

[54] **FLUSH MOUNTED LATCH ASSEMBLY**

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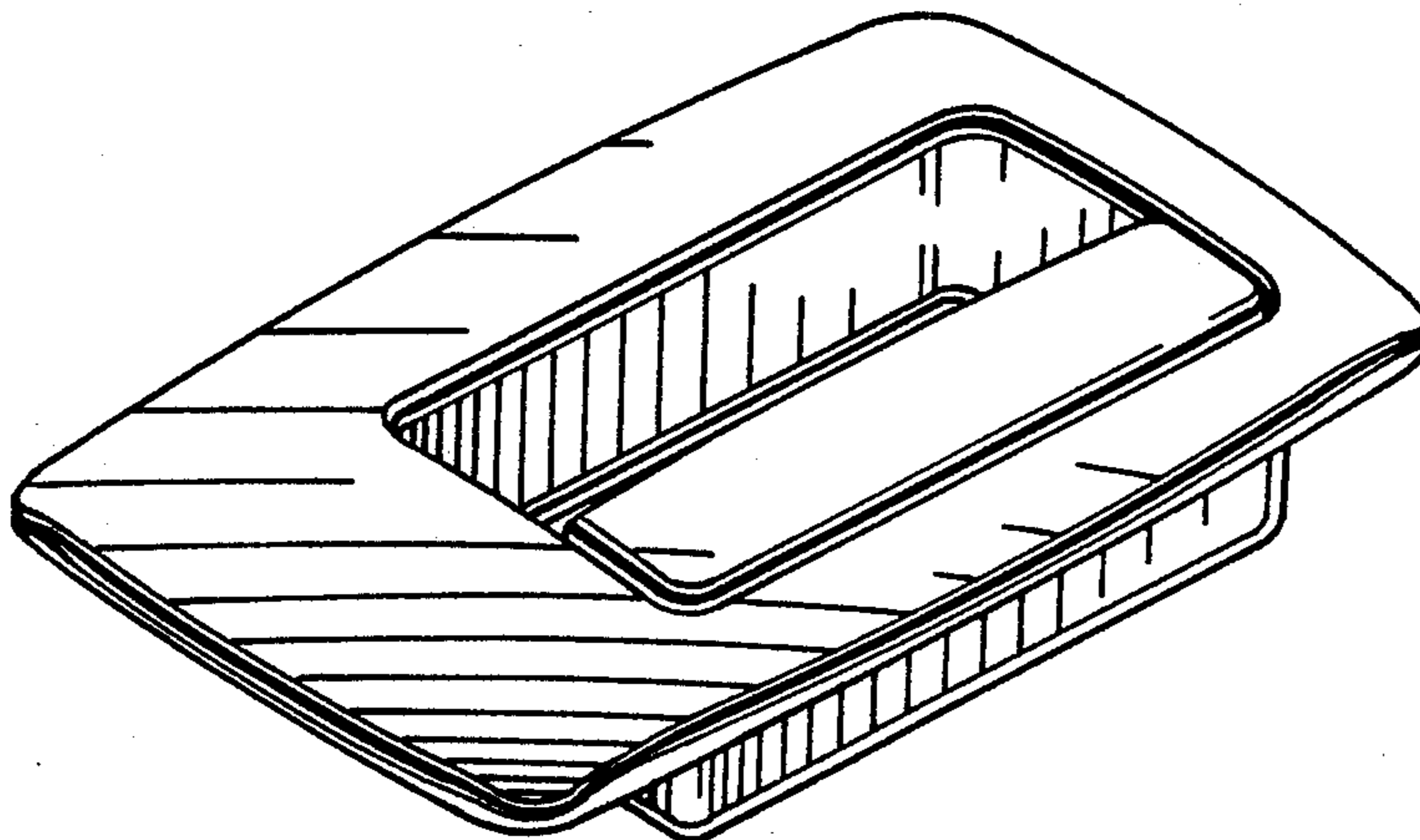
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CLAIM

The ornamental design for a flush mounted latch assembly, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of a flush mounted latch assembly showing our new design;

FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof;

FIG. 3 is a rear elevational view thereof;

FIG. 4 is a bottom plan view thereof;

FIG. 5 is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. 6 is a right side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 7 is a left side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 8 is a vertical cross-sectional view thereof, taken along line 8—8 of FIG. 2;

FIG. 9 is a vertical cross-sectional view thereof, taken along line 9—9 of FIG. 3;

FIG. 10 is a rear perspective view thereof;

FIG. 11 is a rear, fragmentary perspective view thereof, with portions omitted for clarity of illustration;

FIG. 12 is a top perspective view of a second embodiment thereof;

FIG. 13 is a front elevational view of the embodiment of FIG. 12;

FIG. 14 is a rear elevational view of the embodiment of FIG. 12;

FIG. 15 is a bottom plan view of the embodiment of FIG. 12;

FIG. 16 is a top plan view of the embodiment of FIG. 12;

FIG. 17 is a right side elevational view of the embodiment of FIG. 12;

FIG. 18 is a left side elevational view of the embodiment of FIG. 12;

FIG. 19 is a vertical cross-sectional view of the embodiment of FIG. 12 taken along line 19—19 of FIG. 13;

FIG. 20 is a vertical cross-sectional view of the embodiment of FIG. 12 taken along line 20—20 of FIG. 14;

FIG. 21 is a rear perspective view of the embodiment of FIG. 12;

FIG. 22 is a rear, fragmentary perspective view of the embodiment of FIG. 12 with portions omitted for clarity of illustration;

FIG. 23 is a top perspective view of a third embodiment thereof;

FIG. 24 is a front elevational view of the embodiment of FIG. 23;

FIG. 25 is a front view of a fourth embodiment thereof, the only difference from the embodiment of FIG. 12 residing in the inclusion of a plugged aperture;

FIG. 26 is a rear elevational view of the embodiment of FIG. 25;

FIG. 27 is a front elevational view of a fifth embodiment thereof, the only difference from the embodiment of FIG. 25 residing in the inclusion of an operator element having a hex tool receiving aperture;

FIG. 28 is a front elevational view of a sixth embodiment thereof, the only difference from the embodiment of FIG. 25 residing in the inclusion of an operator element having a screwdriver blade receiving aperture; and

FIG. 29 is a front elevational view of a seventh embodiment thereof, the only difference from the embodiment of FIG. 25 residing in the inclusion of an operator element having a key receiving aperture.

The broken line showing in FIGS. 11, 13-22 and 26 of mounting elements that extend rearwardly from the housing is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed.

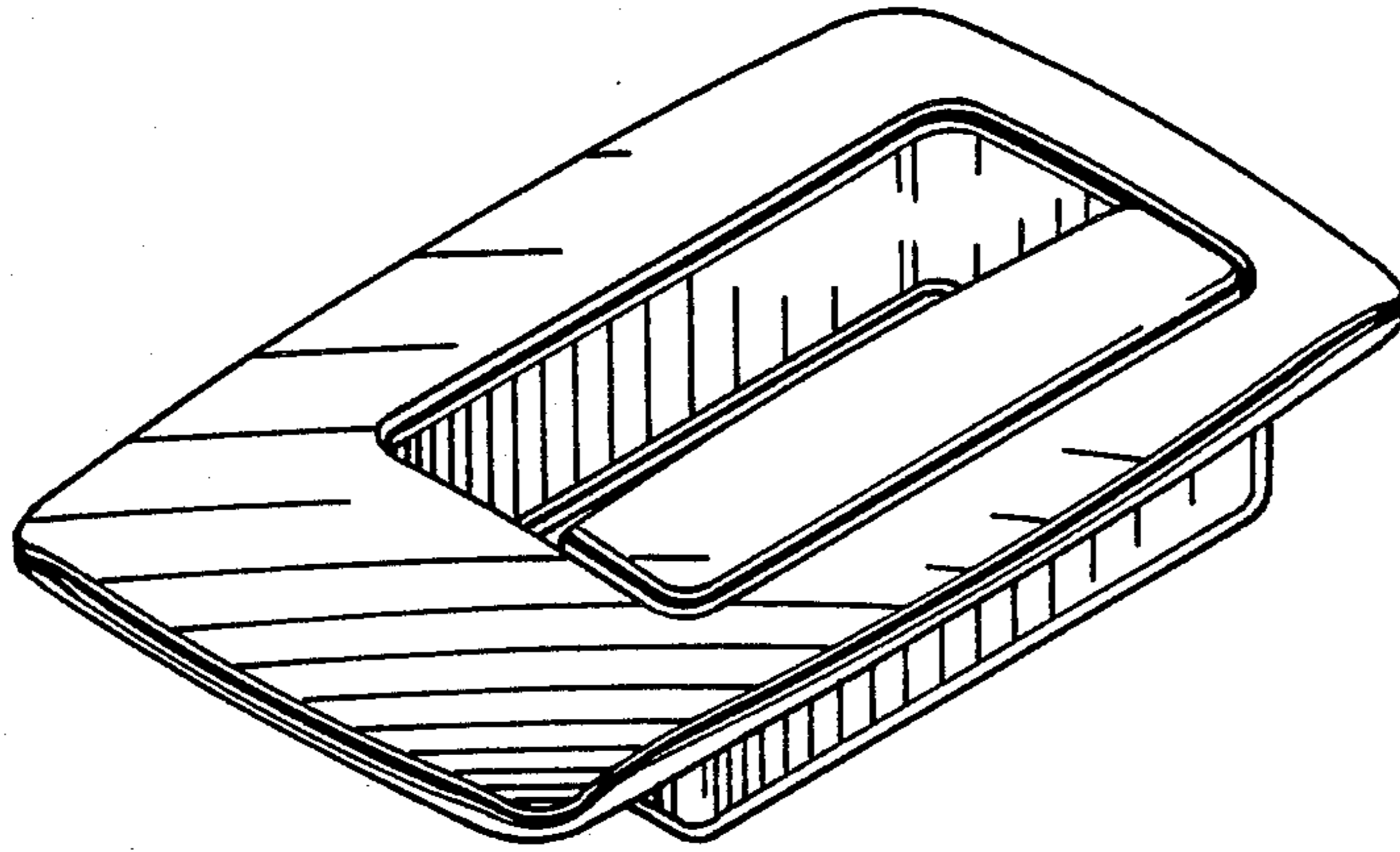
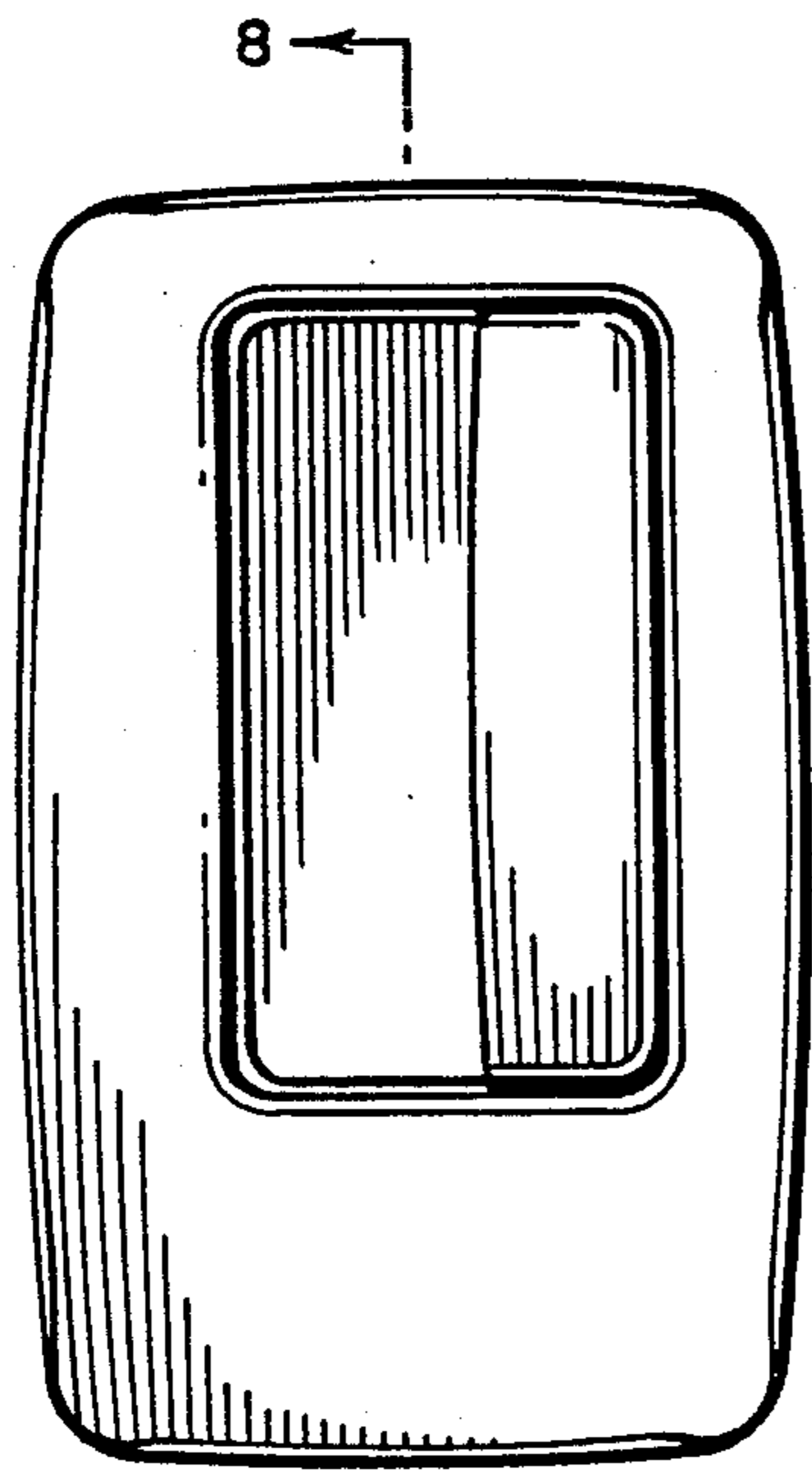
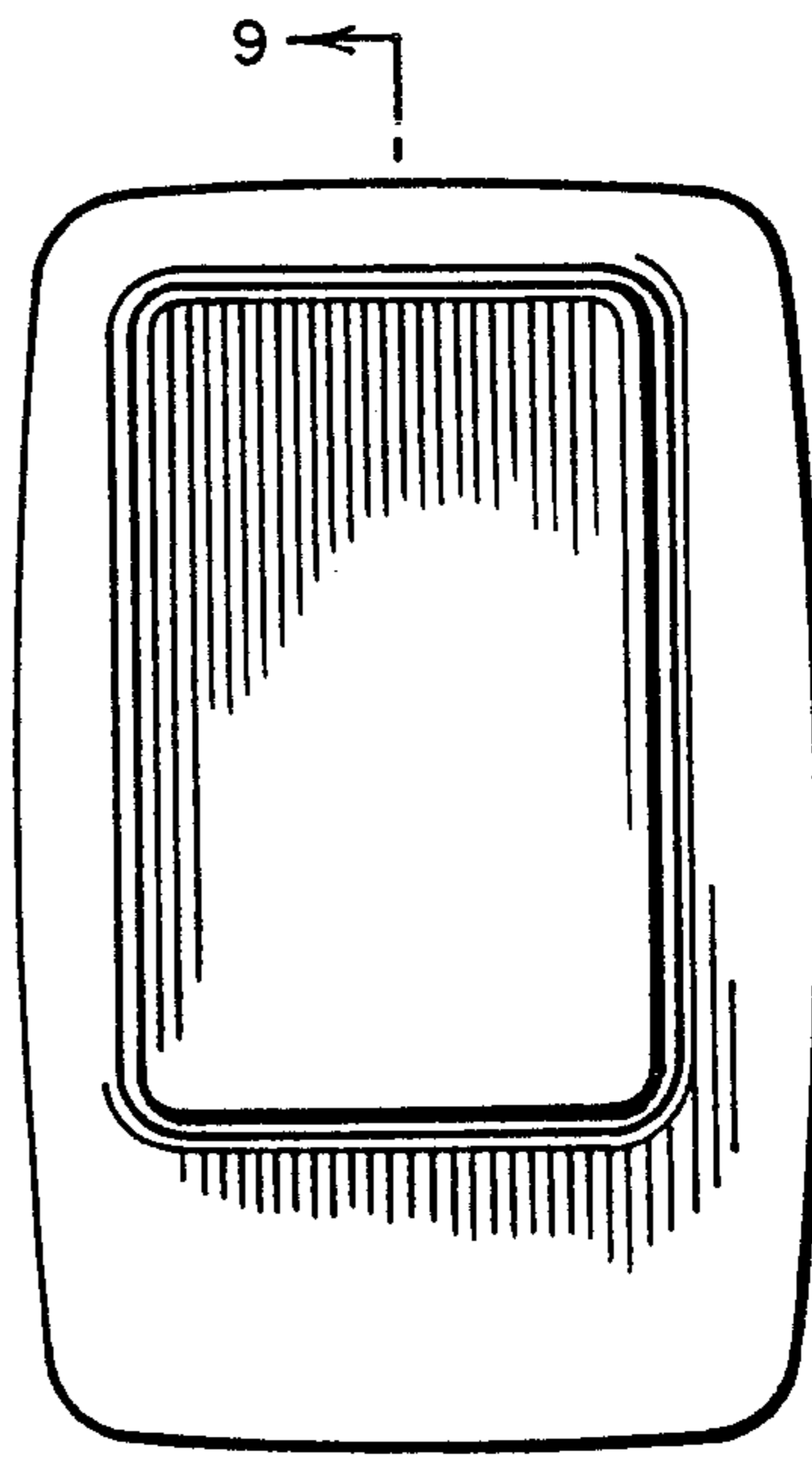


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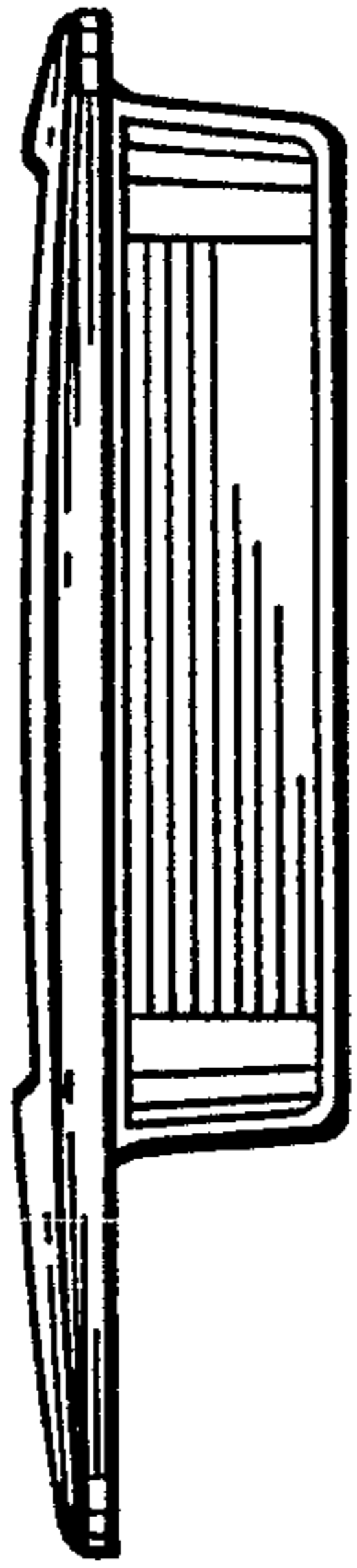


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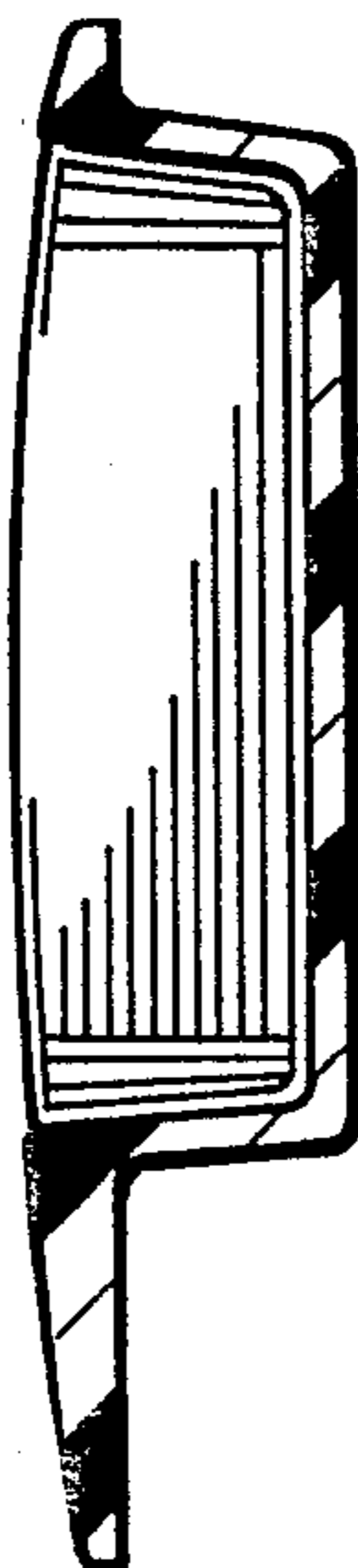


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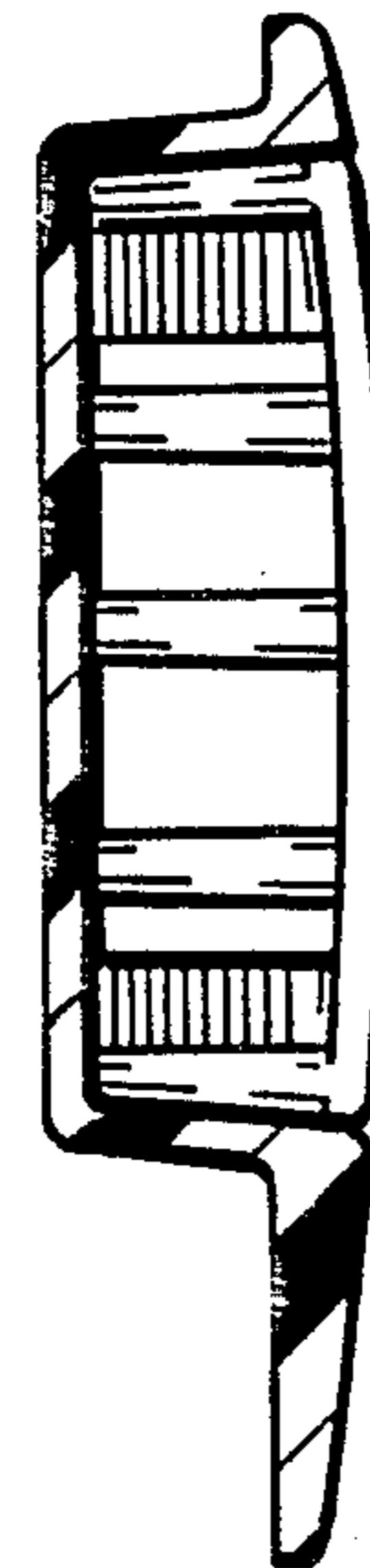


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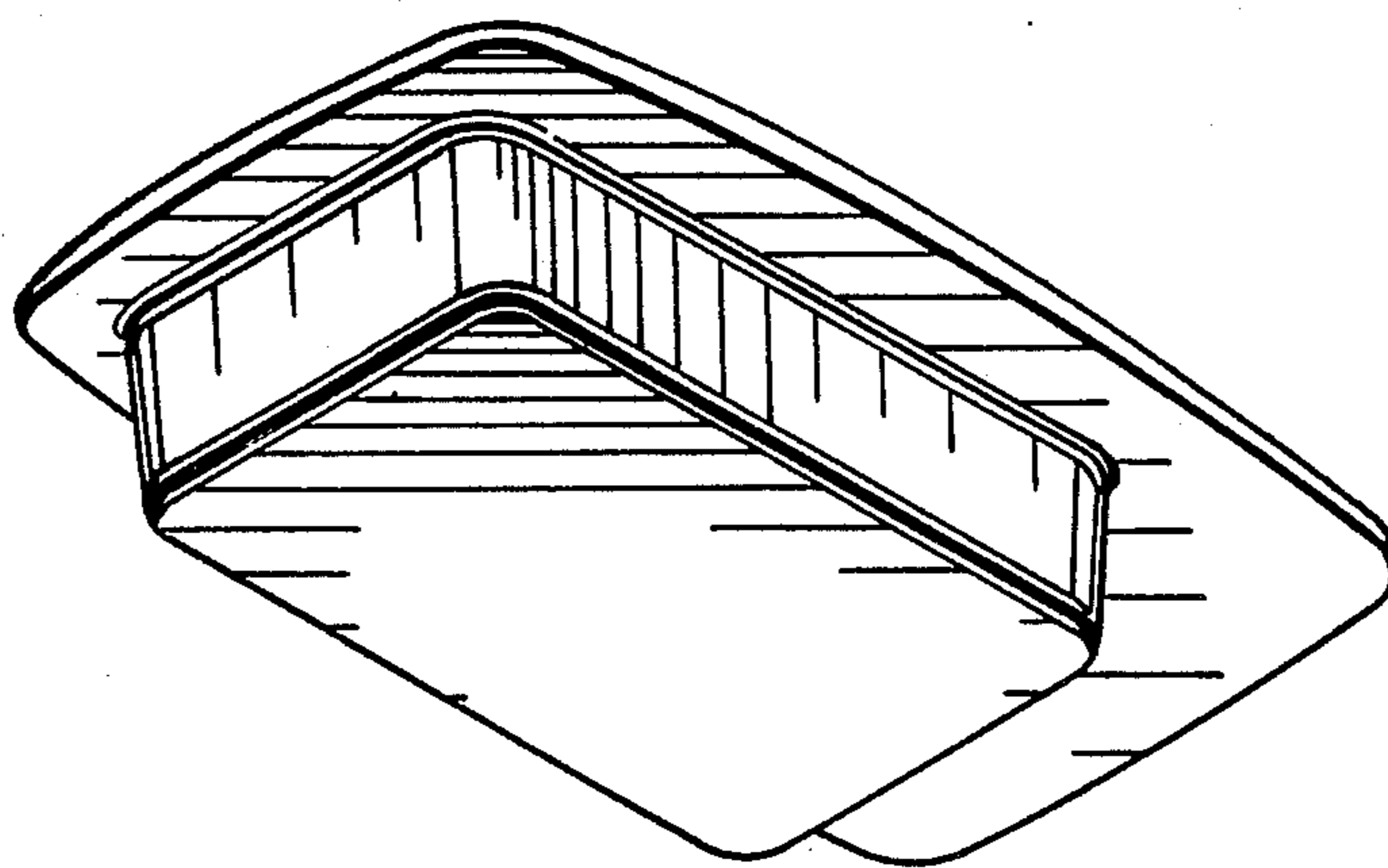


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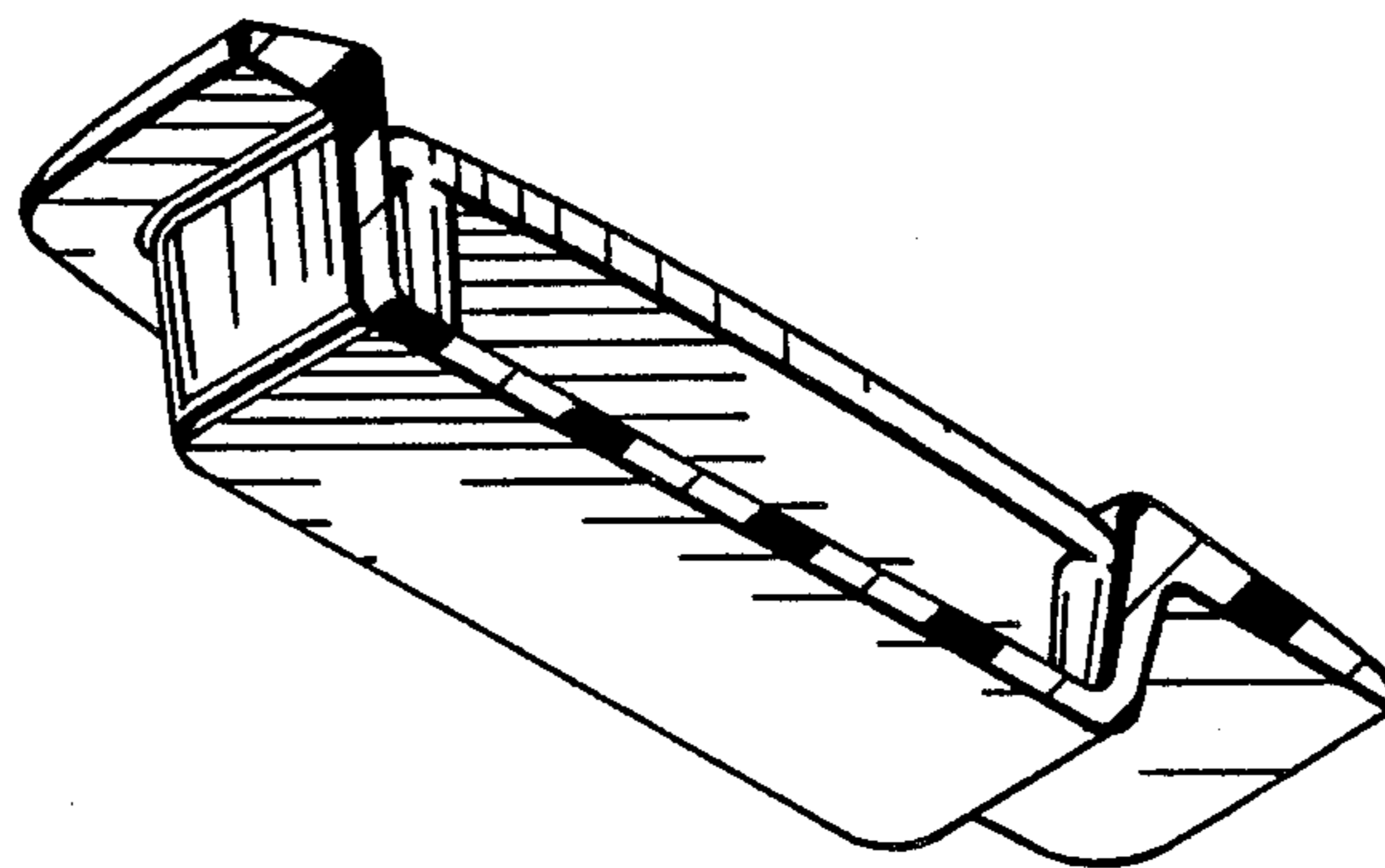


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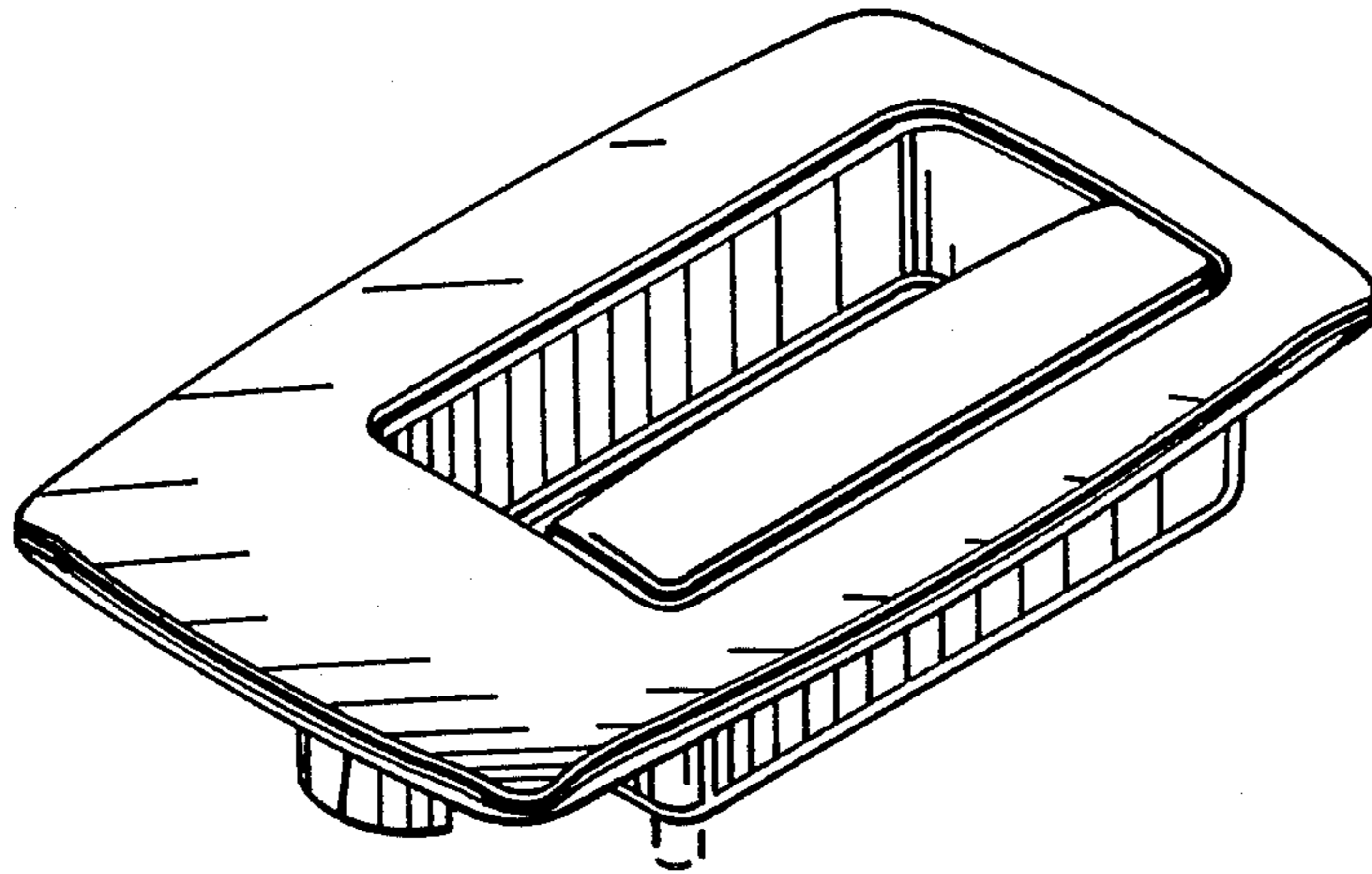


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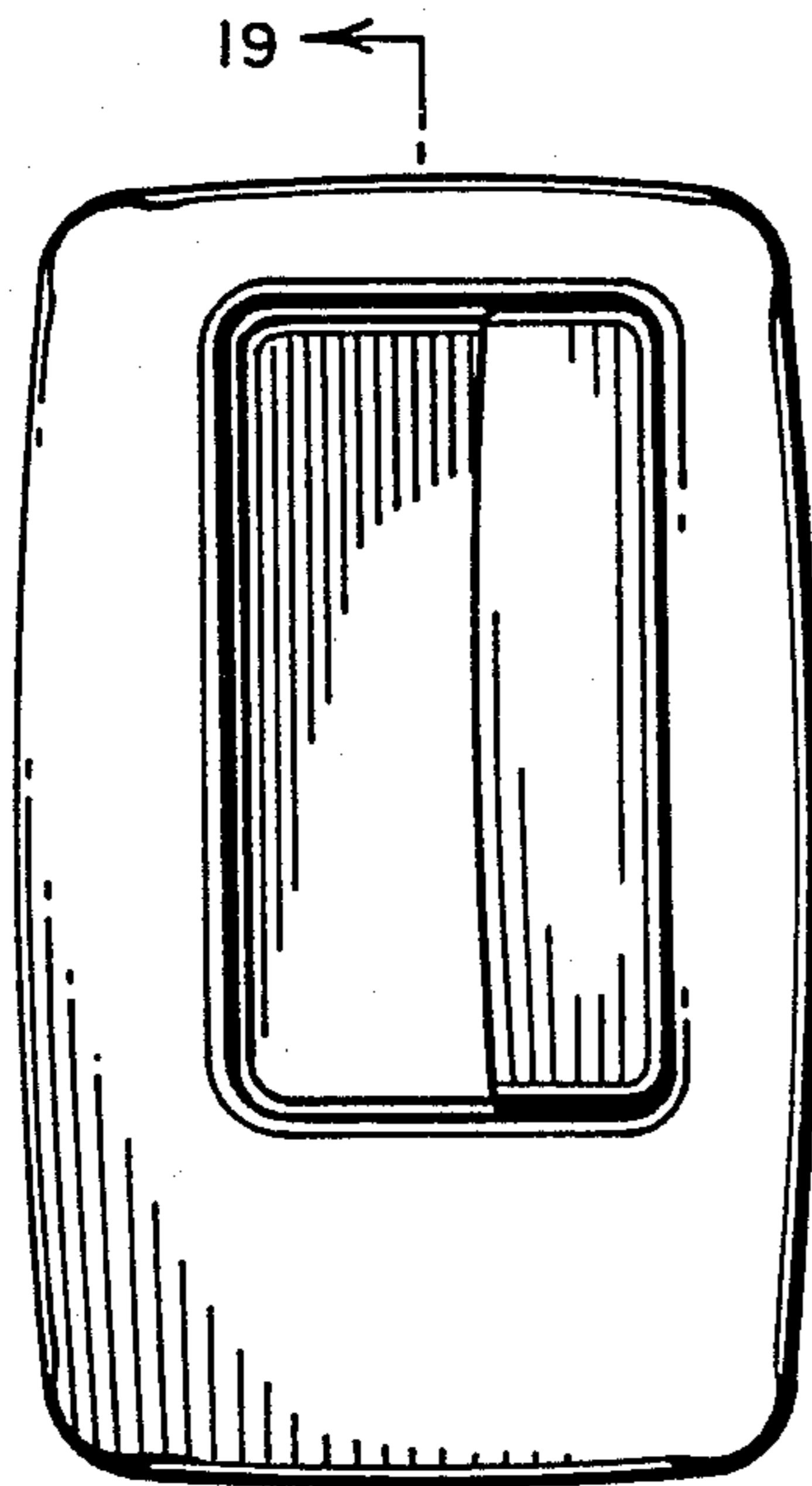


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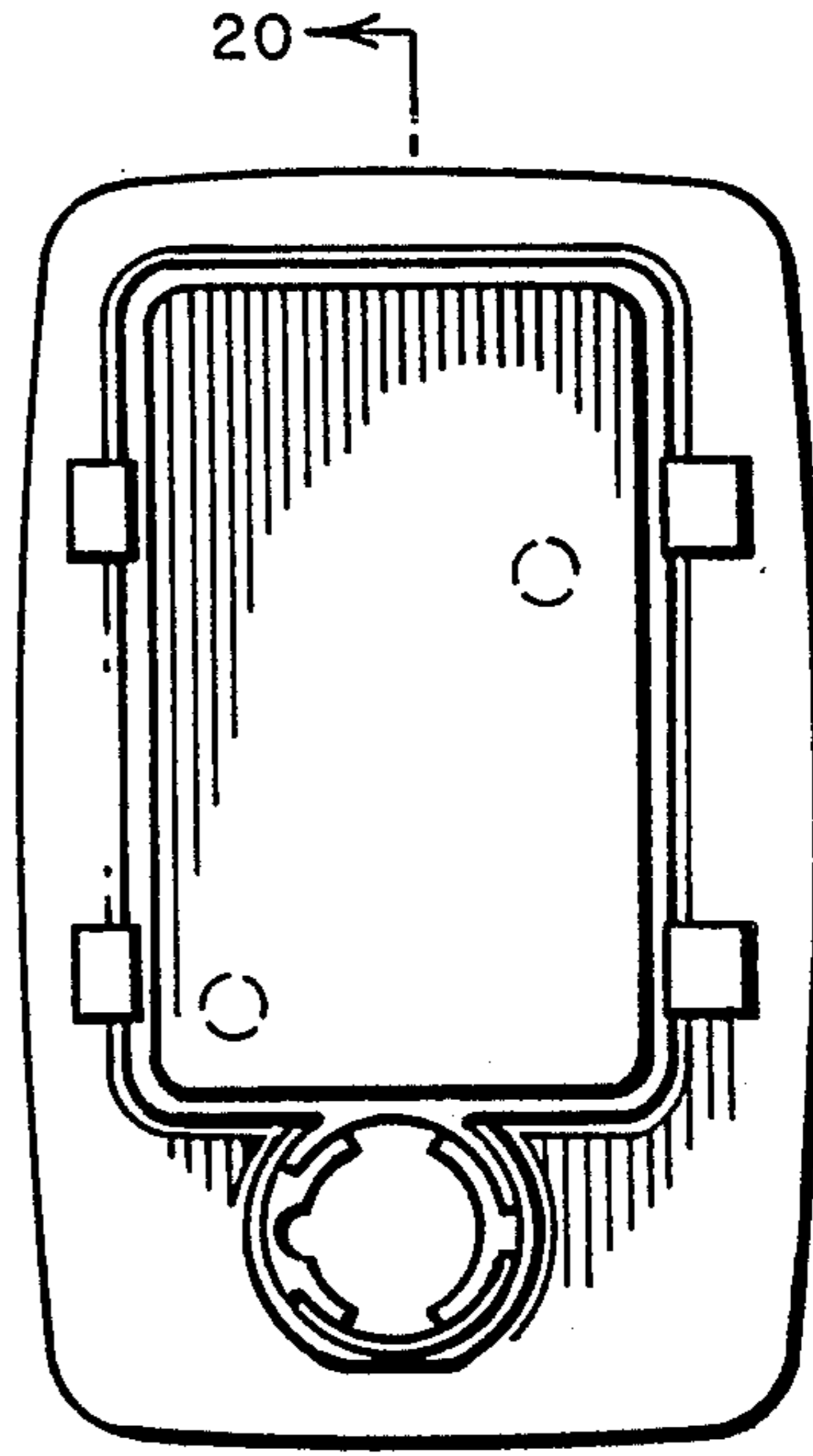


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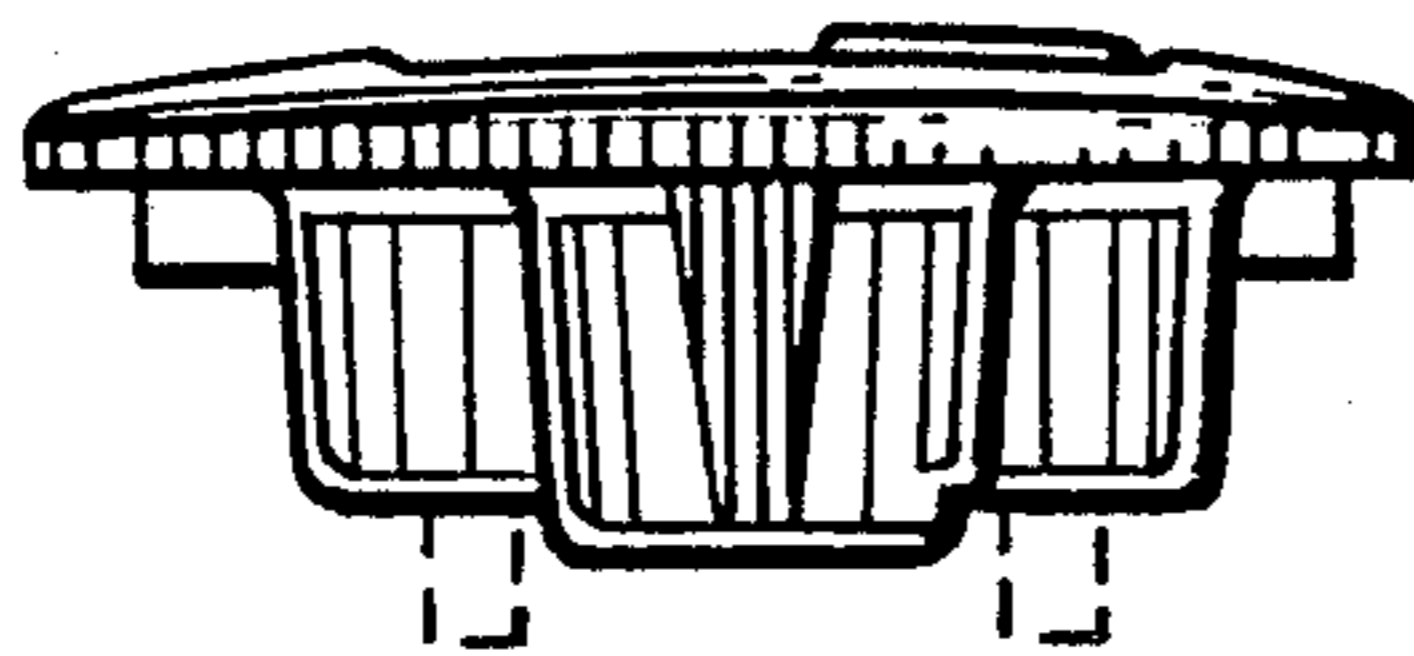


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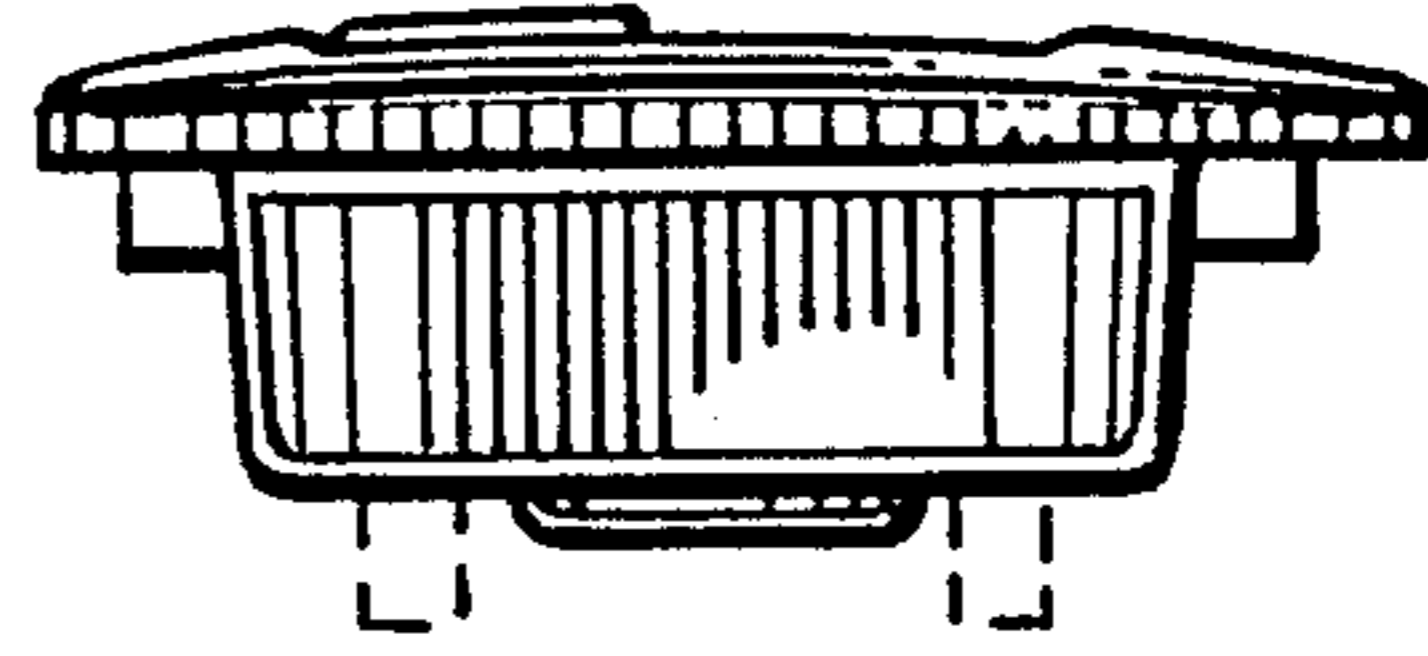


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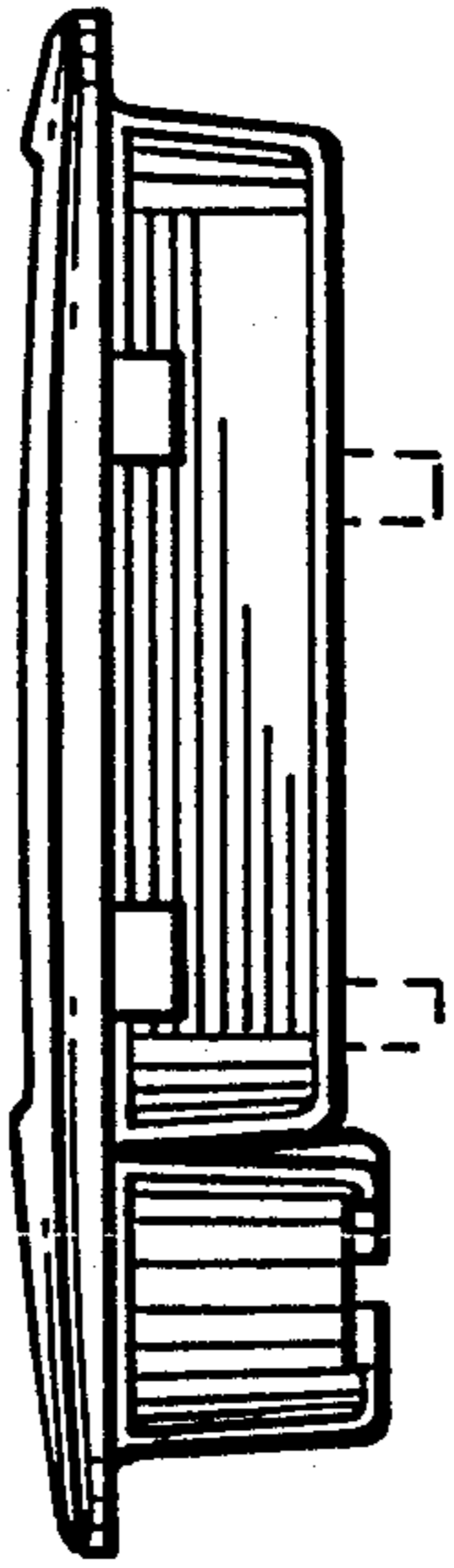


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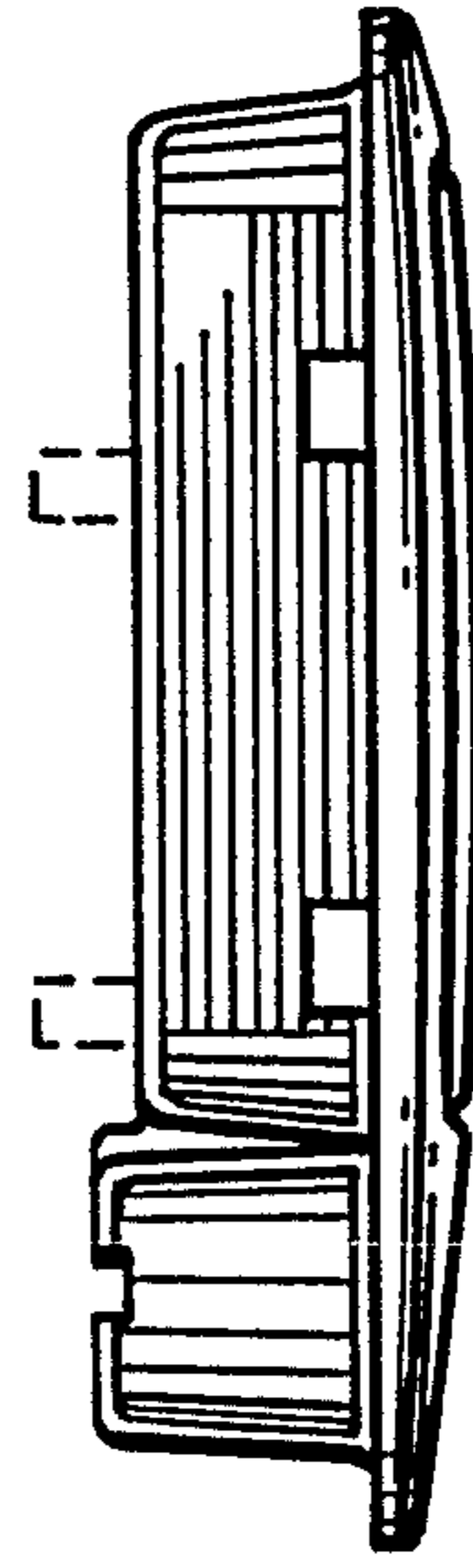


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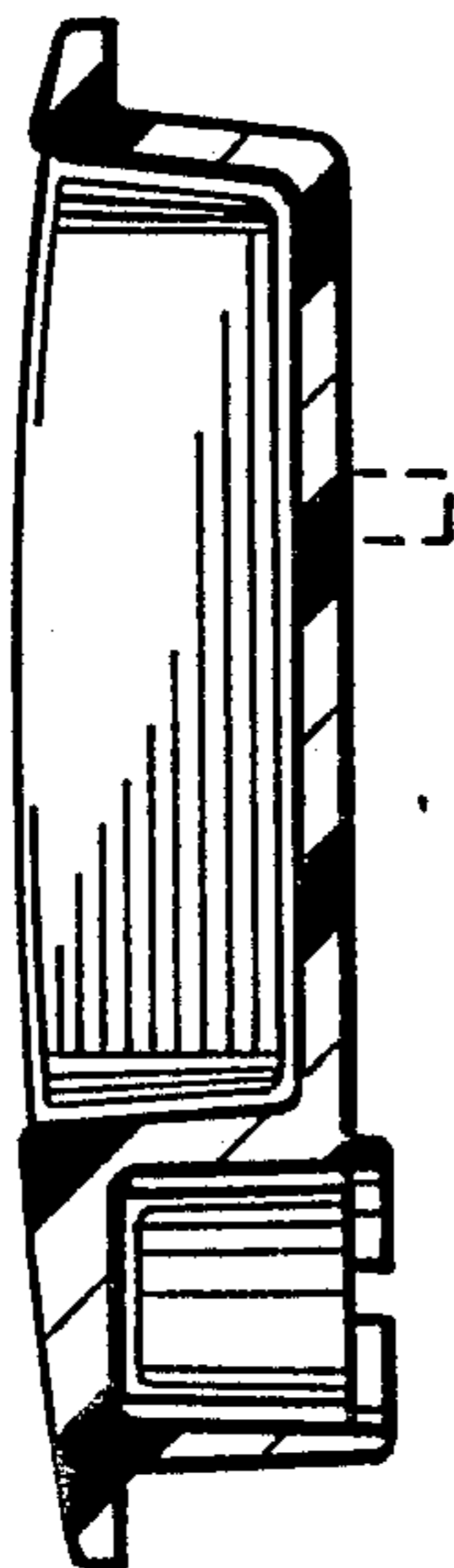


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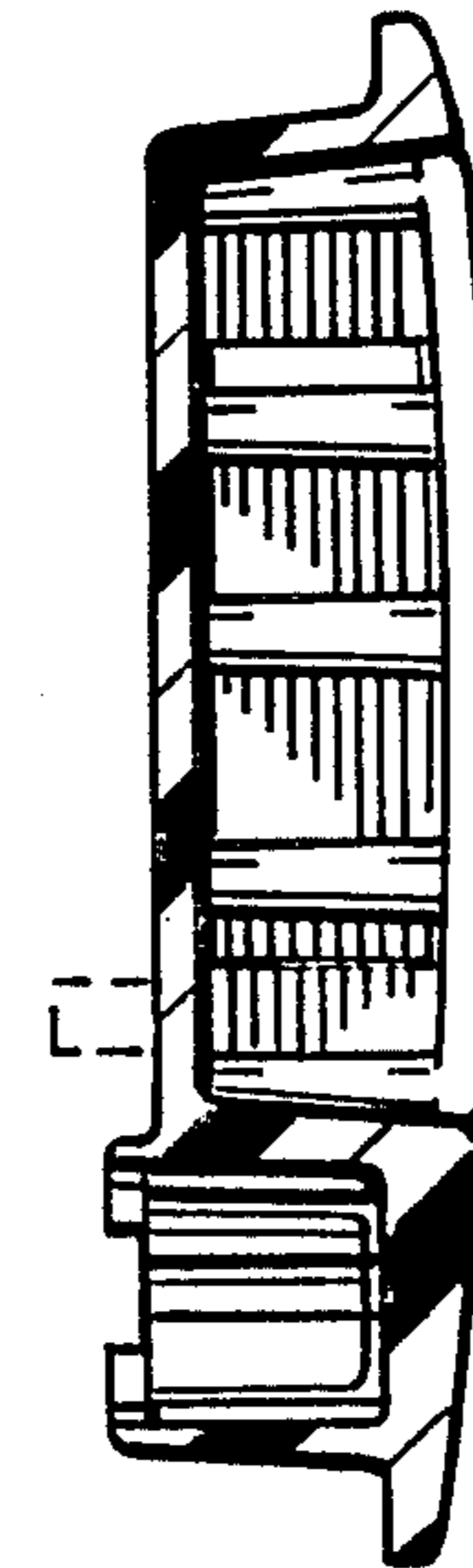


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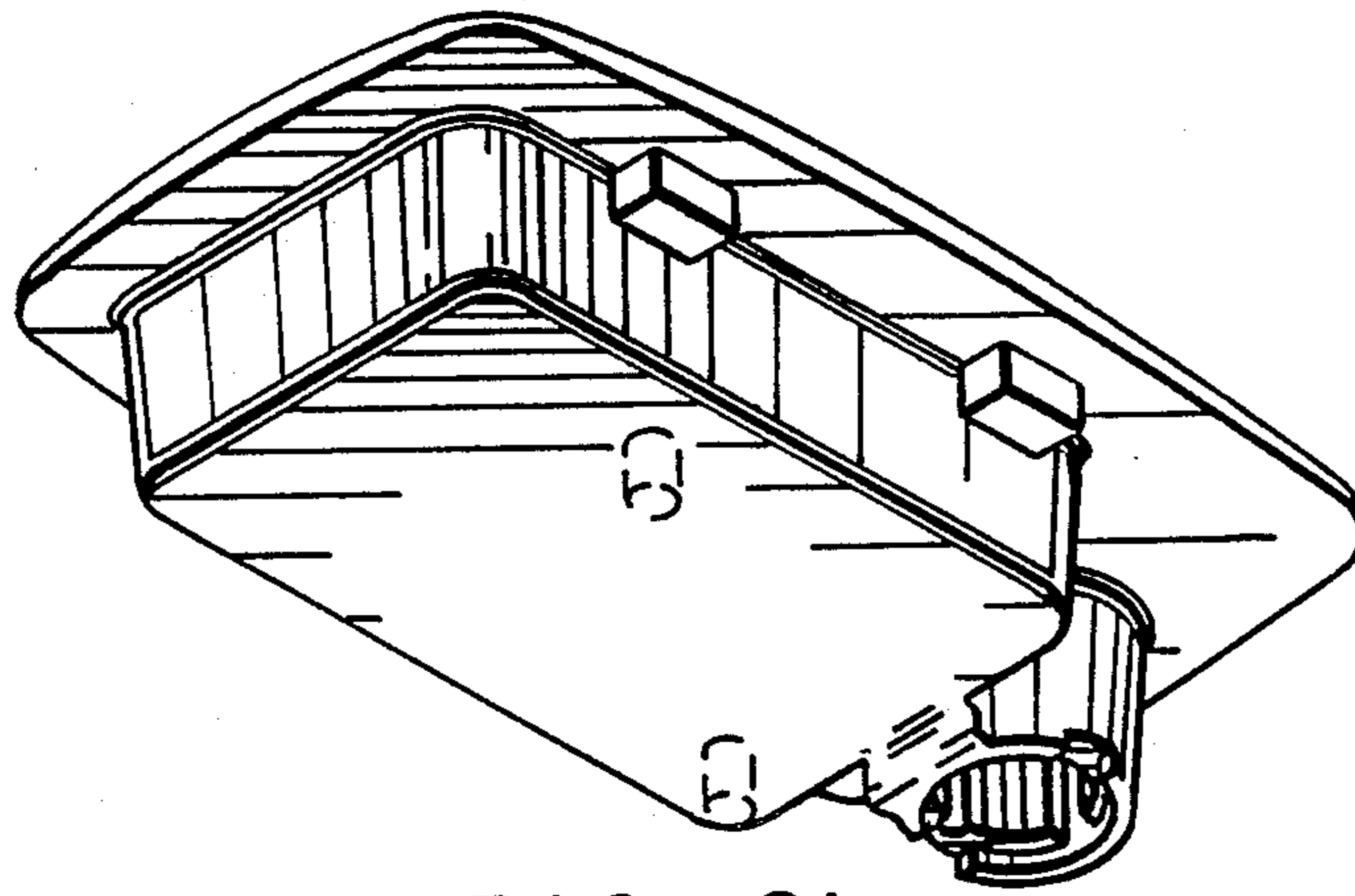


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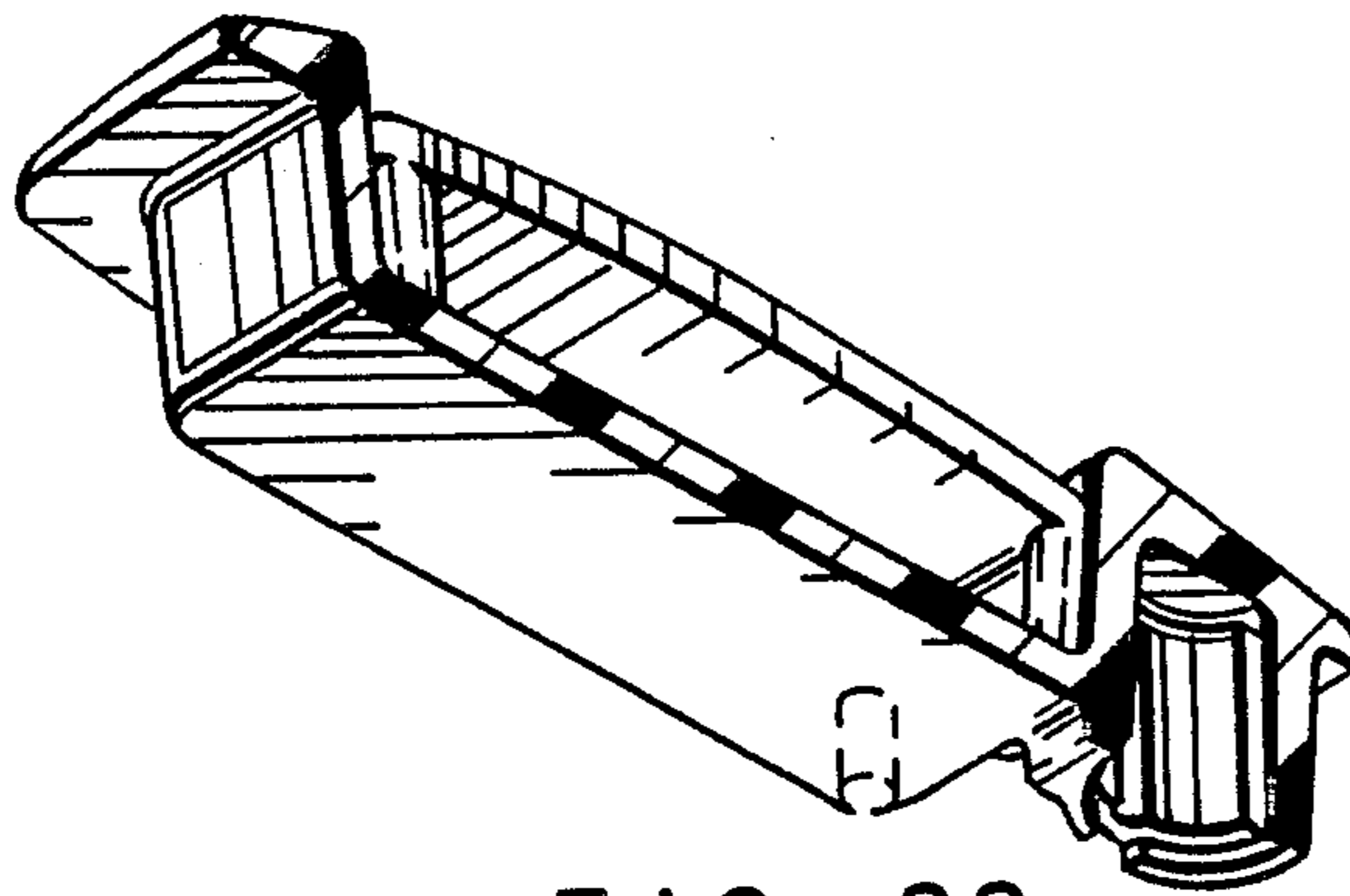


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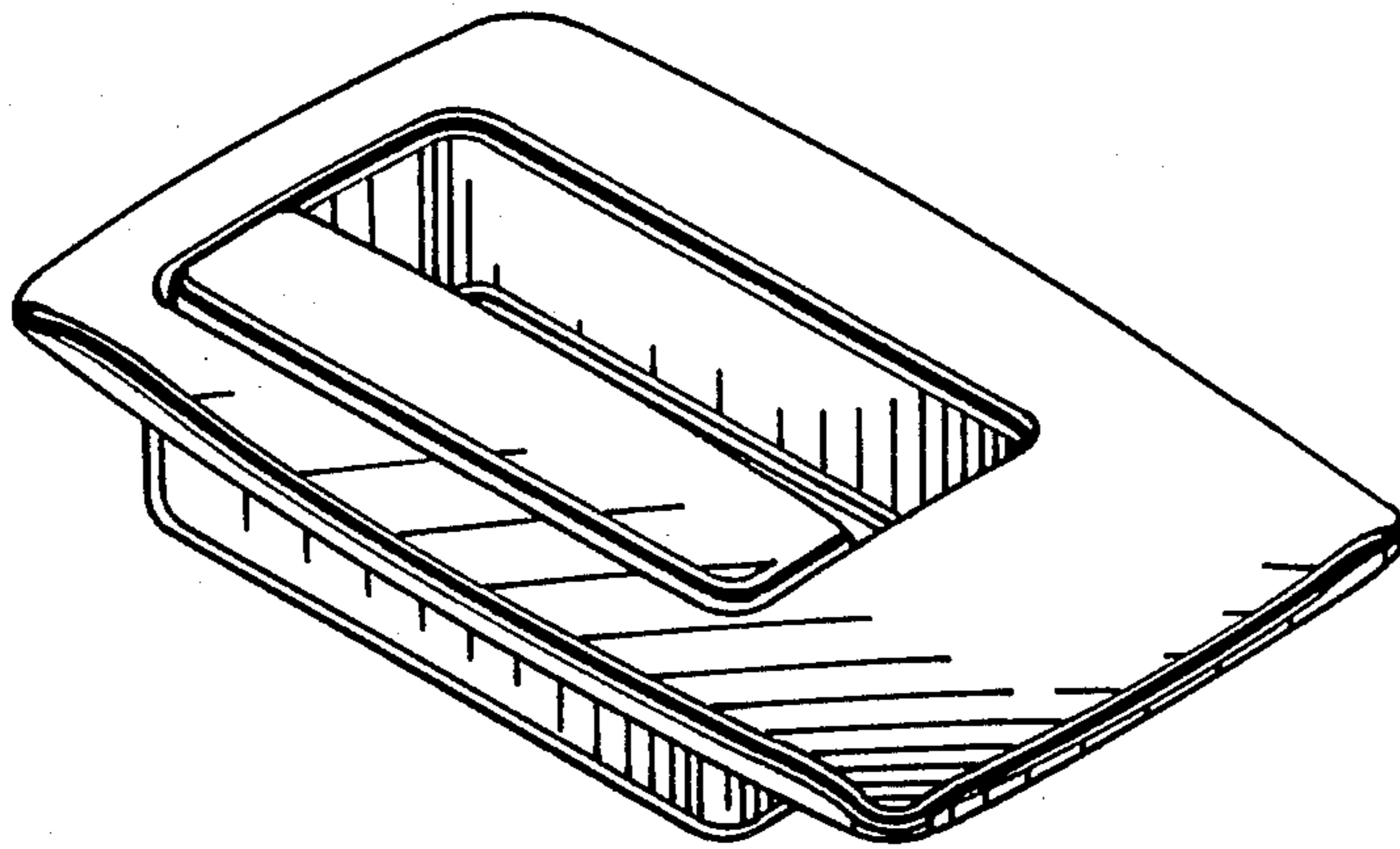


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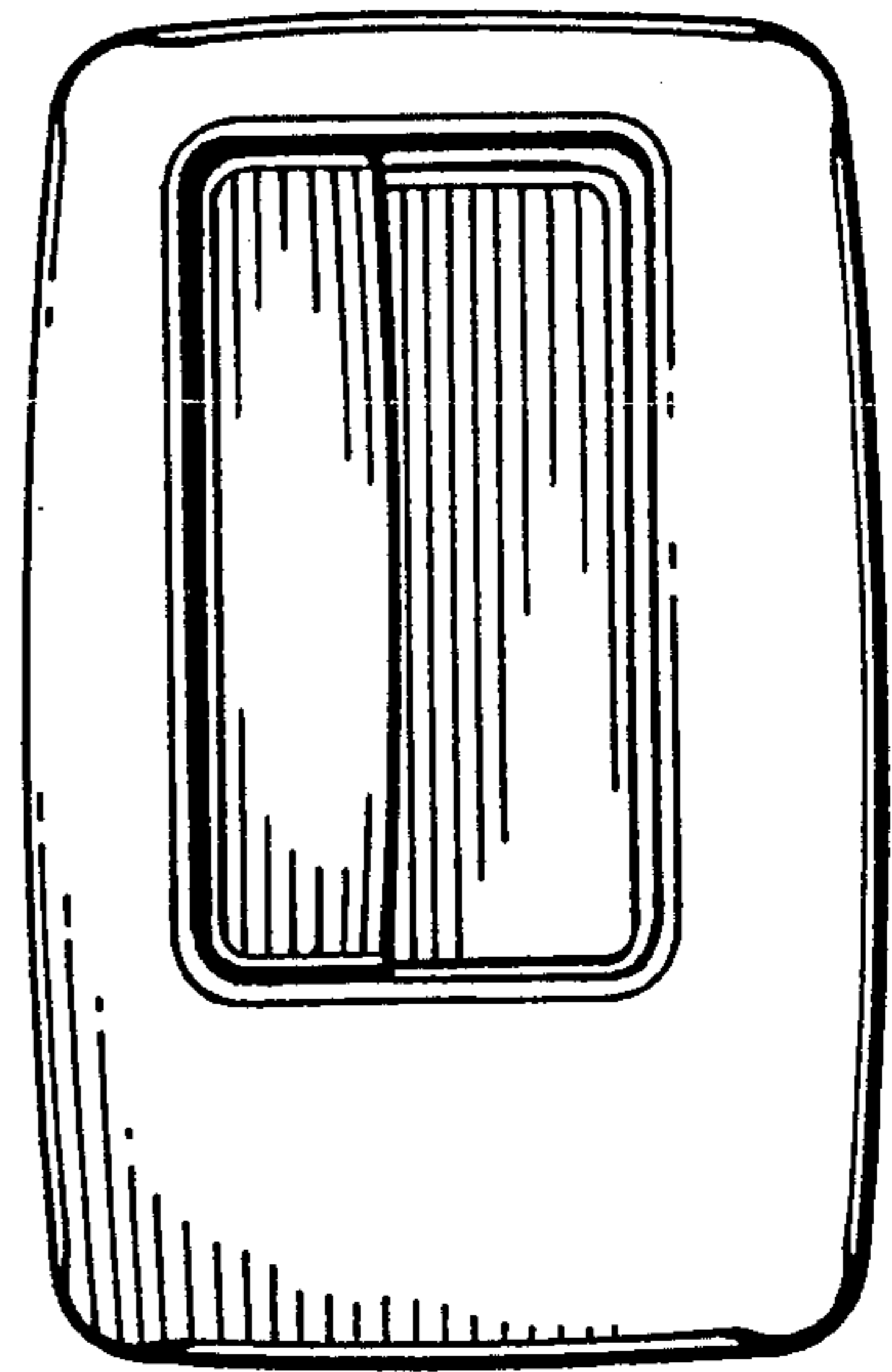


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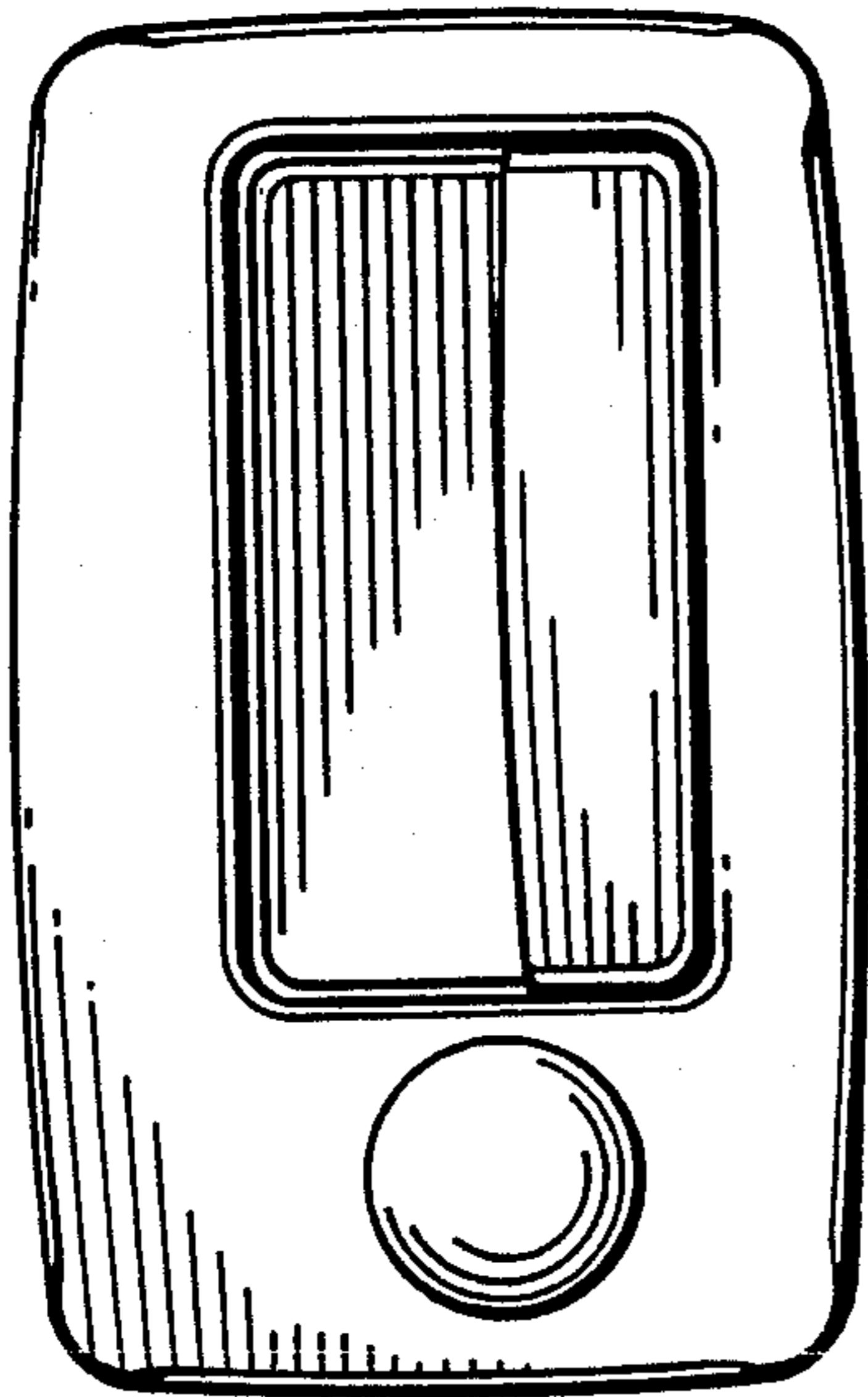


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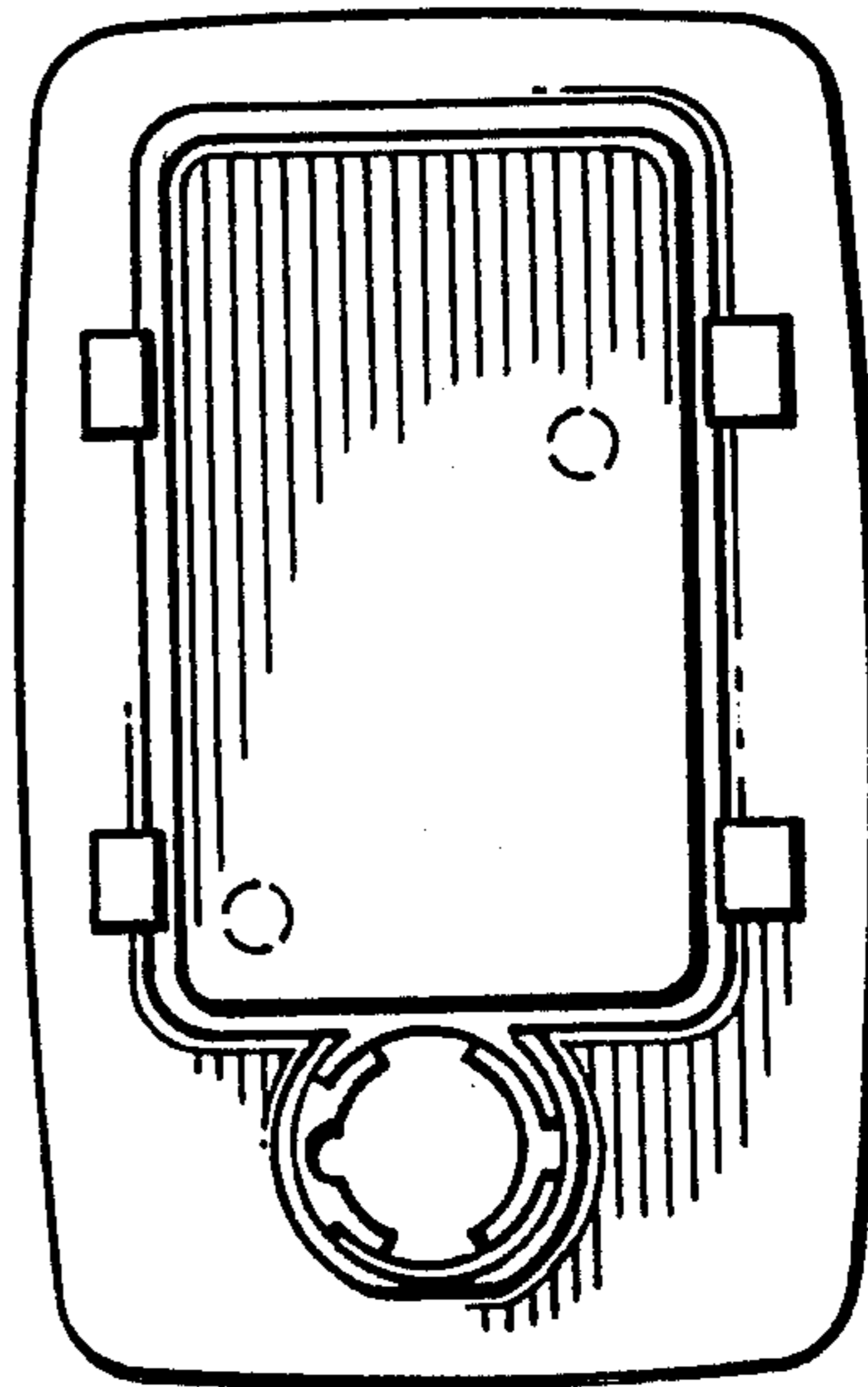


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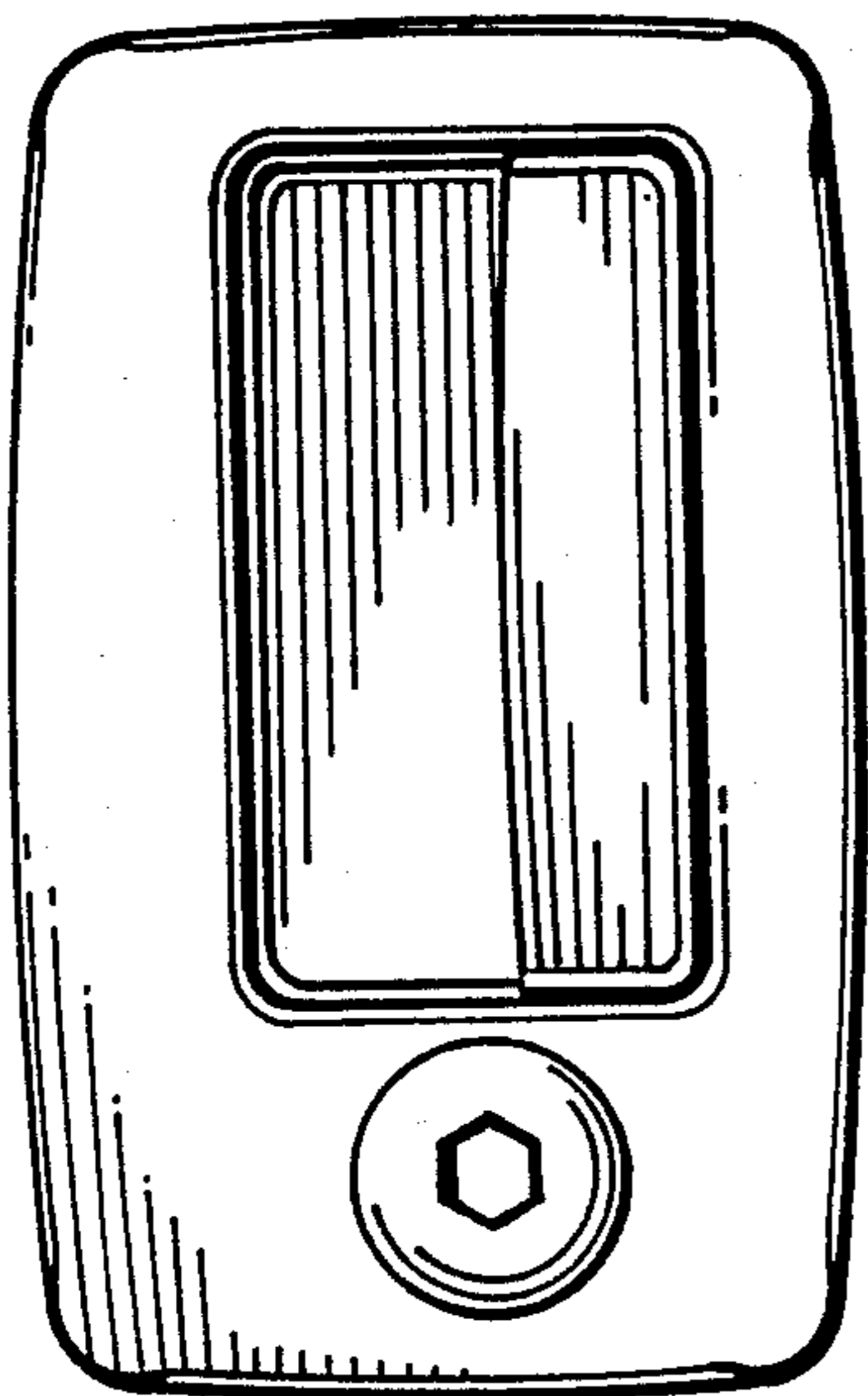


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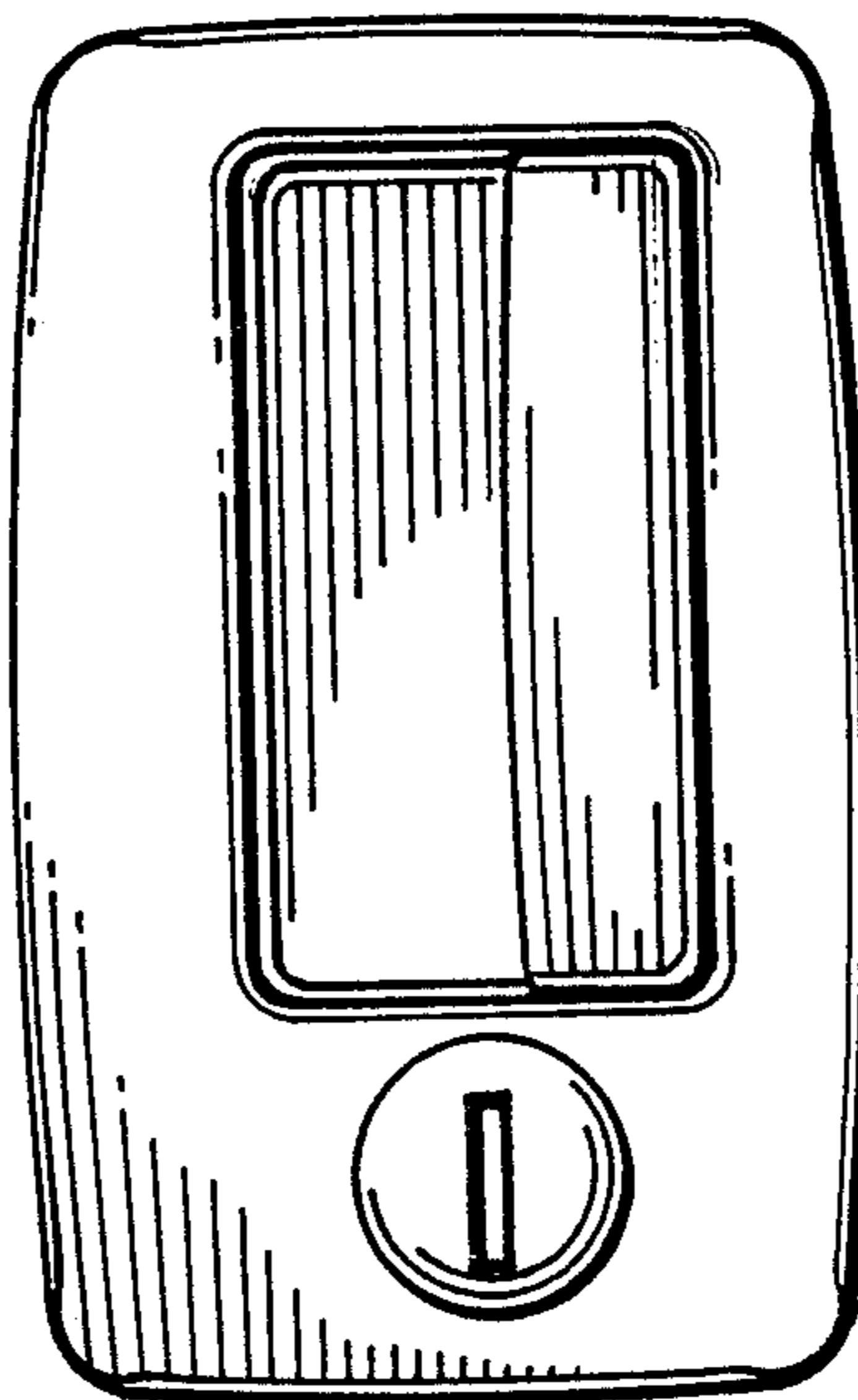


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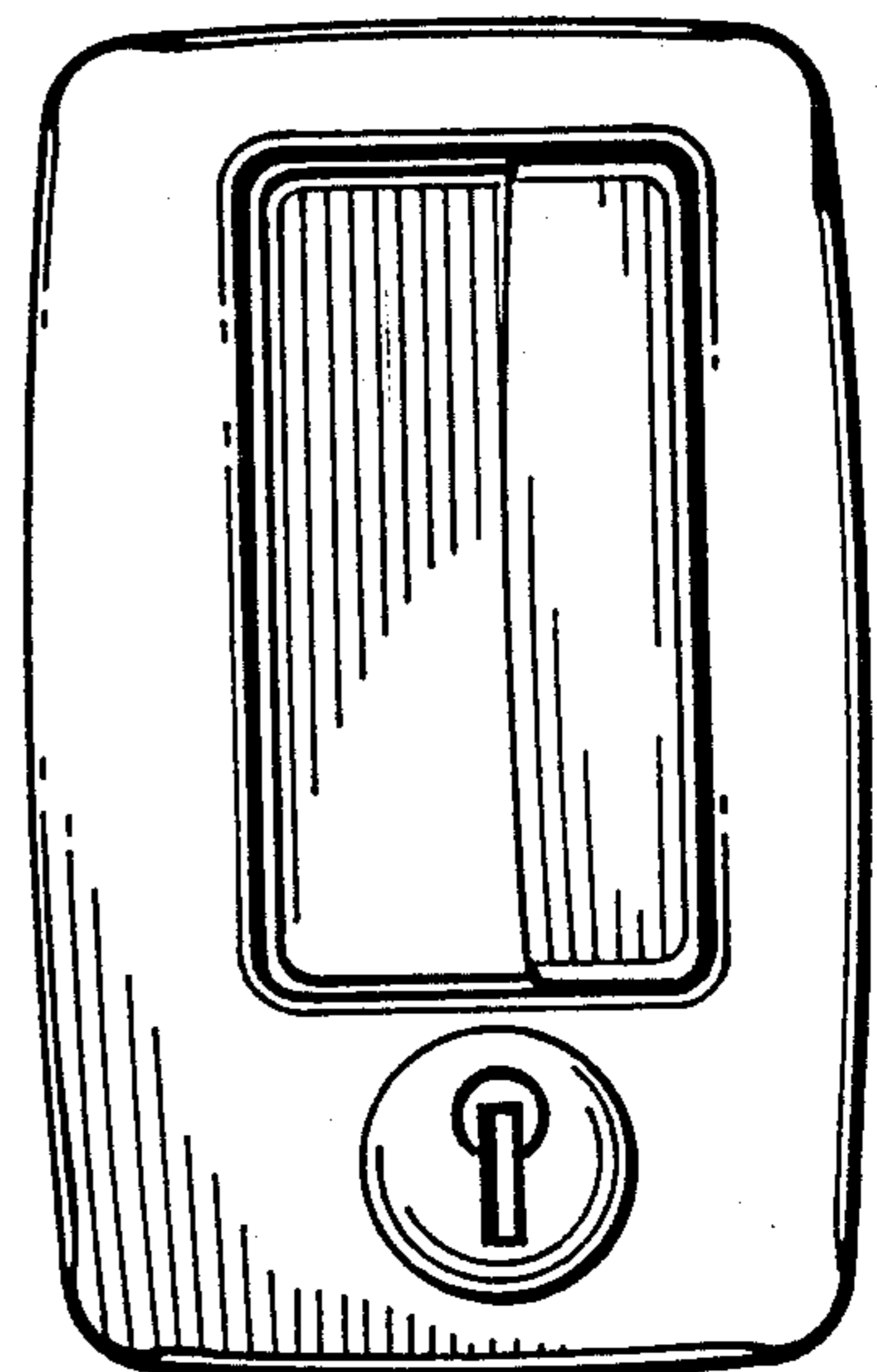


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