

3. The positioning means of claim 2 wherein means are provided for attaching the lever arm to the plate member at a plurality of lateral positions.

4. In a speed control for a sewing machine motor and the like wherein the motor is movable into and out of position and the speed of the motor is determined by the relative position of a speed control member carried by the motor, positioning means for said speed control member comprising a member operatively attached to said speed control member at all positions of the motor, and a lever means arranged at one side of the path of movement of the motor and positioned to contact said attached member for causing movement thereof only when the motor is in operating position.

5. In a speed control for a motor wherein the motor speed is determined by the relative positions of a speed control member, positioning means for said member comprising an arm operatively connected to said member, a second arm pivotally mounted with one end adjacent to but normally spaced from the free end of said first arm, a plate member pivotally mounted at one end and operatively connected to the end of the second arm that is opposite the first arm, a lever removably attached to said plate member at the end opposite the pivotally mounted end and beyond the connection of the plate member to the second arm, and means for attaching said lever to said plate member at any point in a line extending generally transversely to the line determined by the pivoted mounting of the plate member and the point of connection of the plate member to the second arm.

6. The positioning means of claim 5 wherein said attaching means comprises a transverse slot in the plate member.

7. In a speed control for a sewing machine or the like wherein the motor is mounted on a base member for arcuate movement into and out of operating position, and wherein the motor speed is determined by the relative positions of a speed control member attached to and movable with the motor, positioning means comprising an arm operatively connected to said speed control member and mounted on the motor, said arm extending transversely to the plane of movement

of the motor and being movable longitudinally to vary the position of the speed control member, a pivotally mounted second arm located substantially parallel to the plane of movement of the motor and at one side of the path of movement of the motor, said arm having one end adjacent the free end of the first arm but normally out of contact therewith when the motor is in operating position, a link member pivotally attached to the end of the second arm that is opposite the motor and extending substantially parallel to the first arm, a plate member pivotally mounted at one end to which the end of the link member that is opposite the second arm is rotatably attached, said plate member lying substantially at right angles to the plane determined by said second arm and link member and substantially parallel to said link member, a lever arm attached to said plate member at a point beyond the point of attachment of the link member to the plate member, said lever arm lying substantially in the plane of the plate member, means for urging the first arm to a retracted position, and means for urging said second arm, link member and plate member to retracted positions.

8. The positioning means of claim 7 wherein said plate member is provided with a slot at the point of attachment of the lever arm to the plate member, said slot lying substantially transversely to a line determined by the pivotal mounting of the plate member and the point of attachment of the link member to the plate member and said lever arm being provided with a portion engaging said slot for attaching the lever arm to the plate member.

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#### Certificate of Correction

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It is hereby certified that error appears in the printed specification of the above numbered patent requiring correction as follows:

Column 4, line 70; after the word "member" strike out the comma and insert the same after "ends" in line 71;

and that the said Letters Patent should be read as corrected above, so that the same may conform to the record of the case in the Patent Office.

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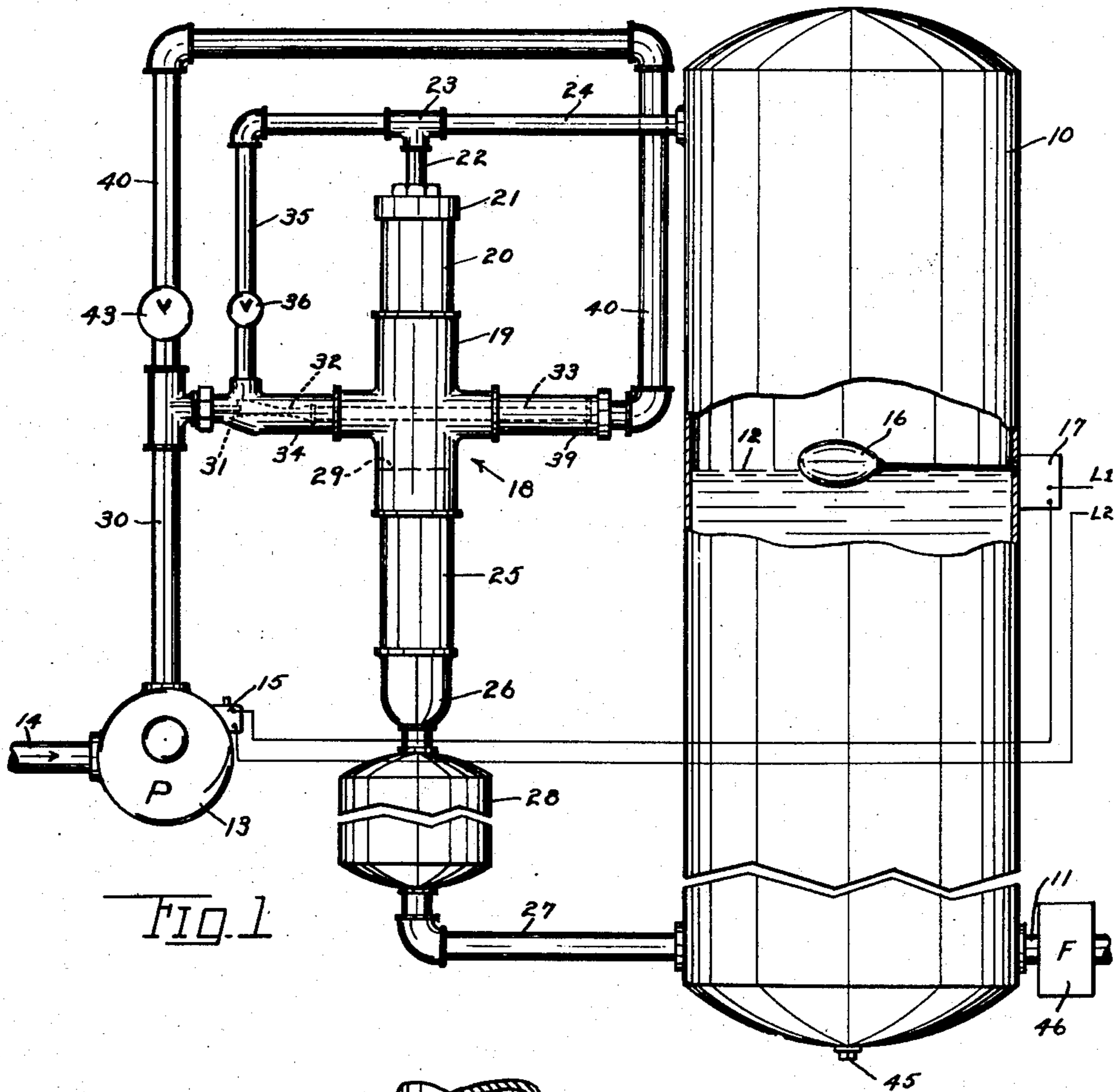


FIG. 1

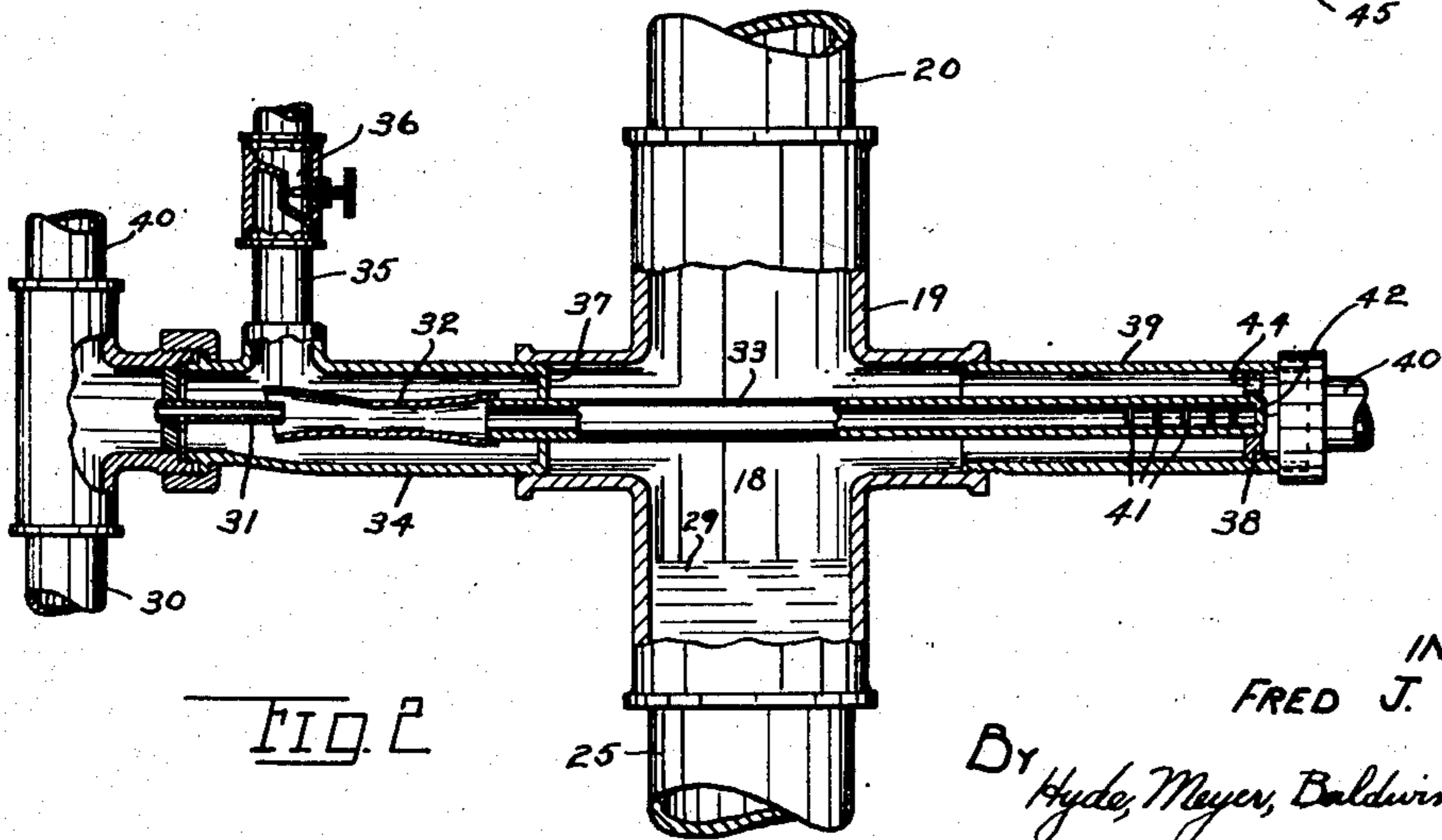


FIG. 2

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This invention relates to improvements in means for mixing air with water to remove iron or other substances therefrom.

One of the objects of the present invention is to provide novel means for mixing a gas with a liquid such as the specific application of mixing air with a stream of water to precipitate certain iron compounds which are objectionable in a domestic water system.

Another object of the present invention is to provide novel mixing means wherein the untreated stream of water under pressure is fed to an injector arranged to receive air from the upper portion of a tank or reservoir so as to thoroughly mix the air and water prior to its entry into a domestic water system.

Other objects and advantages together with novel arrangements of the specific parts will be apparent from the accompanying drawings and description and the essential features thereof will be set forth in the appended claims.

In the drawings,

Fig. 1 is a somewhat diagrammatic view showing my invention as applied to a domestic water system with a portion of the reservoir in section to more clearly show the construction; while

Fig. 2 is an enlarged view of the central portion of Fig. 1 with parts in central longitudinal section to more clearly show the construction.

While my invention is applicable to many kinds of apparatus where a gas is to be intimately mixed with a liquid, I have chosen to describe the same for specific application to a domestic water system. Many times, the raw water comprises objectionable ingredients such as iron or sulphur compounds which may be largely removed by intimate mixture with air. It is one purpose of the present invention to provide cheap but efficient means for accomplishing this purpose.

In the drawings, a reservoir or tank is indicated at 10 for supplying water to a domestic system connected with the outlet pipe 11. It is customary in such systems to have water in the reservoir up to a predetermined level such as that indicated at 12, and the upper portion of the tank is filled with air under pressure so as to carry the water to the various desired portions of the system. The water is supplied by any suitable means, such as the rotary pump indicated at 13 and supplied from a well or other source through the inlet pipe 14. The pump is supplied with a snifter valve 15 which in the present instance is electrically controlled responsive to the float 16 in the tank 10. The arrangement is such that when the float 16 rises beyond a pre-

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determined level the float arm 16a actuates a switch, not shown, in the box 17 so that electricity is supplied from the source L1, L2 to the electrically operated snifter valve 15 to open the valve and admit air with the incoming water passing through pump 13. This increases the supply of air in the upper portion of reservoir 10 until float 16 is lowered, whereupon the switch in the box 17 is opened and the snifter valve 15 is closed.

Means, not shown, of any conventional variety is utilized to control the operation of pump 13 in response to the demand for water in the system. This phase of pump control does not enter into the present invention.

A mixing chamber 18 is provided, and I have shown a special construction which gives a cheap but efficient device. The pipe cross 19 is arranged with vertically and horizontally extending arms for purposes presently disclosed. In the upper vertical arm is threaded a nipple 20 which is closed by means of a cap 21 and connected by pipe 22, T 23, and pipe 24 with the upper portion of reservoir 10. The lower arm of the cross is connected by nipple 25, and reducer 25 with pipe 27, communicating with the lower portion of reservoir 10. If desired, a tank 28 may be provided in pipe 27 to retain the water long enough for the iron compounds to precipitate out of the incoming water stream. Obviously, because of the equalization pipes 24 and 27, the water level in the mixing chamber will be at 29, on a horizontal level with that indicated at 12. The upper portion of the mixing chamber is filled with air in communication with the upper portion of reservoir 10.

The stream of raw water discharged by the pump through line 30 is led through a jet 31 to an injector 32 which has a discharge tube 33 extending through the horizontal arms of the cross 19. The housing 34 around the injector is connected by pipe 35 with the T 23 so as to supply air to the injector. A control valve 36 is provided, and this is preferably a needle valve for a purpose later described. A partition 37 provides a wall between the housing 34 and the mixing chamber. It also supports one end of tube 33. The other end of this tube is supported by a spider 38 in the nipple 39 which is threaded into the right-hand arm of the cross 19. A pipe connection at 40 is provided for a purpose later explained.

To provide intimate mixing of the water and air passing through tube 33, the wall of the tube is perforated preferably by means of a plurality of narrow slits 41 which may extend along any