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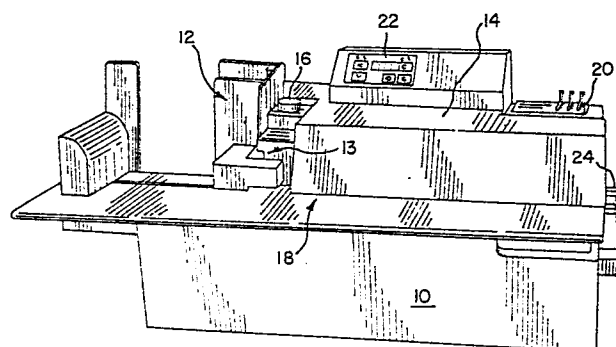
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⑤④ **Mailing machine.**

⑤⑦ Diagnostic test method and apparatus for testing subsystems in a mailing machine (10). A test mode is initiated by activating a test key (102), Figure 2, which then allows the control panel keyboard to be utilized to control diagnostic testing with the control panel visual display (22) used for output of test results. A password and test selection code are entered via the keyboard after activating the test mode permitting selection of one of a plurality of tests which can be run without the use of external equipment.





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