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Object name: ADDO Model 9 Sterling Calculator

Vintage: c.1927

Synopsis: 8-digit mechanical £-s-d (Sterling) adder/subtractor.

Description:

An 8-digit mechanical £-s-d (Sterling) adder/subtractor, 'capacity £1000.00', made by ADDO AB, Malmö, Sweden. Probably donated by TCD Finance Office c.1989 per Ian Matthews, who later became Treasurer.

It has 1/4, 1/2, and 3/4 keys for entering 1 farthing, 1 half-pence, and 3 farthings, respectively. The central key with the "missing" keytop is a latch for the adjacent subtraction key. The machine has direct subtraction and true negative balance, but still requires a blank stroke before taking a total if carries are pending. The result is printed on a paper roll. Multiplication is posible using repeated addition.

ADDO AB was founded by Hugo Agrell in Malmö, Sweden in 1918, and opened in America in 1950. ADDO in Cirencester, UK, was a subsidiary of the Swedish company, run by a brother of Hugo Agrell. The ADDO Model 9 (and Model 6, 7, 8 and 10) were introduced in 1927 and manufactured until 1936 when they were superceded by the Model X.

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Figure 1: ADDO Model 9 Sterling Calculator three-quarter view



Figure 2: ADDO Model 9 Sterling Calculator top view



Figure 3: ADDO Model 9 Sterling Calculator keyboard closeup



Figure 4: ADDO Model 9 Sterling Calculator manufacturing label 'Addo, made in Sweden'