

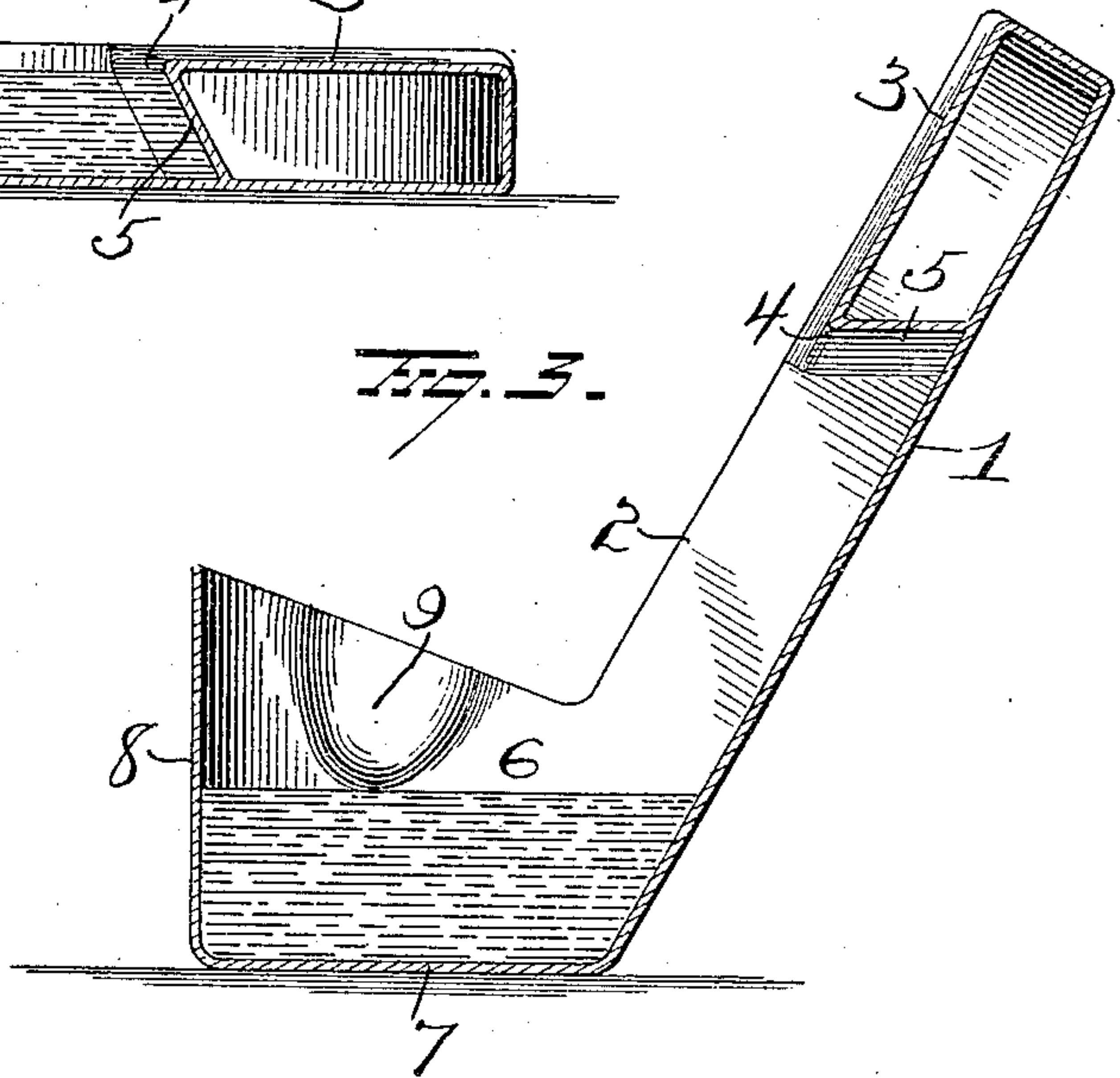
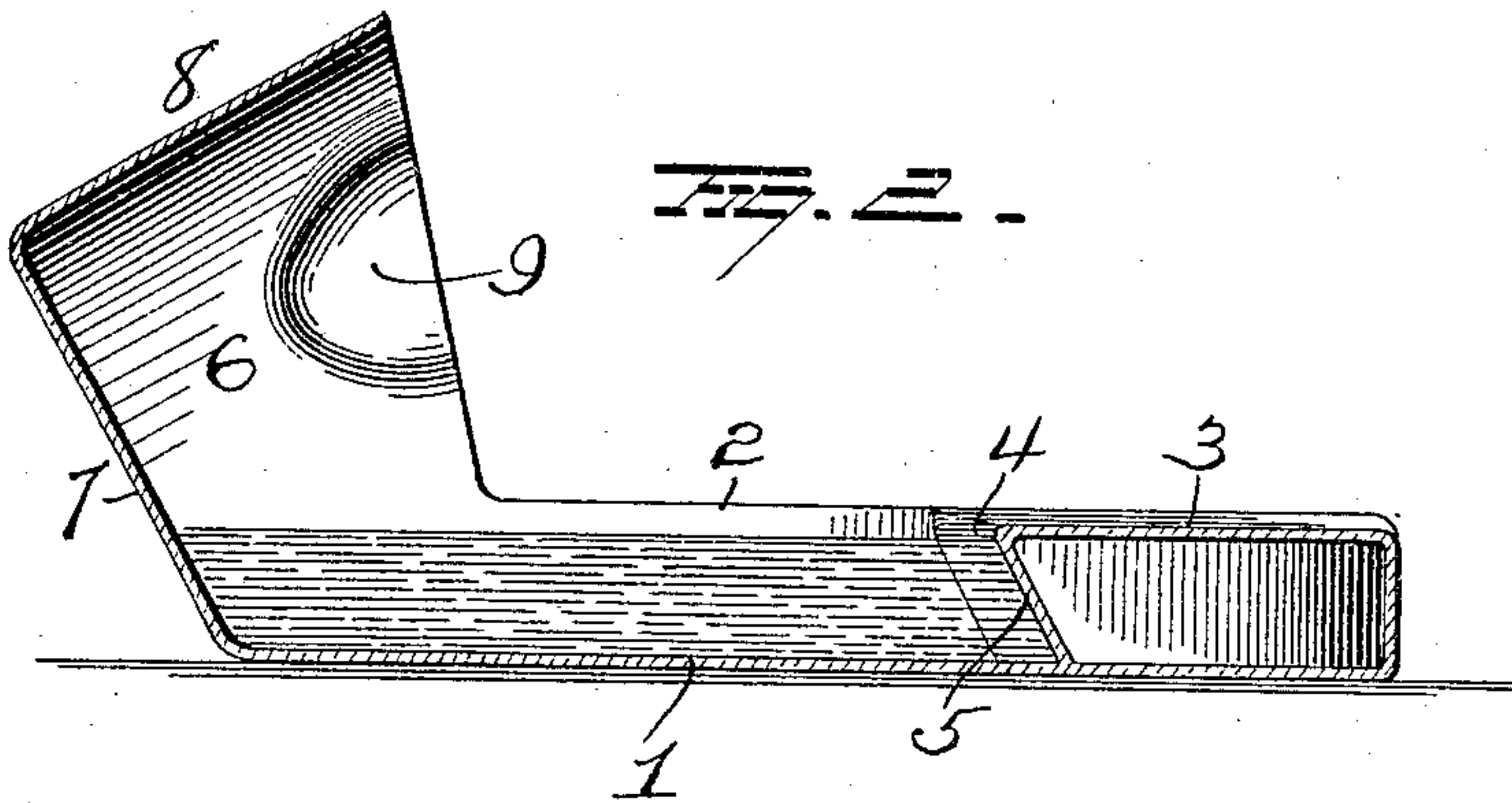
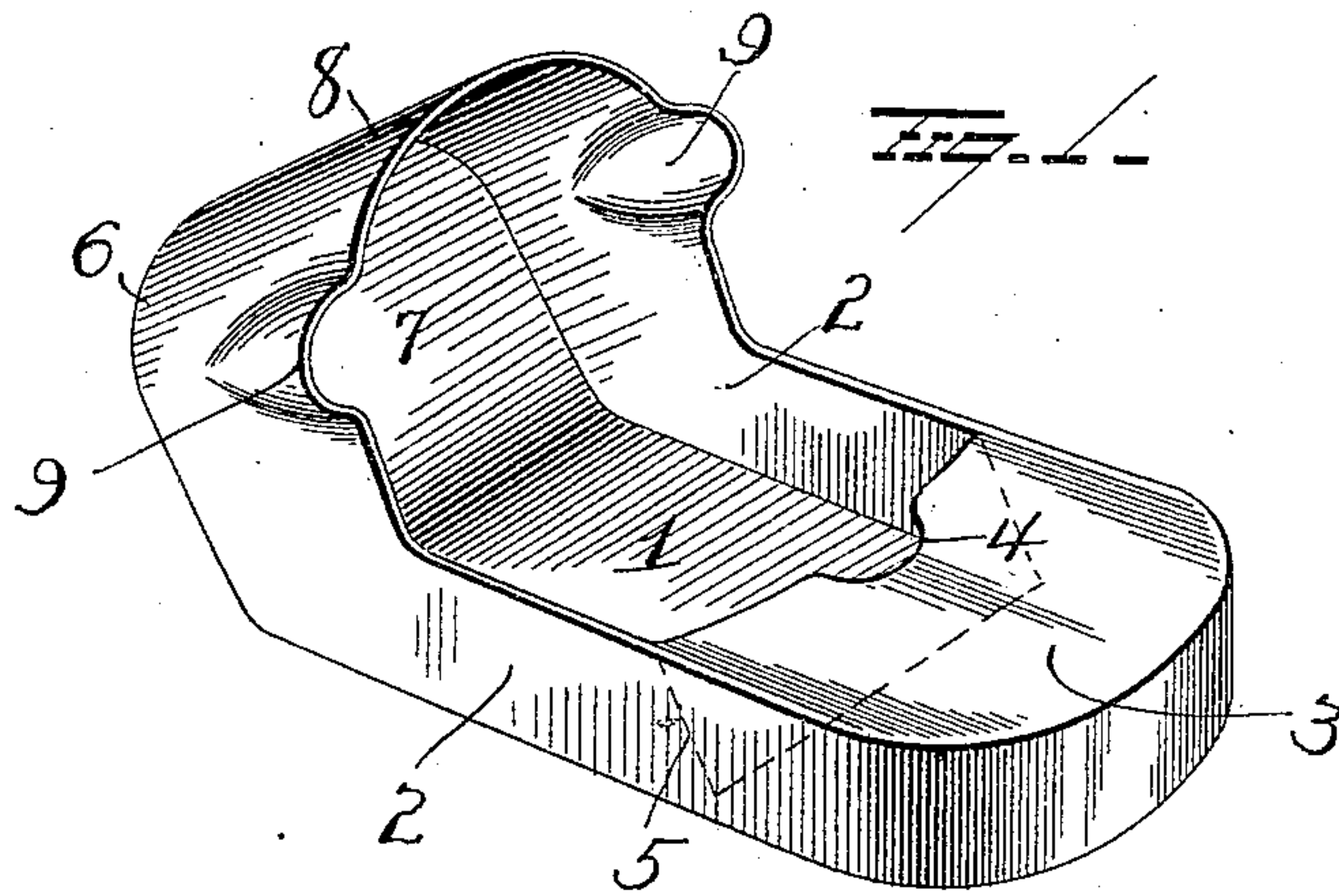
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, BETTIE C. WILLIAMS and ARTHUR C. SCOTT, of Stamford and Temple, in the counties of Jones and Bell and State of Texas, respectively, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bed or Douche Pans; and we do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in bed or douche pans,—the object of the invention being to so construct a pan of this character that it can be used with comfort to the patient and effectually avoid danger of soiling the bed clothes.

A further object is to construct the device in such manner that it can be readily handled without danger of spilling its contents and so that it can be easily and conveniently emptied.

A further object is to so construct the device that it can be readily and effectually cleaned and kept in a sanitary condition.

With these objects in view the invention consists in certain novel features of construction and combinations of parts as hereinafter set forth and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a pan embodying our improvements. Fig. 2 is a sectional view, showing the position of the device when in use, and Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view showing the pan in an upright position.

Our improved pan may be made of any suitable material and comprises a horizontal portion 1 having side-walls 2 and provided at one end with a platform 3 to support the person of the patient. The forward edge of this platform is provided with a notch 4 which will serve to prevent fluid emitted by the patient from finding its way back on the platform under the patient, but cause said fluid to be discharged into the pan. The forward end of the platform 3 is supported by a partition 5 which is preferably made to slant rearwardly and thus facilitate the flushing of this portion of the pan when same is being cleansed.

The forward portion of the pan is made with an upwardly and forwardly projecting hood 6, the end wall 7 of which constitutes

a continuation of the bottom 1 of the pan and is disposed at an obtuse angle thereto. The top wall 8 of the hood is disposed at approximately right angles to the end wall 7 and at an acute angle with relation to the bottom of the pan. The end wall 7 and the top wall 8 of the hood thus form two inclined surfaces which are at an angle to each other and both of which are at an angle other than a right angle, to the horizontal plane of the main body portion of the device. With such construction, discharges which are emitted with more or less force from the patient will encounter one or the other of these inclined surfaces and will be prevented thereby from leaving the confines of the device. It is evident that should these discharges be directed at such an angle as to strike the inclined surface afforded by the top wall 8 of the hood, they would be directed thereby to the inclined surface 7 and by the latter to the bottom of the pan. The hood 6 is provided at its sides with spouts 9 which will facilitate the emptying of the pan. When the pan has been used and removed from the bed, it can be disposed in an upright position as shown in Fig. 3 with its contents disposed in the hood portion. With the pan in this position it can be readily transported without danger of spilling its contents and the latter can be easily discharged through one or the other of the spouts 9 by tilting the pan laterally.

Having fully described our invention what we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is,—

1. A pan of the character described comprising a horizontal body portion, and a hood at one end thereof, the end wall of said hood being disposed at an obtuse angle to the body portion and projecting appreciably above the horizontal plane of the top of the body portion and the top wall of the hood being disposed approximately at right angles to said end portion.

2. A pan of the character described comprising a horizontal body portion, a hood at one end thereof, the closed end wall of said hood projecting an appreciable distance above the horizontal plane of the top of the body portion and being disposed at an obtuse angle to the body portion and the top wall of the hood being disposed approximately at right angles to said end portion, and spouts in the side walls of said hood.

3. A pan of the character described, com-

prising a body portion, a platform over the rear part of said body portion, said platform having a notch in its forward edge, and a hood at the forward end of said body portion and having an end wall and sides which project appreciable distances above the horizontal plane of the top of the body portion.

4. A pan of the character described, comprising a body portion, a platform over the rear part thereof having a notch in its forward edge, a rearwardly inclined portion under the forward end of the platform and the bottom of the body portion, and a hood

at the forward end of the body portion projecting above the horizontal plane of the top of the latter.

In testimony whereof, we have signed this specification in the presence of the subscribing witnesses.

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