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 1990 Tread Design Guide, p. 103, Cooper Discoverer M/S Tire, second tire in from top left aide of page.
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[57] **CLAIM**
 The ornamental design for a tire, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION
 FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a tire showing our new design, it being understood that the tread pattern is repeated throughout the circumference of the tire and the tread shoulder, as shown schematically by solid lines, the opposite side being substantially the same as that illustrated in FIG. 1, and,
 FIG. 2 is an enlarged fragmentary front elevation view of the tread pattern of FIG. 1 showing our new design.

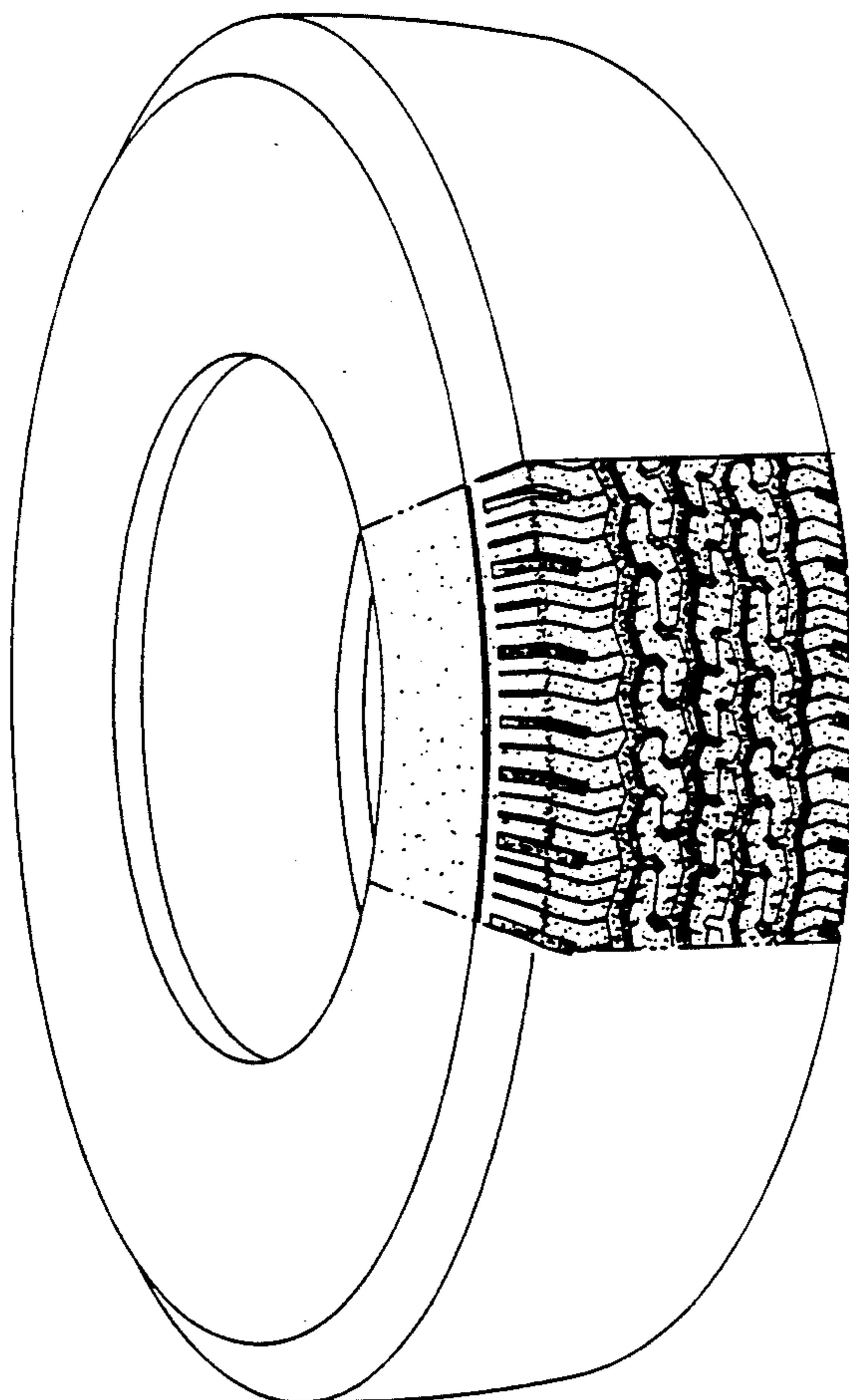


FIG. 1

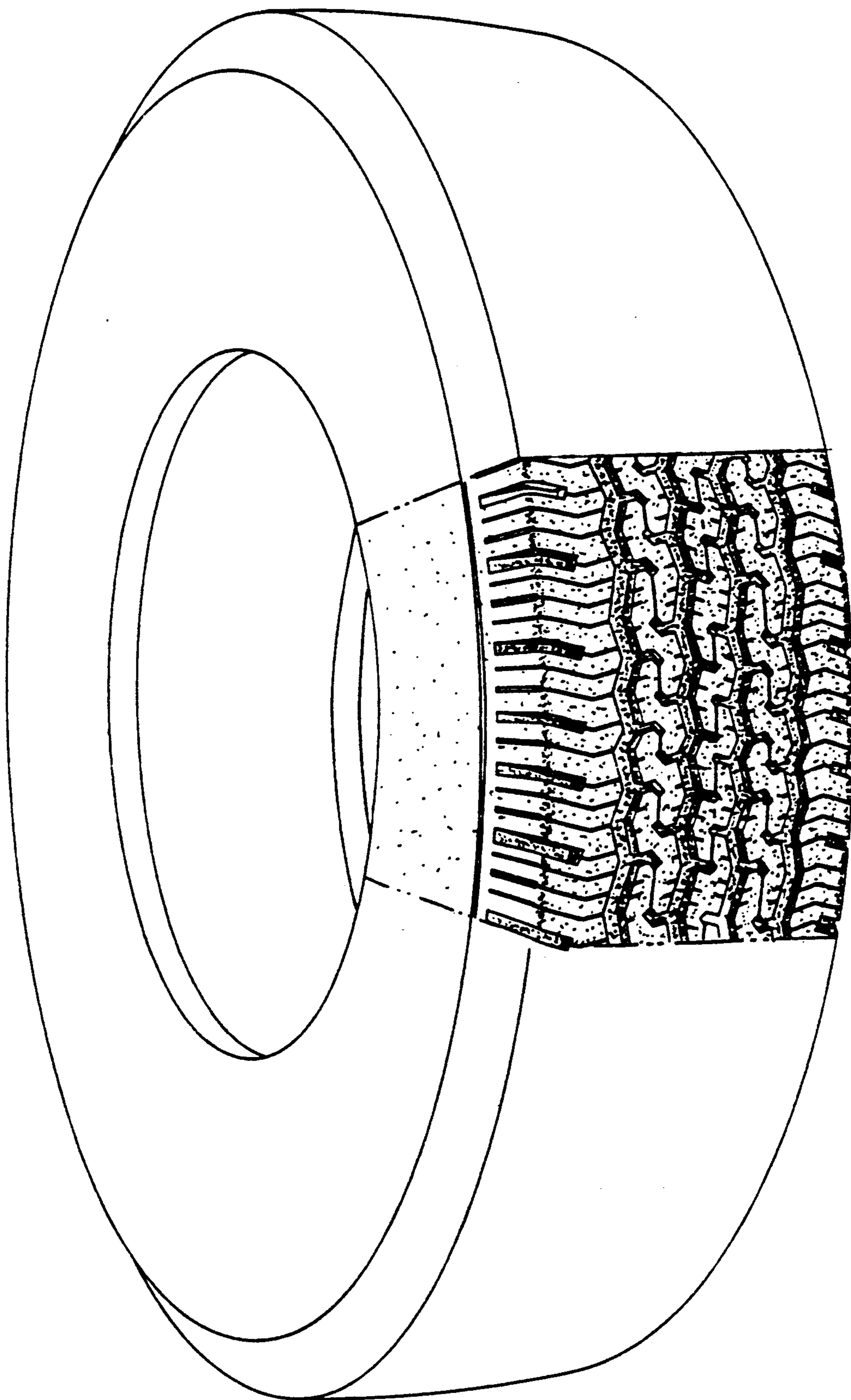


FIG. 2

