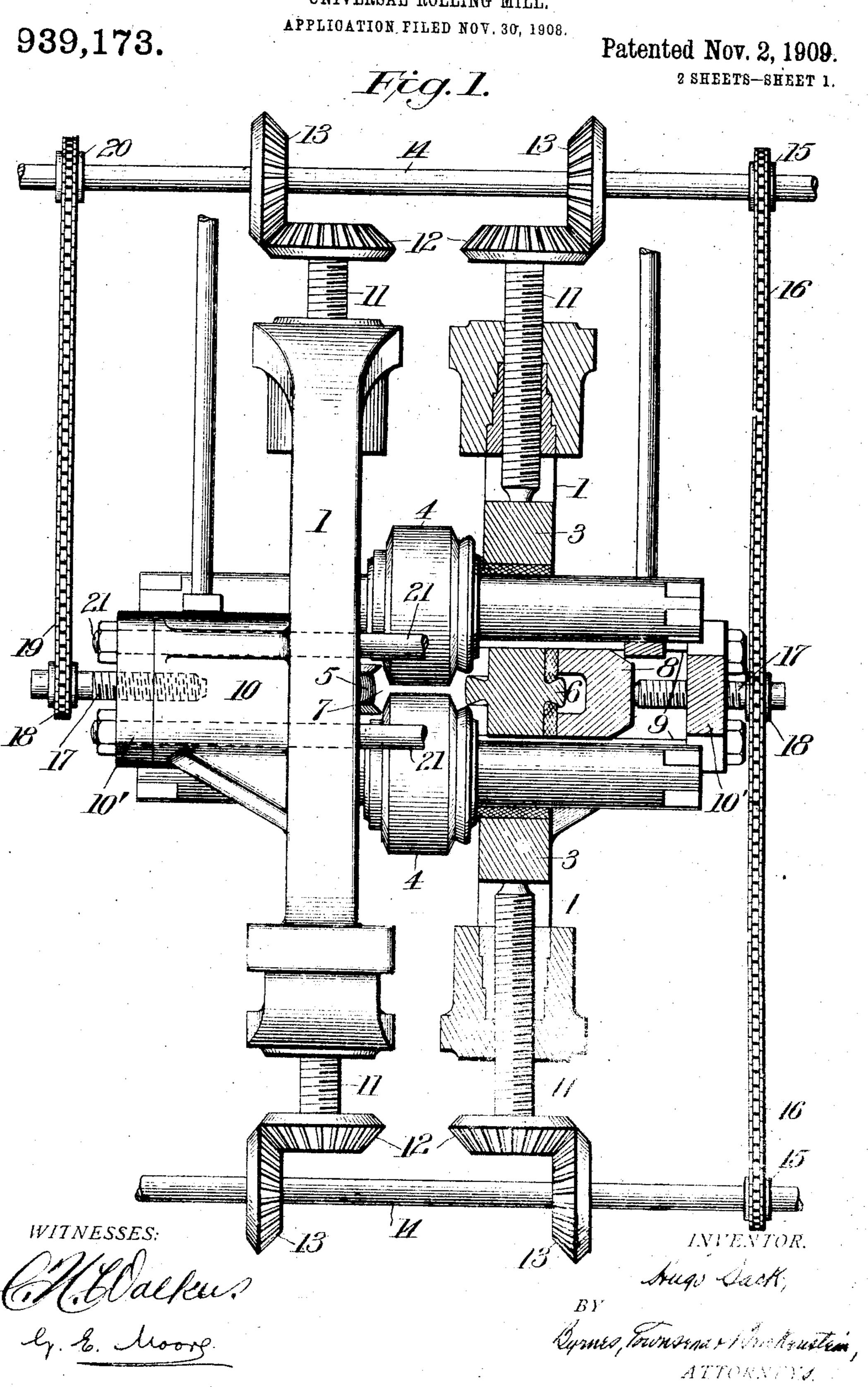
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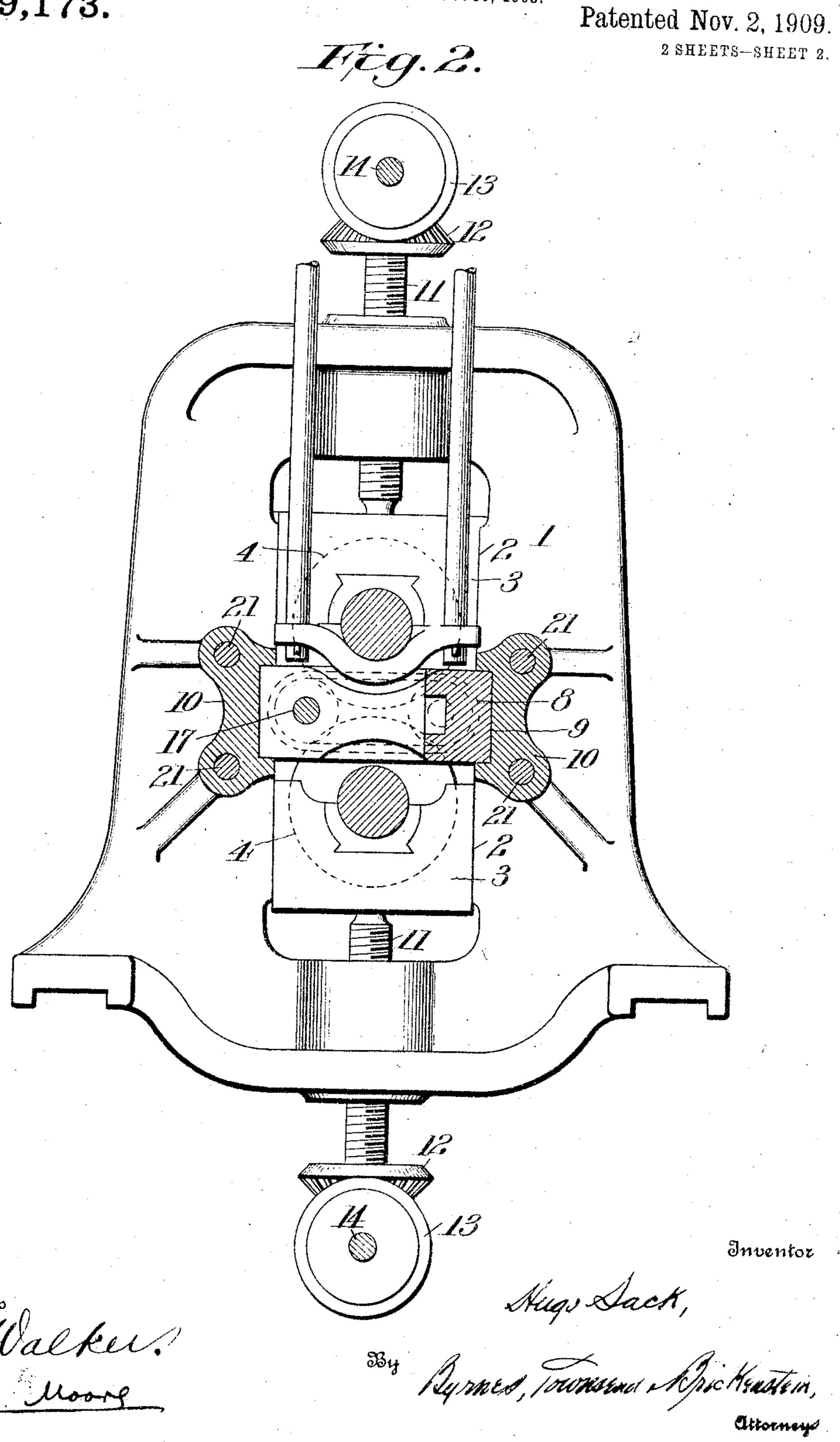
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Hugo Sack, a subject of the Emperor of Germany, residing at Dusseldorf, Rhenish Prussia, Germany, have 5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Universal Rolling-Mills, of which the following is a specification.

In universal I-bar mills having four rolls situated in one plane, which develop a 10 blank into a preliminary I-bar with outwardly-diverging flanges, the setting of the rolls must be such that the vertical rolls always remain exactly midway between the two horizontal rolls.

In the mills shown in my Patent No. 431,623, of July 8, 1890, and in my copending applications, Ser. No. 341,142, filed Oct. 29, 1906, and Ser. No. 380,854, filed June 26, 1907, either the bottom horizontal roll or the 20 top horizontal roll is fixed, wherefore the vertical rolls must follow the movable horizontal roll half-way upward or downward, in order to remain midway between the two horizontal rolls.

In the present mill the vertical rolls have a horizontal movement only, while the two taneously and equally to or from the ver-30 tical rolls.

Referring to the accompanying drawing:-Figure 1 is a front elevation of the improved mill, partly in section, showing the rolls in position to receive the blank; and Fig. 2 is 35 an end elevation of the mill, partly in section.

The mill illustrated comprises vertical stands or housings 1 having guideways 2 which receive the vertically-movable bear-40 ings 3 at the ends of each horizontal roll 4. These rolls are shown as identical and individually asymmetrical. The vertical rolls 5, 6 are shown as different and individually symmetrical. The pass 7 between the four 45 rolls is of such shape as to roll an I-bar with outwardly-diverging non-parallel flanges, the horizontal rolls having working faces which shape the web and inner sides of the flanges while the vertical rolls have convex 50 working faces which shape the outer sides of the flanges. The edges of one pair of flanges are preferably shaped by collars on one vertical roll, as illustrated, roll 5, while the edges of the other pair of flanges are

shaped by collars on the horizontal rolls. 55 This roll-construction enables any fins formed on the edges of the flanges to berolled down by reversing the bar, or rotating it through an angle of 180°, between successive passes through the rolls, as fully 60 set forth in my prior application, Ser. No. 353,380, filed June 2, 1908. Each vertical roll is supported and adjusted by a chock 8 which slides horizontally in guideways 9 machined in brackets 10 cast integral with-65 and projecting outward from a housing 1.

Means are provided for simultaneously adjusting the horizontal rolls, and also, preferably, the vertical rolls, so as to accurately maintain the shape of the pass. Va- 70 rious mechanisms may be used to effect this simultaneous adjustment. That shown comprises vertical screws 11 which pass through nuts fixed in the upper and lower closed ends of the housings 1, and bear against 75 the journal-boxes 3. A bevel-gear 12 is keyed on the outer end of each screw, these gears engaging complementary gears 13 keyed on upper and lower horizontal shafts 14. Alined sprockets 15 connected by a 80 horizontal rolls are provided with adjusting | chain 16 are also keyed on these shafts, so means which cause them to move simul- | that they rotate in unison, thereby causing the simultaneous and equal inward movement of the horizontal rolls. Pairs of horizontal screws 17 are threaded through cross 85. plates 10' which are bolted to the outer ends. of the brackets 10. These horizontal screws also carry prockets 18 and are preferably rotated in unison with the vertical screws 11, the sprockets 18 at the right engaging 90 the chain 16 while those at the left engage a chain 19 which is driven by a sprocket 20 on the upper shaft 14. The screws 17 bear against the outer ends of the chocks 8 and thereby force the vertical rolls inward simul- 95 taneously with the horizontal rolls, through a distance which is predetermined by the pitch of the screws, so as to maintain the exact shape of the pass 7.

The distance between the housings 1 may 100 be adjusted to suit different rolls by means of the tie-bolts 21 which connect the cross-. plates 10.

Suitable guides for the blank may be attached to the bolts 21 and to the housings. I claim:

A universal mill for rolling I-bars with outwardly-diverging flanges, comprising a

pair of housings having guideways, a pair of horizontal rolls journaled in bearings in said guideways, a pair of vertical rolls each having a convex face, a pair of chocks carrying said vertical rolls, horizontal guideways for said chocks, and interconnected means for simultaneously forcing both the horizontal and the vertical rolls toward the

roll-pass, and thereby accurately maintaining the desired form of pass.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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