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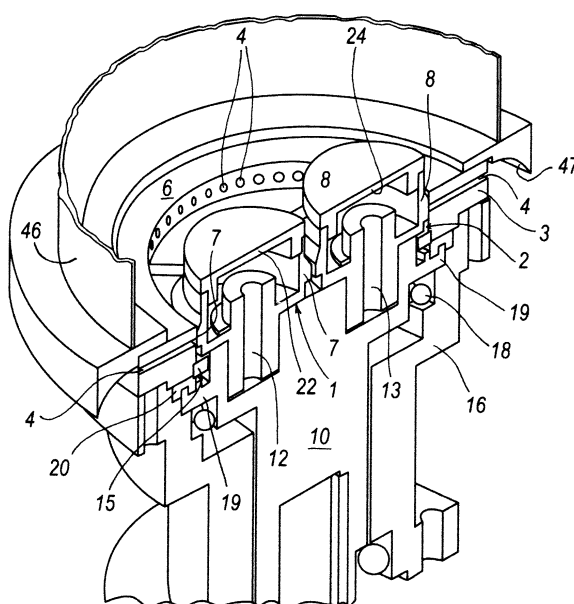
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(54) **Pellet production machine**

(57) A pellet production machine comprising a circular extruder (3) with its lateral surface provided with radial holes (4), in the interior of said extruder (3) there being disposed in an eccentric position one or more presser wheels (1, 2) constrained to rotate about their axes (12 and 13), which are substantially parallel to the axis of the extruder (3), said presser wheels (1, 2) being disposed

on a basal surface (11) of a base block (10), also constrained to rotate, relative to the extruder (3), about the axis of said extruder (3), said base block (10) being rotated by at least one motor, said machine comprising one or more scrapers (26, 28) arranged to cooperate with the presser wheels (1, 2) to remove the pellet producing material from their lateral surface.



**FIG. 1**



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