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54 Pneumatically-operated press.

(57) A pneumatically-operated press is particularly for extracting juice from grapes and other fruit.

The press includes a rotatable horizontal drum (3) sub-divided by membranes (10, 11) into a pressing space and two air spaces. The pressing space is defined by the two membranes and a slotted wall (22) of the drum.

The membranes (10, 11) are each secured along their longitudinal edges to the circumferential wall of the drum at one edge (12, 13) and to a support (4) spaced radially inwardly of the drum wall at the other edge.

The support (4) is triangular in cross-section with the edges of the membranes (10, 11) secured at the apex of the triangle by connecting strips (8, 9).

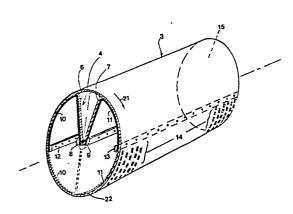


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