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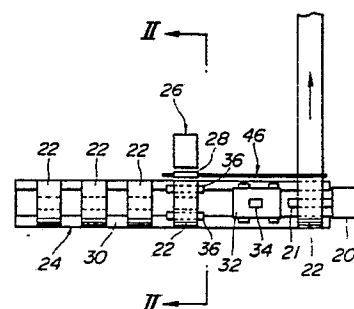
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(54) **Method and system for feeding a coil of metal strip to an un-coiler and un-coiling the metal strip.**

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(57) A system for uncoiling a metal strip coil (22) for supplying uncoiled metal strip to a treatment line, such as pickling line or plant, a mill or so forth, comprises a combination of an uncoiler (20) and a coil-opener (26) which are arranged in series with respect to the transporting line. A metal strip coil (22) is transported through the coil-opener (26) to the uncoiler (20). During travel from the coil-opener (26) to the uncoiler (20) the uncoiled end of the metal strip coil (22) is held open so that the uncoiler (20) may be able to uncoil without performing coil-opening operation.

**FIG. 1**





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