In response to amendment of October 15, 1938.

Claims 6 through 14 and 16 through 23 remain in this application.

Claim 12 is again rejected as misdescriptive in setting forth means "to effect random permutations of the circuit connections". As pointed out in the last Office action the circuits are always closed in the same order or sequence. The change speed drives, interchangeable cams, and differential gearing merely change the time interval between contacts and the time is each circuit/closed and not the order of closing.

Claims 13 and 18 through 23 are rejected on Boardman for the reasons of record. Boardman shows all the structure recited in these claims. The friction drives in Boardman provide for the continuously slipping action claimed. Applicant relies on the inherent slipping action in the friction drives to support the claims and as a basis for the amendment to page 3 (October 15, 1938). The same inherent slipping action is present in Boardman. Obviously the manual adjustment in Boardman provides means for continuously and irregularly varying the rate of movement of the contact drums.

Claim 23 is further rejected as not based on the disclosure. As pointed out in the last Office action no disclosure is found for the limitation that the contacts are "spaced at irregular intervals". The first three lines, page 4 of the specification, suggested by applicant as a basis for this claim, merely
-- describes the connection of the contacts to the "commutator"
ring. It is not gathered from this that the contacts are
spaced at irregular intervals with respect to each other.

Claims 6 through 11, 14, 16 and 17 appear allowable as
now advised.

This action is final.