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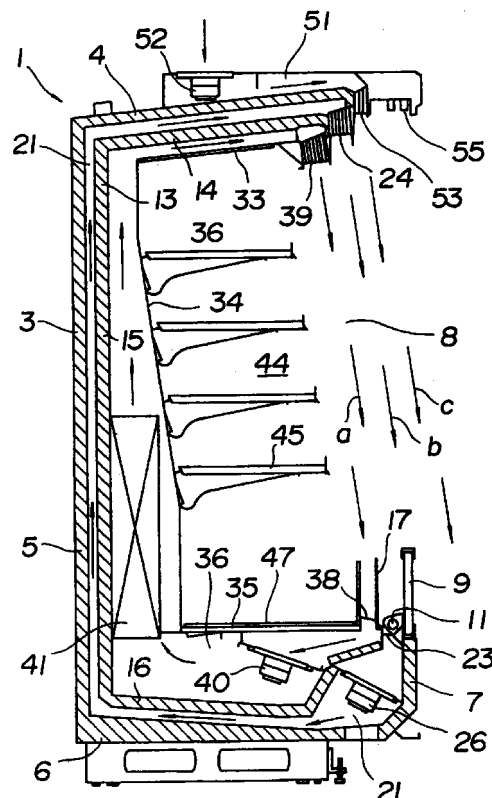
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(54) **Open showcase**

(57) There is provided an open showcase in which a front aperture is closed with a multi-layered air curtain and dew formation on a transparent front panel can be avoided efficiently. A housing (3) of an open showcase (1) has an aperture (8) in the front surface thereof. An outer suction port (23) and an inner suction port (38) are formed at the lower end of the outer housing on the storage compartment side. An outer discharge port (24) and an inner discharge port (39) are formed at the upper end of the outer housing on the storage compartment side. An outer flowpath (21) connects the outer suction port with outer discharge port, and an inner flowpath (36) connects the inner suction port with the inner discharge port. A blower (26) is disposed in the outer flowpath, and a evaporator (41) and a blower (40) are disposed in the inner flowpath. A front panel (9) formed of laminate-structured transparent panels (66, 67) is extended upward from the lower end of the outer housing, and a heat source (68) is provided on the transparent panel (67) of the front panel on the storage compartment side.

FIG. 1



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