

(19)



Europäisches Patentamt
European Patent Office
Office européen des brevets

(11)

Publication number:

**0 234 927
B1**

(12)

EUROPEAN PATENT SPECIFICATION

(45)

Date of publication of the patent specification:
03.01.90

(51)

Int. Cl.⁴: **F24F 7/02, F24F 13/00,
F24F 13/14**

(21)

Application number: **87301625.7**

(22)

Date of filing: **25.02.87**

(54)

Ventilation device for building roofs.

(30)

Priority: **28.02.86 DE 3606562**

(73)

Proprietor: **COLT INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS A.G.,
Alpenstrasse 14, CH-6300 Zug(CH)**

(43)

Date of publication of application:
02.09.87 Bulletin 87/36

(72)

Inventor: **Peters, Norbert, Gartenstrasse 29,
D-4179 Weeze 1(DE)**

(45)

Publication of the grant of the patent:
03.01.90 Bulletin 90/1

(74)

Representative: **Slight, Geoffrey Charles et al, Graham
Watt & Co. Riverhead, Sevenoaks Kent TN13 2BN(GB)**

(84)

Designated Contracting States:
AT BE CH DE FR GB LI LU NL

(56)

References cited:
**DE-A- 2 559 167
DE-A- 2 633 123
DE-A- 2 722 131
FR-A- 2 220 660
FR-A- 2 268 970
FR-A- 2 278 896
FR-A- 2 378 931
FR-A- 2 516 146
US-A- 2 404 961
US-A- 3 654 851**

EP O 234 927 B1

Note: Within nine months from the publication of the mention of the grant of the European patent, any person may give notice to the European Patent Office of opposition to the European patent granted. Notice of opposition shall be filed in a written reasoned statement. It shall not be deemed to have been filed until the opposition fee has been paid (Art. 99(1) European patent convention).

Description

The invention relates to a ventilation device for building roofs in a construction according to the preamble to claim 1.

DE-A 2 633 123 describes a ventilation device of this type in which the housing and the closing device form structural units which are fully assembled by the manufacturer and which, after being transported to the building site are placed, as a whole, on a substructure, for example a base, and anchored on this.

The transport and handling of such prefabricated units is difficult and expensive.

It is the object of the invention to provide a ventilation device of the type mentioned at the beginning which can be delivered in handy individual parts to the building site and can be assembled quickly and easily on the spot whilst retaining the security of the device.

It is known from FR-A 2 378 931 to provide an adjustable suspension for a gate or the like comprising a base plate for attachment to a gate post, the plate having a rail portion, a lug element slidable on the rail portion, the lug element being apertured to receive a hinge pin about which the gate pivots and means for retaining the lug element in a selected position on the rail.

The ventilation device according to the invention, starting from one according to the preamble to claim 1, is characterised by the features mentioned in the characterising part of claim 1. With regard to optional further developments, reference should be made to the claim 2 to 5.

The ventilation device according to the invention permits a completely separate delivery of the parts forming the closure device and of the housing and possibly of a frame section to be fitted between housing and base and a rapid and easy joining of the parts on site which can be carried out without any special previous knowledge and with a simple tool, while the supporting and locking rails not only simplify the assembly but also facilitate the alignment of the parts and compensate for manufacturing tolerances. At the same time, the parts or the closure device cannot be removed from their hinges when closed.

One specific embodiment of the invention will now be described in detail by way of example with reference to drawings;

In the drawings:

FIG. 1 shows a perspective, simplified general view of a ventilation device according to the invention;

FIG. 2 shows, in a broken away, enlarged detail, a vertical partial section in the region of a longitudinal wall of the housing; and

FIG. 3 shows a broken away separate illustration of the bearing elements for a flap.

The ventilation device illustrated in the drawings is adapted for roofs of buildings used industrially, commercially or municipally and comprises a housing 2 defining a ventilation opening 1, a base 3 to be se-

cured to a roof, a frame section 4 interposed between base 3 and housing 2 and a closing device which consists essentially of two flaps 5, 6 as well as pivot drives 7 which are supported on a transverse girder 8.

The housing 2 comprises longitudinal walls 9, 10 which are situated opposite one another, parallel in pairs, as are transverse walls 11 and 12. The frame section 4 in turn comprises longitudinal and transverse struts 13, 14 and 15, 16 which are situated opposite one another, parallel in pairs and on which the housing 2 is placed with its longitudinal and transverse walls 9, 10, and 11, 12 and fixed by means of snap closures 17.

The flaps 5, 6 which are alike, are pivotally movable in opposite directions about external hinge axes 18 by means of the pivot drives 7 and, in their closed position, engage with their edges over a gutter 19 crossing the ventilation opening 1 centrally as well as over the walls 9, 10, 11, 12 of the housing 2 carrying them, at their upper edge. Accordingly, the ventilation opening 1 in the housing 2 is completely covered in the closed position of the flaps 5, 6 protected from the entry of the weather and also sealed off from the passage of air by means of seals.

As can be seen in detail from Figures 2 and 3, the longitudinal walls 9, 10 of the housing 2 are provided with supporting and locking rails 20, 21 and 22, 23 which extend longitudinally and all of which (with a horizontal alignment of the ventilation device) extend horizontally and preferably over the whole length of the longitudinal walls 9, 10.

The supporting and locking rails 20, 21 serve to support bearing blocks 24 and 25 for the flaps 5, 6 and are each formed by an upright rib which is parallel to the outer surface of the longitudinal walls 9, 10 of the housing 2, with spacing, and which is disposed on a base plate 26 projecting outwards. The bearing blocks 24, 25 comprise an angle support which can be placed with an upright arm 28 astride the associated rib 20, 21 and, in the superimposed position, can be located by an arm 29, bent inwards at an angle, on the upper edge of the longitudinal walls 9, 10 by means of a holding-down means, for example a screw 30 or another suitable snap closure. In the lower region of its arm 28, each bearing block 24, 25 is provided with a bearing bore to receive a pivot 27, the entrances of the bearing bores of the two bearing blocks 24 facing towards one side (towards the right in Figure 3) and that of the bearing bore in the third bearing block 25 facing towards the opposite side.

Each flap 5, 6 is provided with three pivot fittings 31 each of which carries one of the pivots 27. Two of the three pivots 27, which jointly define the hinge axis 18, are disposed at one and the same side, in Figure 3 in the left-hand side, of their pivot fitting 31, while the third pivot is associated with its pivot fitting 31 at the opposite side. In order to mount a flap 5 or 6, this is at first only fixed by two bearing blocks, namely the bearing blocks 24, to the associated longitudinal wall, the longitudinal wall 10 in Figure 3, after which the third bearing block 25 is subsequently pushed onto its associated pivot 27 in a

displacement movement taking place from right to left in Figure 3 and is then fixed in its operating position by means of its holding-down means 30. In this manner, with easy mounting, the flaps 5, 6 are, at the same time, locked to the associated longitudinal wall 9 or 10 in a manner which, without destroying parts of the device, can only be released with the flap 5 or 6 open.

The supporting and locking rails 22, 23 serve to support the head ends 32 of the transverse girder 8 for the pivot drives 7 and co-operate in pairs for this purpose. The upper rail 22 defines a holding groove 33 which is open downwards, while the lower rail defines a holding groove 34 which is open upwards, in which grooves the associated head end 32 of the transverse girder 8 engages with an upwardly directed and a downwardly directed locking nose 35, 36 respectively. The head ends 32 of the transverse girder 8 are first inserted with their locking noses 36 in the lower holding groove 34 of the rail 23 before the upper rail 22 is then fitted, with locking location, and fixed, for example by screwing.

In the example illustrated, in which the housing 2 is constructed in the form of a comparatively low unit and is superimposed on a frame section 4 with comparatively high longitudinal and transverse struts 13, 14, 15, 16, the upper rail 22 of each pair of rails 22, 23 is associated with the longitudinal wall 9, 10 of the housing 2 and the lower rail of the pair of rails is associated with the particular longitudinal strut 13 or 14 of the frame section 4 underneath it.

In order to facilitate subsequent positioning and to improve its location on the associated wall 9, 10 of the housing 2, the upper rail 22 is provided with an outer extension 37 in the form of a web projecting horizontally outwards which can be inserted in an insertion groove 38 in the inside of the longitudinal wall 9, 10 of the housing 2 and be located in the inserted position. This location may be effected by screwing or by means of suitable snap closures.

In the open position of the flaps 5, 6, upright baffles 39, located on the housing 2 in a suitable manner at the ends, shield the ventilation opening 1 from the unwanted entry of air into the building through wind action.

Claims

1. A ventilation device for building roofs, having a housing (2) which defines an upwardly directed ventilation opening (1) and the longitudinal and transverse walls (9, 10; 11, 12) of which are situated opposite one another, parallel in pairs, having a closing device with two flaps (5, 6) which are alike and are pivotally movable in opposite directions about external hinge axes (18) by means of pivot drives (7) and which, in their closed position, engage with their edges over a gutter (19) crossing the ventilation opening (1) centrally as well as over the walls (9, 10; 11, 12) of the housing (2) carrying them, at their upper edge, and completely cover the ventilation opening (1) in the housing (2) and protect it from the entry of the weather, and having a transverse girder (8) which is secured to the longitudinal walls (9,

10) and which engages under the gutter (19) and supports the pivot drives (7) for the flaps (5, 6) characterised in that first supporting and locking rails (20, 21) extending longitudinally for a location which is adjustable as desired longitudinally, of the parts of the closing device, are provided for supporting bearing blocks (24, 25) for the flaps (5, 6), each rail being formed by an upright rib (21, 22) disposed parallel to the outer surface of the longitudinal wall (9, 10) of the housing (2), with spacing, on a base plate (26) of the housing (2) projecting outwards, and the bearing blocks (24, 25) comprise an angle support having an upright arm and a further arm bent inwards at an angle which angle support can be placed with the underside of the upright arm (28) astride said upright rib (21, 22) and which can be located, by said further arm (29), on the upper edge of the longitudinal wall (9, 10), by means of a holding-down means (30) which is covered by the respective flap (5, 6) in its closed position.

2. A device as claimed in claim 1, characterised in that each flap is provided with three pivot fittings (31) each of which carries one of the pivots (27) jointly defining the hinge axis (18), two of these pivots (27) projecting in the same direction and the third pivot (27) projecting in the opposite direction from their pivot fitting (31) and engaging in correspondingly aligned bores of three bearing blocks (24, 25) which, by their arrangement, form a locking means for the flap.

3. A device as claimed in claim 1 or 2, characterised in that second supporting and locking rails (22, 23) for supporting the head ends (32) of the transverse girder (8) for the pivot drives (7) each comprise a pair of rails (22, 23), a lower rail (23) of each pair of rails defining a holding groove (34) which is open upwards and an upper rail (22) defining a holding groove (33) which is open downwards, and the head ends (32) of the transverse girder (8) each comprise one locking nose which is directed upwards (35) and one locking nose (36) which is directed downwards, which noses engage in the associated holding grooves (33, 34).

4. A device as claimed in claim 3, characterised in that the housing (2) with its longitudinal and transverse walls (9, 10; 11, 12) forms a structural unit superimposed on a frame section (4) with longitudinal and transverse struts (13, 14; 15, 16) and the lower rail (23) of each pair of rails (22, 23) is associated with a longitudinal strut (13, 14) of the frame section (4) and the upper rail (22) is associated with the associated longitudinal wall (9, 10) of the housing (2).

5. A device as claimed in claim 3 or 4, characterised in that the upper ones of the second supporting and locking rails (22) are each provided with an outer extension (37) and can be inserted horizontally in an insertion groove (38) in the inside of the longitudinal wall (9, 10) of the housing (2) and can be located in the inserted position.

Patentansprüche

1. Lüftungsvorrichtung für Gebäudedächer, mit einem eine aufwärts gerichtete Lüftungsöffnung (1) umgrenzenden Gehäuse (2), dessen Längs- und Querwände (9, 10; 11, 12) einander paarweise parallel gegenüberliegen, mit einer Verschlussvorrichtung mit zwei untereinander gleichen, um außenliegende Klappachsen (18) mittels Schwenkantrieben (7) gegenläufig schwenkbar beweglichen Klappen (5, 6), die in ihrer Schließstellung mit ihren Rändern eine die Lüftungsöffnung (1) mittig querende Regenrinne (19) sowie die Wände (9, 10; 11, 12) des sie tragenden Gehäuses (2) an deren oberen Rand übergreifen und die Lüftungsöffnung (1) im Gehäuse (2) vollständig abdecken sowie gegen Witterungseintritt schützen, und mit einem an den Längswänden (9, 10) befestigten Querträger (8), der die Regenrinne (19) untergreift und die Schwenkantriebe (7) für die Klappen (5, 6) abstützt, dadurch gekennzeichnet, daß erste längslaufende Stütz- und Riegelschienen (20, 21) für eine in Längsrichtung beliebig einstellbare Festlegung der Teile der Verschlussvorrichtung zur Abstützung von Lagerböcken (24, 25) für die Klappen (5, 6) vorgesehen sind, jede Schiene von einer aufrechtstehenden, zur Außenfläche der Längswand (9, 10) des Gehäuses (2) im Abstand parallelen, auf einer nach außen vorgezogenen Basisplatte (26) angeordneten Rippe (21, 22) gebildet ist, und die Lagerböcke (24, 25) einen Winkelträger mit einem aufrechten Schenkel und einem weiteren, einwärts abgewinkelten Schenkel umfassen, welcher Winkelträger mit der Unterseite des aufrechtstehenden Schenkels (28) reiterartig auf die aufrecht angeordnete Rippe (21, 22) aufsetzbar und mit dem weiteren Schenkel (29) auf dem oberen Rand der Längswände (9, 10) mittels eines Niederhalters (30) festlegbar ist, der von der jeweiligen Klappe (5, 6) in ihrer Schließstellung abgedeckt ist.

2. Vorrichtung nach Anspruch 1, dadurch gekennzeichnet, daß jede Klappe mit drei Schwenkbeschlägen (31) versehen ist, die je einen der gemeinsam die Klappachse (18) definierenden Achszapfen (27) tragen, wobei zwei dieser Achszapfen (27) in gleicher Richtung und der dritte Achszapfen (27) in entgegengesetzter Richtung von ihrem Schwenkbeschlag (31) vorstehen und in entsprechend ausgerichtete Bohrungen von drei, durch ihre Anordnung eine Verriegelung für die Klappe bildenden Lagerböcken (24, 25) eingreifen.

3. Vorrichtung nach Anspruch 1 oder 2, dadurch gekennzeichnet, daß zweite Stütz- und Riegelschienen (22, 23) zur Abstützung der Kopfenden (32) des Querträgers (8) für die Schwenkantriebe (7) je ein Schienenpaar (22, 23) aufweisen, wobei eine untere Schiene (23) jedes Schienenpaares eine nach oben hin und eine obere Schiene (22) eine nach unten hin offene Haltenut (33; 34) begrenzt und die Kopfenden (32) des Querträgers (8) jeweils eine aufwärts und eine abwärts gerichtete Riegehnase (35, 36) aufweisen, die in die zugeordneten Haltenuten (33, 34) eingreifen.

4. Vorrichtung nach Anspruch 3, dadurch gekennzeichnet, daß das Gehäuse (2) mit seinen Längs- und Querwänden (9, 10; 11, 12) eine auf ein

Rahmenprofil (4) mit Längs- und Querstreben (13, 14; 15, 16) aufgesetzte Baueinheit bildet und die untere Schiene (23) jedes Schienenpaares (22, 23) einer Längsstrebe (13, 14) des Rahmenprofils (4) und die obere Schiene (22) der zugeordneten Längswand (9, 10) des Gehäuses (2) zugeordnet ist.

5. Vorrichtung nach Anspruch 3 oder 4, dadurch gekennzeichnet, daß die oberen der zweiten Stütz- und Riegelschienen (22) jeweils mit einem Außenansatz (37) versehen und horizontal in eine Einstecknut (38) in der Innenseite der Längswand (9, 10) des Gehäuses (2) einsetz- und in eingesetzter Stellung festlegbar sind.

Revendications

1. Appareil de ventilation pour toiture de bâtiment, du genre comprenant un caisson (2) qui définit une ouverture de ventilation orientée vers le haut (1) ainsi que des parois longitudinales et transversales, (9, 10; 11, 12) opposées entre elles et parallèles deux par deux, munies d'un dispositif de fermeture comportant deux volets (5, 6) semblables et qui s'articulent dans des sens contraires autour d'axes de charnières opposés (18) grâce à des commandes à pivot (7) et qui, en position de fermeture, portent avec leurs bords non seulement sur une gouttière (19) qui traverse le centre de l'ouverture de ventilation (1) mais aussi sur les parois (9, 10; 11, 12) du caisson (2) qui les supportent par leur bord supérieur, ces volets (5, 6) couvrant totalement l'ouverture de ventilation (1) dans le caisson (2) et la protégeant contre l'entrée d'agents atmosphériques, cet appareil comprenant en outre une poutre transversale (8) fixée aux parois longitudinales (9, 10) et qui supporte les commandes à pivot (7) pour actionner les volets (5, 6), l'appareil étant caractérisé en ce que des premiers rails de support et de verrouillage (20, 21) qui s'étendent dans le sens longitudinal pour occuper dans ce même sens une position, réglable à volonté; des composants du dispositif de fermeture, sont prévus pour supporter des blocs-paliers (24, 25) des volets (5, 6), chaque rail étant constitué par une nervure (21, 22) qui se dresse vers le haut, parallèlement à la surface extérieure de la paroi longitudinale (9, 10) du caisson (2) sur une plaque de base (26) du caisson (2) qui fait saillie vers l'extérieur, et que les blocs-paliers (24, 25) comprennent un support coudé pourvu d'un bras (28) orienté vers le haut et d'un autre bras coudé vers l'intérieur (29) suivant un certain angle, ce support coudé pouvant être placé de façon que le dessous du bras vertical (28) chevauche ladite nervure (21, 22) et puisse être positionné par l'autre bras (29) sur le bord supérieur de la paroi longitudinale (9, 10) grâce à un organe de fixation (30) recouvert par le volet correspondant (5, 6) en position de fermeture de celui-ci.

2. Appareil selon la Revendication 1, caractérisé en ce que chaque volet est pourvu de trois ferrures de pivotement (31) portant chacune l'un des pivots (27) qui forment ensemble l'axe de charnière (18), deux de ces pivots (27) faisant saillie dans le même sens tandis que le troisième fait saillie dans le sens contraire par rapport aux ferrures de pivote-

ment correspondantes (31) et s'engagent dans des alésages alignés correspondants des trois blocs-paliers (24, 25) lesquels, grâce à leur disposition particulière, constituent un moyen de verrouillage des volets.

3. Appareil selon l'une ou l'autre des Revendications 1 ou 2, caractérisé en ce que les seconds rails de support et de verrouillage (22, 33) destinés à supporter les extrémités (32) de la poutre transversale (8) des commandes à pivot (7) comprennent chacun deux rails (22, 23) espacés verticalement entre eux et dont le rail inférieur (23) définit une gorge de maintien (34) qui s'ouvre vers le haut, tandis que le rail supérieur (22) définit une gorge de maintien (33) qui s'ouvre vers le bas, les extrémités (32) de la poutre transversale (8) comprenant chacune un nez de verrouillage supérieur (35) orienté vers le haut et un nez de verrouillage inférieur (36) orienté vers le bas, ces nez de verrouillage s'engageant dans les gorges de maintien correspondantes (33, 34).

4. Appareil selon la Revendication 3, caractérisé en ce que le caisson (2) et ses parois longitudinales et transversales (9, 10; 11, 12) constituent une structure d'un seul tenant qui se superpose à un châssis (4) comportant des entretoises longitudinales et transversales (13, 14; 15, 16), tandis que le rail inférieur (23) de chaque paire de rails (22, 23) est associé à une entretoise longitudinale (13, 14) du châssis (4) et que le rail supérieur (22) est associé à la paroi longitudinale correspondante (9, 10) du caisson (2).

5. Appareil selon l'une ou l'autre des Revendications 3 ou 4, caractérisé en ce que les rails supérieurs (22) des premier et second rails sont munis chacun d'un prolongement vers l'extérieur (37) que l'on peut engager horizontalement dans une gorge (38) formée à l'intérieur de la paroi longitudinale (9, 10) du caisson (2) et que l'on peut repérer dans cette position d'insertion.

5

10

15

20

25

30

35

40

45

50

55

60

65

5

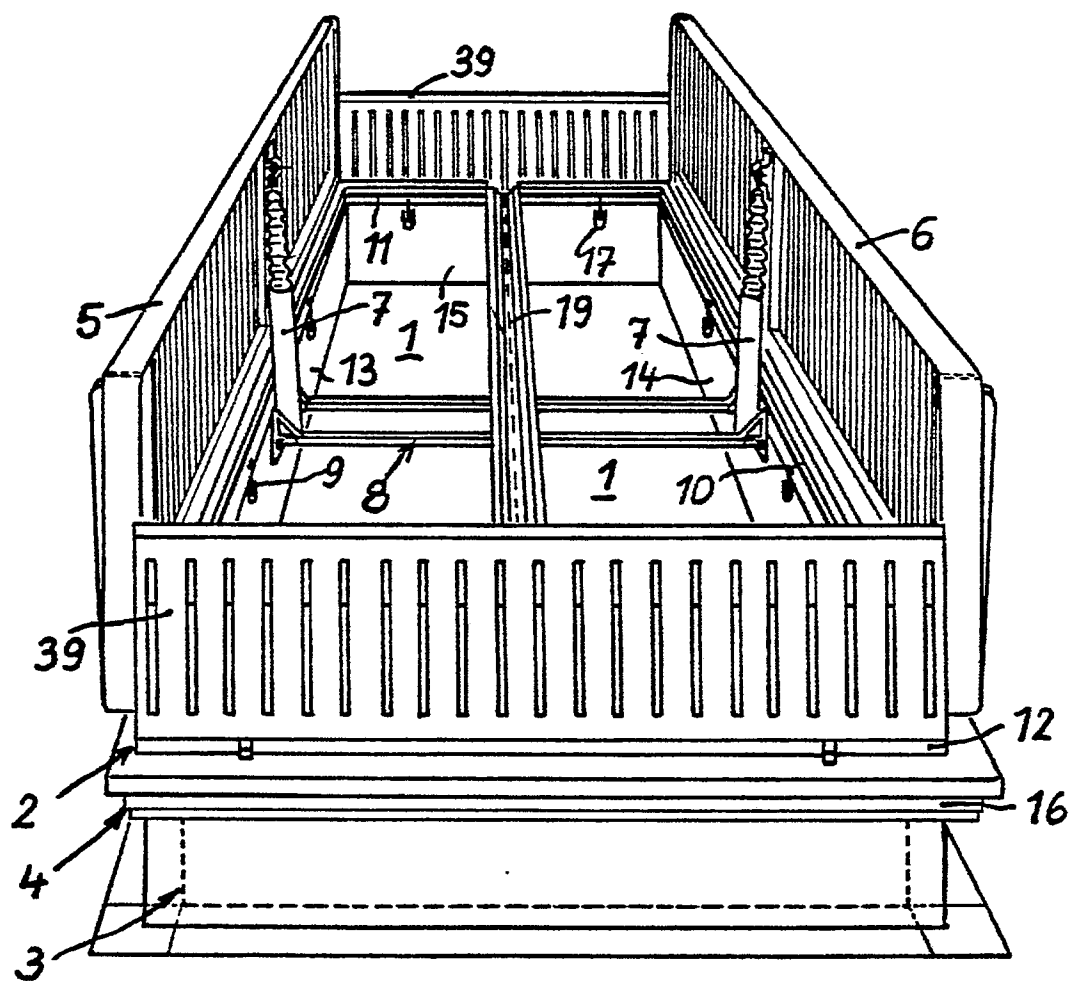


Fig.1

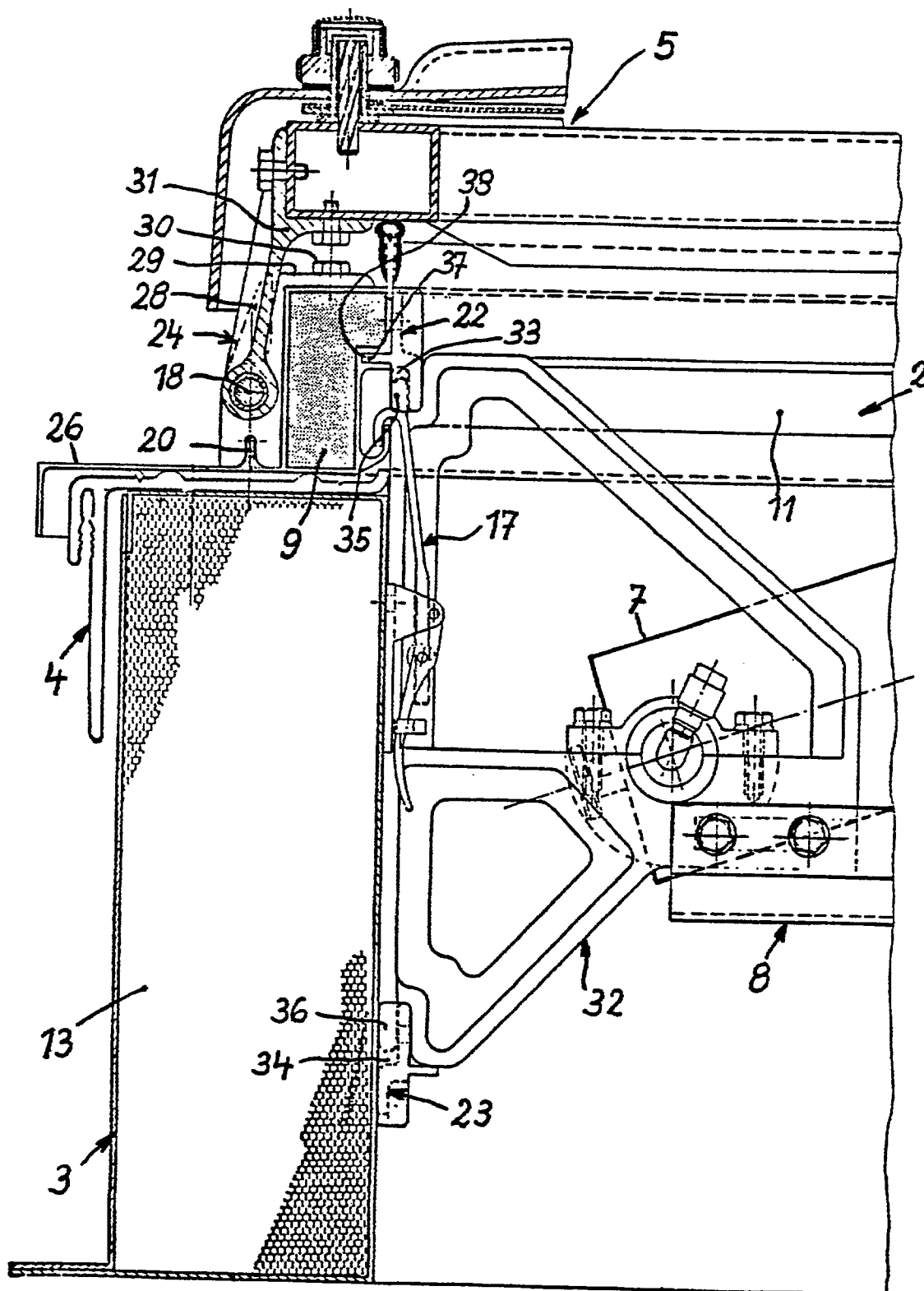


Fig. 2

