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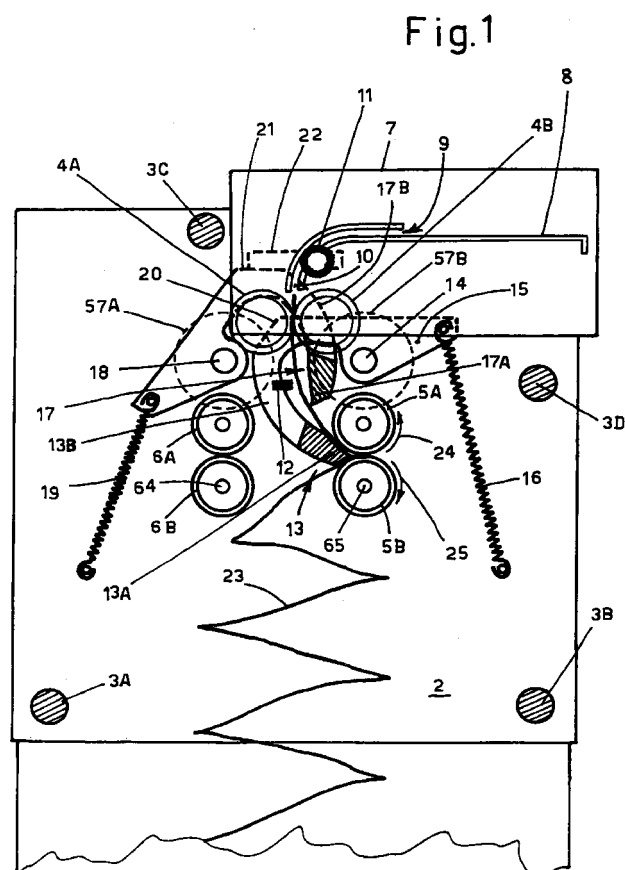
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(54) **Automatic machine for folding long sheets, particularly technical drawings**

(57) This automatic machine for the zig-zag folding of long sheets, particularly technical drawings, creates alternate folds by the action of two oscillating creasing blades (13,17) prior to a short fold-completing compressing action determined by inserting a vertically descending and alternately creased sheet (23), gripped and urged by two upper rollers (4A,4B), between two opposing pairs of presser rollers (5A,5B,6A,6B) rotatable with predetermined reciprocating synchronous movement.



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