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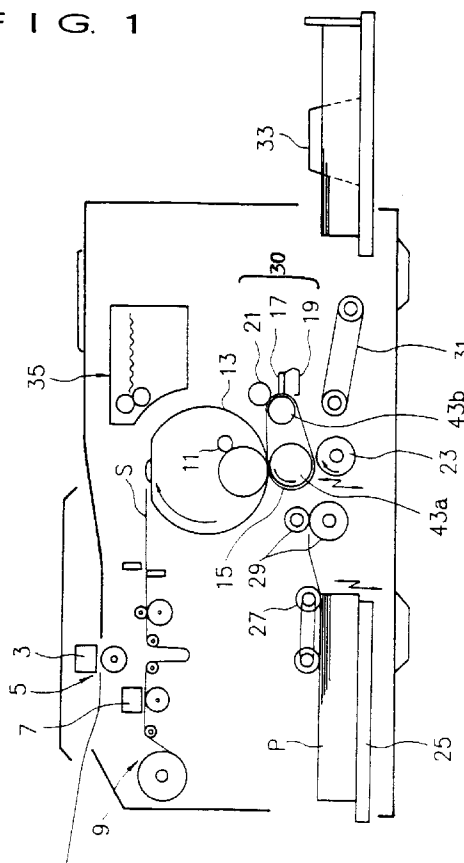
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### (54) **Transfer printing machine**

(57) A transfer printing machine comprises a press-plate drum (13), a transfer body (15), and a press roller (23); the press-plate drum (13), which is rotatable, contains a printing ink feeding means (11) and includes a press-plate (S) on its outer peripheral surface. The transfer body (15) is rotated at a rotational speed different from that of the press-plate drum (13) in the state of being in contact with the press-plate drum for receiving a printing ink image from the press-plate (S) of the press-plate drum, and the press roller (23) is adapted to impress an article (P) to be printed to the image of printing ink image formed on the transfer body (15), thereby printing the image ink on the article (P).

**FIG. 1**



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