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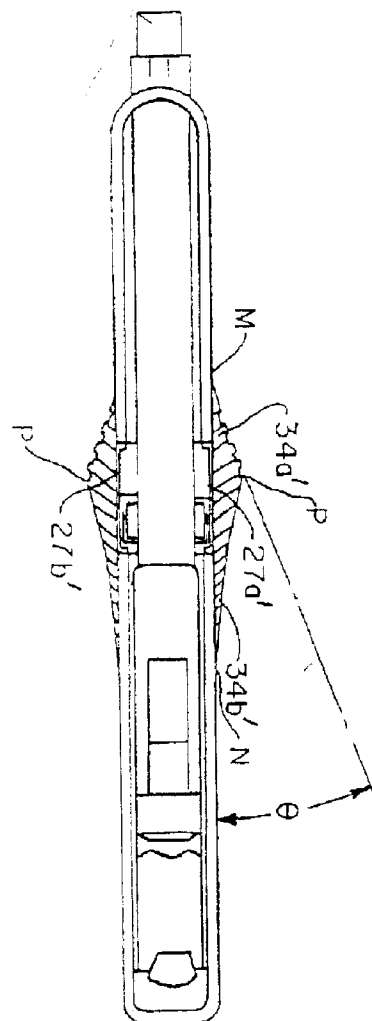
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(54) **Reinforced slide configuration for automatic pistol.**

(57) Reinforcement elements are attached to the exterior surface of the slide of an automatic weapon to prevent cracking of the slide at its most vulnerable locations.

FIG. 6





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