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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Research and Development Division.  
(THRU: War Plans & Training Division)

1. Attached hereto are draft specifications and six drawings covering a new type of controlling means for cryptographic machines using rotatable commutators. The basic principle is, in my opinion, novel and very valuable. It is exemplified in several embodiments shown in the drawings.

2. This is the joint invention of the undersigned and one of my assistants, Mr. Frank B. Rowlett, Junior Cryptanalyst.

3. It is recommended that patent be applied for at once, to safeguard the government's interest, even though it may not be desirable to allow the patent to go to issue for some time.

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Draft specifications,  
6 drawings.

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Drawings + specs on SIS DE 11

The [attached] was disclosed to Cndr.

MacFarlan + Lieut. Wenger, Code + Signal  
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FIG. 1.

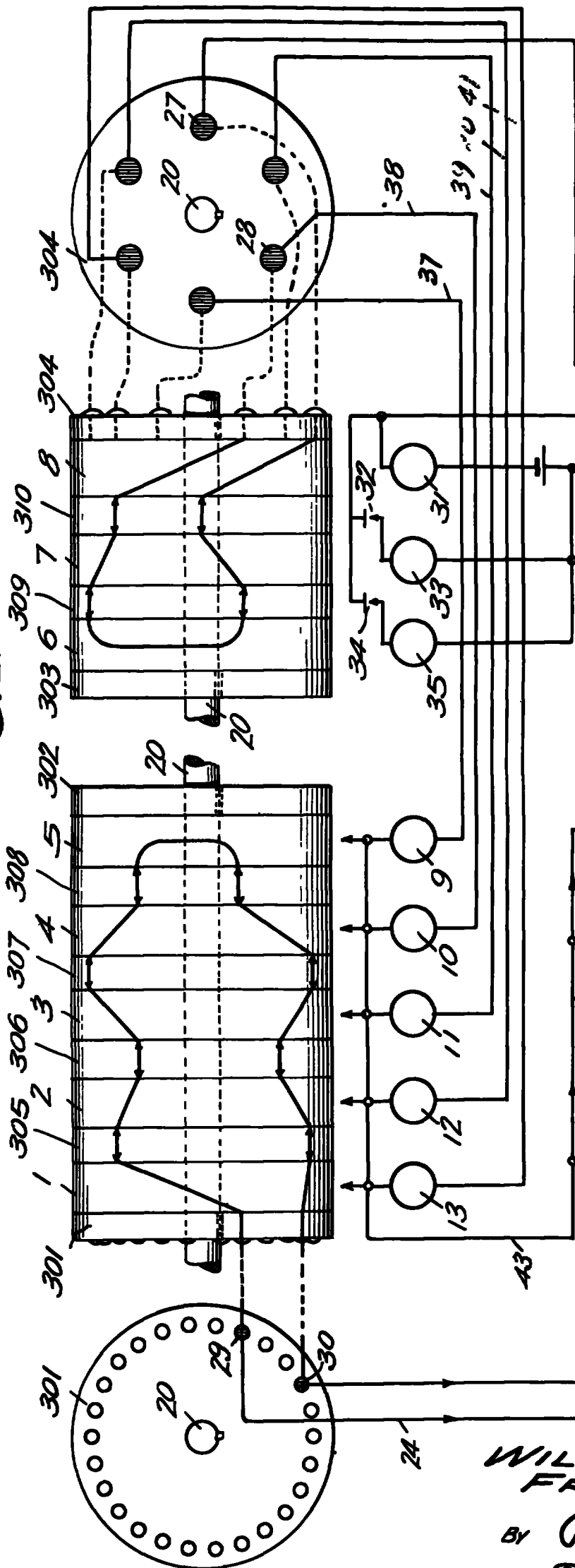
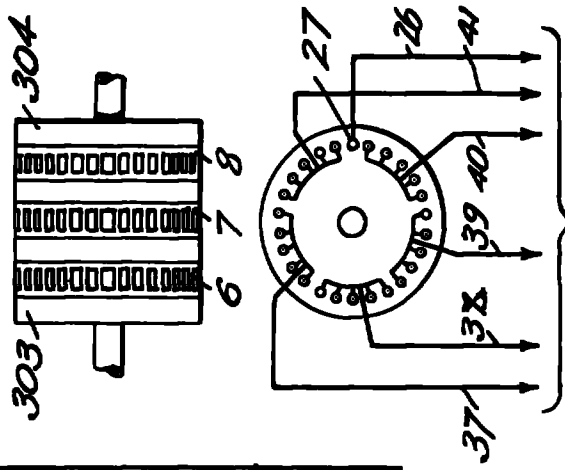


FIG. 2.



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FIG. 4.

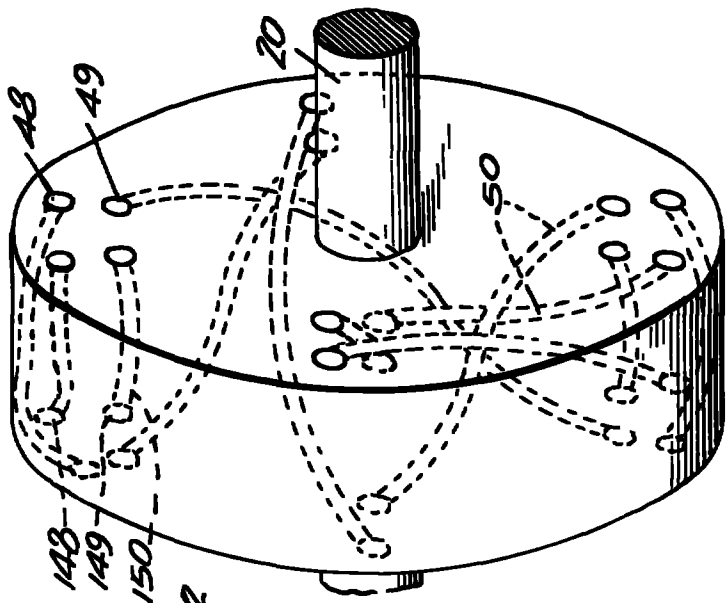
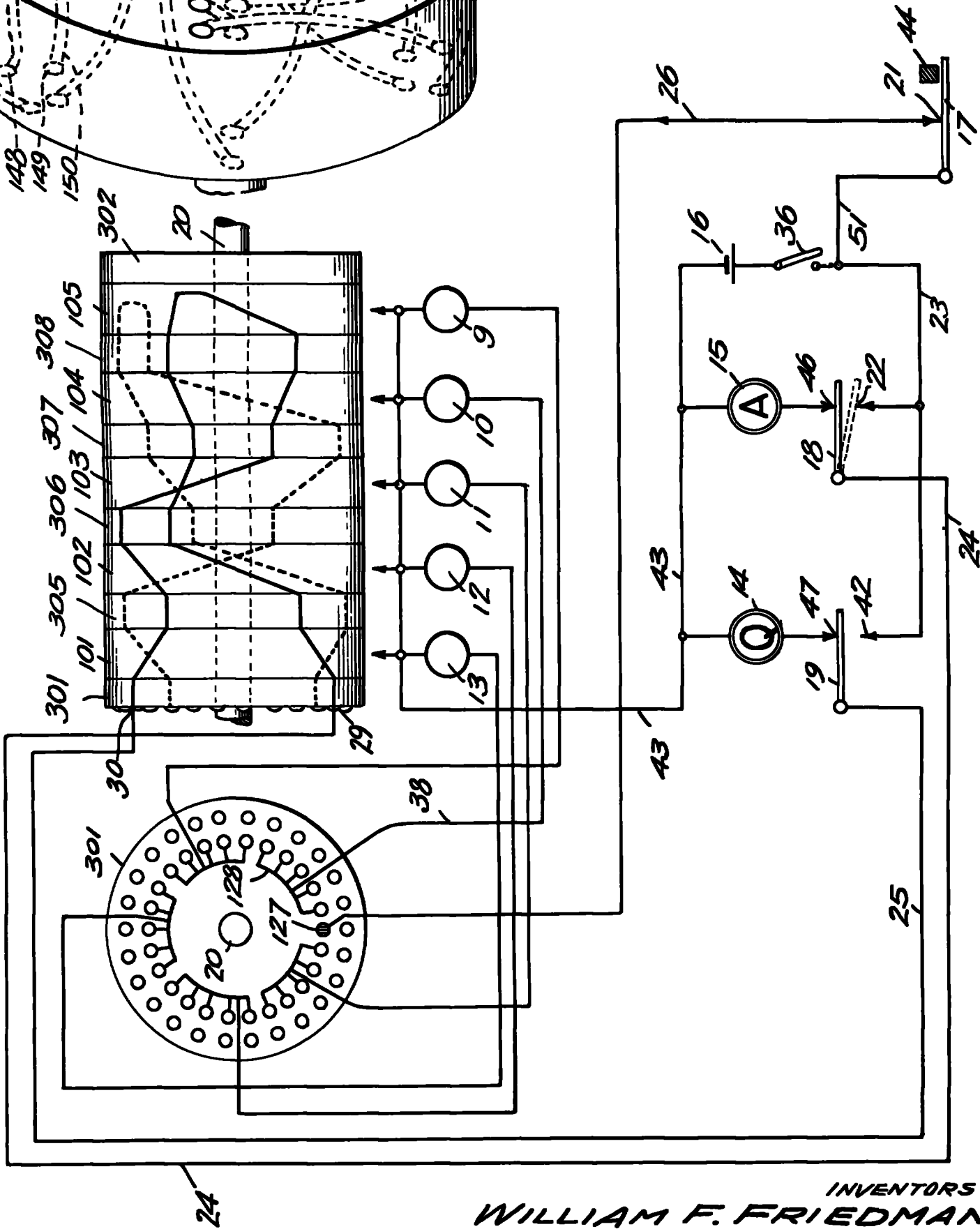
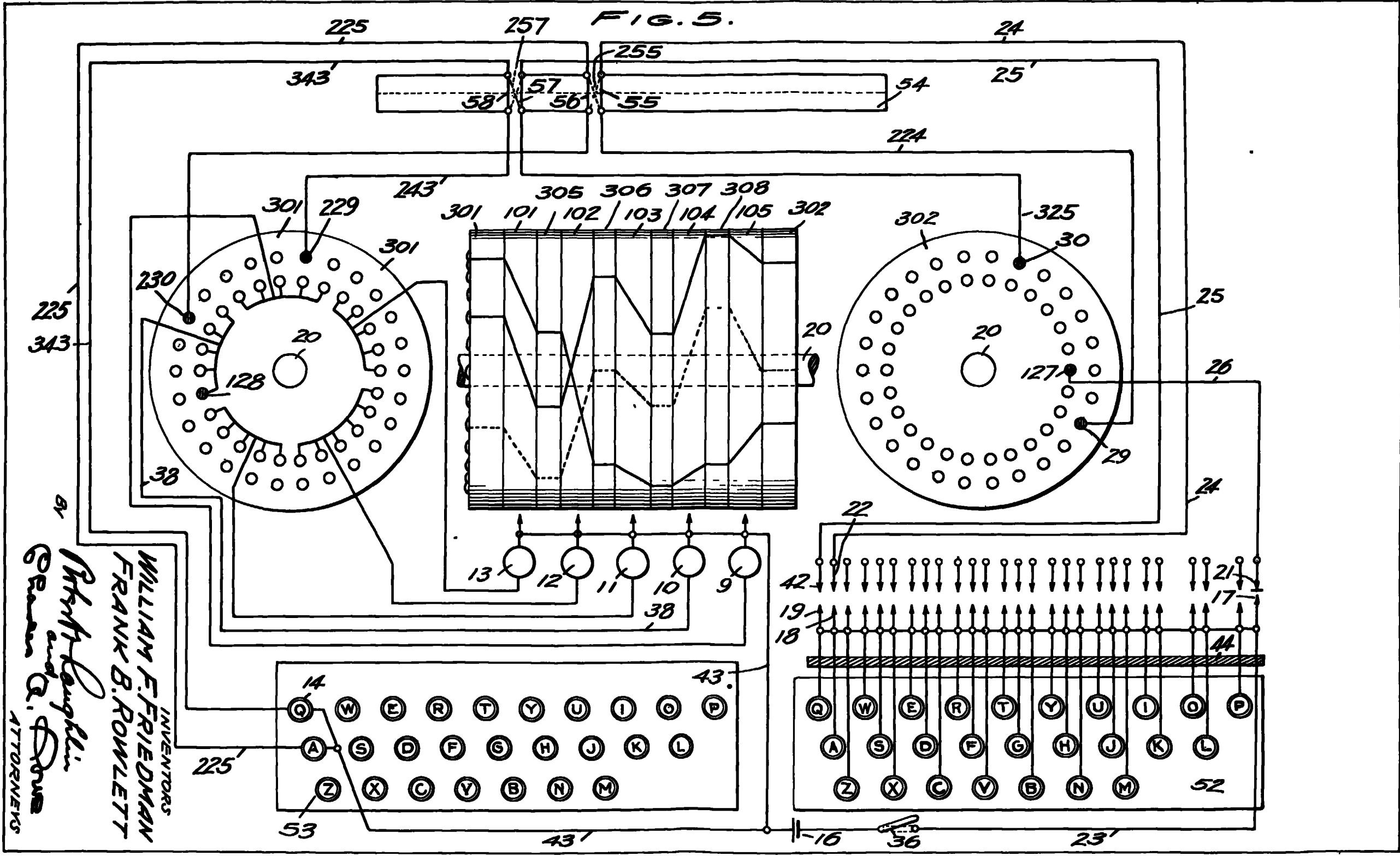


FIG. 3.



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FIG. 5.



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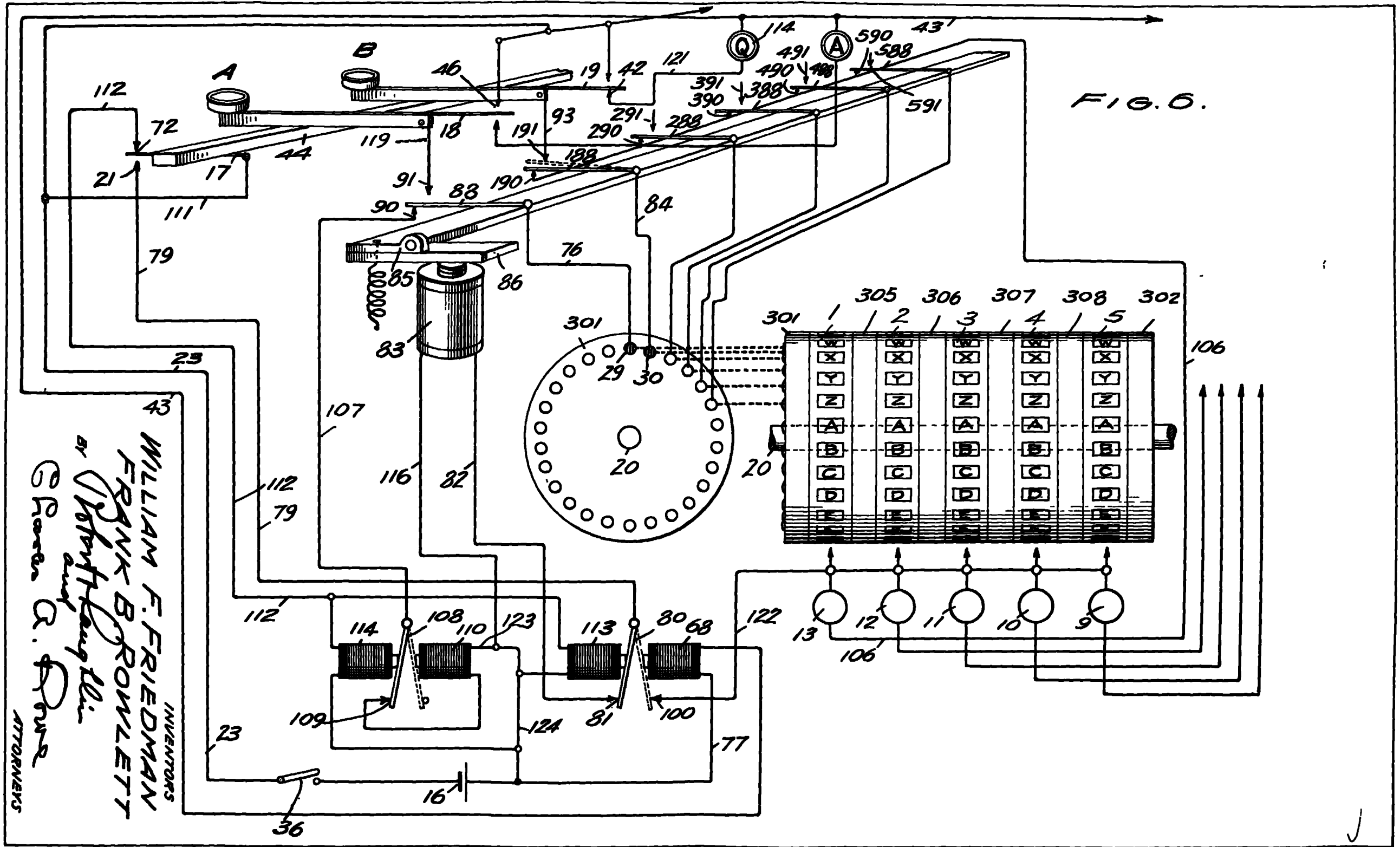
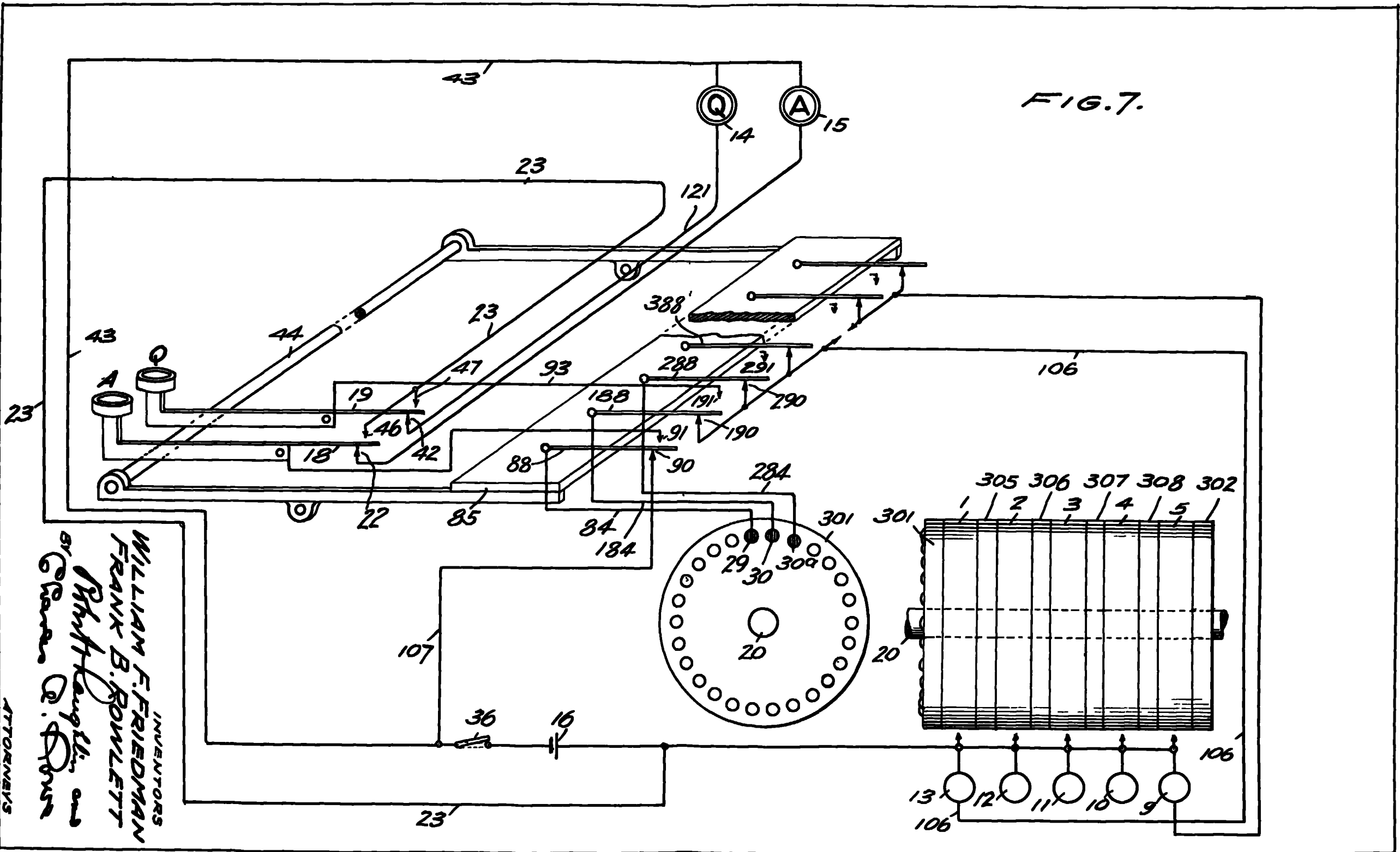


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The War Plans and Training Division concurs in paragraph 3 of basic memorandum.

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