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(54) **Laundry dryer**

(57) A laundry dryer comprises a drum 1, a motor for rotating the drum and a heater for heating air to be passed through the drum. Conventionally, laundry left in the drum on completion of a drying programme (selected by means of heat setting selector 5 and timer control 6), begins to crease and becomes difficult to iron. The invention provides means, selectively operable by turning timer control 6 to mark 7, for producing a conditioning sequence, to reduce creases in laundry in the drum, with heated air and unheated air being passed through the rotating drum.

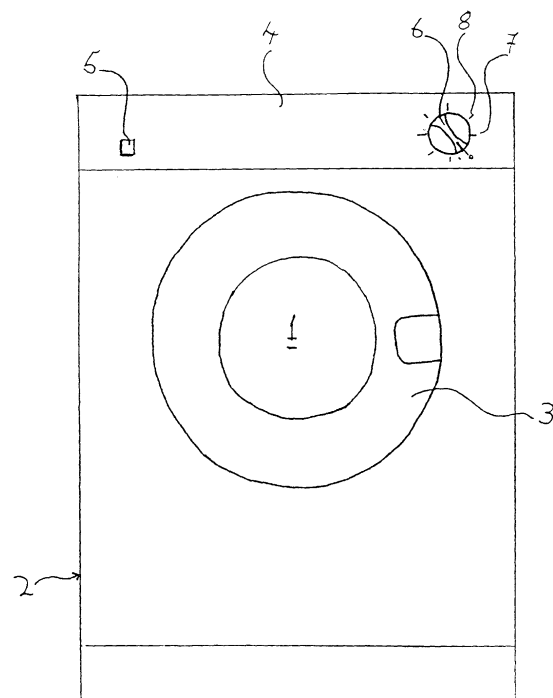


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