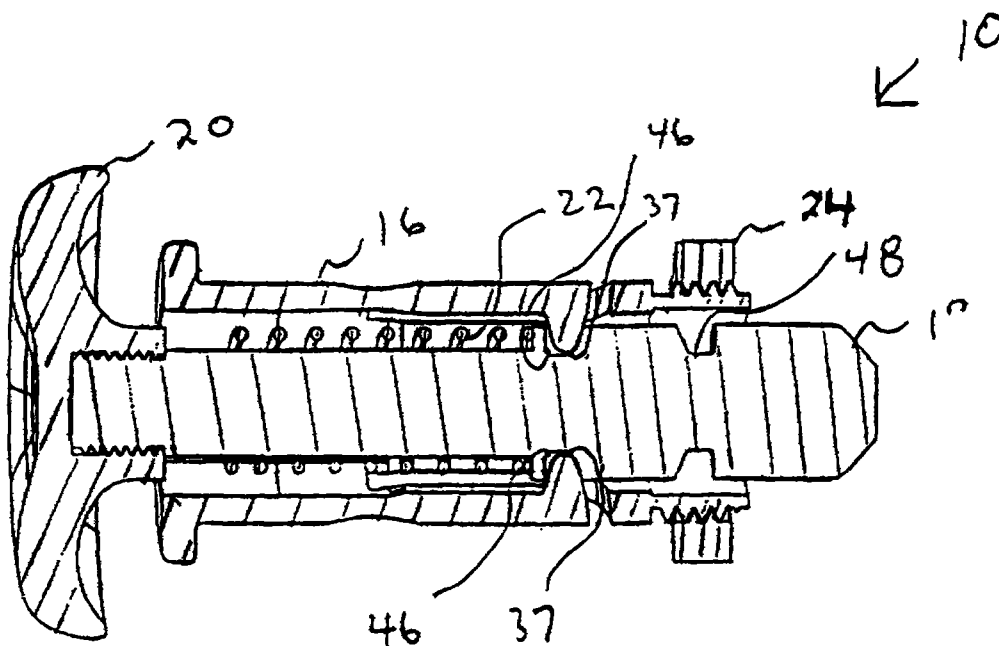




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(57) Abstract

A plunger latch (10) includes a housing (16) and a generally elongate shaft (18) that is driven in the housing between extended and retracted positions. A spring (22) or similar member can be provided for urging the shaft to its extended position. Also, the plunger latch can be adapted so that the shaft is retained in its extended position and/or its retracted position.