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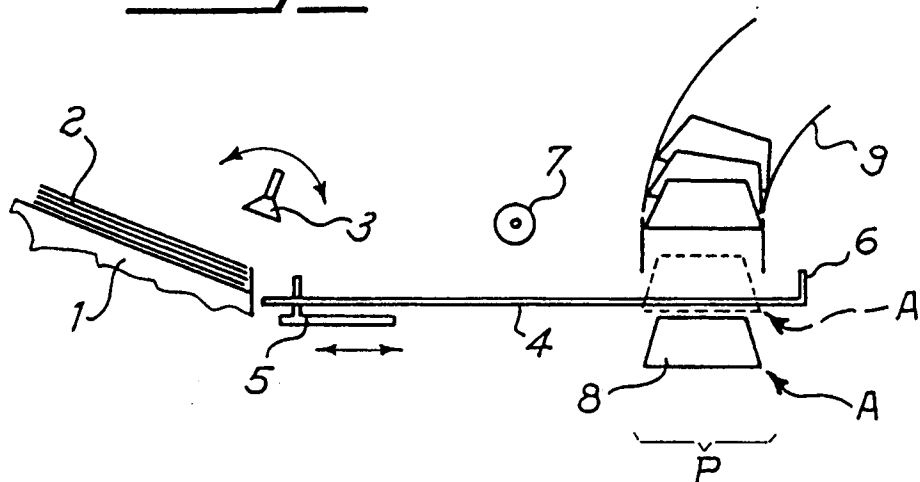
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I-20122 Milano(IT)(54) **An equipment and process for the production of open-top containers and related containers.**

(57) An equipment for the production of open-top containers made of paperboard or the like, starting from punched sheets, comprises means (5) to feed the sheets from a pile (2) to a bending position (A), along a track (4) and as far as a positioning retainer; means (7) to apply a bonding agent to the sheet during its feeding along the track (4); a mandrel (8) having slanting side surfaces, vertically movable to

fold the sheet with the cooperation of pressing rollers (10) and bending rods (11), as well as driving and supporting means (9) to pile up and mutually inserting the containers formed on top of the mandrel. The invention further relates to a corresponding container forming process and to the open-top container having a top opening larger than the base thereof.

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1. Claims 1-7,11 : Making containers.
2. Claims 8-10 : Container e.g. made by use of other means than defined in claims 1-7,11.