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TOILET CASE

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FIG-1

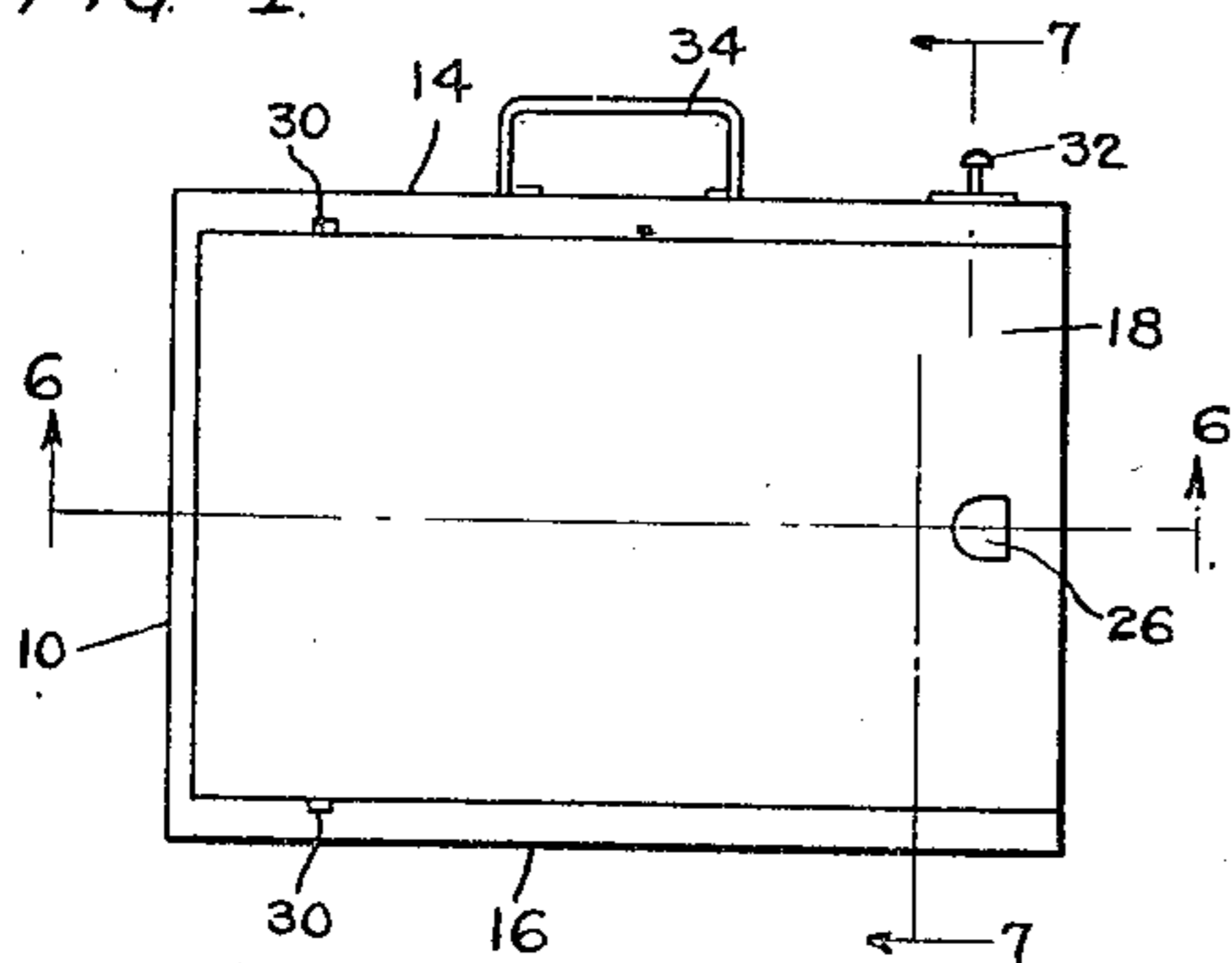


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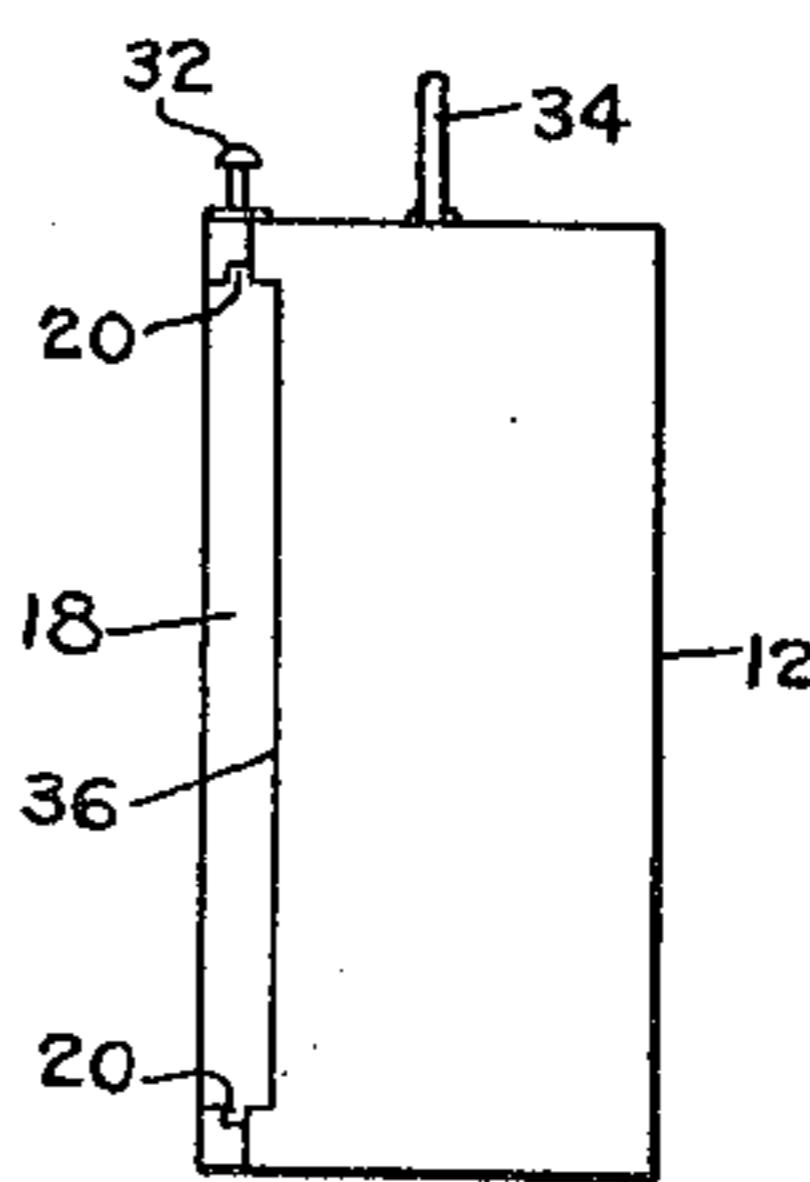


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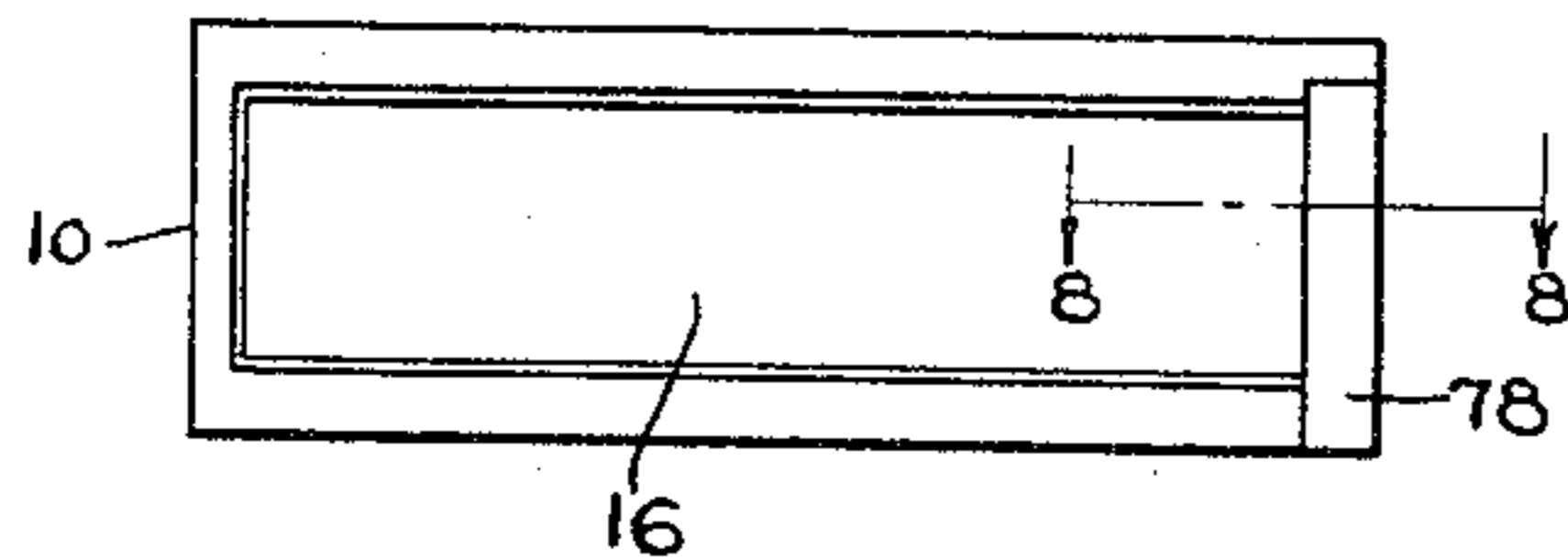


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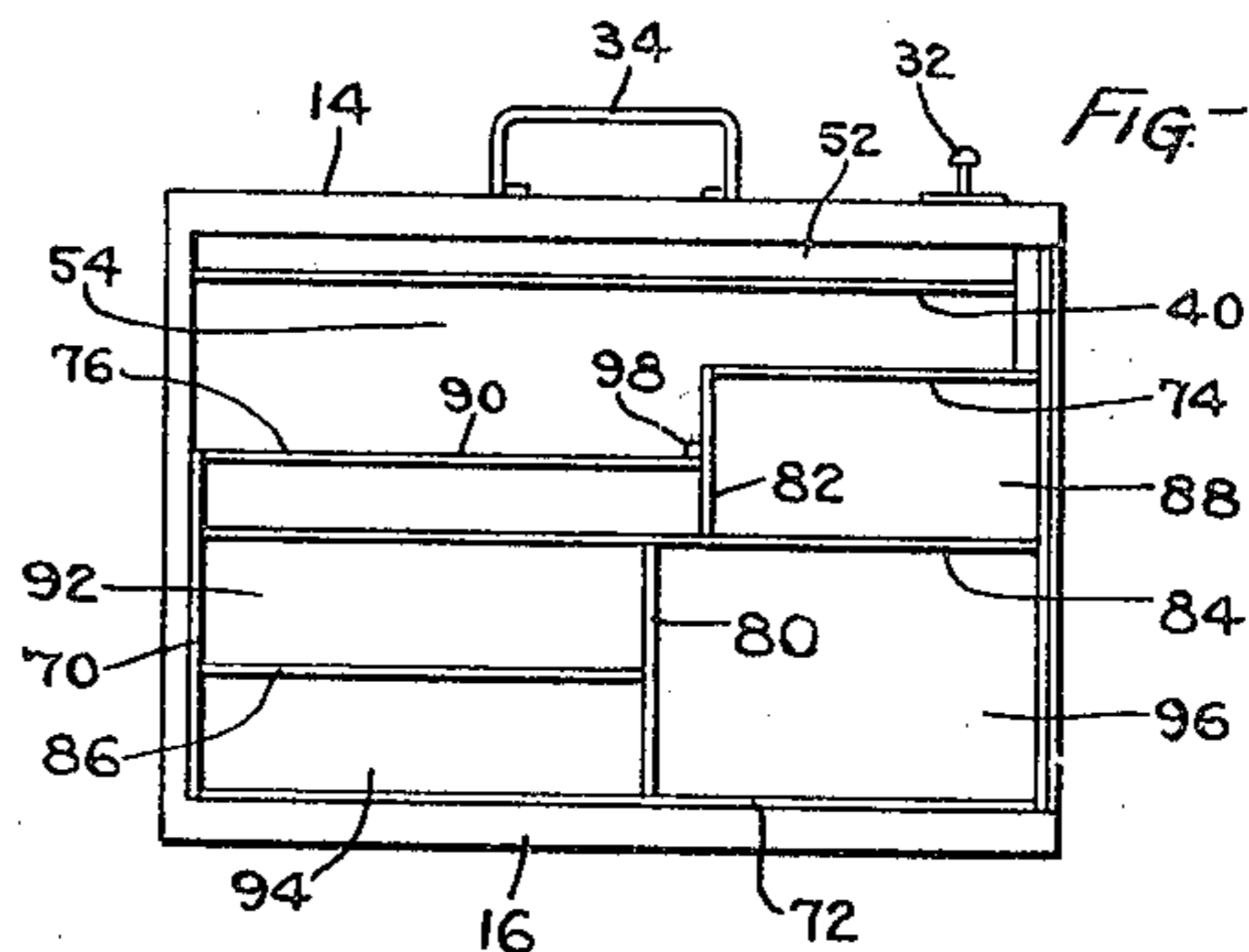


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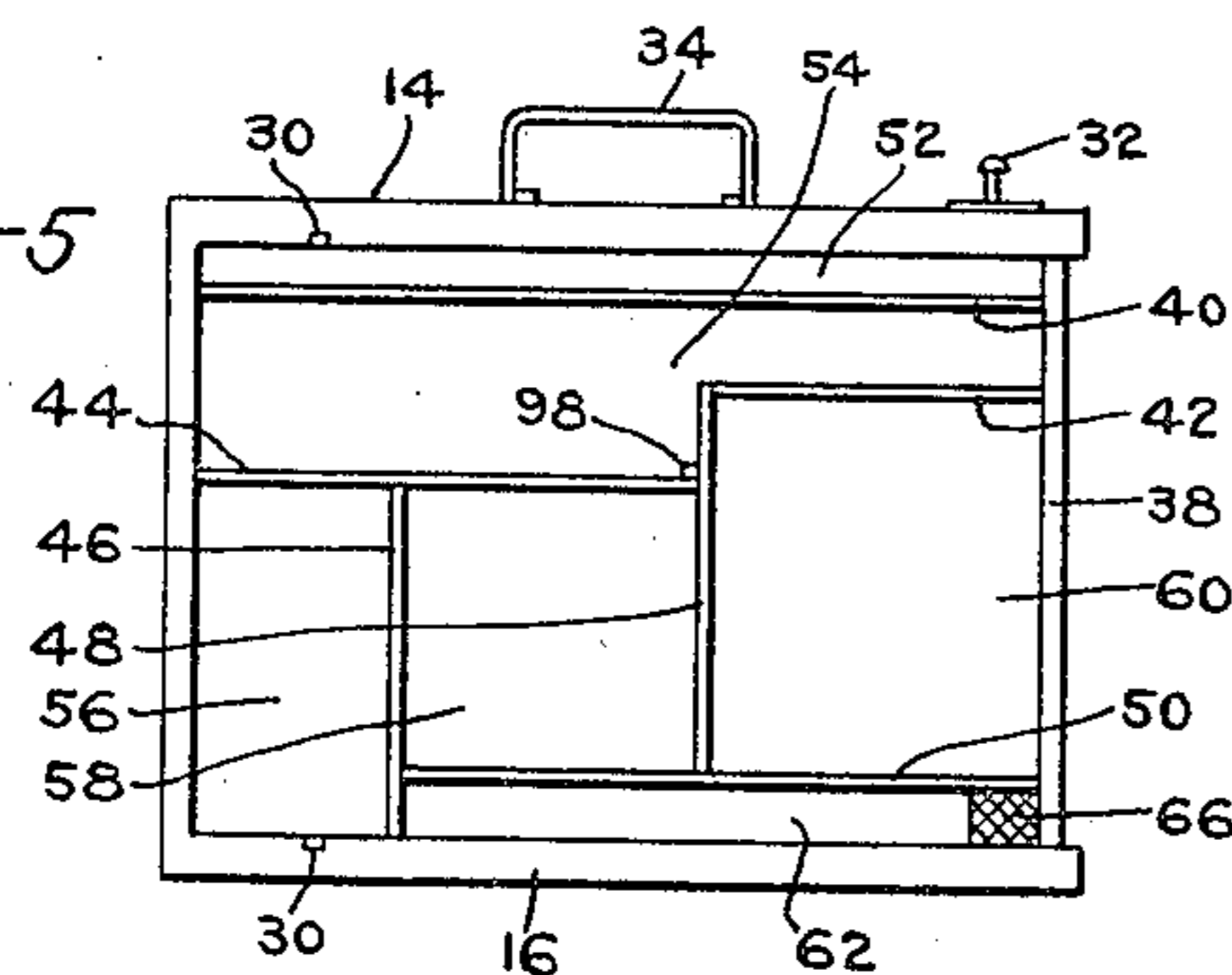


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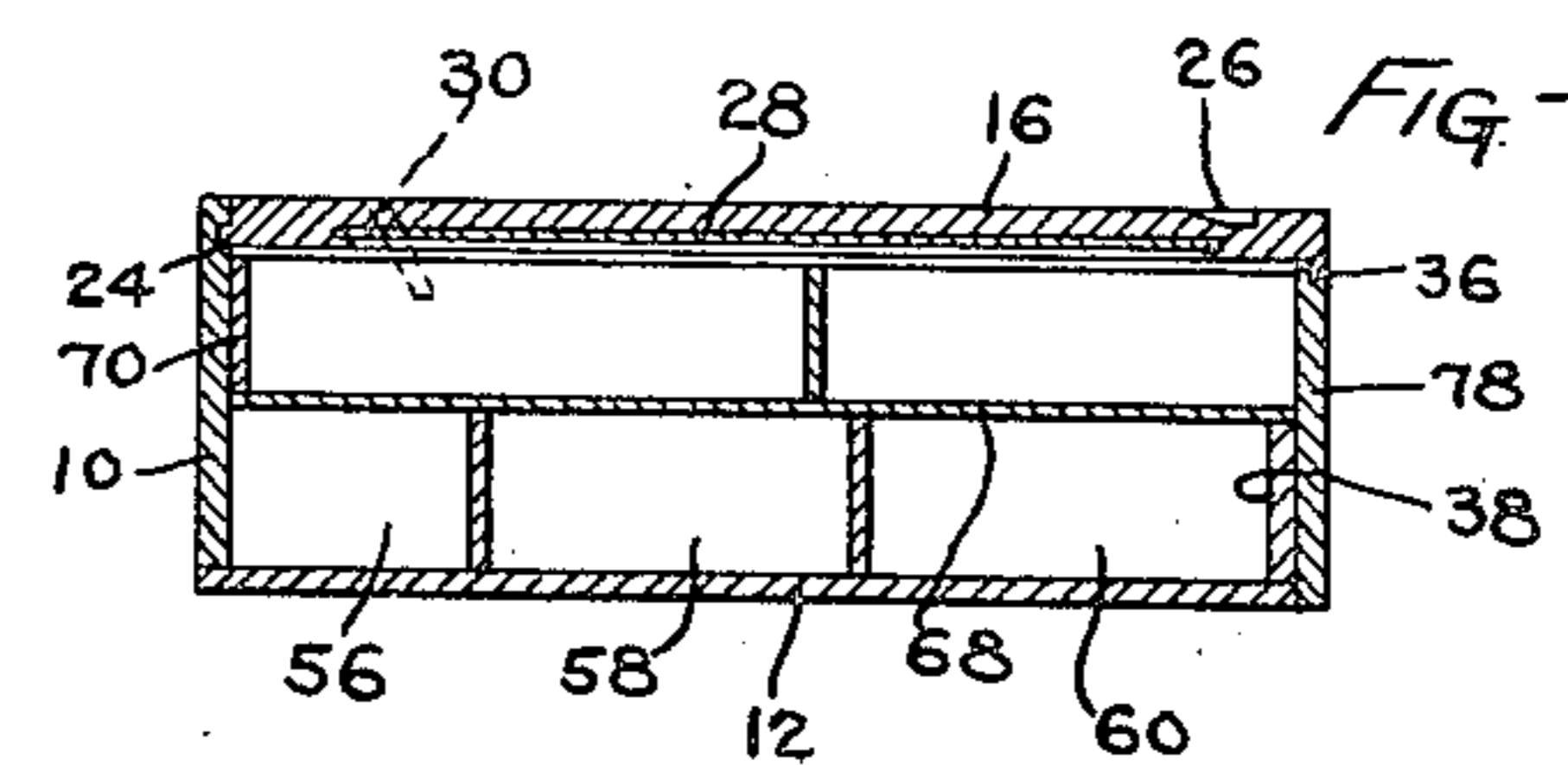


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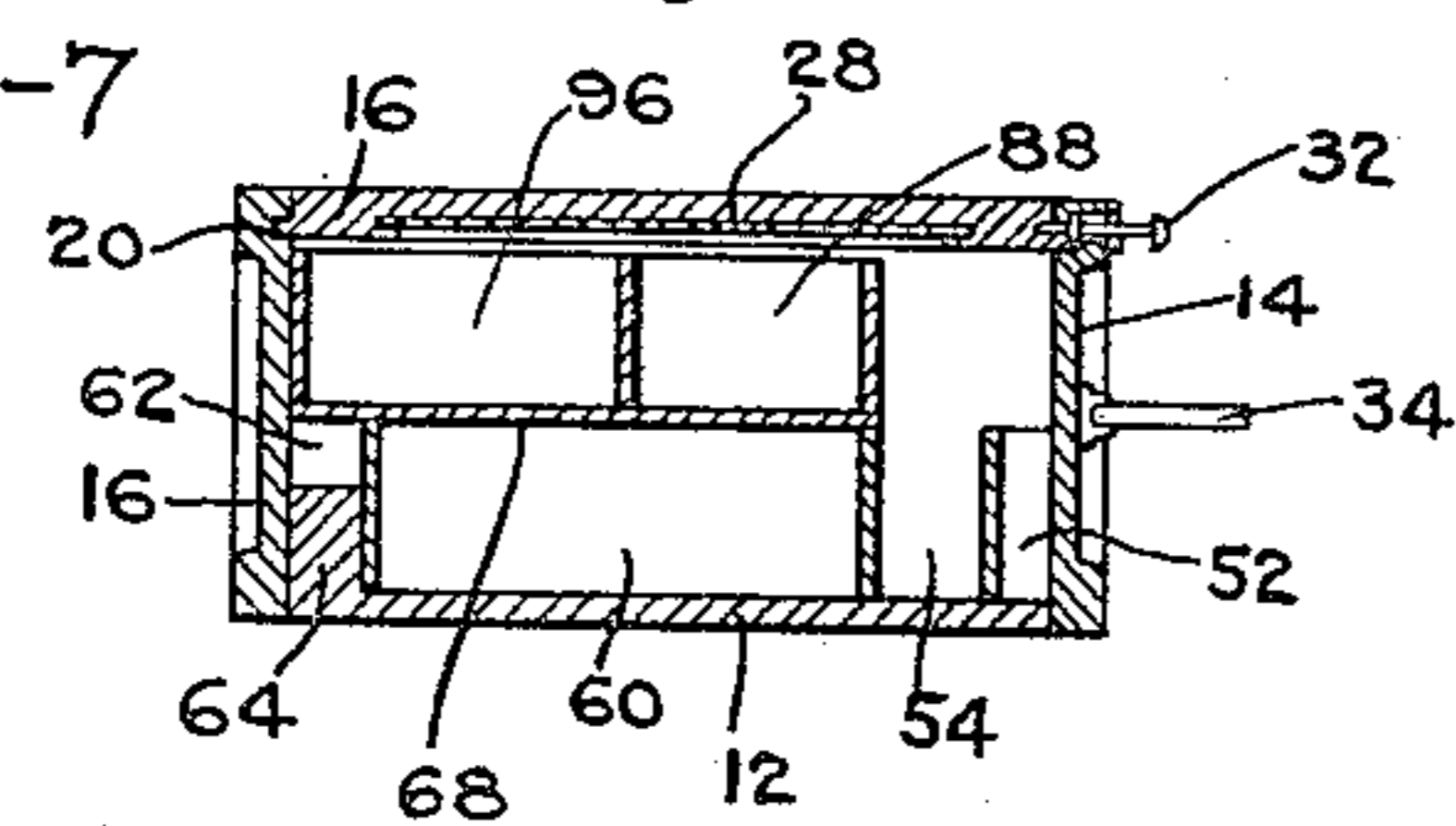


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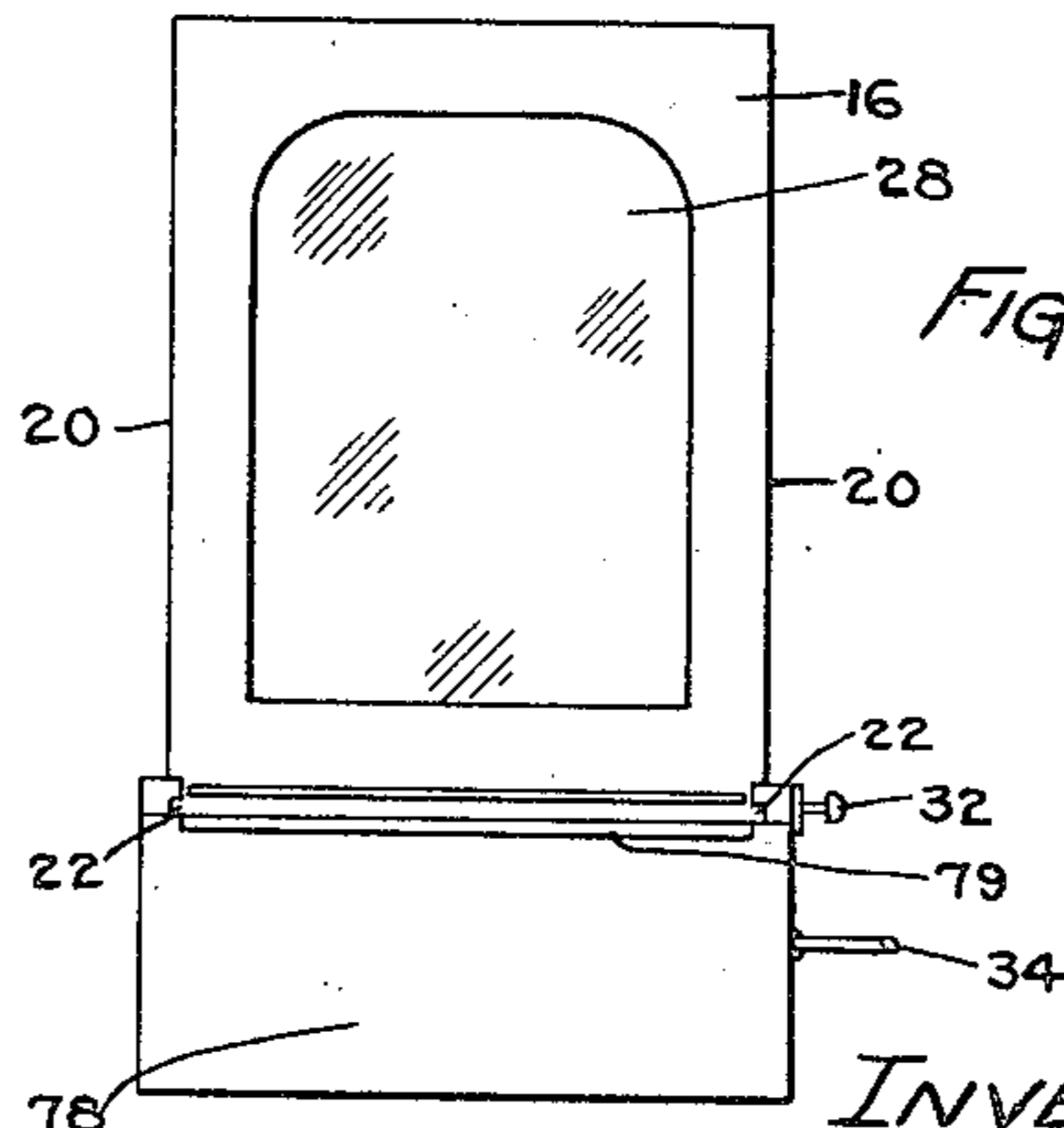
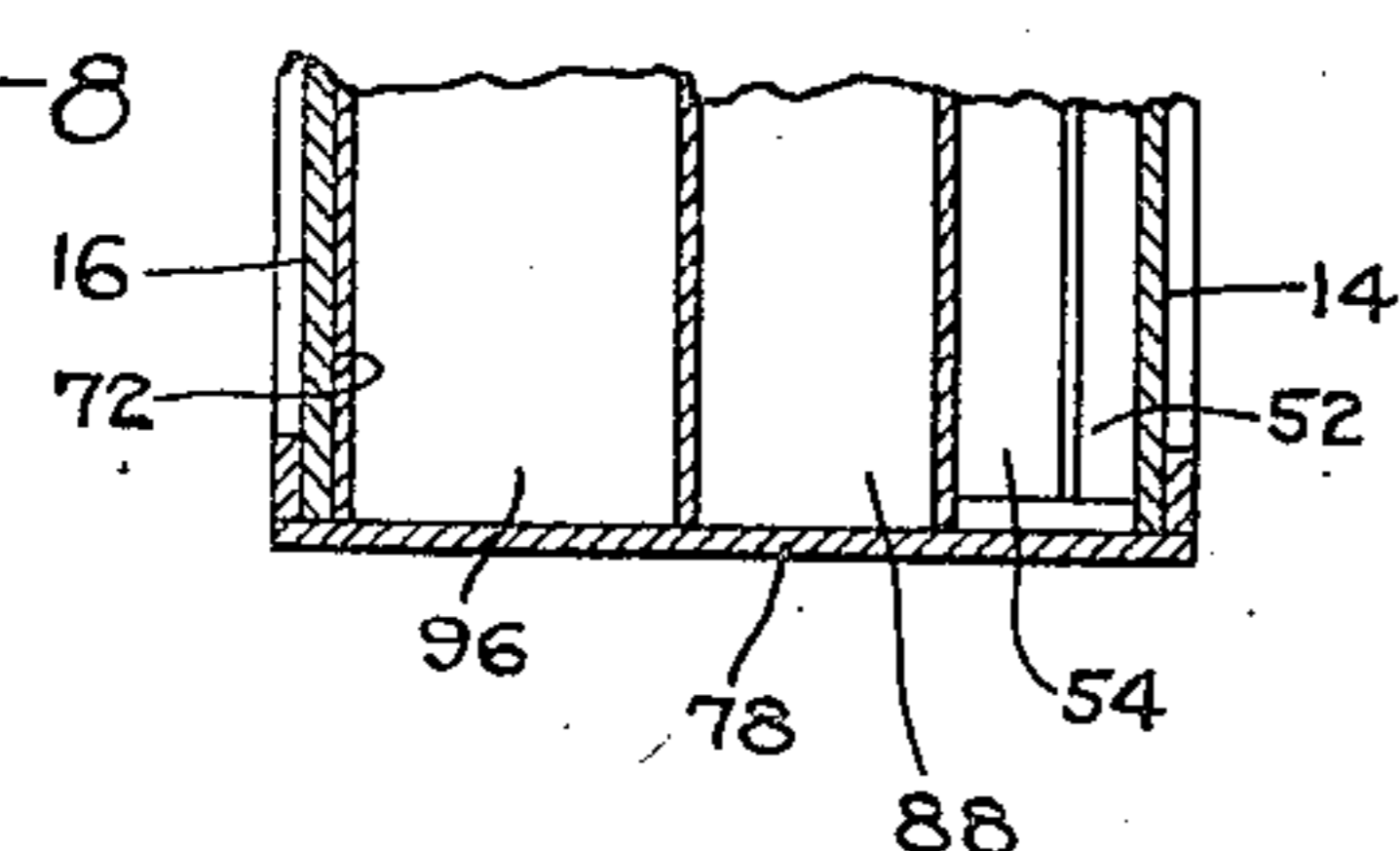


FIG-8



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EILEEN M. KLEBBA, a citizen of the United States, residing at Minneapolis, in the county of Hennepin and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Toilet Cases, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to toilet cases, and an object is to provide a case of this kind which is particularly adapted for use when traveling. An object in particular is to provide a toilet case which will be of light weight and small size so that it may be readily carried, and which is so constructed and arranged that it will hold in compact form the various toilet articles and accessories which are considered necessary by every woman who wishes to present a well-kept appearance even when traveling, and the customary conveniences and materials kept in the home are not at that time generally available. Another object is to provide a device of this character having trays and compartments therein so disposed that the various toilet articles may be removed and used one or more at a time as desired and restored to their proper places without disturbing the position of such articles as are not being used at that particular time. Another object is to provide a mirror which requires no additional space and which may readily be held in convenient position for use whenever desired.

The full objects and advantages of my invention will appear in connection with the detailed description, and the novel features embodied in my inventive idea will be particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings which illustrate one of the embodiments which my invention may assume, Fig. 1 is a view of the top side of my case in its closed condition. Fig. 2 is an end elevational view of the case. Fig. 3 is a side elevational view. Fig. 4 is a plan view with the upper tray in place and the cover removed. Fig. 5 is a plan view with the cover and upper tray removed and the lower tray in place. Fig. 6 is a view in section on the line 6—6 of Fig. 1. Fig. 7 is a view in section on the line 7—7 of Fig. 1. Fig. 8 is a view in sec-

tion on the line 8—8 of Fig. 3. Fig. 9 is a front elevational view with the cover removed from its customary position and set up for use as a mirror.

As shown in the drawings, I provide a boxlike structure having a rear end wall 10, a bottom wall 12, two side walls 14 and 16 and a cover 18. As shown, the cover is a sliding cover and has tongues 20 on its opposite sides adapted to slide in grooves 22 in the side walls and it has a tongue 24 on its rear end adapted to fit into a groove in the rear wall of the box. The cover is provided with a depression 26 in its upper surface and a mirror 28 is secured to its lower surface. The side walls 14 and 16 at their upper portions and near their rear ends are provided with inclined grooves 30 so that when the cover is removed it may be supported in substantially upright position as shown in Fig. 9 by sliding the tongues 20 into the grooves 30. The two grooves 30 are preferably inclined somewhat as shown in Fig. 6 so that the cover is supported in a slightly inclined rearward position in order that the mirror 28 carried thereby may be most conveniently positioned for use. The cover when slid into place to close the box is held by a spring pressed pin 32 adapted to engage a recess in one edge of the cover. One of the sides of the box such as the wall member 14 is provided with a handle 34 by means of which the case may be conveniently carried. The front edge of the cover is provided with a depending flange 36 for a purpose which will presently appear. The bottom of the box, as best shown in Fig. 5, is provided with a stationary lower tray having a front wall 38. The bottom of this tray is formed by the bottom of the box while the side walls and rear wall of the tray are formed by the side walls and rear wall of the box. This tray is provided with partition walls 40, 42, 44, 46, 48 and 50 which divide the tray into compartments 52, 54, 56, 58, 60 and 62. The compartment 52 which is long and narrow is suitable for receiving a comb. The compartment 54 which is wider at one end than at the other is intended for receiving a hairbrush. The compartment 56 is adapted to receive a wash cloth. The compartment 58 is adapted to

receive soap. The compartment 60 is adapted to receive a box of face powder and a powder puff. The compartment 62 is for containing a toothbrush and as indicated at 5 64 in Fig. 7 is preferably provided with a forwardly and upwardly inclined bottom to support the handle of the toothbrush. At the front end of this compartment is a small pin cushion 66 shown in Fig. 5. The upper 10 tray is adapted to slide in and out on top of the lower tray as shown in Fig. 4. This upper tray does not extend over the compartments 52 and 54 since the comb and brush contained therein are ordinarily higher than 15 the lower tray. The upper tray is provided with a bottom 68, a rear wall 70, a side wall 72, and an opposite side wall consisting of the two offset portions 74 and 76 adapted to lie directly above the partitions 42 and 44, 20 respectively, of the lower tray. The upper tray is also provided with a front wall 78 which is extended downwardly as best shown in Fig. 6 so that its lower end is flush with the bottom of the case. This wall member, 25 therefore, constitutes the front of the case, and when the upper tray is pulled partway out, it constitutes a foot member for supporting the front end of this tray. The upper end of the wall 78 is cut away on its 30 front edge as indicated at 79 to receive the flange 36 previously referred to as depending from the cover and which holds the upper tray in the box when the cover is in its closed position. The upper tray is provided with partitions 80, 82, 84, and 86 35 which divide it into compartments 88, 90, 92, 94 and 96. The compartment 88 is adapted to receive jars of nail polish, rouge, and the like. The compartment 90 is adapted to receive a manicure outfit. The compartments 92 and 94 are adapted to receive tubes of tooth paste and cold cream, and the compartment 96 is adapted to receive 40 hairpins, small scissors, and other small toilet articles. In order to guide the upper tray in its sliding movement, a post 98 is shown secured to the partitions 48, and 44 at their intersection, and extending slightly above the lower tray. As shown in the 45 drawings, the top, bottom and rear of the sides 14 and 16 are provided with outstanding flanges and the ends of the wall member 78 are also provided with similar flanges whereby the sides 14 and 16 are 50 given a paneled appearance.

The operation and advantages of my invention will be apparent from the foregoing description. Upon removing the cover the various articles in the upper tray are at once 60 available for use as are also the brush and comb carried in the lower tray. Upon pulling the upper tray forwardly, the remainder of the articles in the lower tray are rendered readily accessible. It is not necessary to 65 entirely remove the upper tray but its rear

end may be left supported by the front end of the lower tray and the foot member 78 will form a support for the front end of the upper tray as will be understood by reference to Fig. 6. On account of the mirror 70 being secured on the underside of the cover, it requires no additional space and when the cover is held as shown in Fig. 9, the mirror is positioned for convenient use. It is apparent that since the cover carrying 75 the attached mirror is detachable, it may be held in the hand and used as a back mirror. It is obvious that the case when in use may be placed on a table or similar support or may be held in the lap. When 80 the device is to be carried or stored, the upper tray is slid into place and upon replacing the cover the latter is held in place by the spring-pressed pin 32 while the flange 36 on the cover holds the slidable tray in place. 85 The walls of the box portion may be made of any suitable material and the trays with their partitions are made of light material such as enameled wood or aluminum.

I claim:

1. A toilet case comprising a box, a sliding cover for said box having tongues adapted to slide in grooves extending along the upper sides of said box, and a mirror secured on the inner side of said cover, the 90 sides of said box having upwardly extending grooves adapted to receive said tongues for holding said cover with its mirror positioned for use.
2. A toilet case comprising a box, a stationary tray provided with compartments in the bottom of said box, and a slidable tray provided with compartments and adapted to slide over said stationary tray, said slidable tray being narrower than 100 said stationary tray whereby some of the compartments of the latter extend up for the full height of the case.
3. A toilet case comprising a box, a stationary tray having compartments in the 110 bottom of said box, two of said compartments being shaped to receive a comb and a brush, and a slidable tray provided with compartments and adapted to slide over said stationary tray, said slidable tray being 115 shaped in such manner as to leave said brush and comb compartments uncovered.
4. A toilet case comprising a box, a stationary tray provided with compartments in the bottom of said box, a slidable tray 120 provided with compartments and adapted to slide over said stationary tray and a front wall member for said slidable tray which constitutes the front member of the box and which serves to support the front 125 end of said slidable tray when the latter is partly withdrawn.
5. A toilet case comprising a box, a cover for said box, means for holding said cover in closed position, a stationary tray provided 130

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