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From seals . . .

The newspaper seal is a twentieth-century innovation. It originated in Britain and, as Allen Hutt points out on page 2, it is still more generally used here than anywhere else. It adds a touch of colour and gaiety to the newspaper front page.

Yet the newspaper seal has been strangely neglected both as a subject of comment and of consideration.

Even newspapers which have given careful thought to their typography and to their title-piece seem often to have paid scant regard to the design of the seal.

... to sex

The credit titles of the James Bond films From Russia with Love and, more recently, Goldfinger have excited much interest.

On page 49, under the light-hearted title Sex and typography, Robert Brownjohn describes his approach to the design of these film titles and the technique he devised to achieve what he now calls 'instant opticals'.