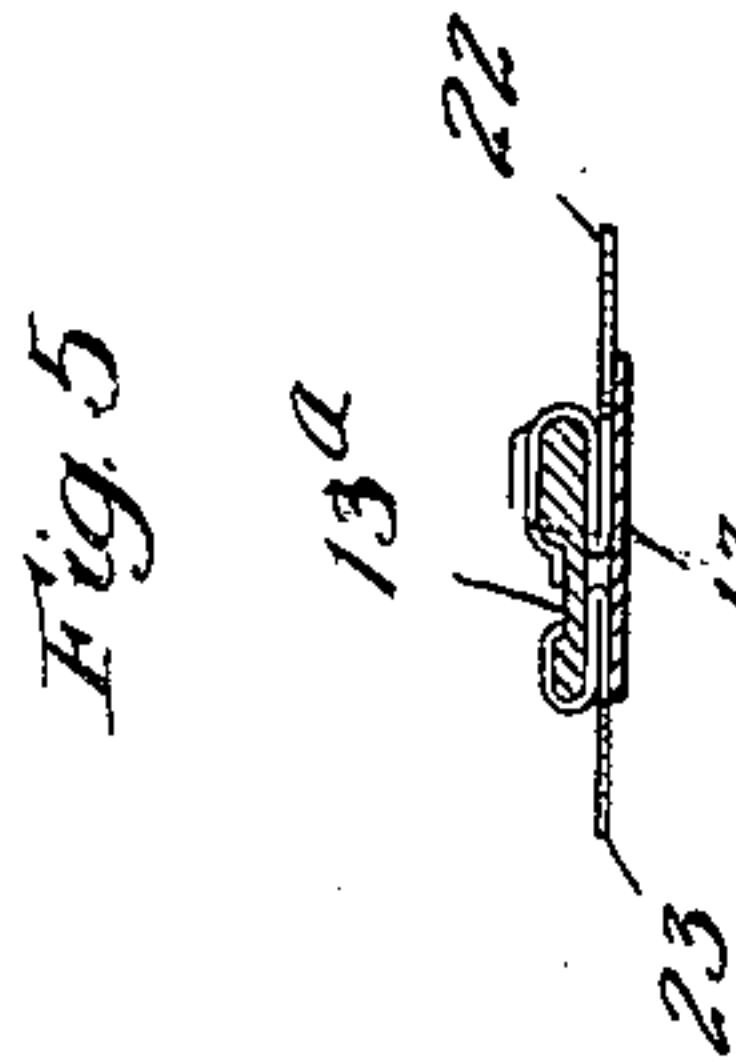
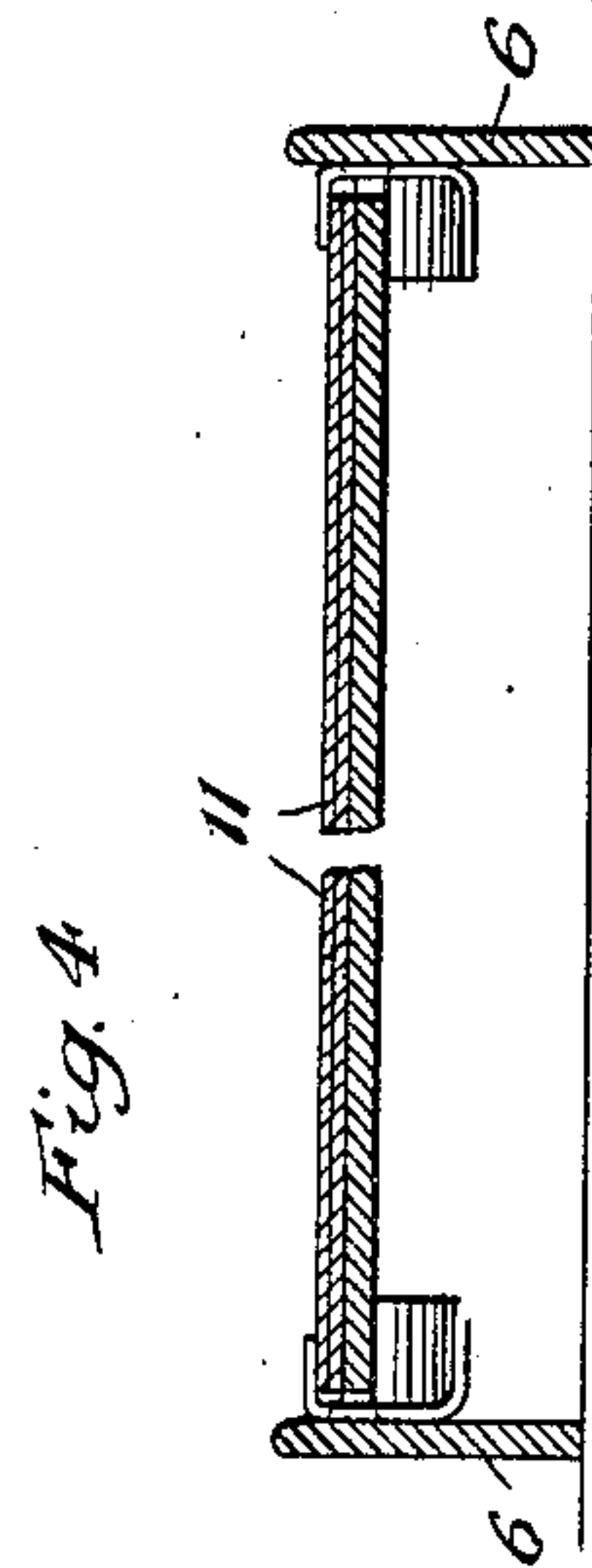
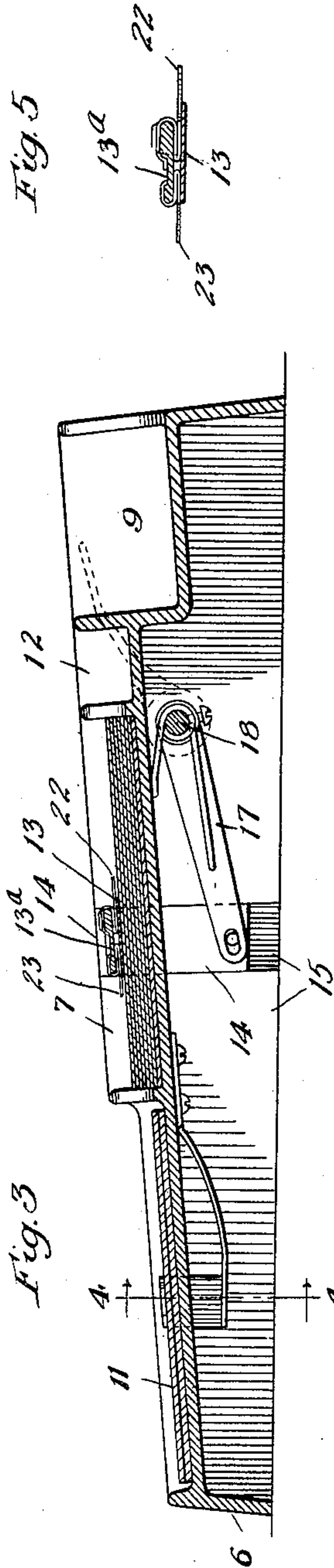
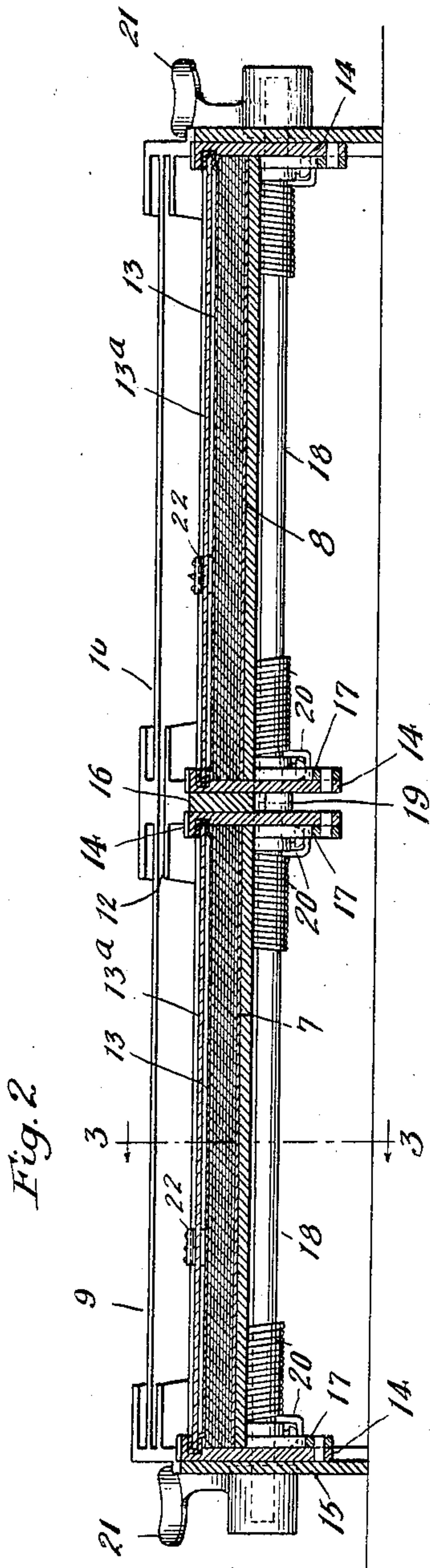
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*Fig. 6*

FORM X

**CHICAGO VALLEY**

AUDITOR'S STUB

**CHICAGO, III.**

**SINGLE TRIP TICKET**

33

DECATUR	DECATUR	No Junction	No Junction	Jasper Street	Jasper Street	CASSILL	CASSILL	Green's Street	Green's Street	BARNETT	BARNETT	GARVER	GARVER	BARNES	BARNES	SPANGLER	SPANGLER	OREANA	OREANA	REYNOLDS	REYNOLDS	GERBER	GERBER	ARGENTIA	ARGENTIA	PARROT	PARROT	MILLERS	MILLERS	WILLIAMS	WILLIAMS	REEVES	REEVES	CISCO	CISCO	DYTON	DYTON	MILES	MILES	ALLERTON	ALLERTON	BRIDEN	BRIDEN	LUMSDEN	LUMSDEN	MONTICELLO	MONTICELLO	CENETERY	CENETERY	RANKIN	RANKIN	White Heath	White Heath	REEDS	REEDS	TIMMONS	TIMMONS	COAGLER	COAGLER	SEYMOUR	SEYMOUR	CARPER	CARPER	MULLIKEN	MULLIKEN	BONDVILLE	BONDVILLE	BARKER	BARKER	DALLENBACH	DALLENBACH
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Good for ONE PASSAGE From

**CHICAGO, III.**

To Destination Shown  
or Projection above

Date of Sale	1908	1909	1910	Month	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	DAY	01	2	3	01	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	TENS	UNITS	

Good only on Date of Sale indicated by "X"

Cut cancellations of Date Character above

VOID IF ALTERED OR MUTILATED

**CHICAGO VALLEY RAILWAY.**

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*Fig. 7*

FORM X. R.		CHICAGO, III.	
CHICAGO VALLEY RY.		EXCURSION TICKET	
AUDITOR'S STUB			
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EXCURSION TICKET RETURNING		To CHICAGO, III.	
		From Destination Shown on Projection Above	
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ALEXANDER D. JOSLIN, a citizen of the United States, residing in Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Ticket Holders and Cutters for Ticket-Agents, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is a ticket holder and cutter intended for use upon the desk or table by the station agent in railroad ticket offices, and it is adapted to be used in the sale of that class of tickets having auditor's stubs attached thereto and in which the destination to which the ticket is sold is indicated upon both the stub and the ticket by means of a projection on the severed edge of the ticket and a corresponding notch on the severed edge of the stub formed at the time of detaching the stub from the ticket.

The nature of the invention is fully set forth below and will be understood from the description given herein and from the accompanying drawings, in which latter

Figure 1 is a plan of the invention; Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section; Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2; Fig. 4 is a section on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3; Fig. 5 is a cross sectional view of the severing blades; Figs. 6 and 7 show, respectively, single trip and excursion or round trip tickets adapted to be used with the holder.

In said drawing 6 represents a box or frame adapted to lie on the desk or counter of the ticket seller and to hold one or more varieties of tickets. Its top is divided into such number of compartments as may be needed, and the one illustrated contains two compartments, 7 and 8 for tickets, a pocket or cell 9 and 10 adjacent to each ticket compartment adapted to receive the stubs from the tickets in the latter, a larger compartment for a block of blotting paper 11, and a narrow space 12 for penholders and pencils. Across each ticket compartment and extending over and confining the pile of tickets therein, is a straight edged tearing blade 13 for use in tearing off the stubs from the tickets. These blades are each attached to rigid bars 13<sup>a</sup>, and supported upon vertical slides 14 for which ways are provided in the vertical walls 15 of the box 6 and in the partition 16 between the ticket compartments. The slides are each operated by arms 17 attached rigidly to rocking shafts 18 supported at their outer ends in the walls 15 and at their

abutting ends in a bearing block 19 attached to the under surface of said partition 16. Springs 20 are coiled around the shafts 18 and press the tearing blades down upon the tickets, but the latter may be lifted at will so as to permit easy withdrawal of the topmost ticket by pressing on the thumb levers 21, of which one is attached to the outer end of each shaft.

Each of the straight edged tearing blades is provided with adjustable cutters for forming the notches in the tickets and stubs, one being shown at 22 on one edge of the blades and adapted to form the notch and projection indicating the destination on the ticket and stub, and others 23 on the other side of the blades adapted to form the notches or cuts indicating the date. These cutters are bent up from flat spring metal, and they partially embrace the bars 13<sup>a</sup> so as to be frictionally secured upon them and are adjustable along the same so they may be brought in register with the name of the destination point and with the date characters, as will be understood. Their construction will be fully understood from Fig. 5.

A suitable form for single trip tickets adapted to be used with the desk holder described, is shown at Fig. 6., 30 being the auditor's stub and 31 the ticket proper, 32 being the line along which the former is torn off. Previous to severing the stub, the paper is lifted so that the notching point 22 acts and forms a notch 33 on the stub adjacent to the severing line, and a corresponding projection 34 on the ticket, these indicating the destination on both. The ticket 31 is also lifted before removal from under the blade, to give the cutters 23 opportunity to act and cut notches 35 in the ticket at characters indicating the year, month and day of the month upon which the ticket is sold. The stub as soon as torn off is deposited in the receptacle 9 or 10 belonging to the compartment from which the ticket is taken.

In the case of the round trip ticket shown at Fig. 7, the stub is shown at 40, the going portion of the ticket at 41 and the return portion at 42. The severing line between the stub and ticket appears at 43, and that between the going and return portions at 44. This ticket is doubled at 44, and placed in the holder in that condition. When selling, the agent first lifts the stub and the part 41, so that the cutter 22 notches both these parts, then tears off the stub and de-



posits it in the proper stub receptacle, and then before lifting the severing blade, the agent then lifts the parts of the ticket projecting below the blade and causes the cutters 23 to act and form the date indicating notches in both going and return parts of the ticket. In the holder, the ticket requires only the same space as the single trip ticket although it is twice the size.

10 The bars of the severing blades are cut away on top as shown at 50 to permit the putting in place of the sliding cutters 23 without any such bending of them as will injure the spring of the metal. As the ends 15 of the blades are obstructed, so that the cutters cannot be slipped on over the ends, this feature will be found very desirable.

With the holders in convenient position the agent can issue the tickets rapidly, and 20 each will carry all the necessary indicia as to destination and date.

The holder and cutter serves the purpose of a temporary storage case as well as cutter as the tickets are issued from the two piles, 25 (single and round trip) without the agent being under any necessity of placing each ticket separately under a stationary cutting blade and holding the same down while the stub is torn off. The dating feature requires 30 but one instantaneous operation, and saves the trouble and expense of providing dating stamps and inked stamp ribbons. The separate stub receptacles permit the keeping of the stubs of the two kinds of tickets sepa- 35 rately. The thumb levers permit the raising of the straight edge blades when fresh supplies of tickets are to be inserted.

It will be noted that by making the tearing blade of thin flat metal separate from the 40 stiffening bar 13<sup>a</sup> and securing it to the latter at the ends and locating the acting parts of the rotating cutters between the blade and bar, the cutters do not rub on the paper or catch in it, or mar it in any way, while the 45 bar which has a central longitudinal channel on its top surface affords all needed security in attaching the spring metal cutters to itself and forms a slideway therefor.

In the use of the return trip or excursion 50 ticket shown at Fig. 7, it is necessary to lift the tearing blade by touching a finger upon lever 21 after the stub and the "going" part of the ticket which folds under it have been brought up against the notching device 22, 55 enabling the latter to do its work through both the stub and the "going" portion. The removal of the stub which immediately follows is apt to leave the notcher projecting through the under layer of the paper so that 60 the ticket cannot be withdrawn from the holder without danger of the notcher tearing that part of the ticket, and consequently before delivery of the ticket the blade is lifted as stated which allows the ticket to be disen- 65 gaged from the notcher and to be removed

without danger of tearing. The connections between the finger lever and the tearing blade are practically concealed from view it will be noticed.

I claim:

1. An agent's ticket holder adapted to be used on the desk or counter, and having a compartment adapted to hold a pile of combined tickets and stubs, and with a straight 70 edged tearing blade for use in severing the stubs from the tickets, a stiff bar over said blade, and notching cutters secured on the bar and having their acting portions entered between the blade and bar.

2. In a ticket holder and cutter, the com- 80 bination of a straight edge tearing blade, a rigid bar above and to which the blade is secured, and notching cutters mounted on the bar and having their acting ends moving below the bar and above the blade. 85

3. In a combined holder and cutter for tickets, checks, etc., the combination with a solid metal bar with sliding cutters formed from sheet spring metal mounted on both 90 sides of said bar by springing the same over the edges of the bar so that they exert a friction thereon, with a thin sheet metal tearing strip underneath said cutters, said strip being fastened to the ends of the bar.

4. An agent's ticket holder adapted to be 95 supported in a horizontal position on the desk or counter, having a compartment adapted to hold a pile of tickets and stubs, a separate but adjoining compartment for the severed stubs open at the top and adapted to 100 permit the insertion of the stubs as they are severed, and a straight edge tearing blade for severing the stubs from the tickets.

5. An agent's ticket holder adapted to be 105 supported in a horizontal position on the desk or counter, having a compartment adapted to hold a pile of tickets and stubs, a separate but adjoining compartment for the severed stubs open at the top and adapted to 110 permit the insertion of the stubs as they are severed, and a straight edge tearing blade for severing the stubs from the tickets, said tearing blade pressing down upon the pile and being raised at will by a finger lever and connecting mechanism. 115

6. An agent's ticket holder adapted to be supported in a horizontal position on the desk or counter, having a compartment adapted to hold a pile of tickets and stubs, a straight edge tearing blade for severing the 120 stubs from the tickets, said tearing blade pressing down upon the pile and being raised at will by a finger lever and connecting mechanism, said connecting mechanism being practically concealed from view.

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