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ROTATING SWITCH WITH CURVED ARC-RUNNER PATH

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Abstract (en)
[origin: JPS6419639A] PURPOSE: To increase breaking capacity by fixing a permanent magnet to a contact containing a moving track, without mutually corresponding two hot spots with respect to two arc roots, and blowing the arc roots toward hidden positions to ensure easy arc extinguishment and current shutoff. CONSTITUTION: When a rotary switch is open with the rotation of a shaft 22, arc roots 48, 50 locked onto fixed contacts 14, 16 are blown with the action of the magnetic field of a permanent magnet 34 and moved on a cylindrical outer periphery 42 to form arc root moving tracks. Hot spots, corresponding to the arc roots 48, 50, are moved to hidden positions 52, 54 and, when arcs 44, 46 are extinguished naturally and transferred into a zero current, optimum reignition preventing conditions are obtained, so that no thermoelectric discharge occurs at the hot spots 52, 54 on the side opposite to a knife blade 28. In this way, the possibility for reigniting the arcs 44, 46 is prevented or restricted, when recovery voltage develops and breaking capacity is increased.

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