



US00D375269S

# United States Patent [19]

Wertheim et al.

[11] Patent Number: Des. 375,269

[45] Date of Patent: \*\*Nov. 5, 1996

[54] TAPE RULE

[75] Inventors: **Greg D. Wertheim**, Coventry; **David Kaiser**, North Haven, both of Conn.

[73] Assignee: **The Stanley Works**, New Britain, Conn.

[\*\*] Term: 14 Years

[21] Appl. No.: 51,121

[22] Filed: Mar. 4, 1996

[52] U.S. Cl. .... D10/72

[58] Field of Search ..... D10/72; 33/755-770

[56] References Cited

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

D. 332,414	1/1993	Bordenave	.....	D10/72 X
D. 364,575	11/1995	Goldner	.....	D10/72 X
5,396,578	3/1995	Howes	.....	33/760 X

Primary Examiner—Antoine Duval Davis  
Attorney, Agent, or Firm—Pepe & Hazard

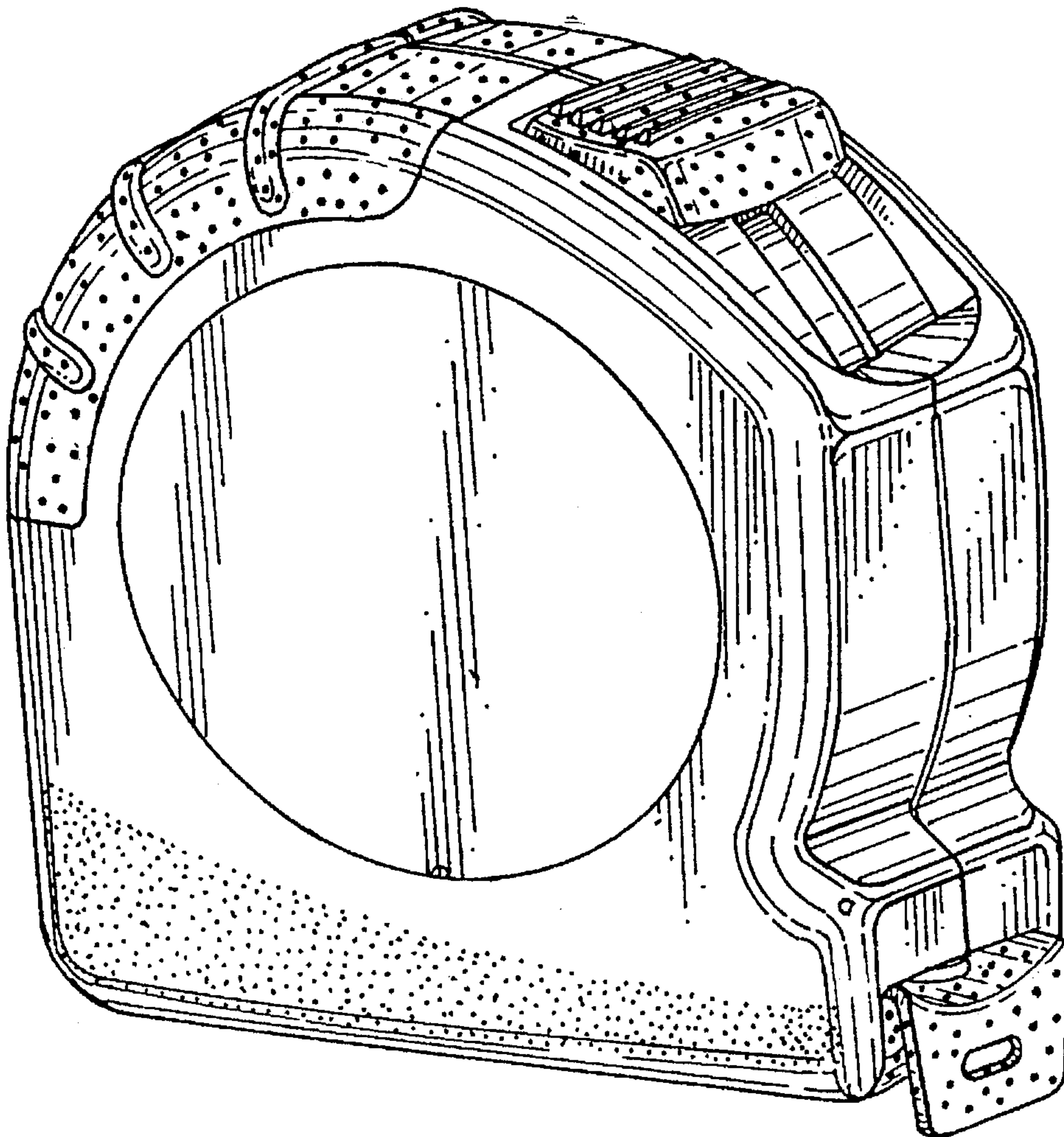
[57] CLAIM

The ornamental design for a tape rule, as shown and described.

## DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a tape rule showing our new design, the low density stippling representing a change in texture from that of the remainder of the surface and the high density stippling representing a difference in coloration; FIG. 2 is a side elevational view thereof; FIG. 3 is a front elevational view thereof; FIG. 4 is a rear elevational view thereof; FIG. 5 is a top plan view thereof; FIG. 6 is a side elevational view of the side opposite that seen in FIG. 2 ; and, FIG. 7 is a bottom view thereof.

1 Claim, 2 Drawing Sheets



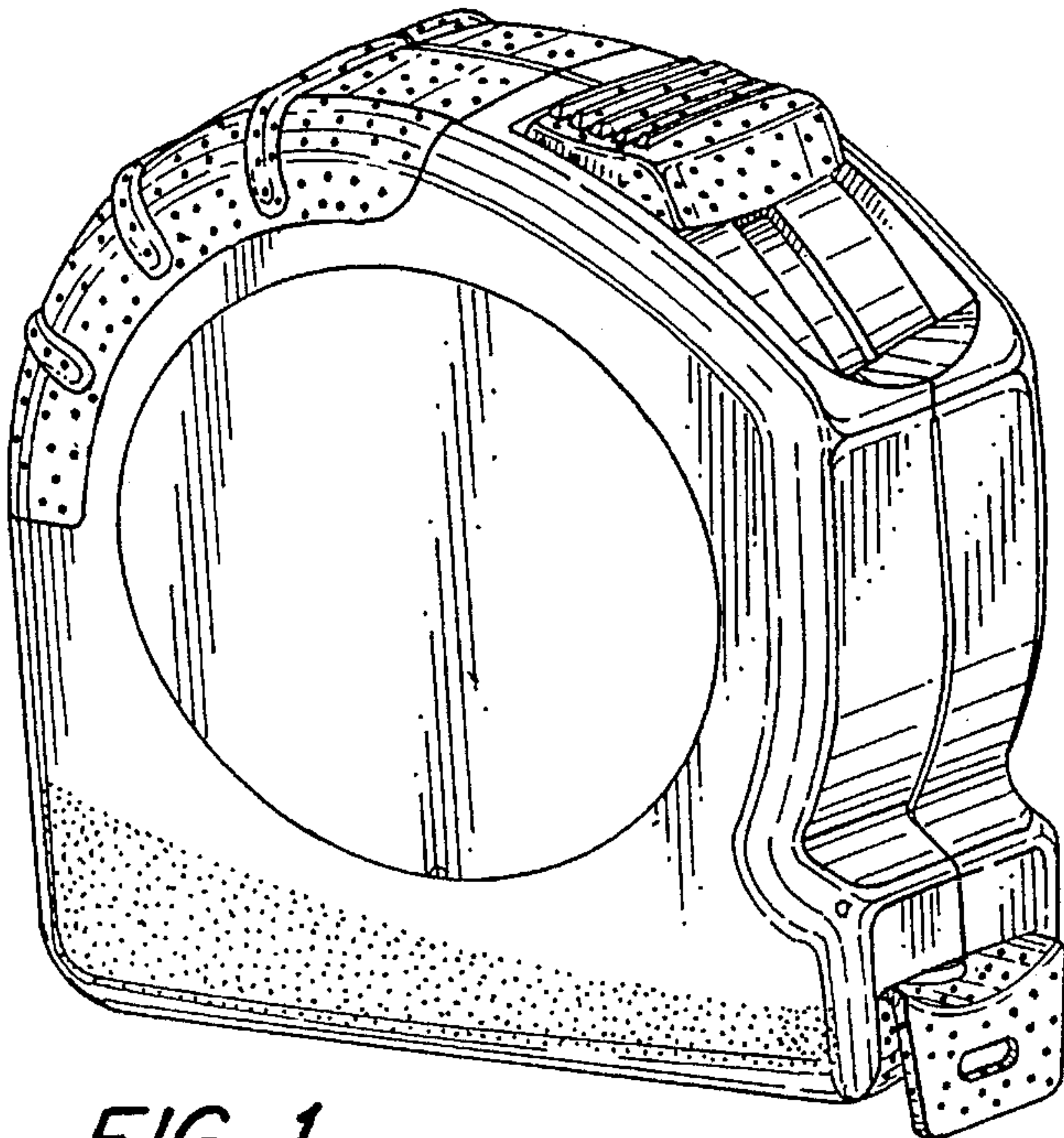


FIG. 1

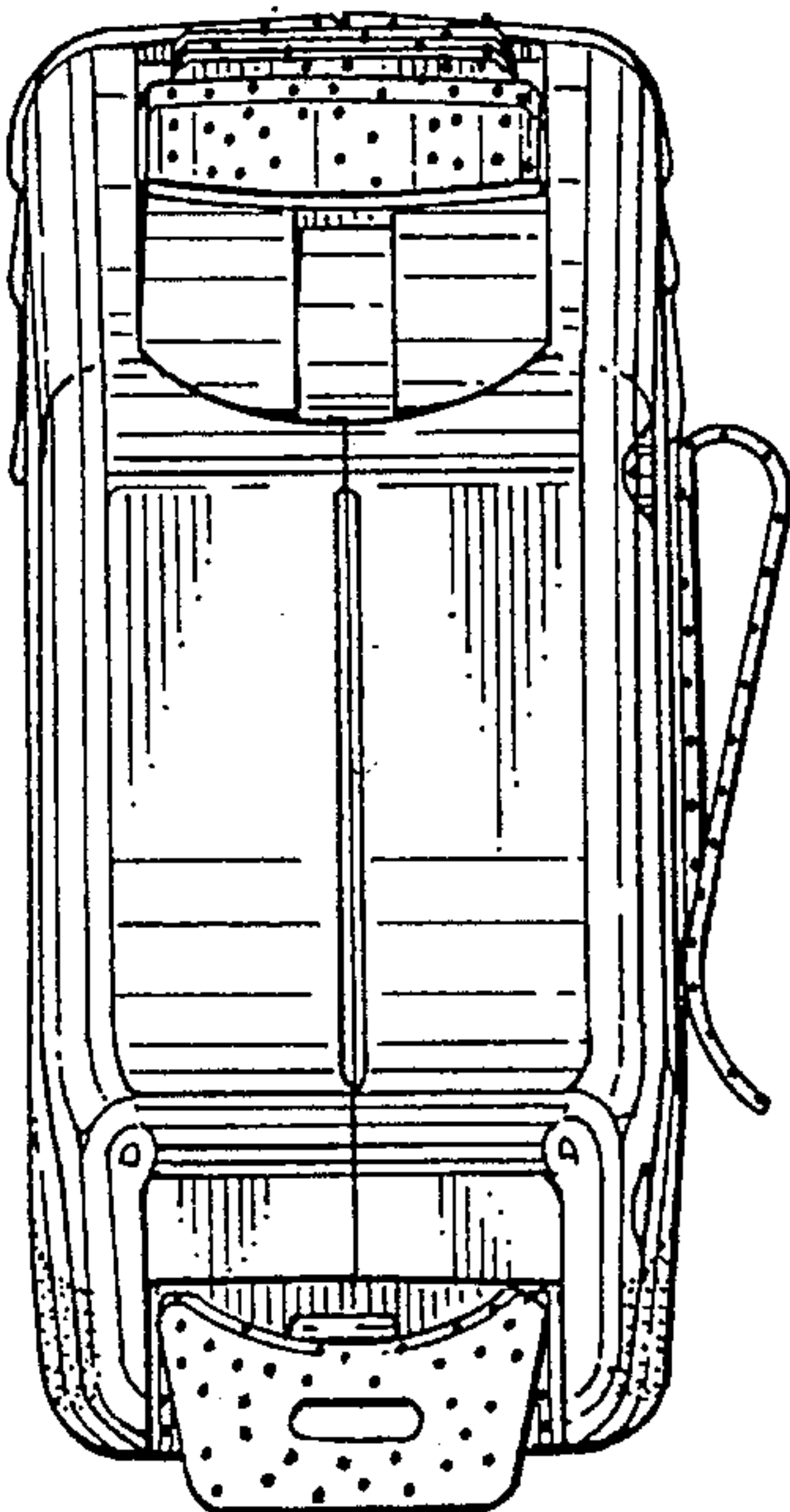


FIG. 3

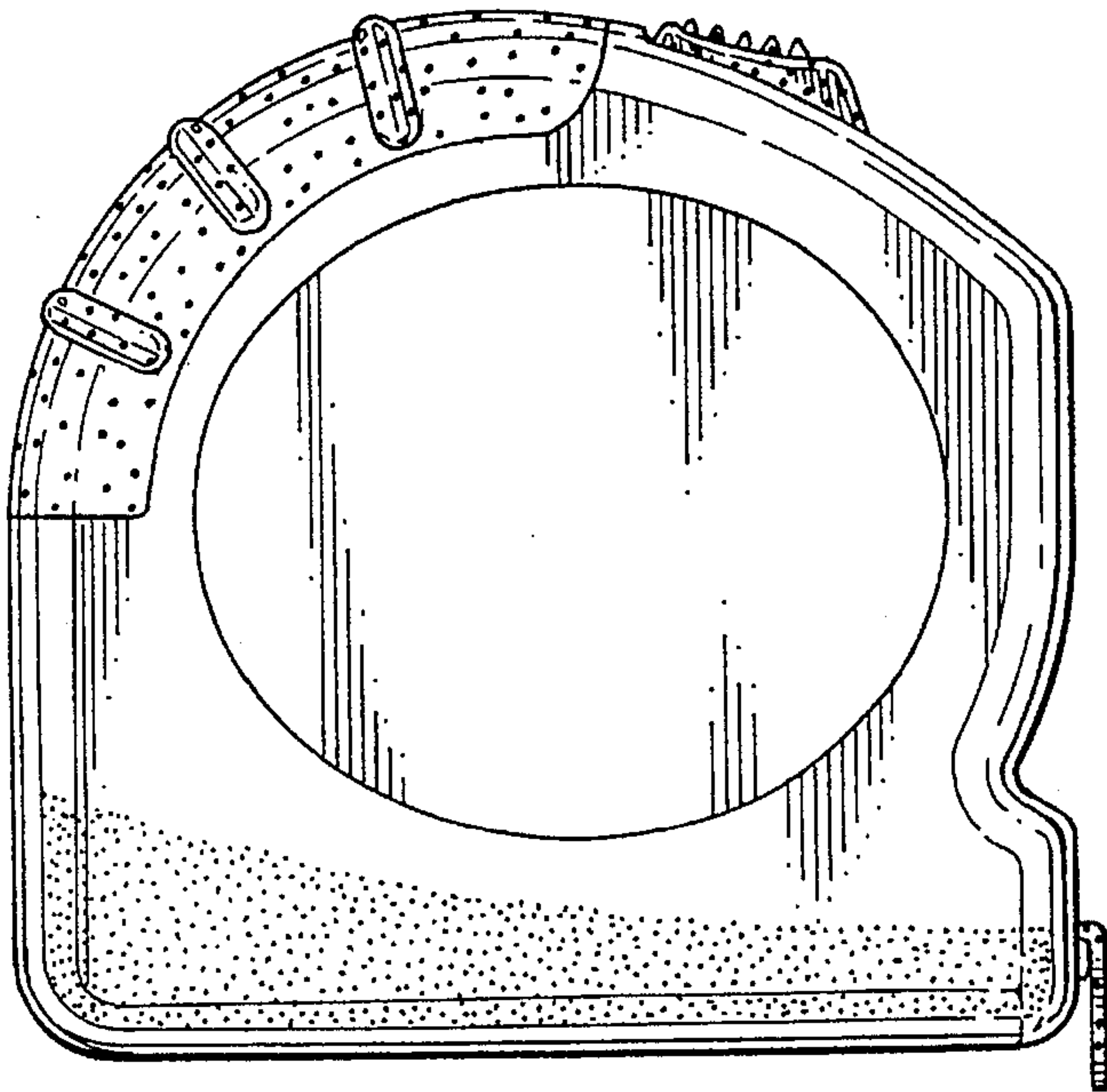


FIG. 2

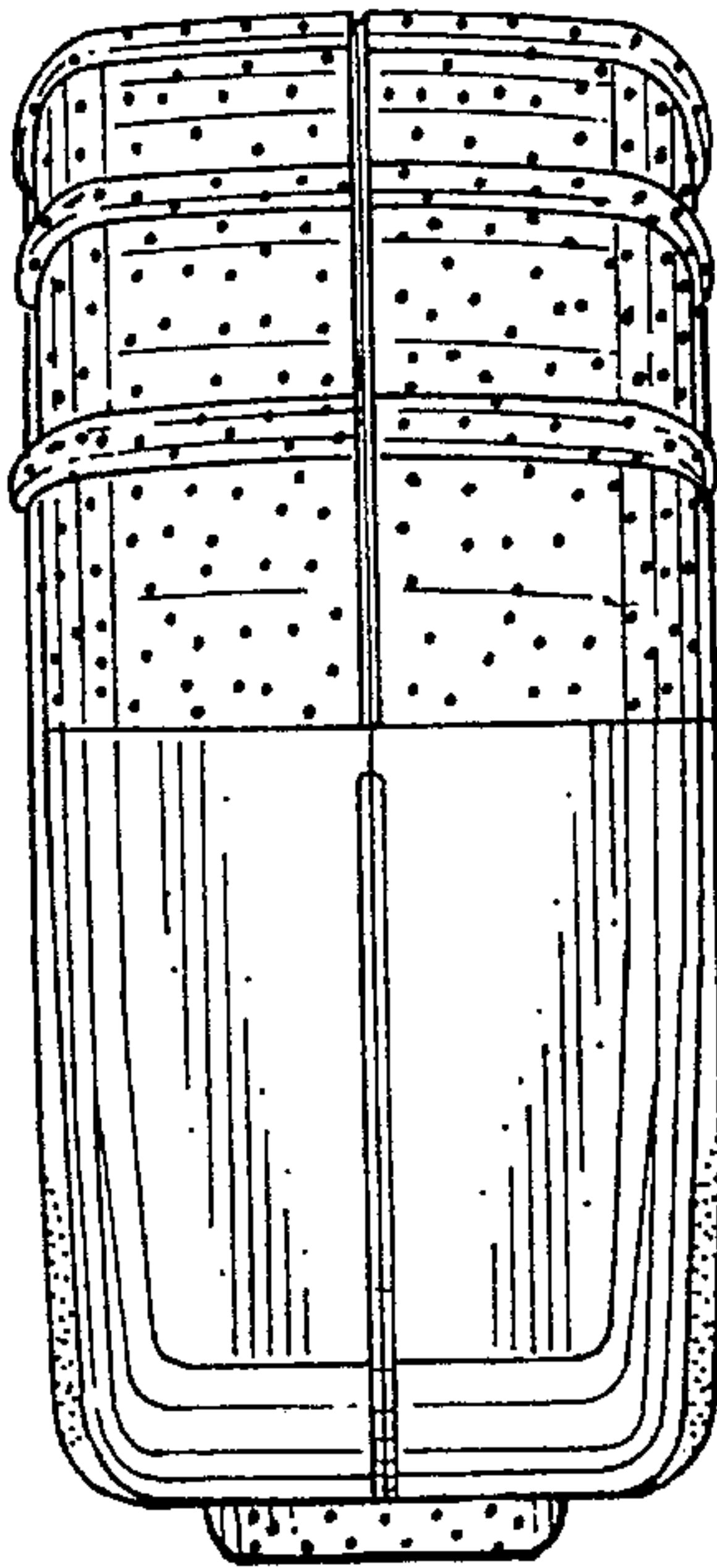


FIG. 4



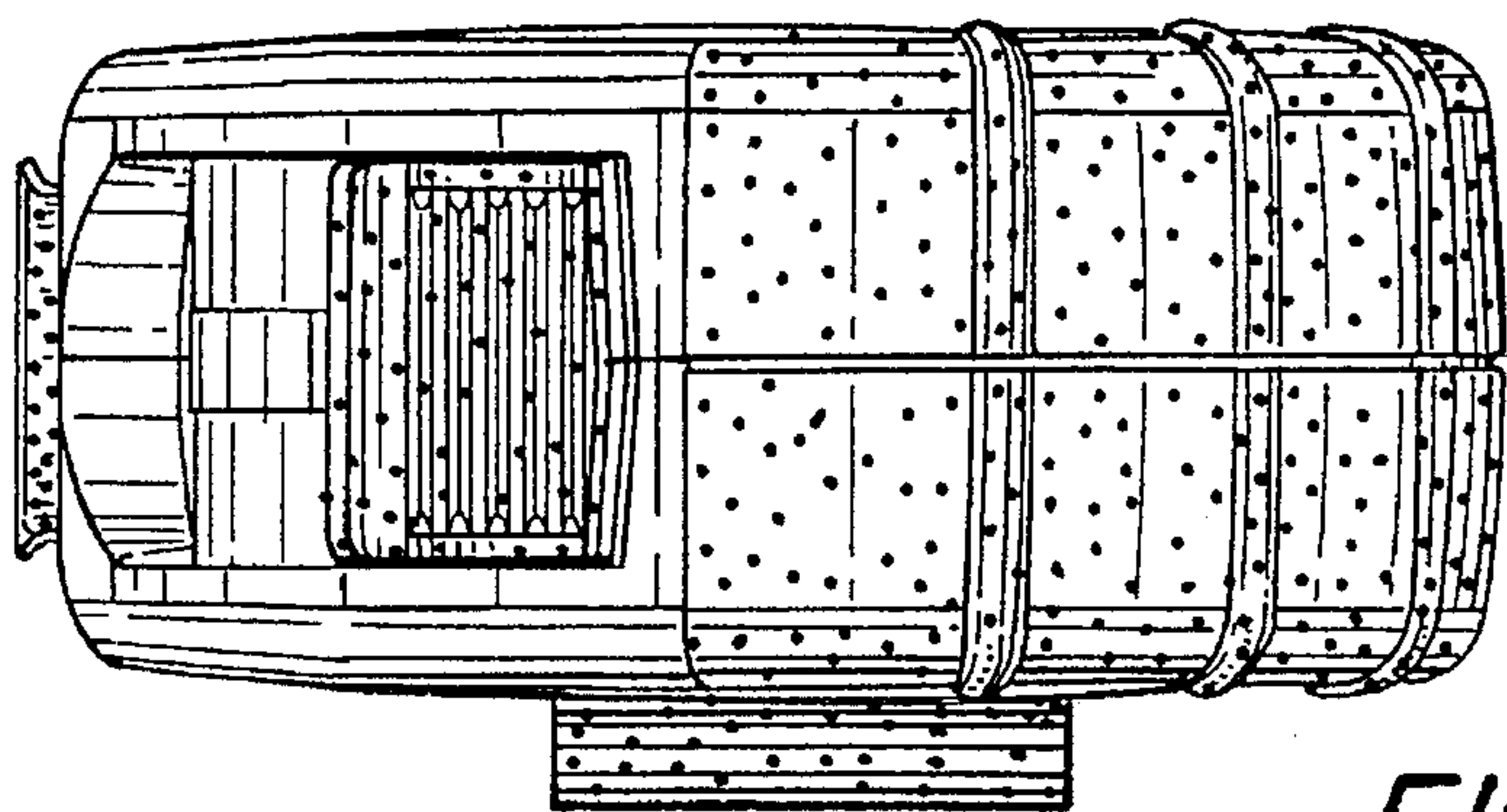


FIG. 5

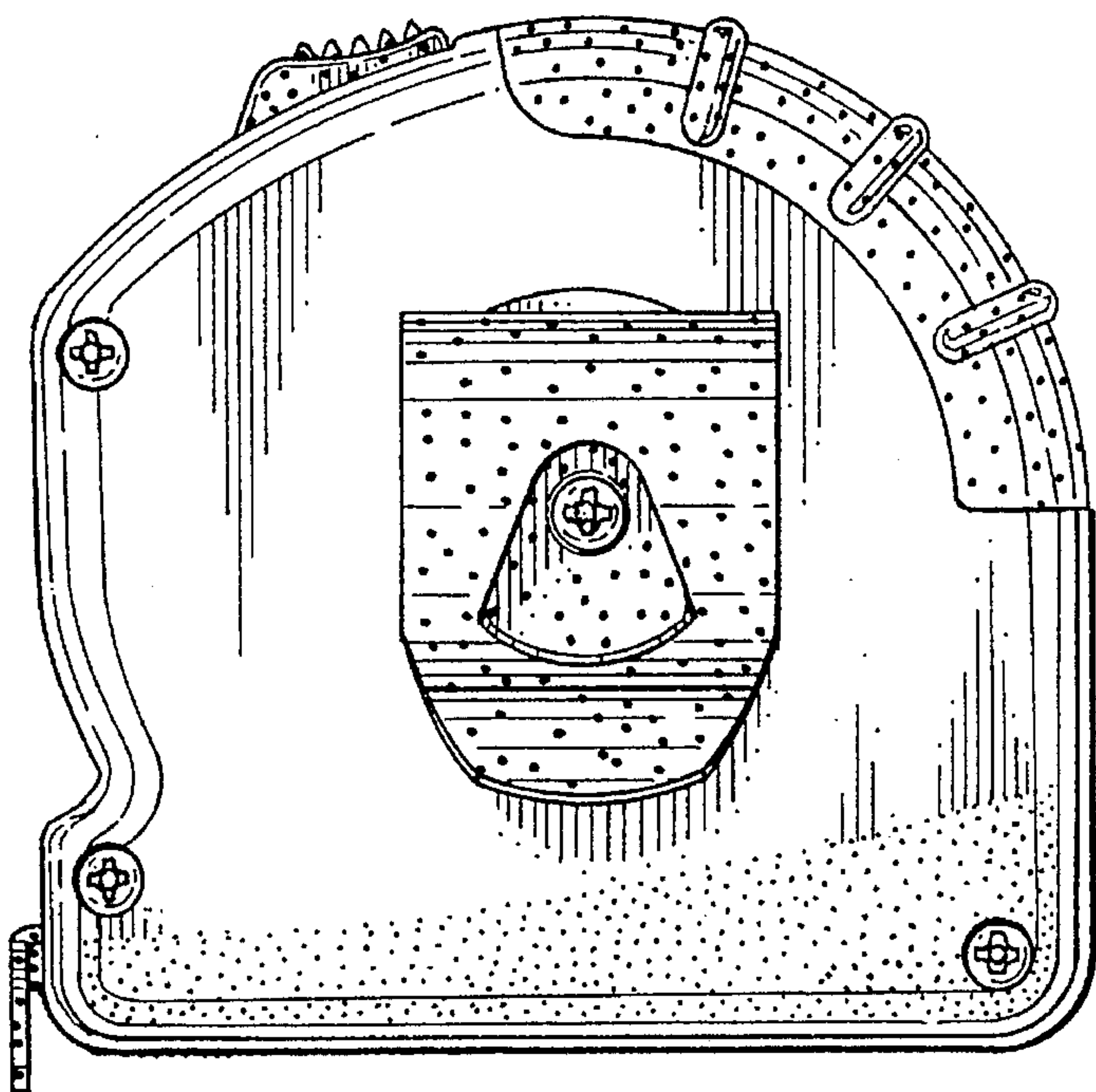


FIG. 6

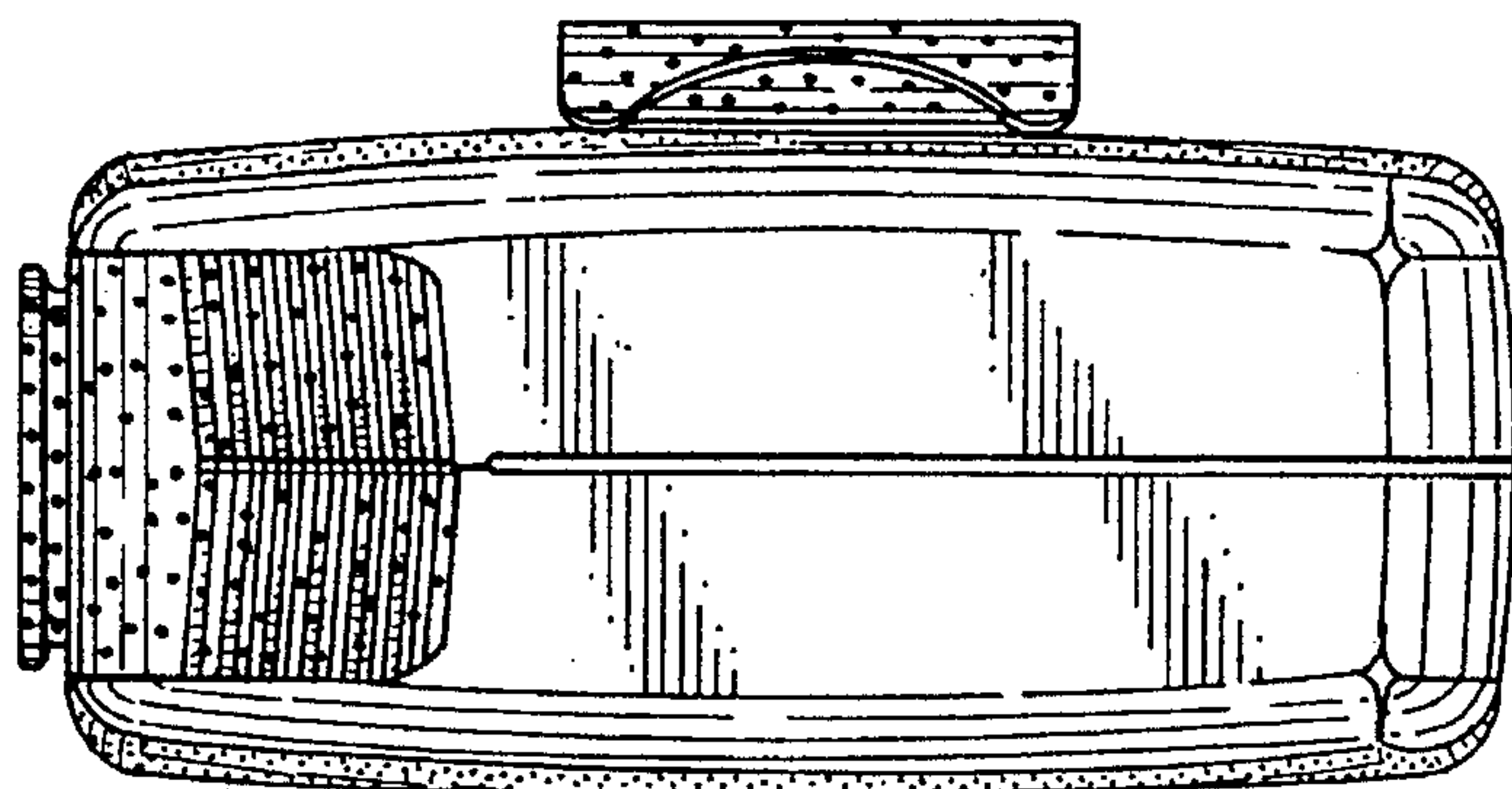


FIG. 7