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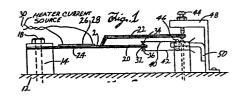
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- (57) A thermally operated bimetal switch has a cantilever supported bimetal element with three sections, a heater controlled section adjacent the cantilever support, a switch arm section (20) and a compensator arm section (22) extending parallel to each other away from the heater section (24). The compensator arm section (22) engages a stop. The switch can be adjusted to provide undercompensation, overcompensation or full compensation for ambient temperature changes over controlled temperature ranges. A control circuit utilizing a thermal switch is described by which glow plugs are heated at a high rate but are temperature limited to prevent burnout of the glow plugs.





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