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[54] **EXTERNAL BREAST PROSTHESIS**

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[57] **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for an external breast prosthesis, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. **1** is a perspective view of an external breast prosthesis, showing my new design;
FIG. **2** is a top plan view thereof;
FIG. **3** is a front elevational view thereof;
FIG. **4** is a bottom plan view thereof;
FIG. **5** is a side elevational view thereof, the opposite side elevational view being identical thereto; and,
FIG. **6** is a rear elevational view thereof.

A description of the design which is shown in the accompanying drawings is as follows: In front view, the claimed external breast prosthesis is bilaterally symmetrical and roughly triangular in form, with the width being approximately 1.2 times the height. The corners of the triangle are rounded, with the edges which extend from the apex toward the sides being just slightly convex and fairly straight, the bottom edge, in turn, being strongly down-curved and convex in form. The rear surface is in the form of a flat plane. Near its upper edge, the front surface extends at a relatively steep angle to the rear surface, and then flattens somewhat so as to form a softly concave surface which extends over roughly the top one-third of the prosthesis. The bottom two-thirds of the article are strongly convex, and the lower edge of the front surface meets the back of the device at a relatively steep angle in excess of 45° but less than 90°. Viewed from above, the front surface again extends at a relatively steep forward angle near the edges and then flattens somewhat so as to form gently concave areas which extend approximately one-quarter of the way to the middle, the central portion of the prosthesis again being strongly concave from this view, the ratio of its maximum forward extent to the vertical height of the article being approximately 3:8. With the exception of the back surface, all contours on the prosthesis are curvilinear. In use, the prosthesis may deform slightly against the wearer's body or clothes, but will generally retain the shape which has been described.

1 Claim, 2 Drawing Sheets

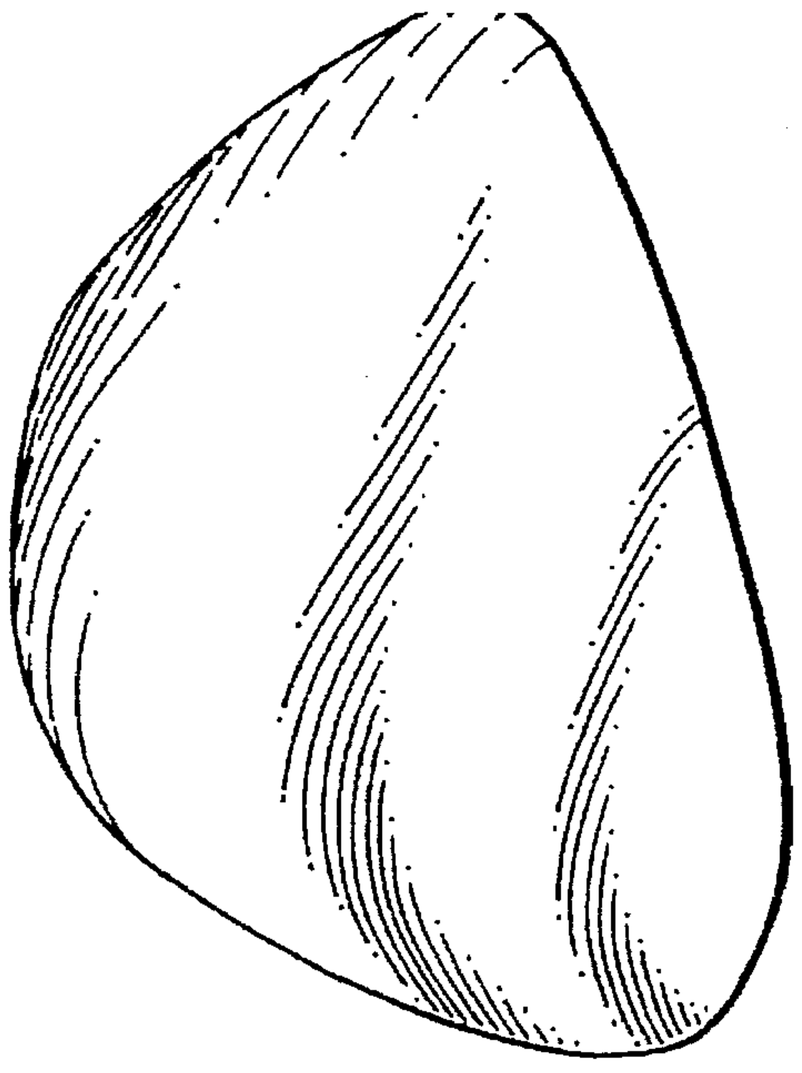
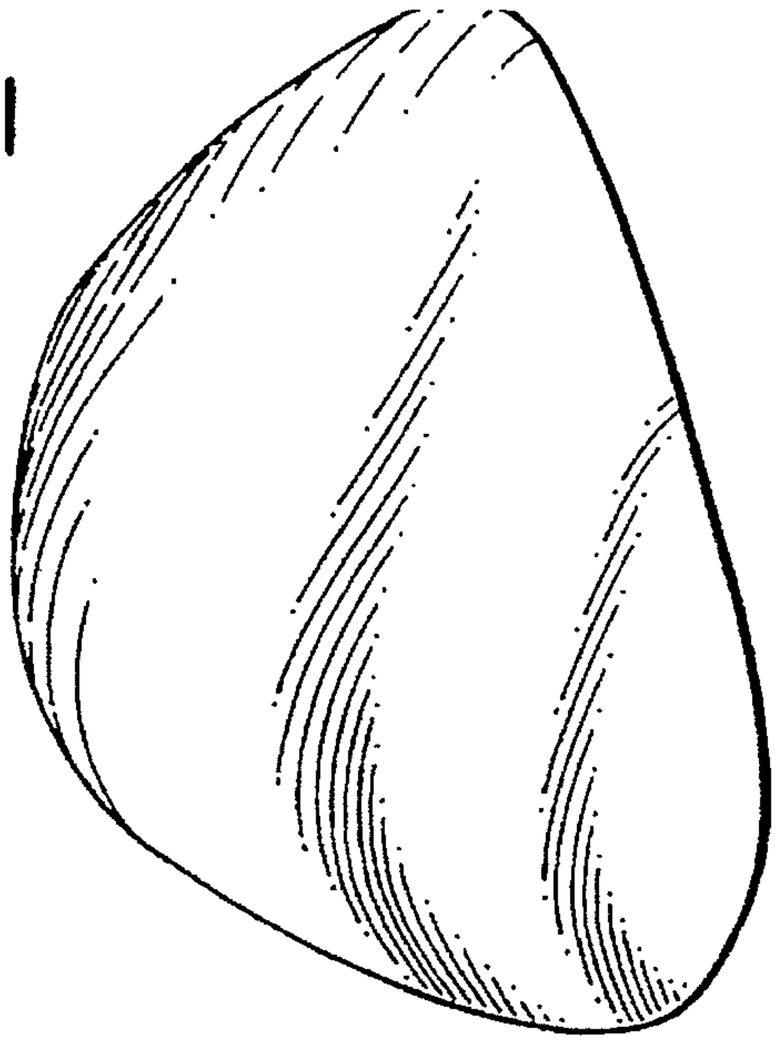


FIG. 1



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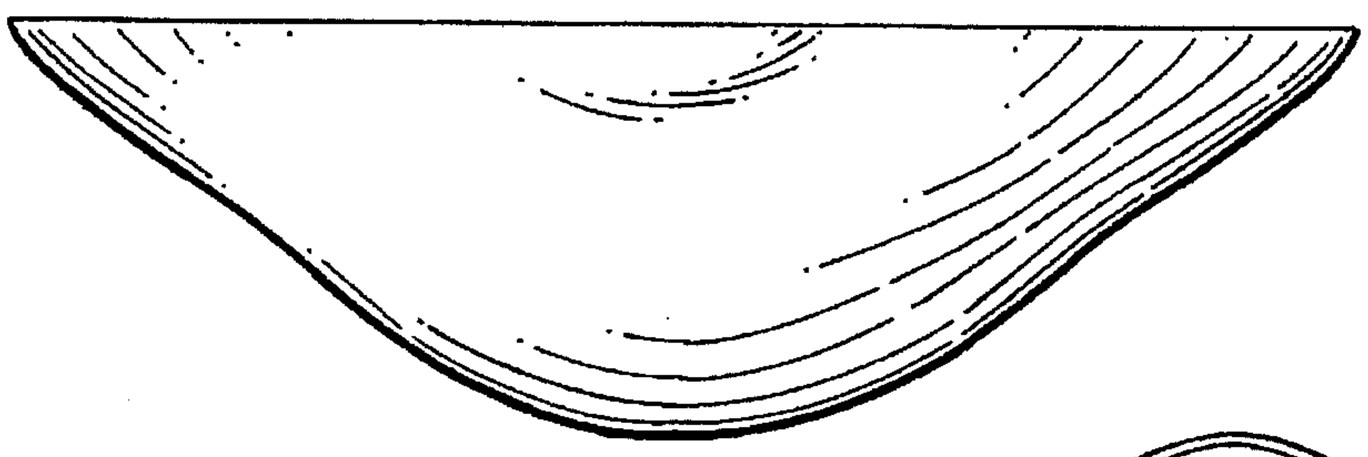

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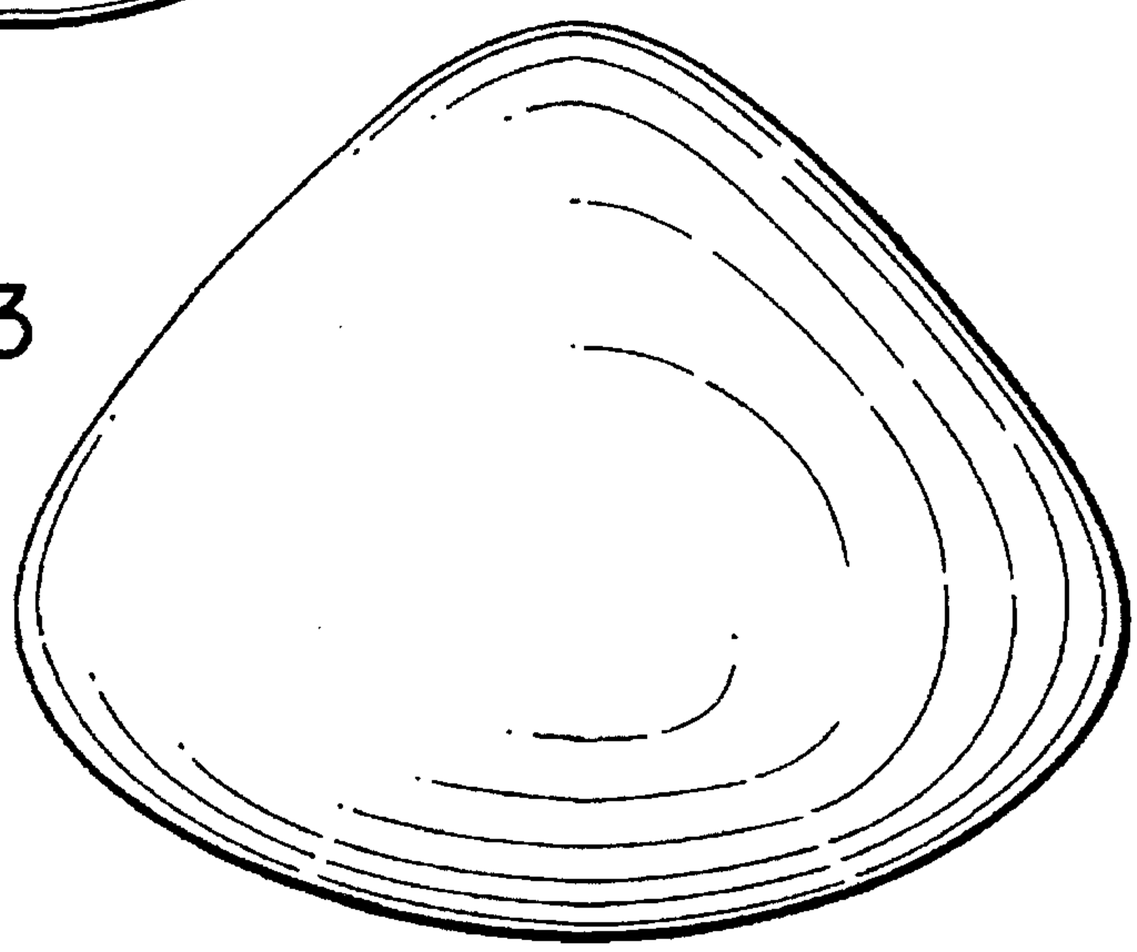

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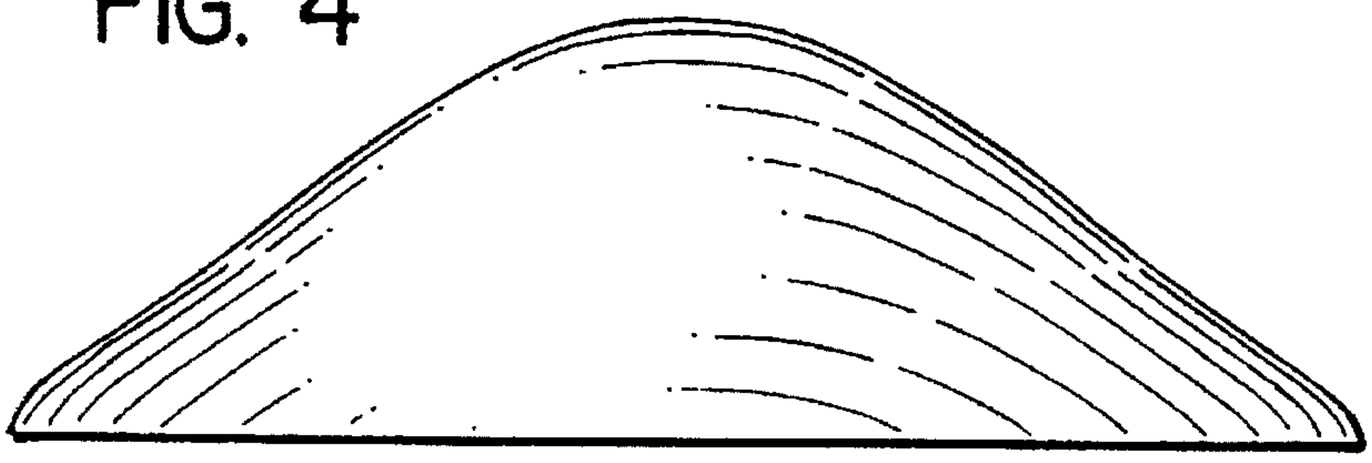

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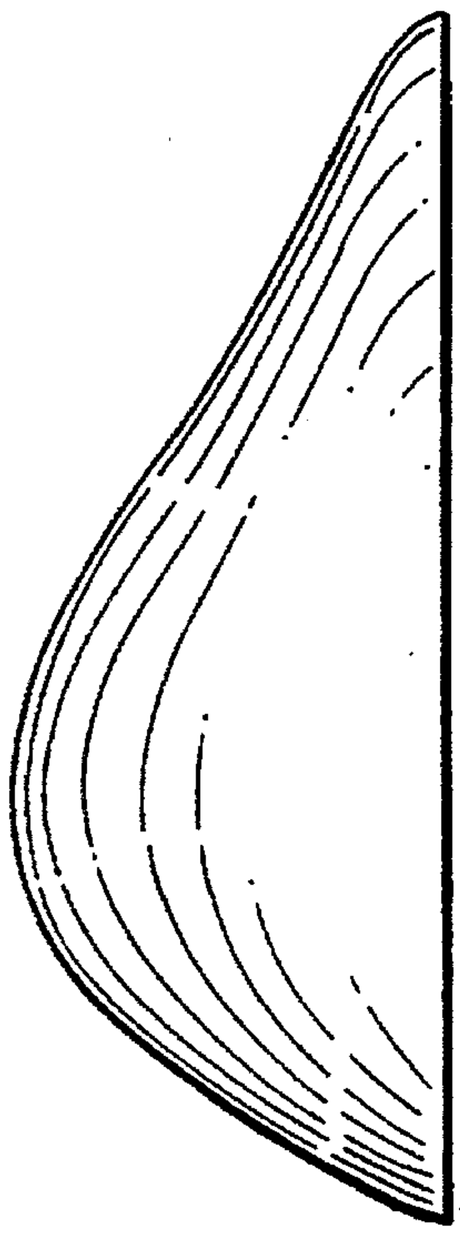

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