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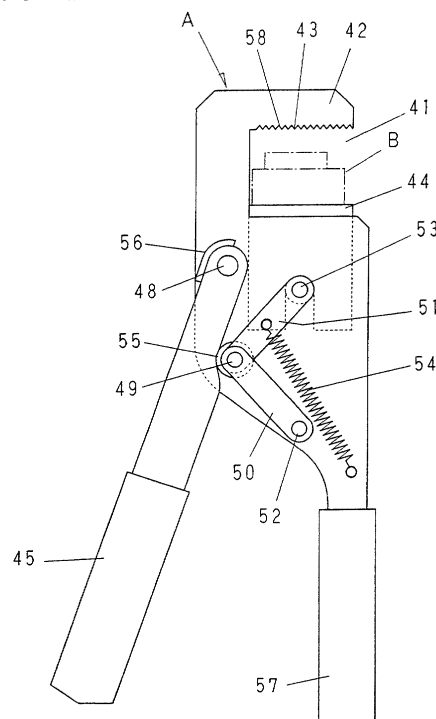
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(54) **Portable press for insulation displacement connectors**

(57) A portable press (A) for insulation displacement connectors (B) has a main body (42) and a plunger (44) driven by a pivoted rockable lever (45) towards and away from the body. The plunger has a support face confronting the body's stationary plane (43) to define a cavity (41) having an inner wall and receiving the connector together with contacts. A portion of a VVF cable (3) held in a recess (46) formed in the body protrudes into the cavity to be cut off by a knife (47) of the plunger, so that the internal jacket (32) covering one conductor (33) is exposed in part. The stationary plane and/or support face have a rugged pattern (58) to carve a marking on the contacts (1) forced into the connector by the portable press.

FIG. 1



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