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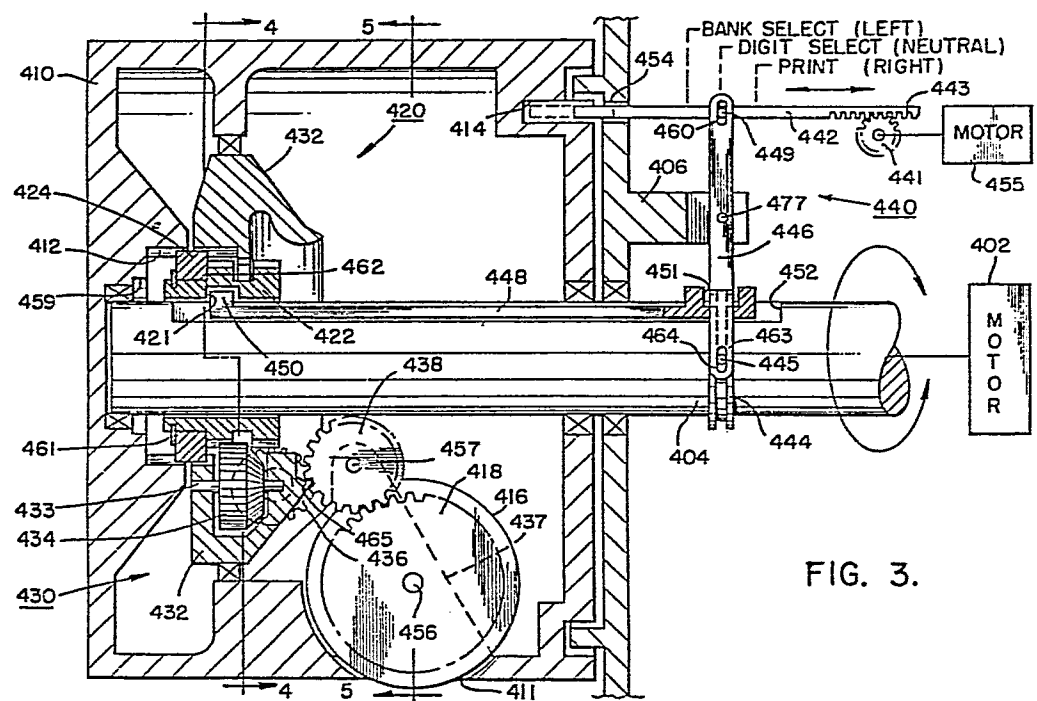
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54 **Postage meters and methods of printing selected values.**

57 A postage meter has a print drum (410) with print wheels which are shiftable to select the value of the postage. The positions of the print wheels (416) are controlled by the positions of associated gears (438) which in turn are controlled by a value setting drive mechanism (434, 436). A single motor (402) effects movement of a pinion (422) from gear to gear and of the individual gears to set the values of the print wheels (416) and also other drive functions of the meter. The print wheels (416) are adjusted by displacing respective transmission members (438); e.g. gears, which are driven by a pinion (436) which is shifted from gear to gear. Control means is provided for controlling the shifting of the pinion so that it is engaged during each value setting only with those gears (438) whose print wheel requires adjustment from its previous setting.





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