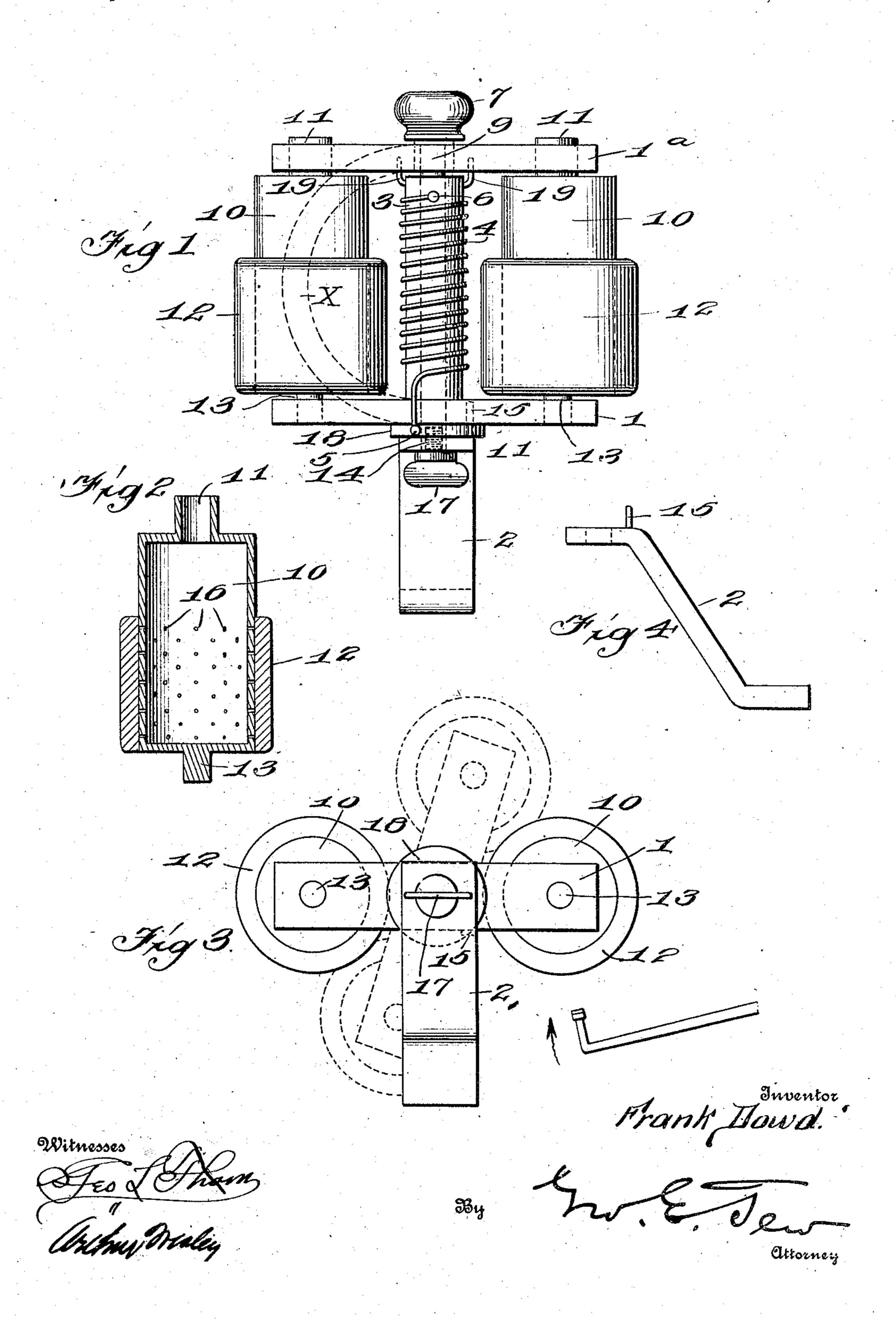
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Frank Dowd, citizen of the United States, residing at Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of 5 Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Inking Devices for Type-Writers and the Like, of which the following. is a specification.

This invention relates to inking devices

10 for typewriters and the like.

The object of the invention is to form improved means for inking type in typewriters or other machines in which such printing is done, which will supersede the 15 inconvenient ink ribbon, now generally used. This device inks the face of the type as they swing to hit the paper, thus making a direct print from the type on the paper. As a result a clearer print is made and more carbon 20 copies can be made also.

In the accompanying drawings of the invention, Figure 1 is a top view. Fig. 2 is a cross-section of ink roll 10. Fig. 3 is an end view. Fig. 4 is a side view of supporting

25 bracket.

Referring specifically to the several drawings, 2 is a bracket which is attached to the typewriter frame, and has a rod 14 with a lower threaded end, and an upper threaded 30 end 9. Swinging arms 1 and 1ª are pivotally mounted on the rod 14, being spaced apart by a sleeve 3 which is fast to the arm 1, and also to the arm 1° by means of pins 19 which project from the sleeve into holes in the arms. 35 Upon the ends of the arms are pivoted two ink rolls or wells 10 by means of lower studs 13 and upper necks 11, which fit in holes in the arms. The wells 10 have sleeve pads 12 thereon and holes 16 leading from the inside

of the well to the pads. The arm 1ª is pivoted directly on a bushing projecting from a thumb-nut or cap 7 which screws on the

threaded end 9 of rod 14.

A coiled spring 4 surrounds sleeve 3 and is 45 fastened to the sleeve at 6 and to collar 18 on rod 14 at 5. This allows the arms with the wells 10 to swing and also brings them back to original position. A removable stop 15 can be used, if desired, to allow wells 10 50 to swing in one direction only. A thumb bracket 2.

In operation, the device is attached to a typewriter in the line of the type so that the 55 type will hit the face of one pad 12 as they

swing up, as indicated by the arrow in Fig. 3, thus inking the type and forcing the arms and devices carried thereby to swing and let the type pass to make the imprint on the paper. The pads immediately swing back 60 into position for another operation. Ink is put in wells 10 through necks 11. This neck is so small that it is not necessary to use a cork or cap to hold ink in the wells unless so desired, the drawings being on a scale 65 several times larger than the device. By detaching the spring at 15, and loosening set screw 17 the other pad can be brought in use. This allows different colors of ink to be used. The rollers 10 are easily adjustable by re- 70 moving nut 7 and arm 1° and new rolls or pads with various colored inks can be inserted or old rolls replenished with new ink, etc. A single roll may be used by substituting connecting bar X on one side to join the 75 arms as shown in dotted lines. In this way two separate devices one left hand and one right hand can be used.

I claim:

1. An inking device for a typewriter, com- 80 prising an ink reservoir and an inking pad mounted thereon and supplied therefrom, said reservoir and pad being swingingly supported normally in the line of movement of the type, with the pad in position to be 85 struck thereby before the type strikes the

paper. 2. An inking device for a typewriter or the like comprising a bracket adapted to be attached to the typewriter frame, an arm 90 mounted to swing thereon, and an ink reservoir provided with an inking pad carried by the arm and normally in the path of all of the type and out of contact therewith and adapted to be struck thereby and then swing 95 out of the way, and means to return the arm and pad to normal position.

3. An inking device for a typewriter or the like comprising a bracket adapted to be attached to the typewriter frame, an arm 1 mounted to swing thereon, an ink-holder carried by the arm, a pad on the holder, the latter being constructed to supply the pad with ink, the pad being yieldingly held in the path of all of the type and out of connut 17 secures rod 14 and collar 18 tightly to | tact therewith so as to be struck thereby before the type strikes the paper.

4. An inking device for a typewriter or the like comprising a support, a swinging arm mounted thereon, an inking pad rotata- 11

bly carried by the arms and means to yieldingly hold the arm with the pad in the path of all of the type and out of contact therewith.

5. An inking device for a typewriter or the like comprising a plurality of inking pads, and means to yieldingly support the same with any one of the pads in the path of all of the type, so as to be struck thereby

10 before the type strikes the paper.

6. An inking device for a typewriter or the like comprising a swinging supporting arm, a plurality of inking pads supported thereby, means associated with each pad to supply the same with ink and means to yieldingly hold the arm with any one of the pins in the path of movement of all of the type

and out of contact therewith, for the purpose stated.

7. An inking device for a typewriter or 20 the like comprising a bracket, spaced arms pivoted to swing thereon, an ink holder and pad rotatably held between the outer ends of the arms, the holder having an outlet to supply ink to the pad, and means to yieldingly 25 hold the arms with the pad in the path of the type, for the purpose stated.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature

in presence of two witnesses.

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