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SAFETY ENVELOP.

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Fig. 1.

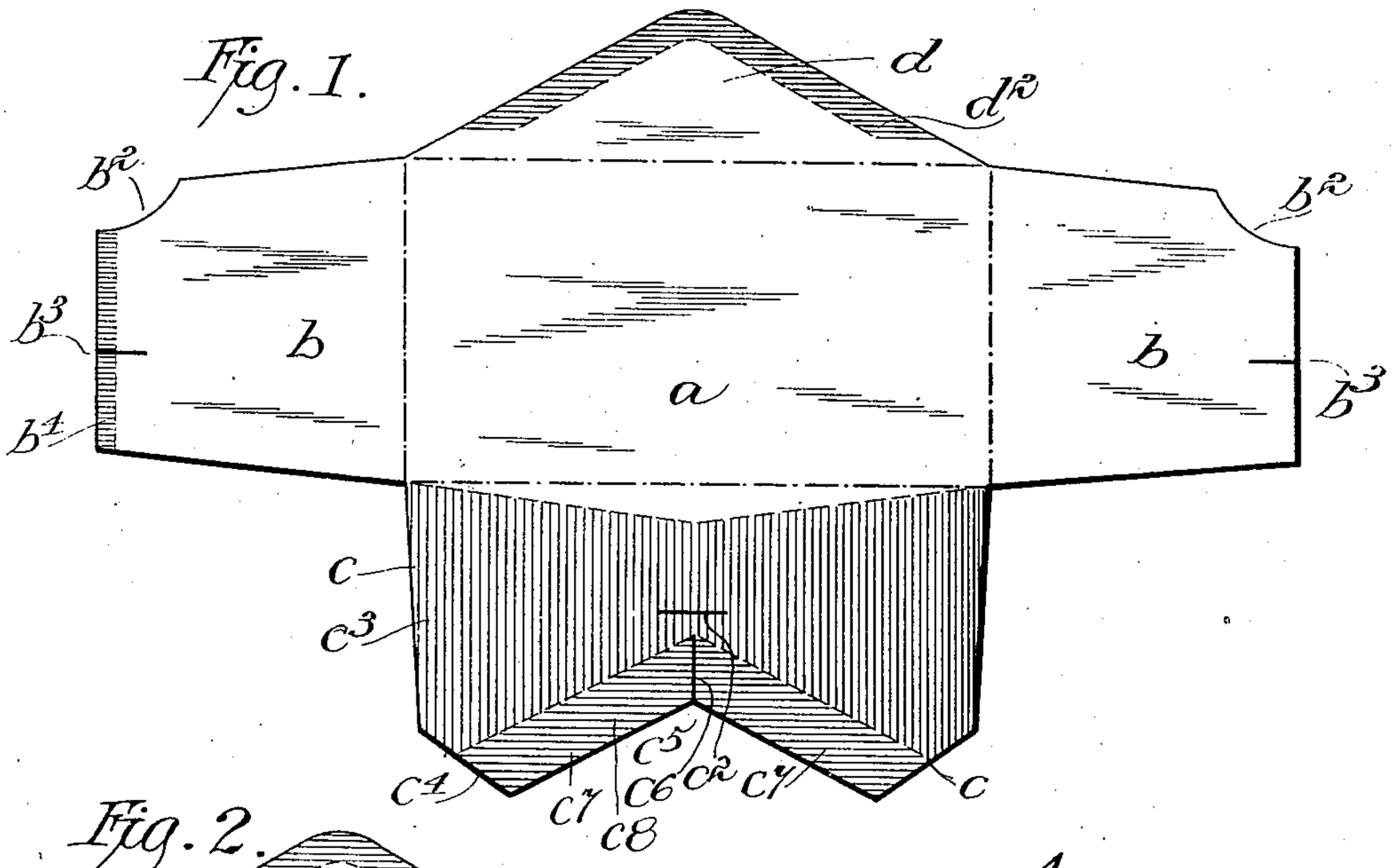
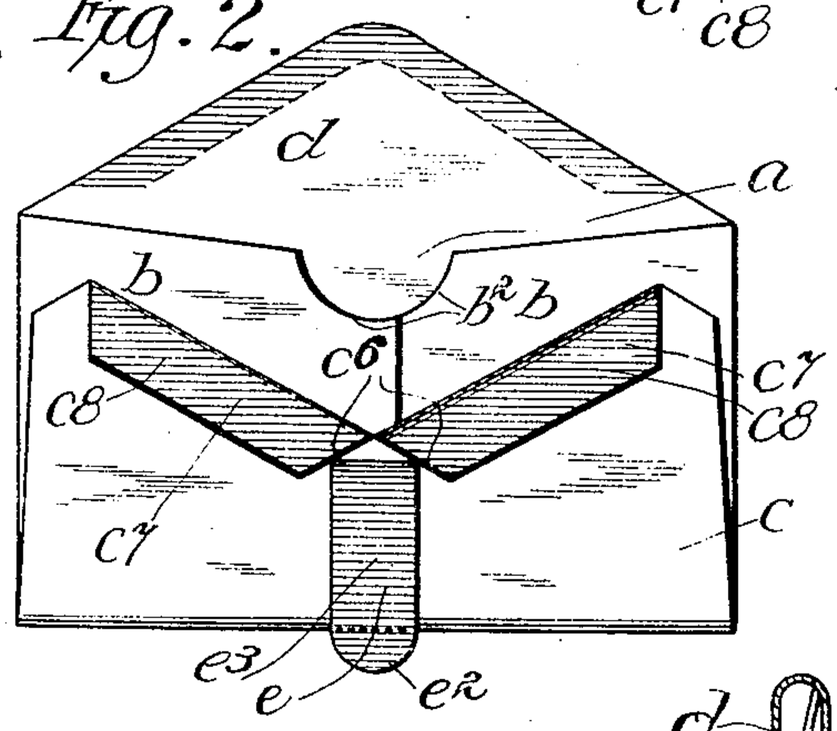


Fig. 2.



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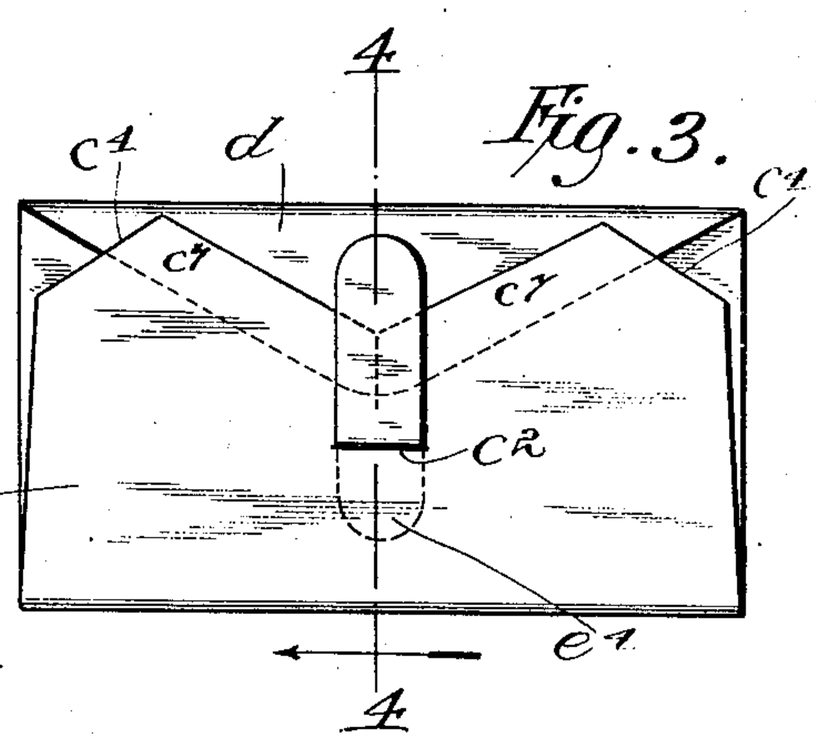

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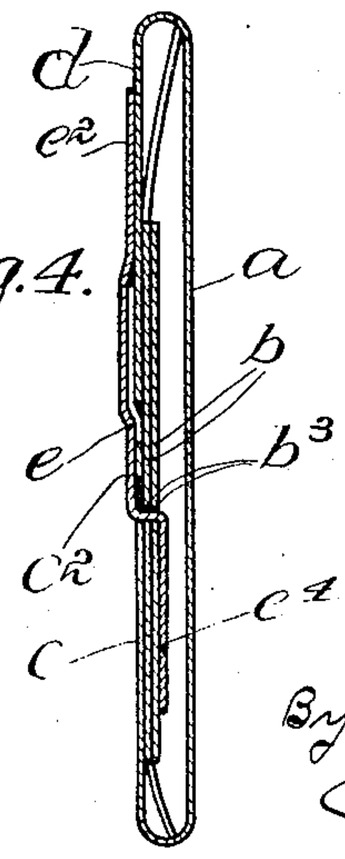

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, IRVING T. MICHAELSON, a citizen of the United States, and residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Safety-Envelops, of which the following is a specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to envelops; and the object thereof is to provide an improved device of this class which is so constructed, that when once filled and sealed it cannot be opened without destroying the same or producing evidence of the fact that it has been opened or tampered with.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawing forms a part, in which the separate parts of my improvement are designated by suitable reference characters in each of the views, and in which:—

Figure 1 is a blank form of which my improved envelop is made, Fig. 2 a back view of the envelop showing the same ready for sealing, Fig. 3 a back view showing the envelop sealed, and;—Fig. 4 a section on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

In the practice of my invention, I cut from any suitable paper or similar material the blank shown in Fig. 1 and comprising a central body portion *a* provided with two similar folding end members *b*, a folding side member *c* and the usual folding and sealing flap *d* opposite the side member *c*. The end members *b* are both cut away at their outer corners as shown at b^2, and said members are also slitted longitudinally at the ends thereof as shown at b^3, and the folding side portion *c* is provided centrally with a transverse slit or slot c^2 which is adapted to register with the slits or slots b^3 in the end members *b*, and the said parts of the blank are folded to form the envelop. The sealing flap *d* is gummed around its free edges and at the inner side thereof as shown at d^2, and one of the end members *b* is also preferably gummed transversely of the inner side thereof at the end thereof as shown at b^4, while the folding side flap *c* is gummed on its inner side as shown at c^3. The folding side member *c* or the corner portions thereof are cut off or beveled as shown at c^4, and the free edge of said folding side member is cut out to form a triangular recess c^5 and slitted inwardly from the apex of said recess as shown at c^6; this forms two folding flap members c^7 at the free edge of the folding side member *c* which are arranged at an obtuse angle to each other as clearly shown in Figs. 1 and 2 and the inner sides of the flap members c^7 are gummed as shown at c^8. I also provide a strip or tongue *e* which is adapted to be passed through the slit or slot c^2 in the folding side member *c*, and the slits or slots b^3 in the end members *b* when the said parts are folded to form the envelop as shown in Fig. 2, and the outer end portion e^2 of said strip or tongue is gummed on its inner side, as shown at e^3, and the inner end portion e^4 thereof is gummed on its outer side.

In forming the envelop, the end members *b* are folded over in the usual manner, the gummed surface b^4 of one of said end members being sealed to the other, and the cut away corner parts b^2 of said end members form a semi-circular recess *f* in said parts when they are folded and sealed together as clearly shown in Fig. 2. The folding side member *c* is then folded over and sealed to the end members *b* with the exception of the flaps c^7. The strip or tongue *e* is then passed inwardly through the registering slits or slots c^2 and b^3 as clearly shown in Fig. 4, and the inner end e^4 thereof is sealed to the parts *b* as clearly shown in said figure. The envelop is now ready for use, and when the desired package or paper is placed therein the flap *d* is folded over and sealed to the end members *b*, after which the folding flap members c^7 are folded over the flap *d* and sealed thereto all as clearly shown in Fig. 3.

When an envelop constructed in this manner has been sealed in the manner described, it will be impossible to open it without destroying the back parts thereof including the tongue or strip *e* and the flap members c^7, and the sealing flap *d* or a part thereof.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

An envelop composed of a blank comprising a body portion provided with similar folding end members, and at one side with a folding side member and at the opposite side with a folding sealing flap, the corners of the folding side member at its free edge being cut off diagonally and the central part of the free edge of said folding side member being provided with a triangular recess at the apex of which said folding side member is provided

with a slit which ranges transversely of the body portion and by means of which the said folding side member is provided with supplemental sealing flaps which are arranged at an obtuse angle to each other and are gummed on their inner side, said folding side member being also provided inwardly of said slit with a transverse slit at right angles thereto, the end portions of the folding end members being also provided with longitudinal slits, and said folding side member being also gummed on its inner side and the transverse slit in the folding side member and the slits in the end members being adapted to register when the parts of the blank are folded together, and a separate sealing tongue or strip adapted to pass through said registering slits and the outer end portion of which is gummed on its inner side and the inner end portion on its outer side.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of the subscribing witnesses this 20th day of March 1909.

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