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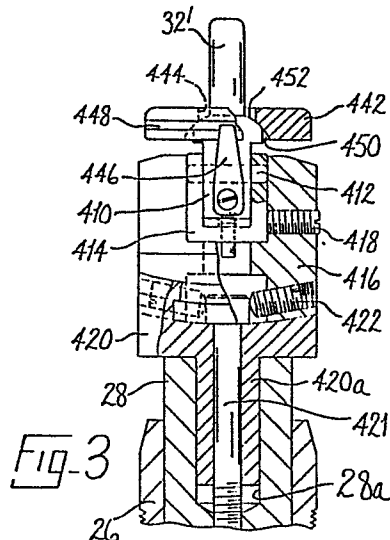
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(54) **Machine for lasting heel seat portions of shoes.**

(57) In tack seat lasting machines, operator skill is often required because of irregularities in last manufacture, especially in drilling the last pin hole. Thus automatic presentation is difficult. In accordance with the invention the last pin (32') is mounted for limited rocking movement about an axis extending lengthwise of the shoe bottom, and shoe centralising means (424) engages edges of the shoe, at opposite sides of the last pin, to ensure alignment with a longitudinal centre line of the machine. Furthermore, the rocking axis can be adjusted angularly, about a heightwise axis, to locate it substantially in the heel-to-toe plane of the shoe. The centralised shoe is then clamped by a holddown (406), the centralising means released, and the shoe heel end clamped by a heel band (520) which, by equalised pressure being applied to both "legs" thereof, holds the shoe in position as presented.





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