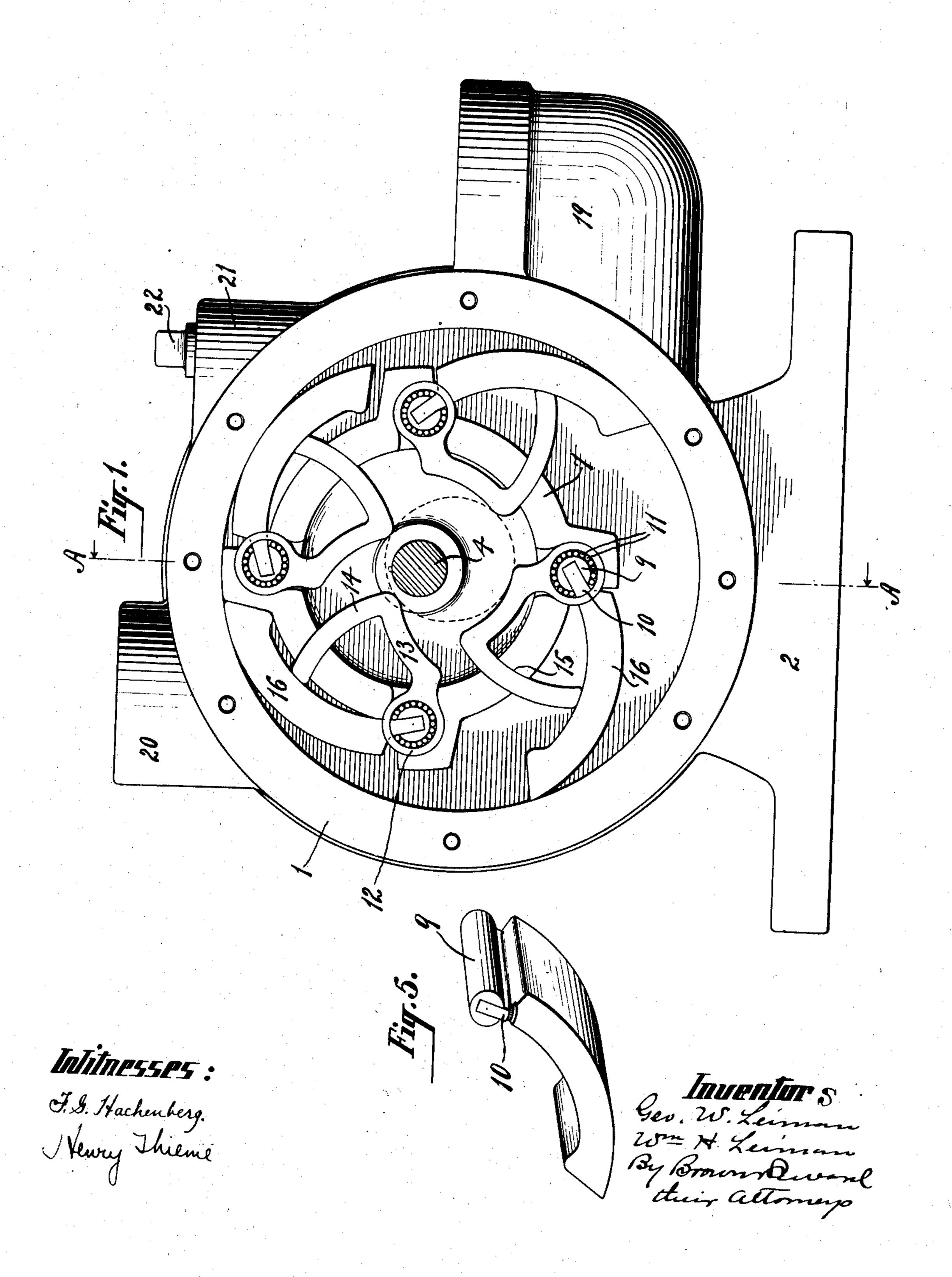
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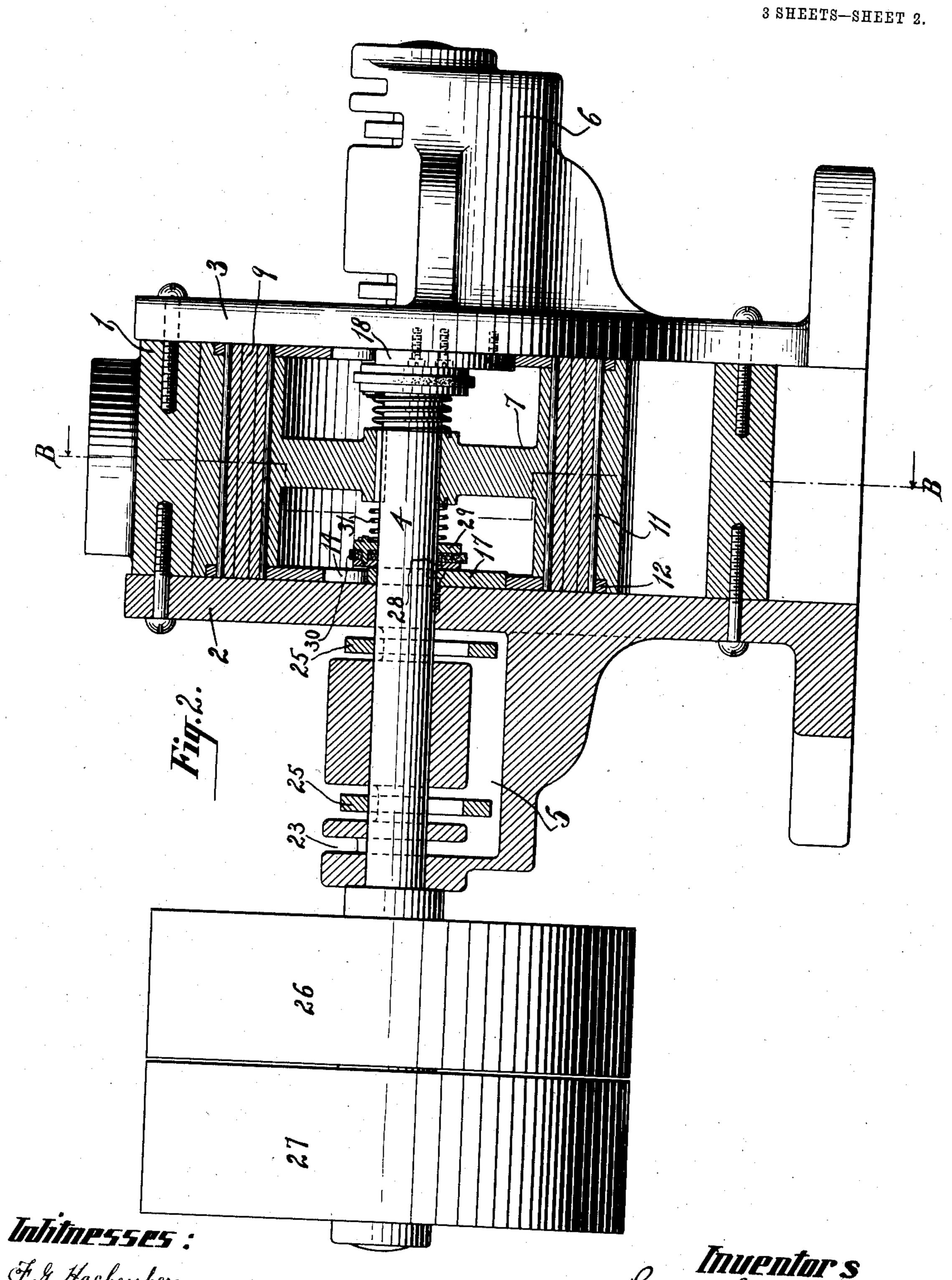
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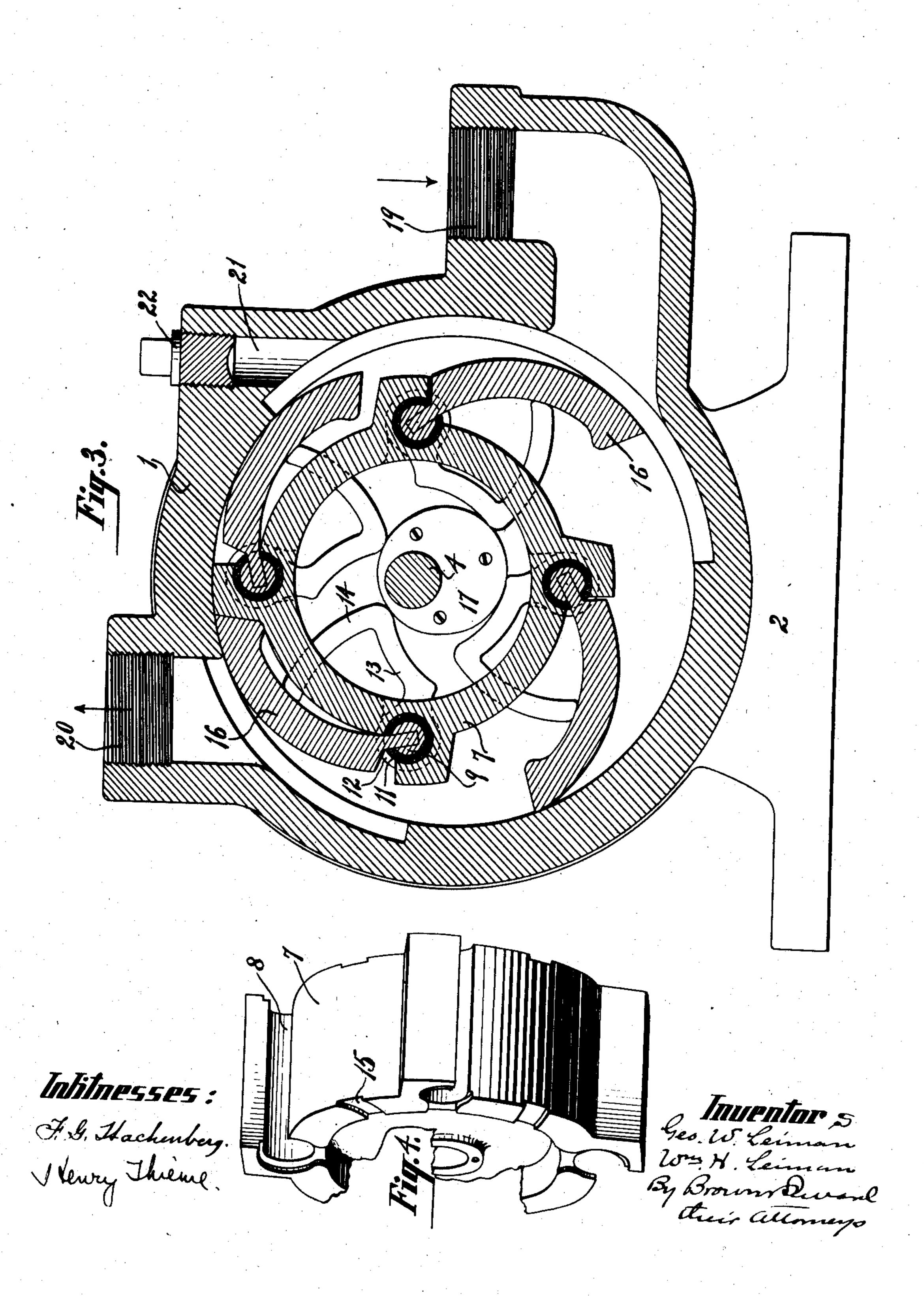
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To all whom it may concern:

and WILLIAM H. LEIMAN, citizens of the United States, and residents of the borough 5 of Manhattan, in the city and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Blowers, of which the following is a specification.

Our invention relates to a blower.

The object is to provide a simple and effective blower in which the fan blades shall be positively held against the inner wall of the cylinder whether the machine be in operation or not and whatever the rate of speed of the 15 machine so that there will be no out-throw of the blades at or near the time of starting and the consequent noise and possible injury thereby avoided

A further object is to provide simple 20 means for maintaining a supply of oil in the

shaft bearings.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view of the blower in side elevation, one of the cylinder heads being removed to show 25 the parts therein, Fig. 2 is a view in transverse section in the plane of the line A-A of Fig. 1, one end of the cylinder and the bearing box and cam fixed to the head of the cylinder being shown in elevation, Fig. 3 is a 30 section in the plane of the line B—B of Fig. 2, Fig. 4 is a partial view in perspective of the fan or blade support, Fig. 5 is a view in detail of one of the fans or blades.

The cylinder is denoted by 1 and its heads 35 by 2 and 3. A shaft 4 extends eccentrically through the cylinder 1 passing through the heads 2 and 3 and through suitable bearings in oil receptacles 5 and 6 connected to or formed integral with the outer faces of the

40 cylinder heads 2 and 3.

To the shaft 4, the fan or blade support 7 is secured in any well known or approved manner, for instance, by a feather and groove connecting its hub with the shaft 4, the sup-45 port 7 being cylindrical in form and provided on its exterior face at suitable intervals with open sockets 8 for the reception of the blade pintles 9, the mouths of the sockets being contracted as shown for the passage of the 50 neck 10 of the blade and the socket 8 itself being of sufficient size to permit a series of roller bearings 11 to be inserted between the hinge pintle 9 and the interior of the socket 8. These roller bearings 11 consist of a se-55 ries of small rollers preferably having a length substantially equal to that of the

socket 8 and they are held circumferentially Be it known that we, George W. Leiman in position by the annular hubs 12 of the blade regulating dogs.

The rollers 11 are held endwise in position 60 between the opposite heads of the cylinder 2

and 3.

The ring hubs 12 of the blade regulating dogs are let into the ends of the blade support 7 a distance equal to their thickness 65 and consist of a branch 13 extending inwardly from the hub 12 toward the shaft 4 and a branch 14 extending thence outwardly through a narrow slot 15 in the end of the support 7 into engagement with the inner 70 face of the blade 16.

We have shown two blade regulating dogs for each of the blades, one at each end and symmetrically arranged and this arrangement we prefer as it distributes the pressure 75 evenly upon the opposite sides of the blade but it is obvious that the blade regulating dogs at one end of the blade might be omitted and those at one end only be employed to keep the blades in position.

At opposite ends of the cylinder 1, cams 17 and 18 are located and fixed to the interior faces of the cylinder heads 2 and 3, the said cams surrounding the shaft 4 and so placed that they will hold the blade regulating dogs, 85 by contact with the knees of the dogs, pressed outwardly to just a sufficient extent to hold the free ends of the blades or fans in contact with the interior curved surface of the cylinder throughout the entire revolution of 90 the shaft and the blades attached thereto.

Air is admitted to the cylinder 1 through an inlet 19 and is forced from the cylinder through an outlet 20. The interior of the cylinder may be oiled as required from time 95 to time through an oil duct 21 closed by a plug 22 and oil may be supplied to the shaft bearings by keeping a supply of oil in the oil receptacles 5 and 6 through a feed opening 23, the oil being lifted from the receptacles 5 100 and 6 in such small quantities as may be desired and applied to the shaft 4 by means of rings 24, 25, hung loosely on the shaft 4. It is to be understood that the receptacle 6 is provided with oil transmitting rings similar 105 to the rings 24, 25, for lubricating the shaft bearings at that end.

The shaft is provided with suitable fast and loose pulleys 26 and 27 as is usual.

In operation, the rotary movement of the 110 shaft 4 carries with it the blade support 7 and the blades thereon and these blades are posi-

tively held against the inner curved surface of the cylinder by the several blade regulating dogs, the said dogs traveling around on the curved surface of the cams which, in 5 turn, are fixed to the interior faces of the cylinder heads. These blade regulating dogs have the additional function of holding the rollers of the bearings circumferentially in position on the pintles of the blades and 10 the blower operates with very little noise and

very slight wear.

To prevent the oil from being sucked from the oil boxes through the shaft bearing to the interior of the blade support 7 or the escape 15 of air from within, we provide spring actuated washers surrounding the shaft and pressing outwardly against the cams 17, 18. Each washer preferably consists of a plurality of metal disks 28, 29, separated by a 20 disk 30 of leather or other suitable tough yielding material, the metal disks being preferably fastened together through the interposed washer 30. The combination of disks thus formed is pressed outwardly by 25 means of an interposed spring 31, preferably a coil spring surrounding the shaft between the hub of the support 7 and the washer.

What we claim is:—

1. The combination with a cylinder, a 30 shaft extending through the cylinder and swinging blades indirectly connected with the shaft, of roller bearings for the blades and blade regulating dogs arranged to hold the roller bearings in position and a cam for 35 operating the blade regulating dogs.

2. The combination with a cylinder, a shaft extending through the cylinder and swinging blades connected with the shaft, of blade regulating dogs hinged concentric with the blades and fixed cams for operating 40 the dogs to regulate the positions of the blades during the rotary movement of the shaft.

3. The combination with a cylinder, a blade support eccentrically located therein 45 and blades hinged to the support, the said support having its ends recessed, of blade regulating dogs hinged to the blade support and extending through said recessed ends of the support and fixed cams in position to en- 50 gage the dogs to positively hold the blades in

position.

4. The combination with the cylinder, the blade support, the blades and the shaft connected with the blade support and extending 55 through the cylinder, of a washer comprising a plurality of disks, one of said disks having a substantially non-yielding bearing face to close the joint between the shaft and the cylinder and another of said disks being of elas- 60 tic material and a spring in position to bear against the elastic disk and through said elastic disk force the joint-closing-disk toward the joint.

In testimony, that we claim the foregoing 65 as our invention, we have signed our names in presence of two witnesses, this June 21st

1906.

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Witnesses:

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