

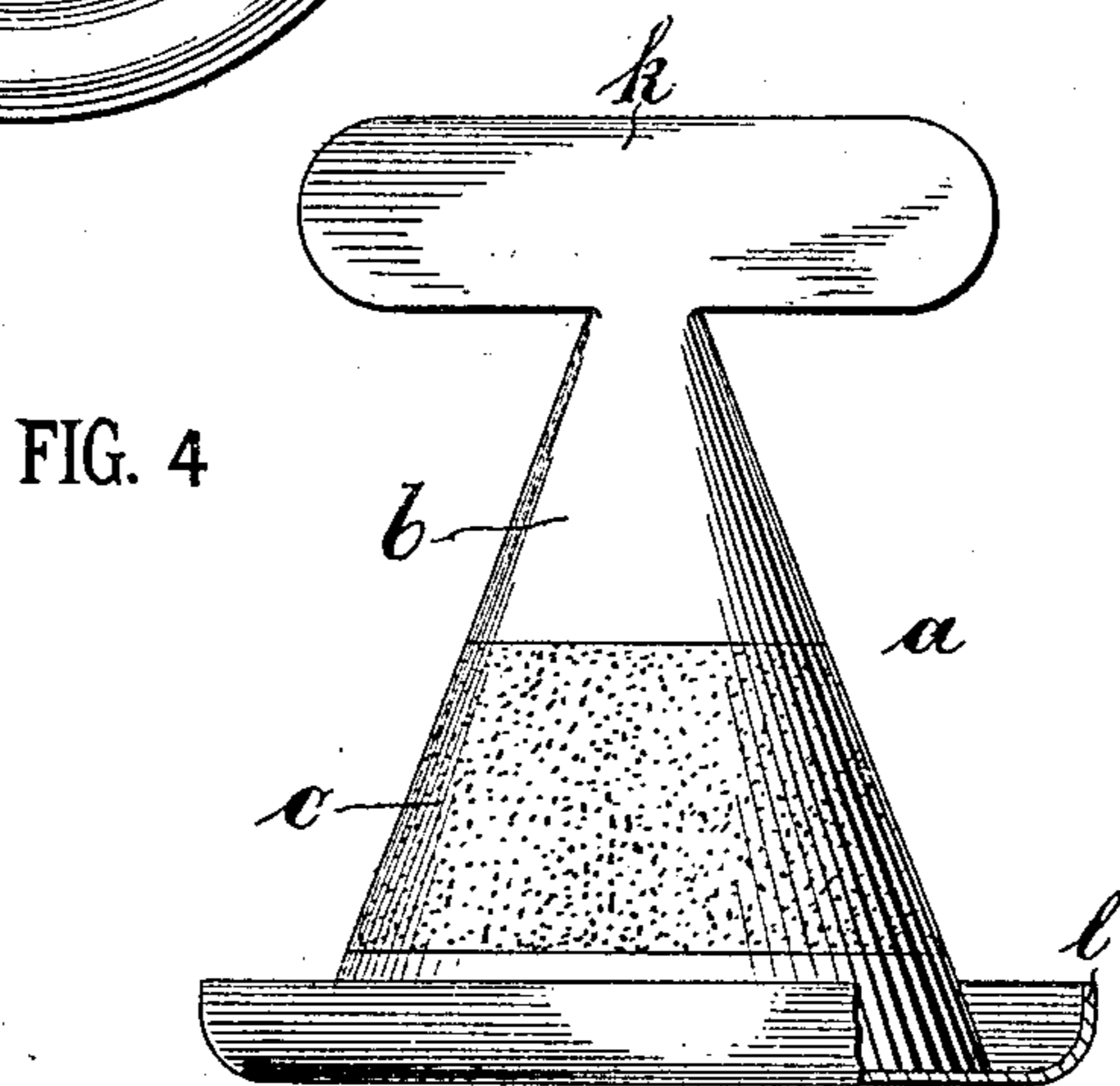
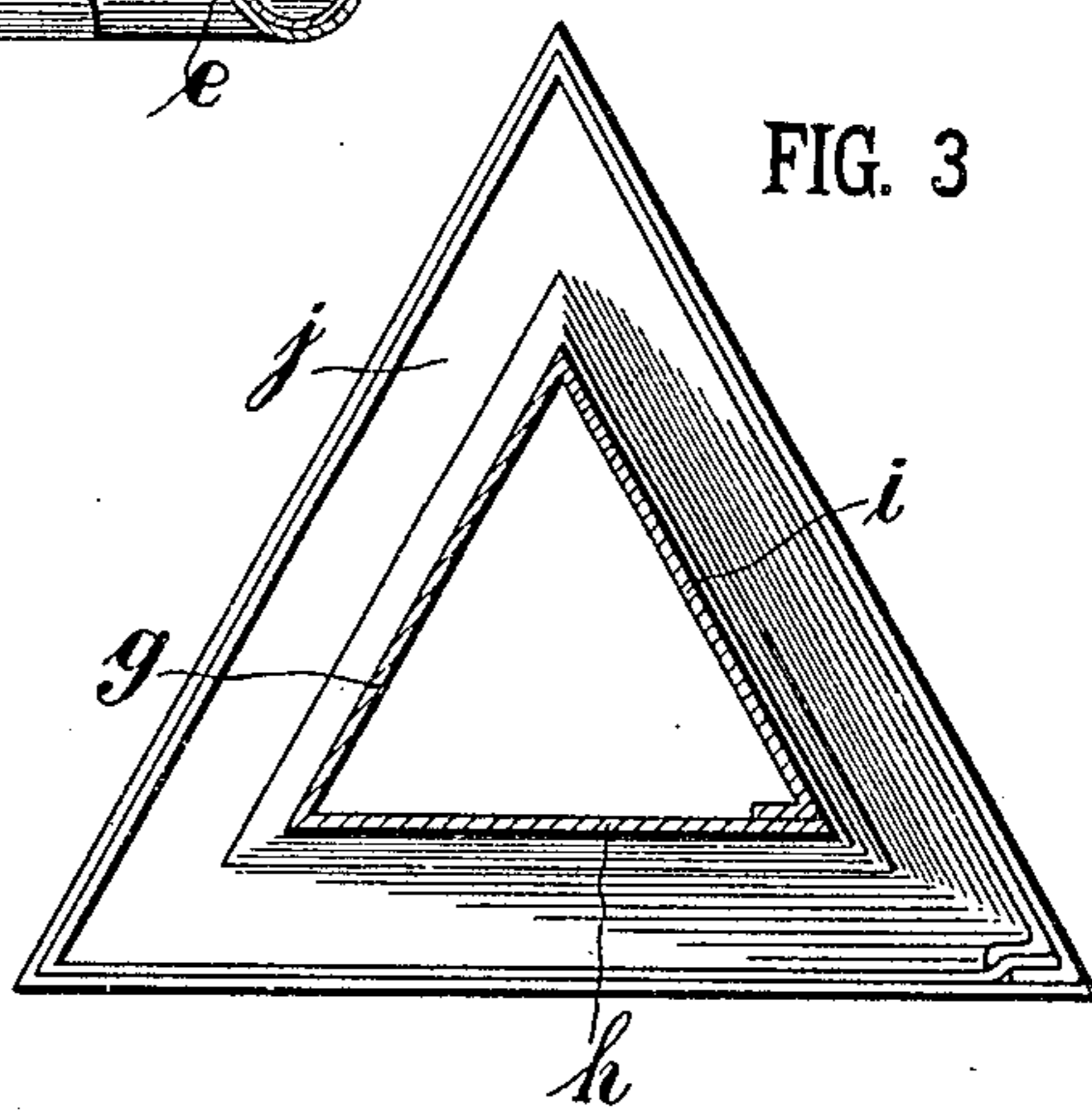
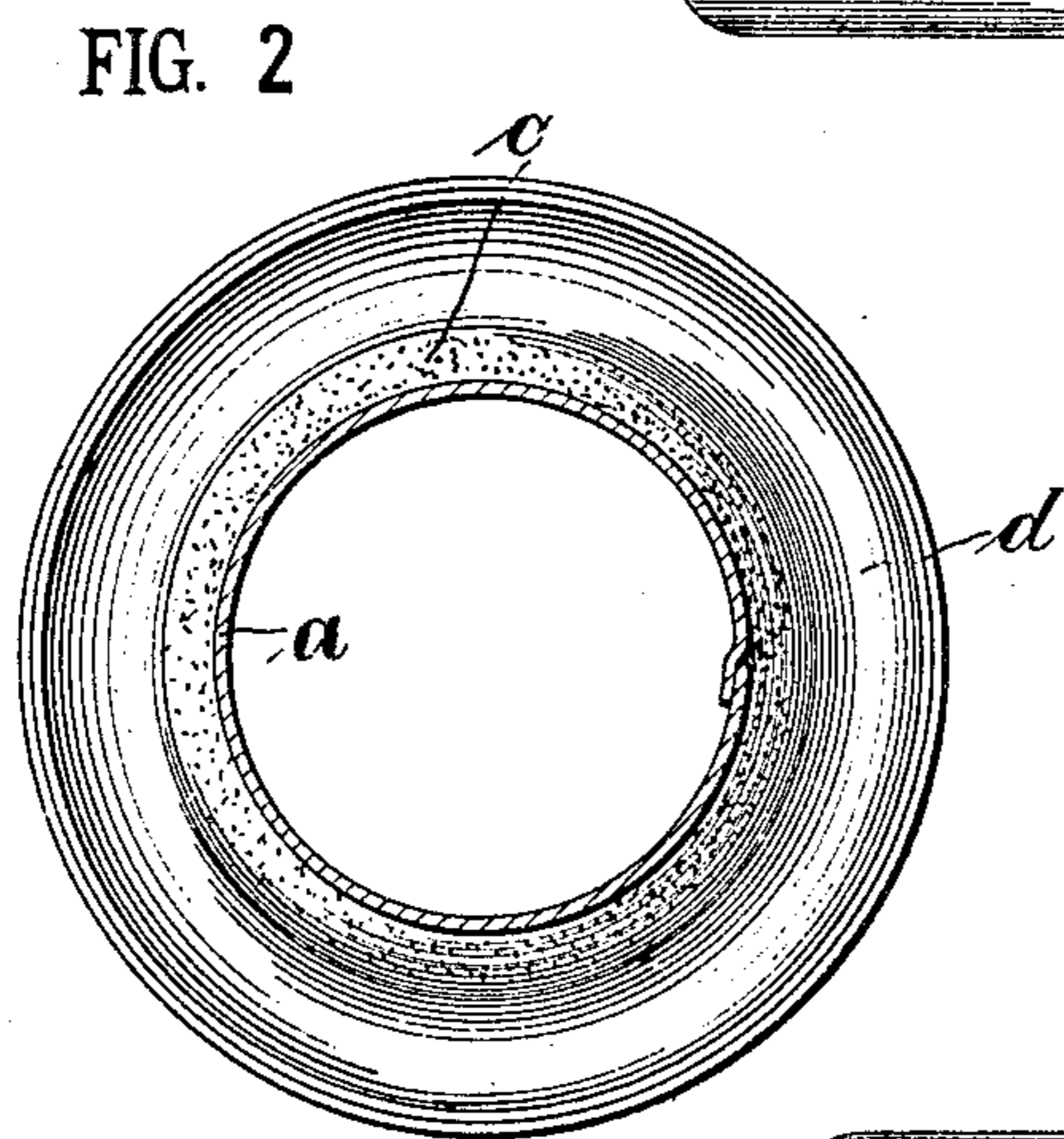
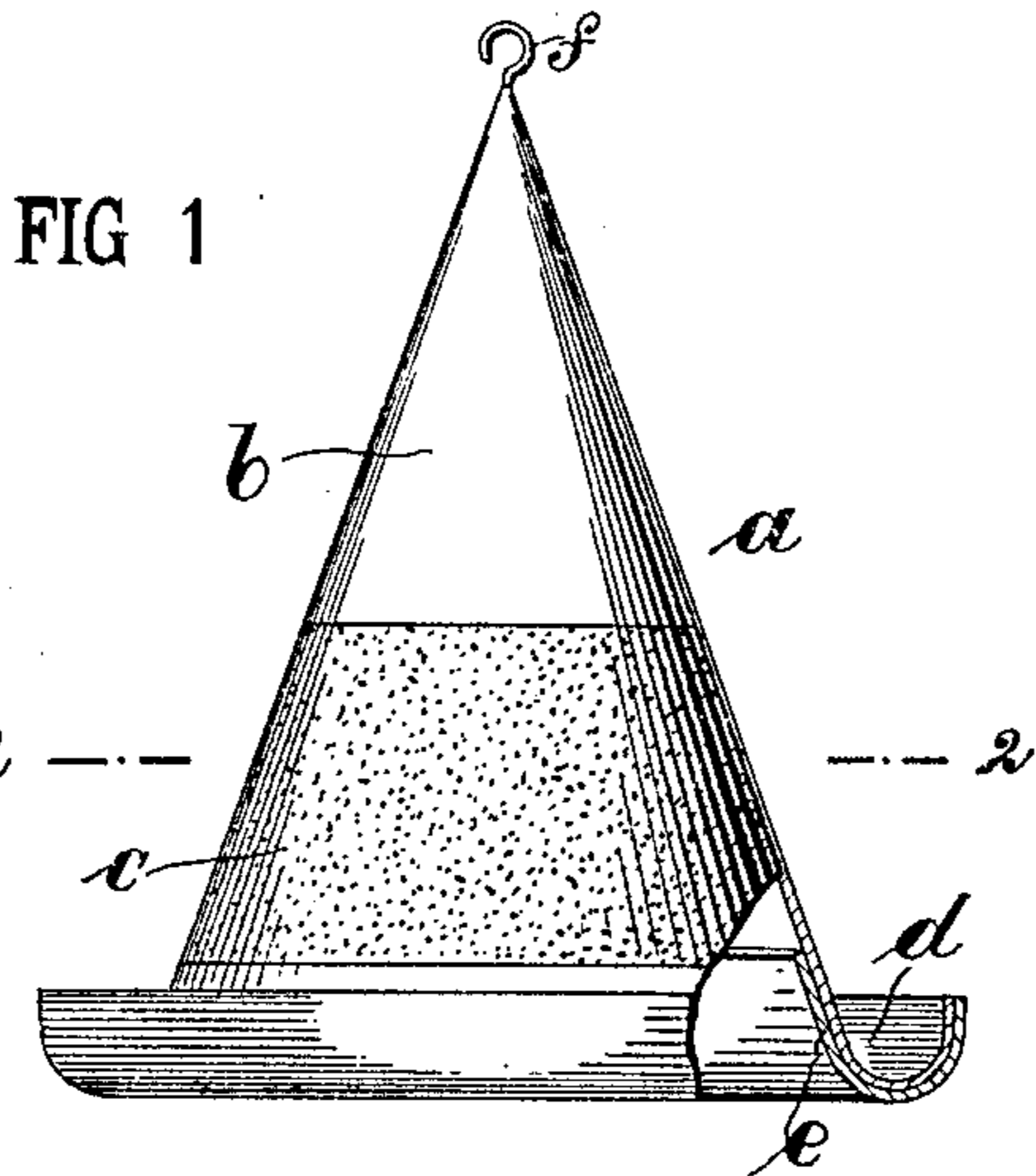
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, ALFRED F. HÄNDLER and KARL A. STARKE, citizens of the Empire of Germany, and residents of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Advertising Fly-Catchers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has reference to a novel fly-catcher adapted to be used as an advertising medium.

It is the purpose of our invention to produce a fly-catcher which is of simple construction and very cheap and of ornamental design. The upper part of the novel device is used for displaying intelligible characters, that is printed matter as well as representations of figures and the like. Although the surface of the device, which is provided with glue for catching the flies, is not flat on any supporting object, but is preferably slanting, no damage will be done because the device forms at its lower portion a paraffined or waxed receptacle in which are collected any drops of glue that may run down.

The novel device is well adapted for use in show windows of restaurants or other parts of same displaying advertisements and may also be used in private residences. In order to avoid that the device disturb the comfort of the guests in public places or be within reach of children in private dwellings, same may be provided with a hook to hang it up at the bottom end of a chandelier or the like.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing in which:

Figure 1. represents in side elevation, partly broken away, an advertising fly-catcher which embodies in desirable form the present improvements. Fig. 2. is a section on line 2—2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3. shows in section a modified form of the device and Fig. 4. illustrates in side elevation, partly broken away, another modification of the device.

Similar characters of reference denote like parts of all the figures.

The device is preferably made of paper. It is formed into the desired shape which usually is a right cone or a pyramid.

In the drawing *a* represents the cone whose upper portion *b* is intended for use as an ad-

vertising medium. The next section *c* of the cone right below the advertising portion *b* is provided on its outer surface with glue to catch the flies. The bottom portion of the cone is formed into an annular channel *d*.

In order to strengthen the device the annular channel is made of double material, as shown at *e* in Fig. 1, which is pasted or glued to the lower surface of same. The channel portion is paraffined or waxed or the inner surface of the channel alone may be waterproofed for the purpose of safely retaining any drops of glue that may run down from the glued portion of the device.

To enable the user to hang up the device, a hook *f* is provided at the apex.

In Fig. 3 a modified form of the fly-catcher is shown in section. The body of this modification is of pyramidal shape composed of the triangular sides, *g*, *h*, and *i*. The water proof channel *j* may form a triangle as shown.

The modification shown in Fig. 4 consists of the frustum of a cone whose upper portion forms a straight piece of paper *k* on which the advertisement is displayed. A separate paper plate, *l* is shown in connection with this device which is made water proof either on both sides or on its inner surface upon which the frustum of the cone rests.

When sufficiently covered with flies, the device is thrown away and new devices may show new advertisements.

Having thus described our invention, we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

An upright advertising fly-catcher consisting of a body portion of slanting outer surface having an upper portion adapted to be used for advertising purposes, a central glued portion, and a water and glue proof annular supporting trough below the glued portion and formed of double material.

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