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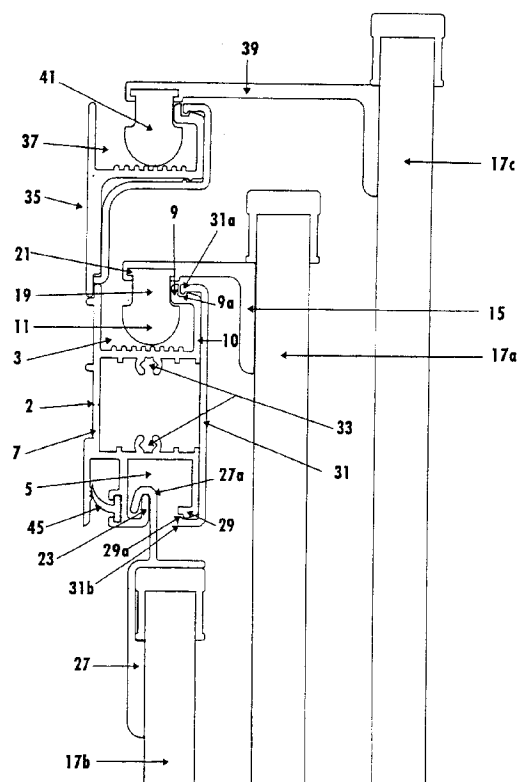
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(54) Board support.

(57) Support apparatus comprises a rail 1 adapted for attachment to a vertical surface, the rail 1 having two parallel tracks, each track adapted to support a bracket 15, 27, for hanging a respective board 17a, 17b and for independent longitudinal sliding movement of each board along the respective track. Each track has a guiding surface 9, 23 associated therewith for guiding the hanging bracket 15, 27 as it slides along the track and preventing transverse disengagement of the hanging bracket 15, 27 from the track.

FIGURE 1





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1. Claims 1-11: Support apparatus for suspending a plurality of plane-parallel and overlapping vertical boards so that each board is slideable independently of the other(s)
2. Claims 12,13: A paper sheet holder comprising a flipper blade held against a paper gripping surface so that it is thereby partially flexed and the surface of its operative edge portion is thereby constantly urged against the paper-gripping surface