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(54) **Apparatus for creating a vacuum in containers for preserving vacuum-packed products**

(57) This invention concerns an apparatus to form a vacuum in containers for preserving vacuum-packed products, which is made up of body (11) having a housing (26) on the rear of its closing lever (13) designed to contain a rolled tubular element (27) for the formation of bags

and closed by a cover (28), independent of said lever (13) and turning on its own axis, and an electromagnetic single phase safety transformer (19) to feed at least some electric parts the length size of which is greater than the height and width dimensions and is equipped with terminals to be electrically connected to other devices.

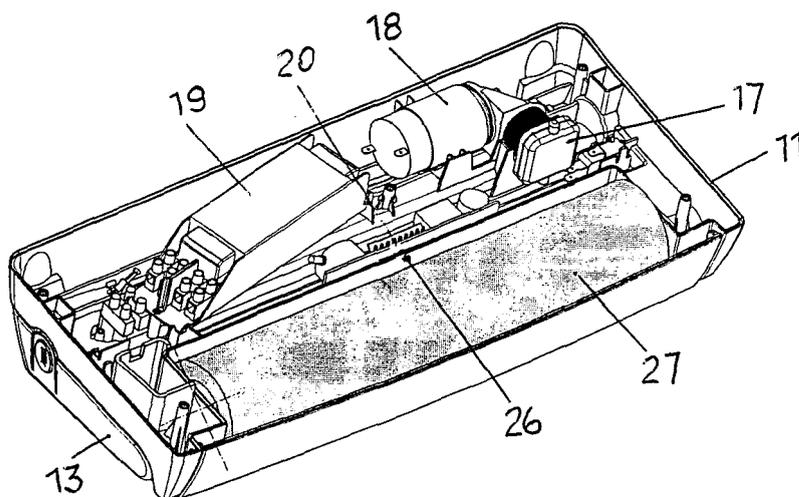


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1. claims: 1,3-6

Apparatus for forming a vacuum in containers, further comprising a housing for a rolled tubular element, the cover of the housing being independent from the closing lever and having a slot to guide a cutter

2. claim: 2

Apparatus for forming a vacuum in containers, further comprising a single phase safety electromagnetic transformer having a length greater than its height and width dimensions

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