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## [54] SWELL LATCH ASSEMBLY

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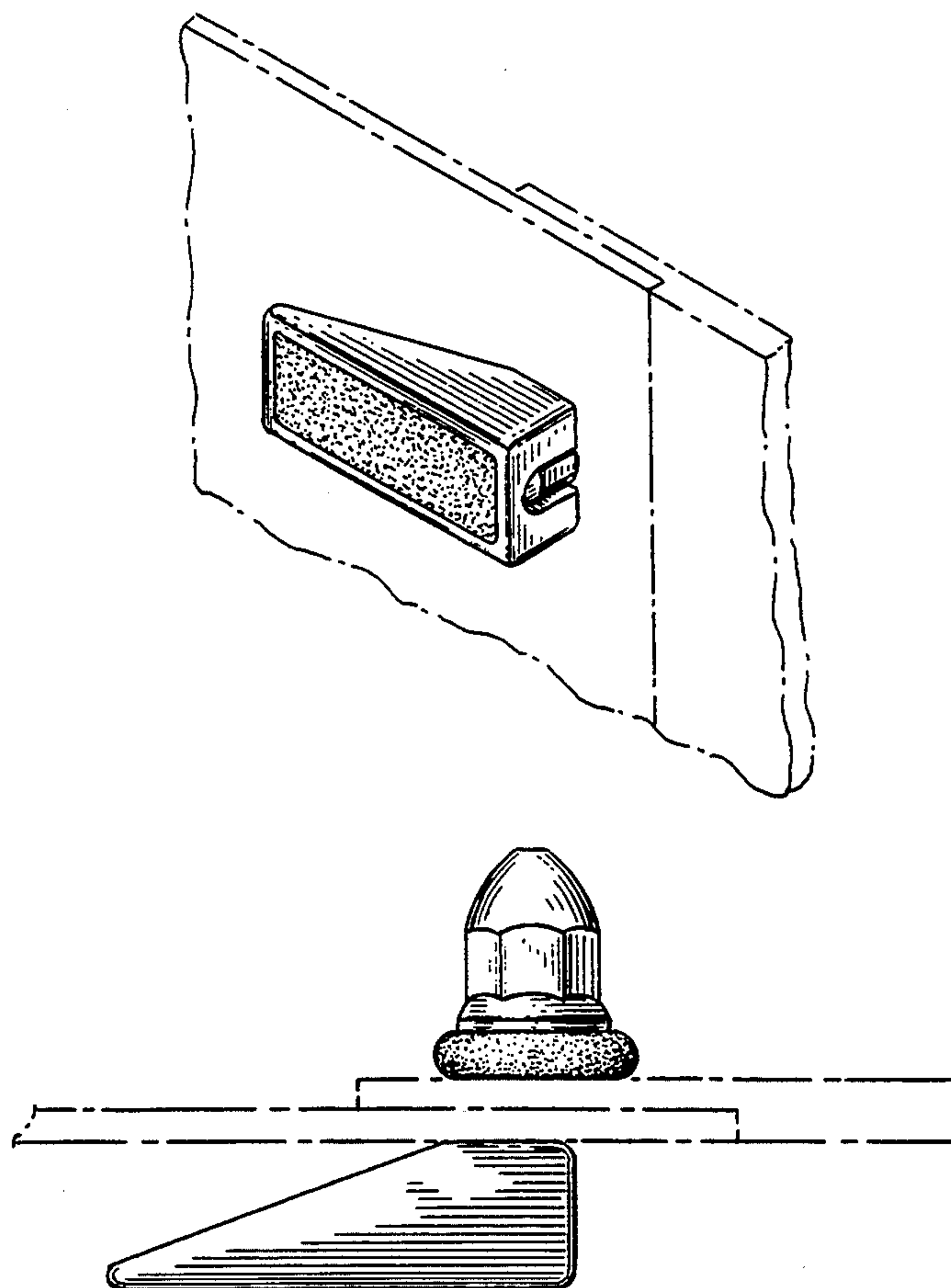
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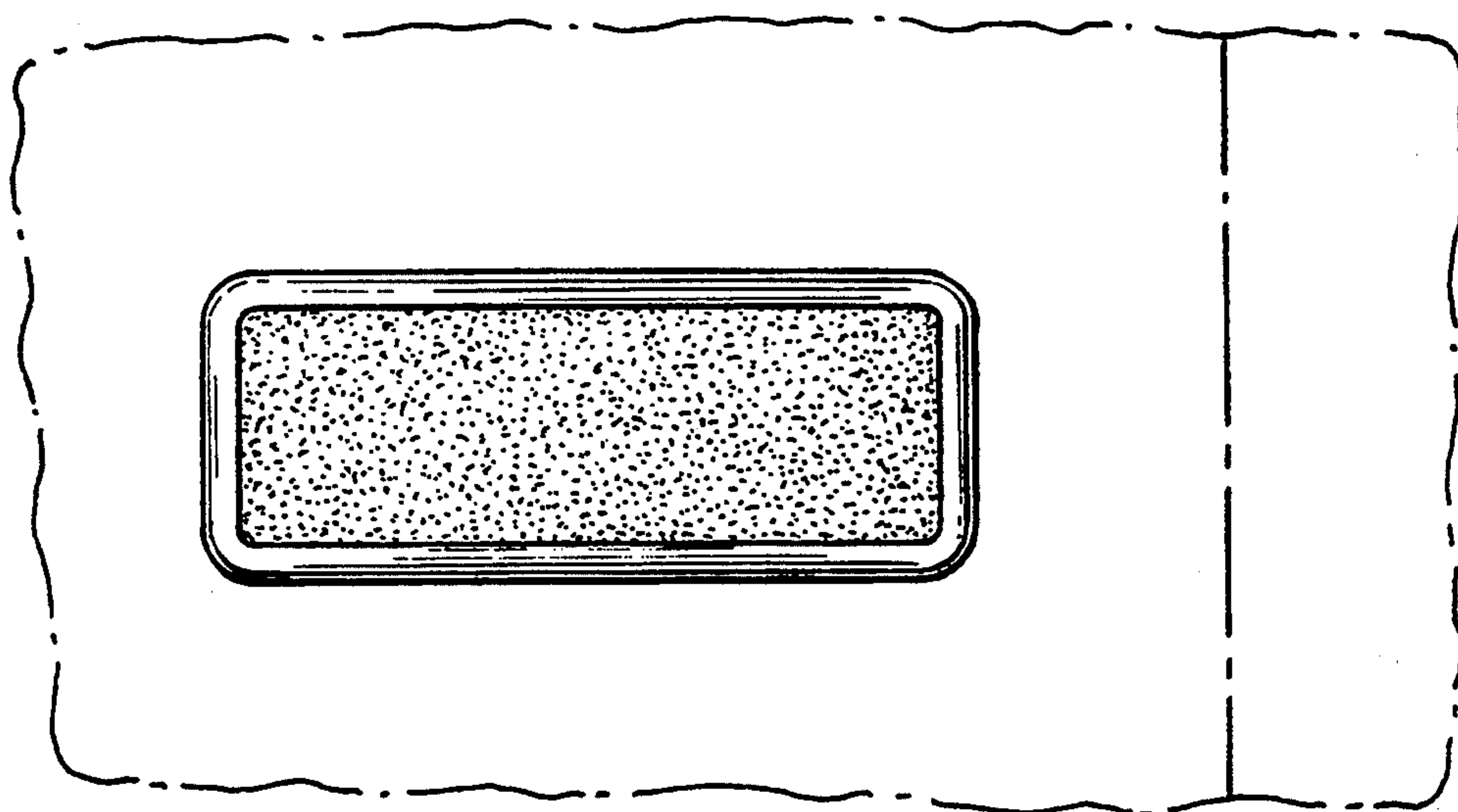
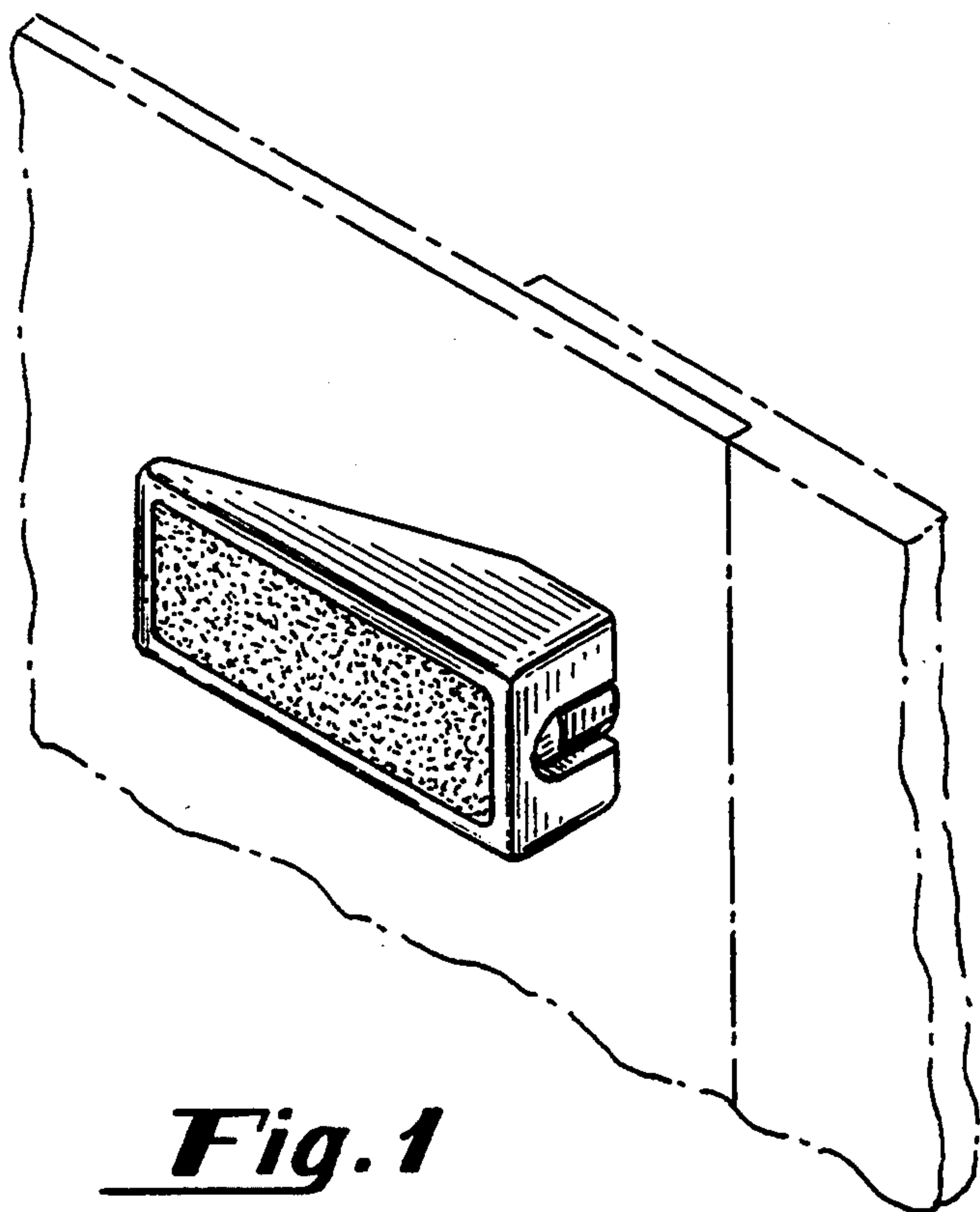
## [57] CLAIM

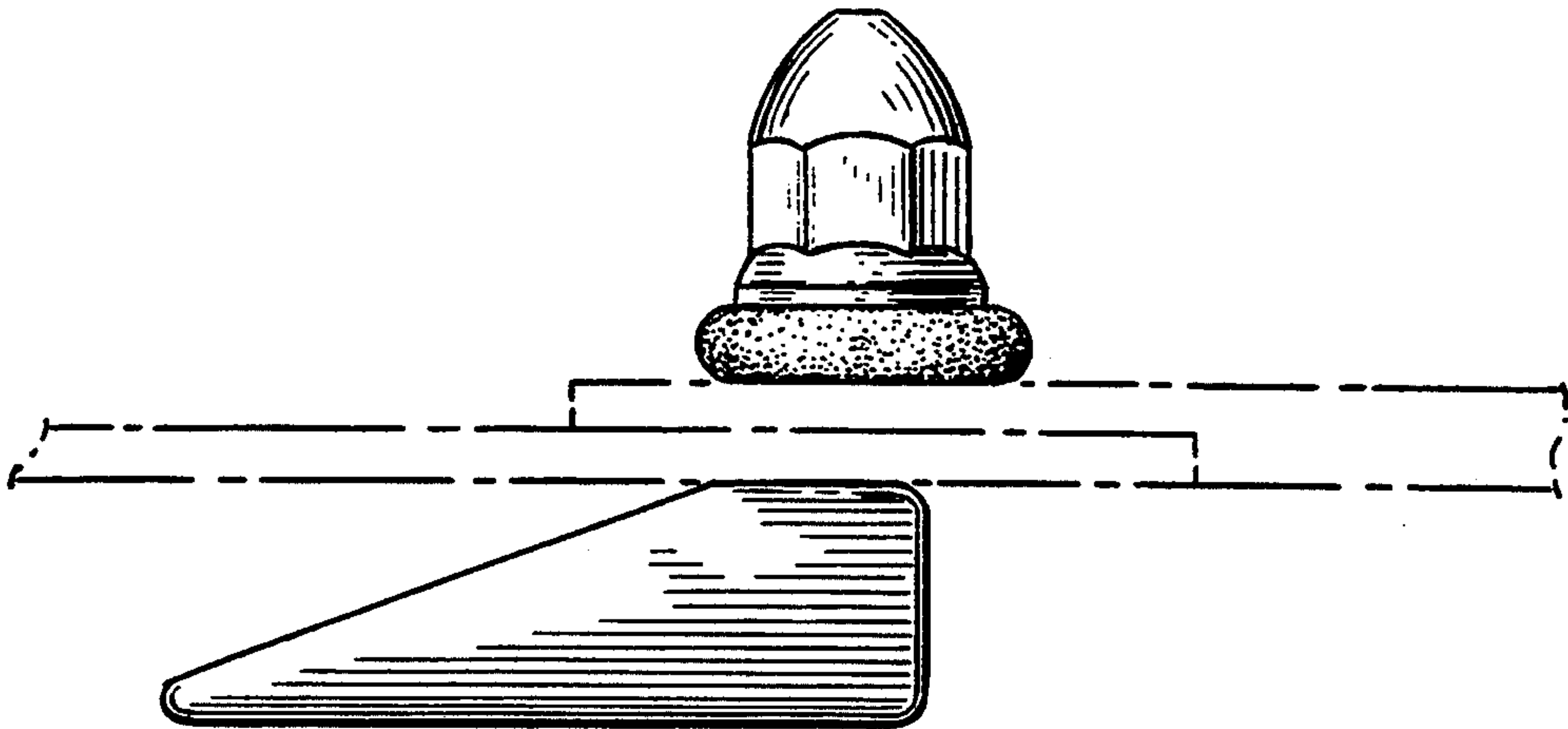
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## DESCRIPTION

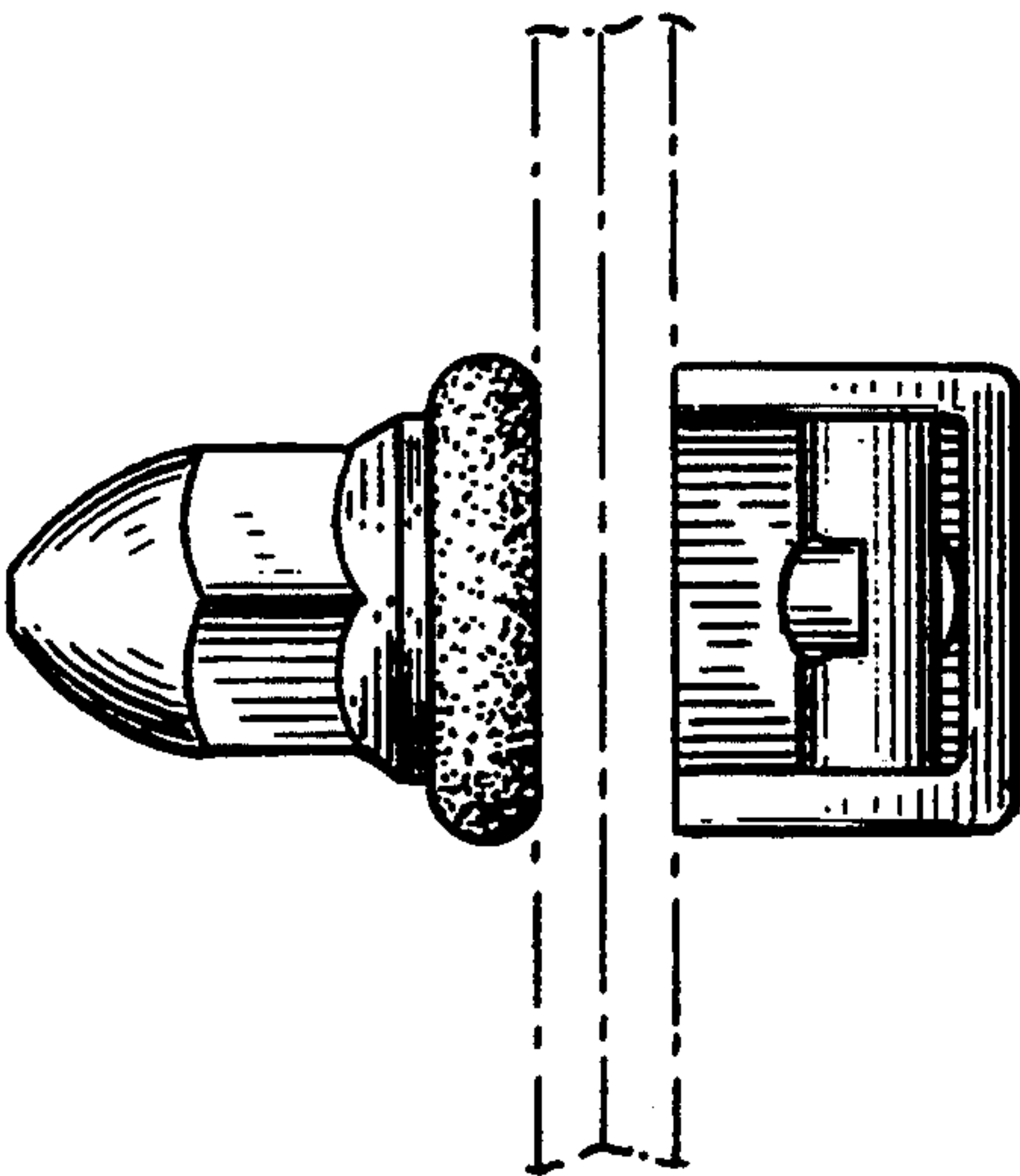
FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a swell latch assembly embodying my new design;  
FIG. 2 is a top plan view thereof;  
FIG. 3 is a side elevational view thereof, both sides being identical;  
FIG. 4 is a rear elevational view thereof;  
FIG. 5 is a front elevational view thereof; and,  
FIG. 6 is a bottom plan view thereof.  
The broken lines showing a first panel in which the swell latch assembly is mounted and a corresponding second panel which is in a latched position against the first panel are for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.



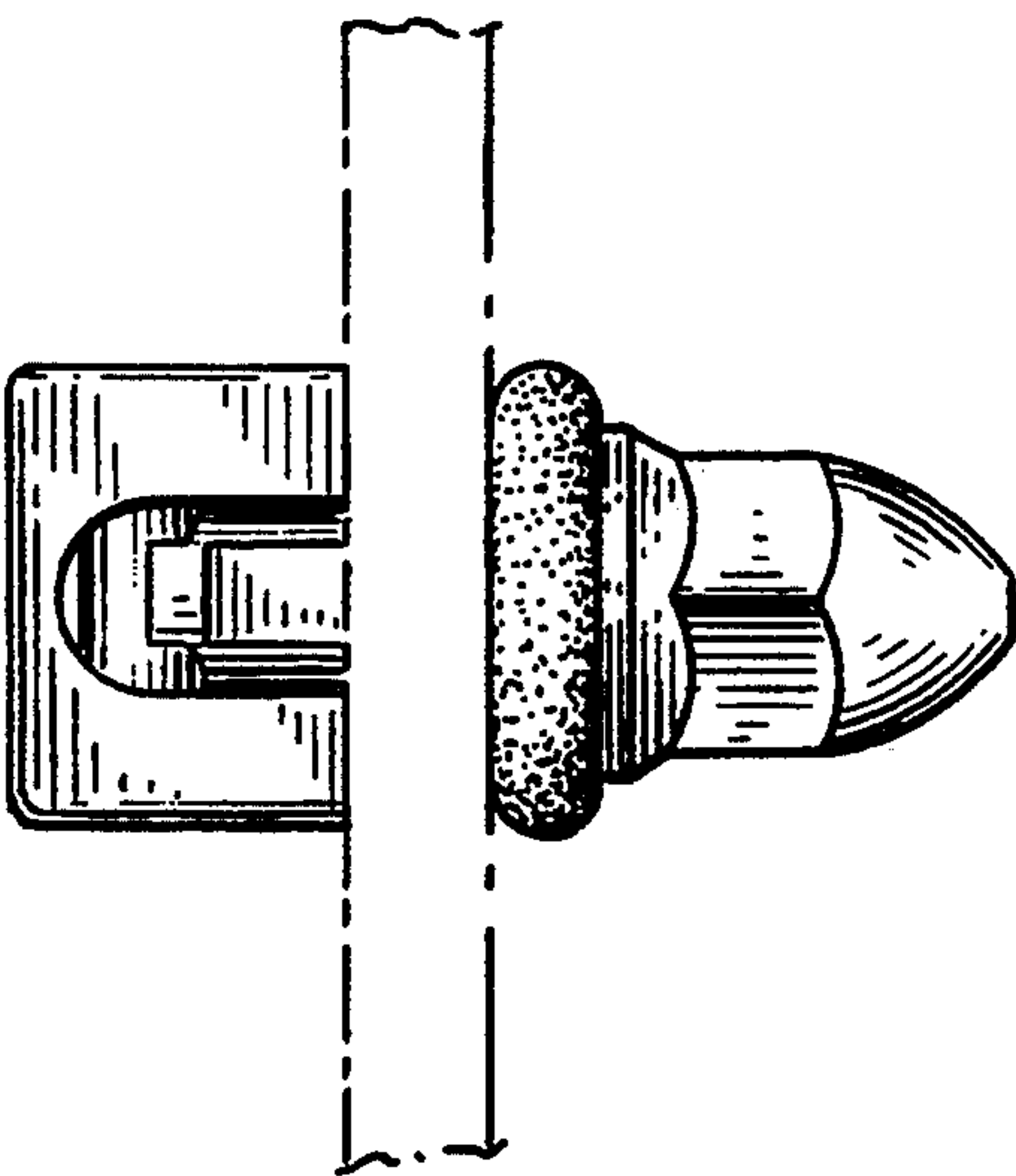




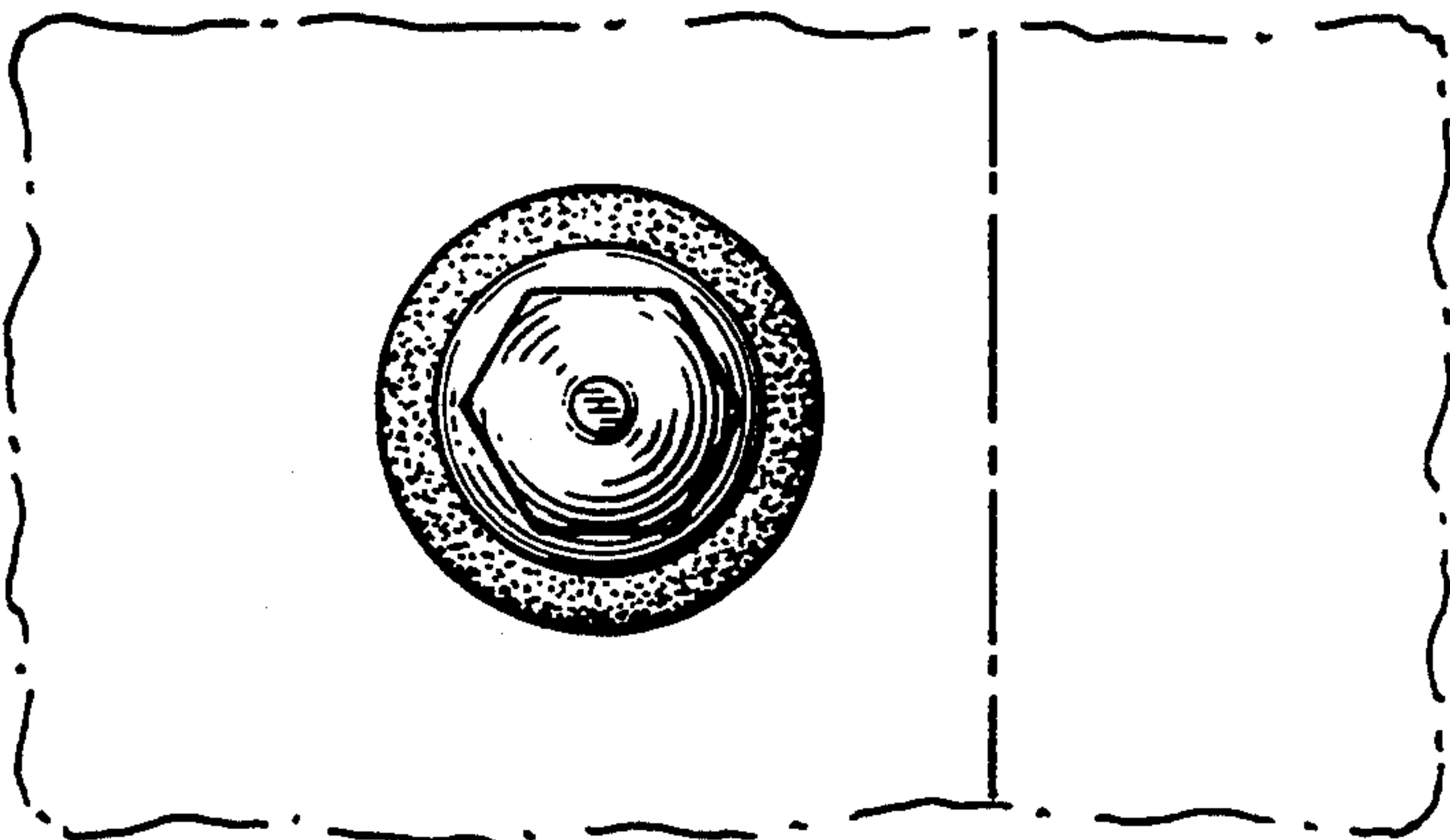
***Fig. 3***



***Fig. 4***



***Fig. 5***



***Fig. 6***