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(54) **Machine for counting and checking paper money of any size, even though overlapped, slave to a computer.**

(57) A machine for continuously counting and checking bills, even though overlapped, suitable for banking institutions (fig. 1) is involved.

Its feeder device essentially comprises a loading hopper for bills (1', 1" and 1"', fig. 4) and a device that takes them, sending them, by means of drive belts (30, fig. 2), to the successive process machine.

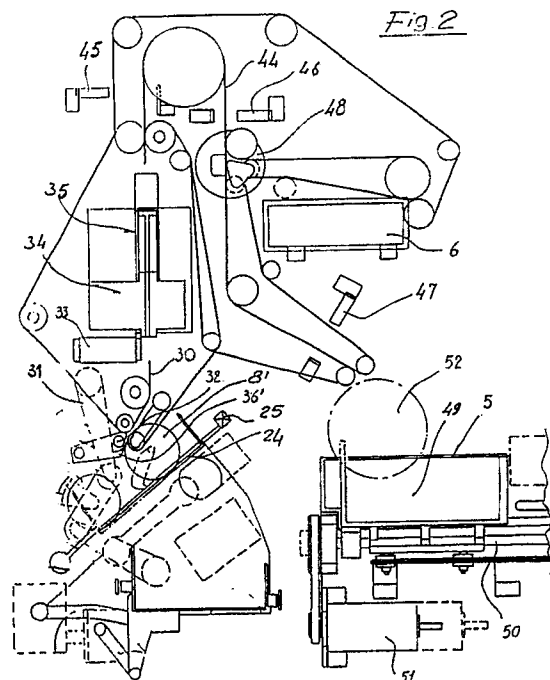
In feeder (1, fig. 4), the bills are taken crosswise and sent longitudinally with respect to their longitudinal axis.

Photocells (33, fig. 2), a thickness gage (34) and bill dimension detector (35) are provided on the sides of said belts (30, fig. 2).

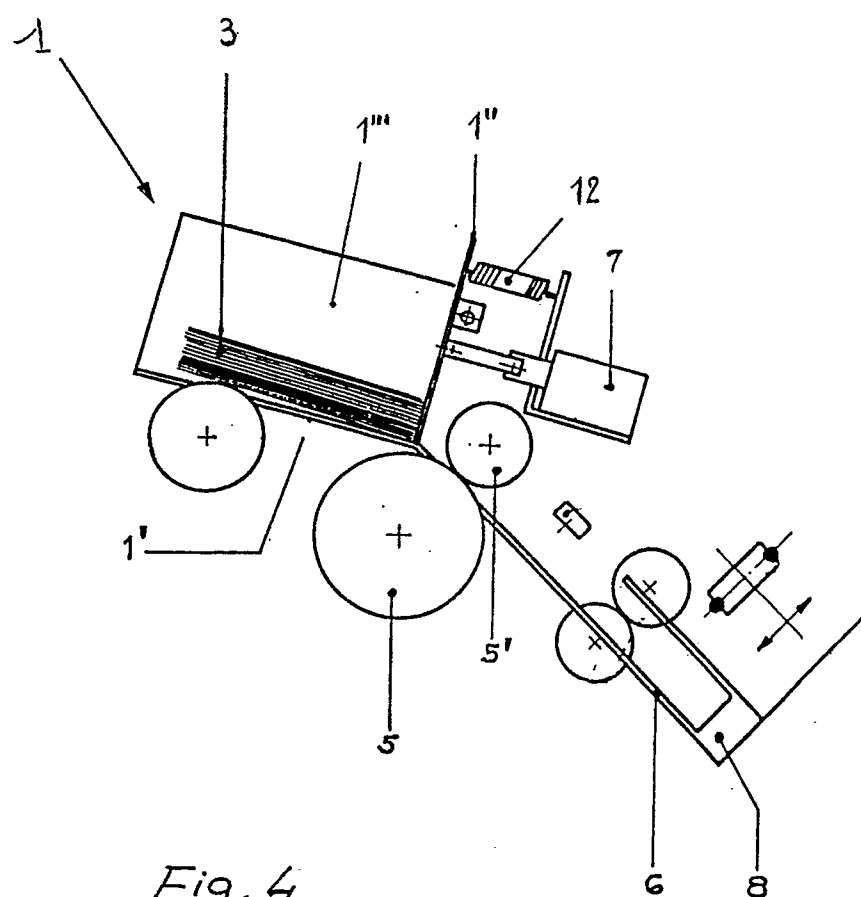
Downstream from the drive belts of the feeder (30, fig. 2) there are provided other belts (44, fig. 2) to transfer the counterfeit bills into a suitable pocket (6) and the authentic bills in a second pocket (5) equipped to send the bills inside the machine or at the disposal of the client.

The machine includes a computer with printer (4, fig. 1) in which the client introduces additional data by video (3) and keyboard (3').

It can process bills of size, even mixed. It makes use only of electromechanical and electronic technology.



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