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[54] **COMBINED STERILIZER AND STORAGE  
TUBE FOR MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS**

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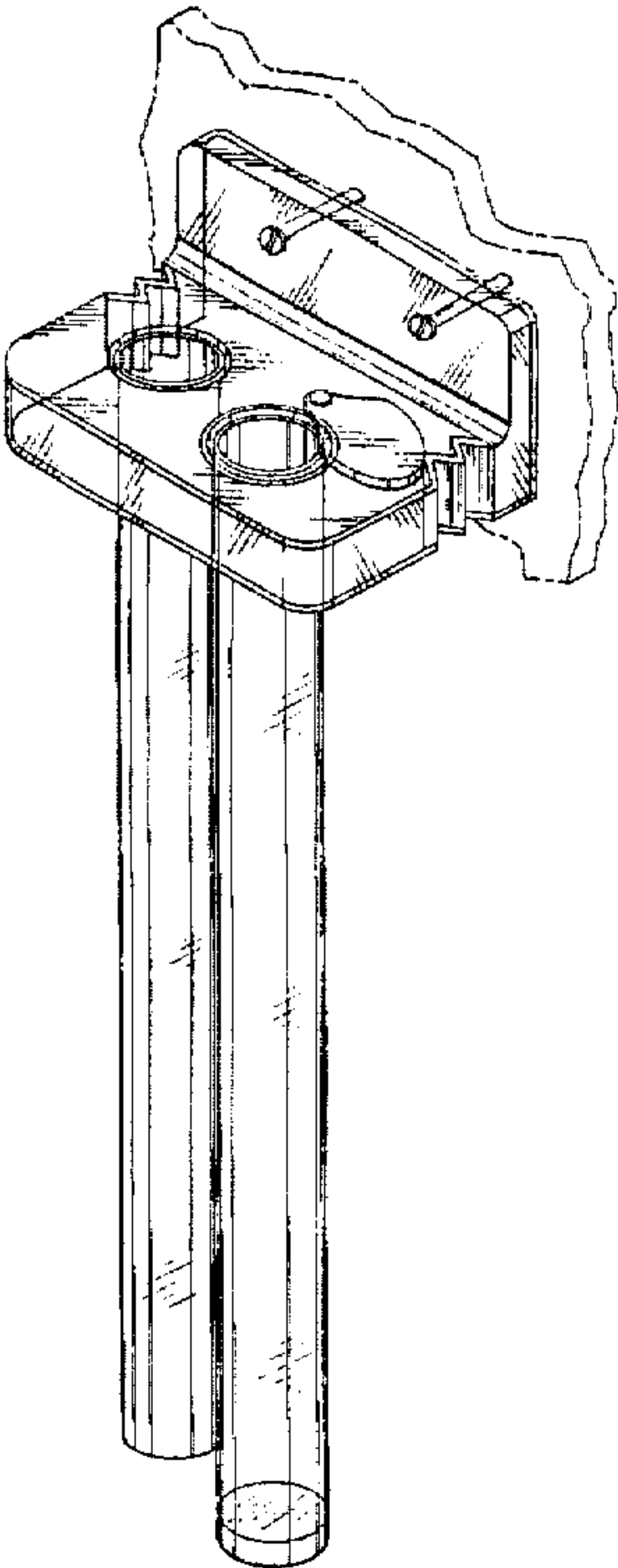
[57] **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a combined sterilizer and storage  
tube for medical instruments, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a combined sterilizer and  
storage tube for medical instruments showing my new  
design, with the lid in the open position;  
FIG. 2 is a right side elevational view thereof, with the lid  
in closed position;  
FIG. 3 is a left side elevational view thereof, as shown in  
FIG. 2;  
FIG. 4 is a front elevational view thereof, as shown in FIG.  
2;  
FIG. 5 is a bottom plan view thereof;  
FIG. 6 is a top plan view thereof;  
FIG. 7 is a front elevational view thereof, with the lid in open  
position;  
FIG. 8 is a front elevational view thereof, with the lid in  
closed position as shown in FIG. 7; and,  
FIG. 9 is a front elevational view thereof; and,  
FIG. 10 is a rear elevational view, as shown in FIG. 2.  
The tubes in FIGS. 2-4, 7, 8 and 10 have been shown broken  
away for ease of illustration.  
The broken line showing of the wall and medical instrument  
is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the  
claimed design.

**1 Claim, 6 Drawing Sheets**



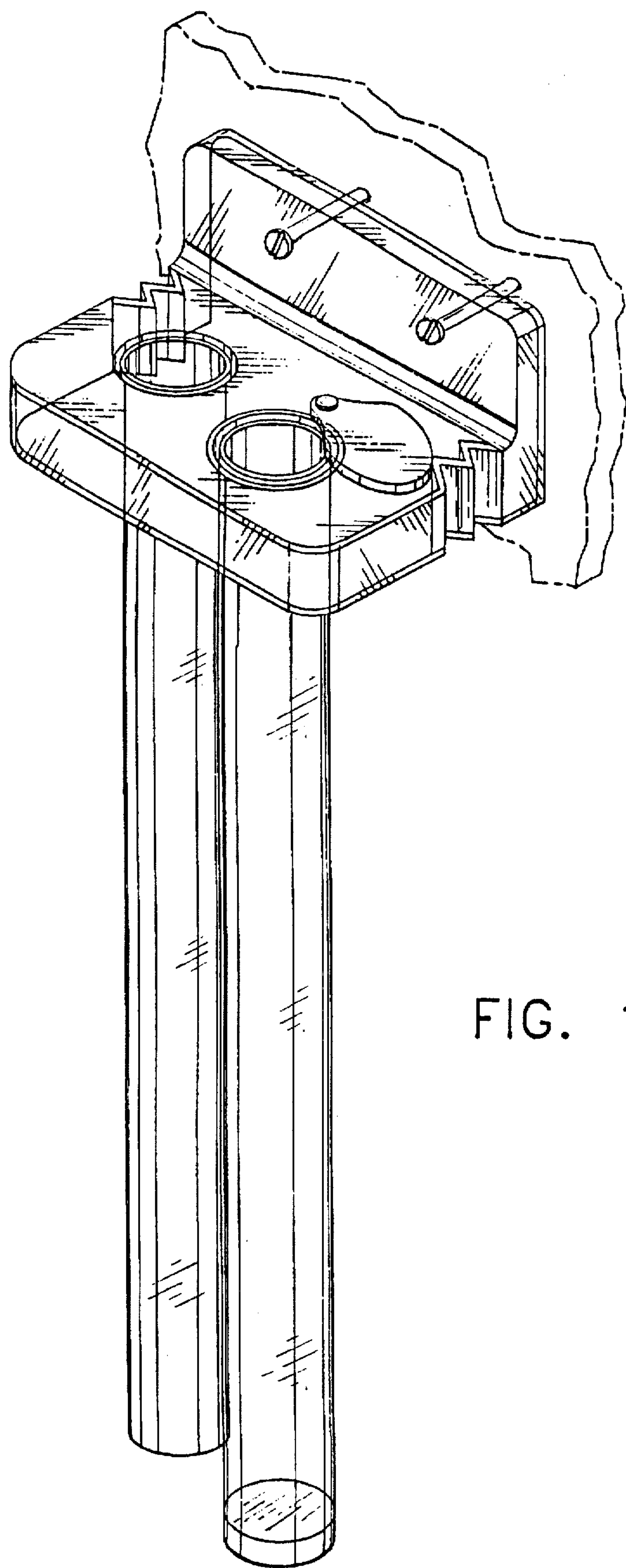


FIG. 1

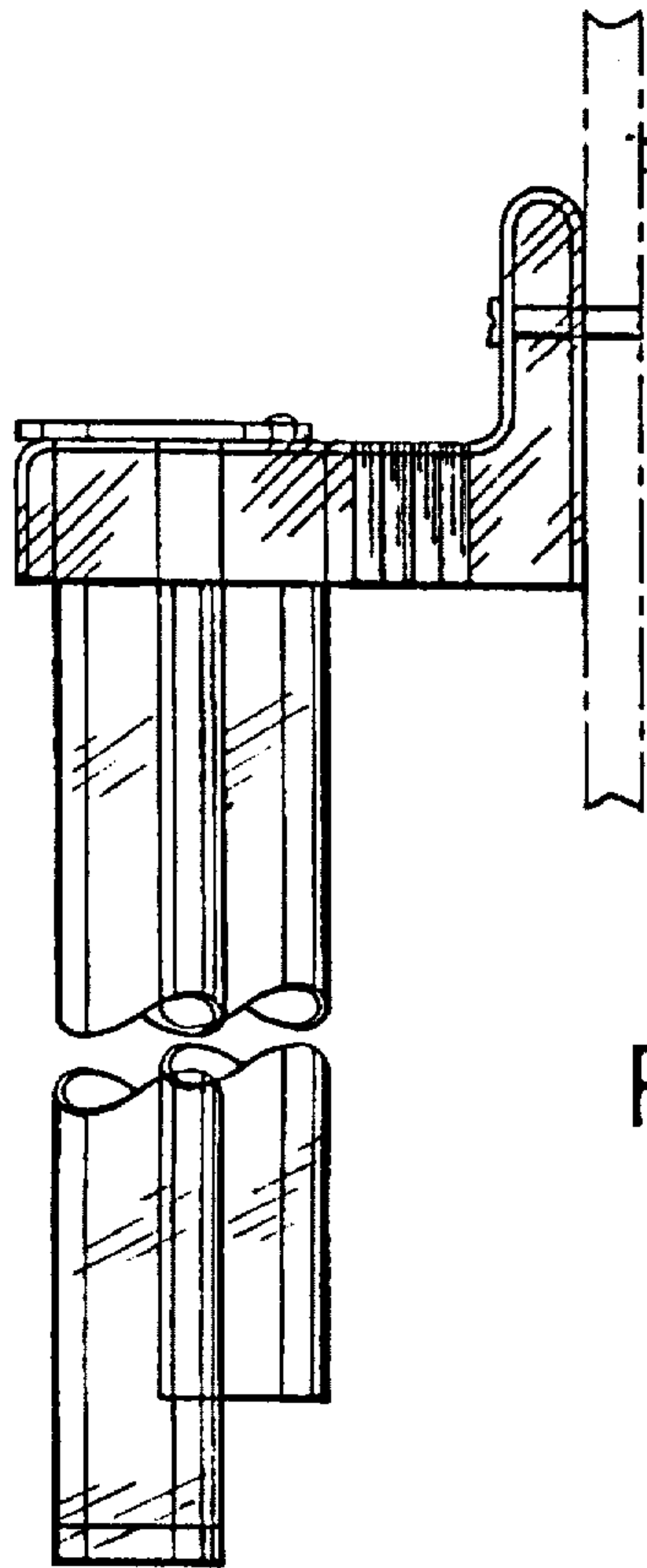


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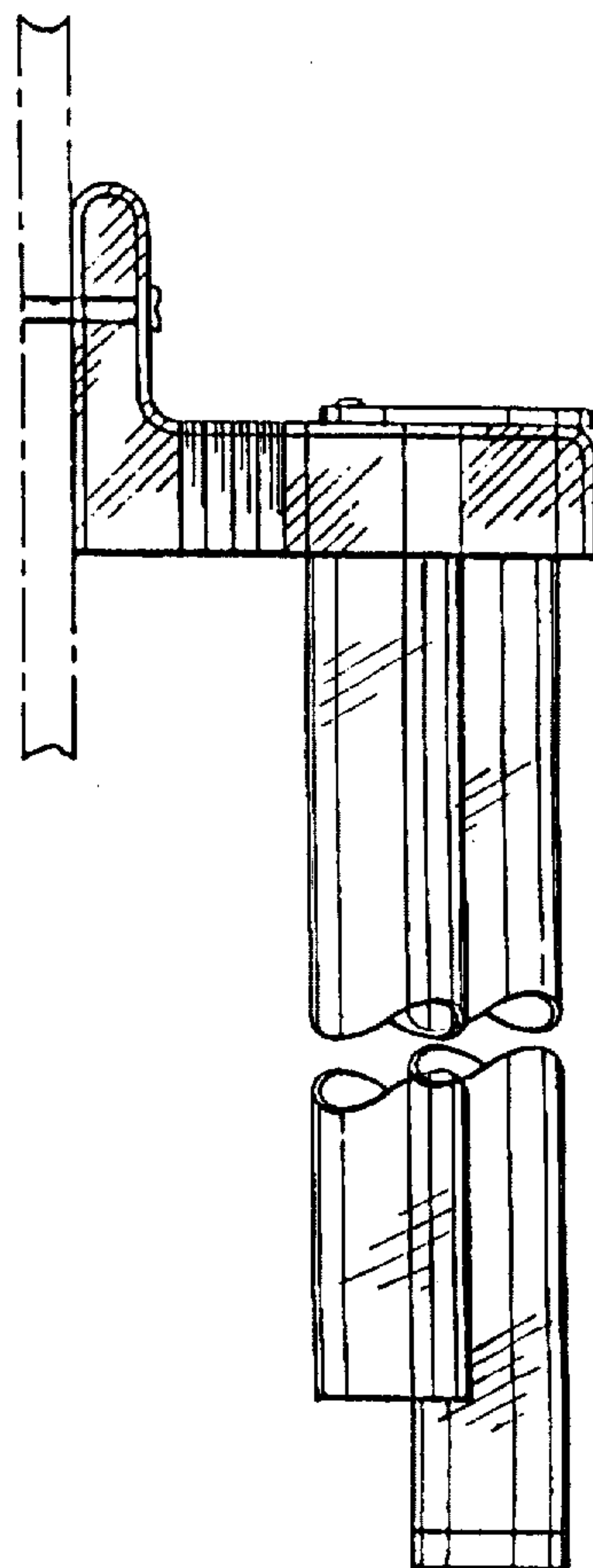


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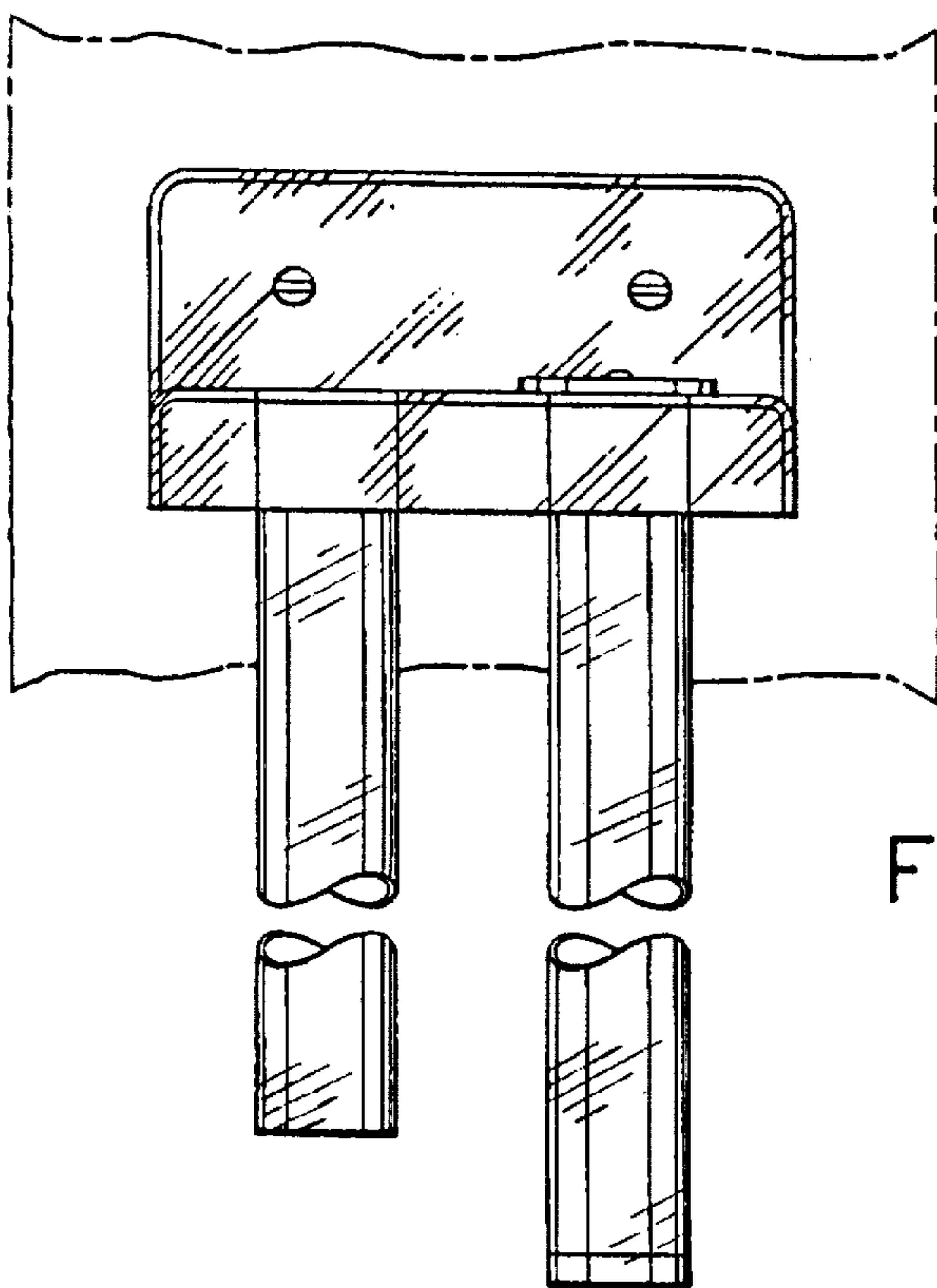


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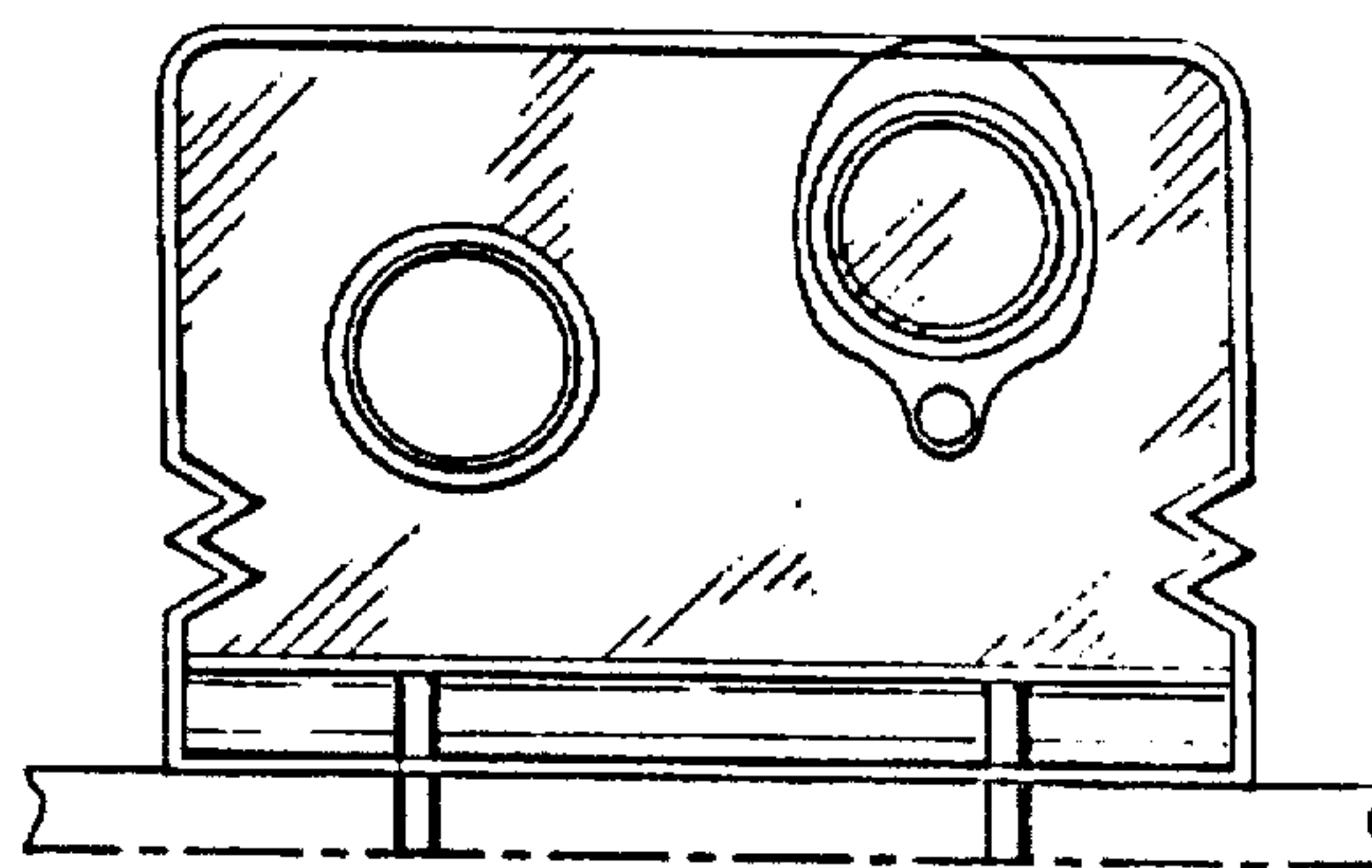


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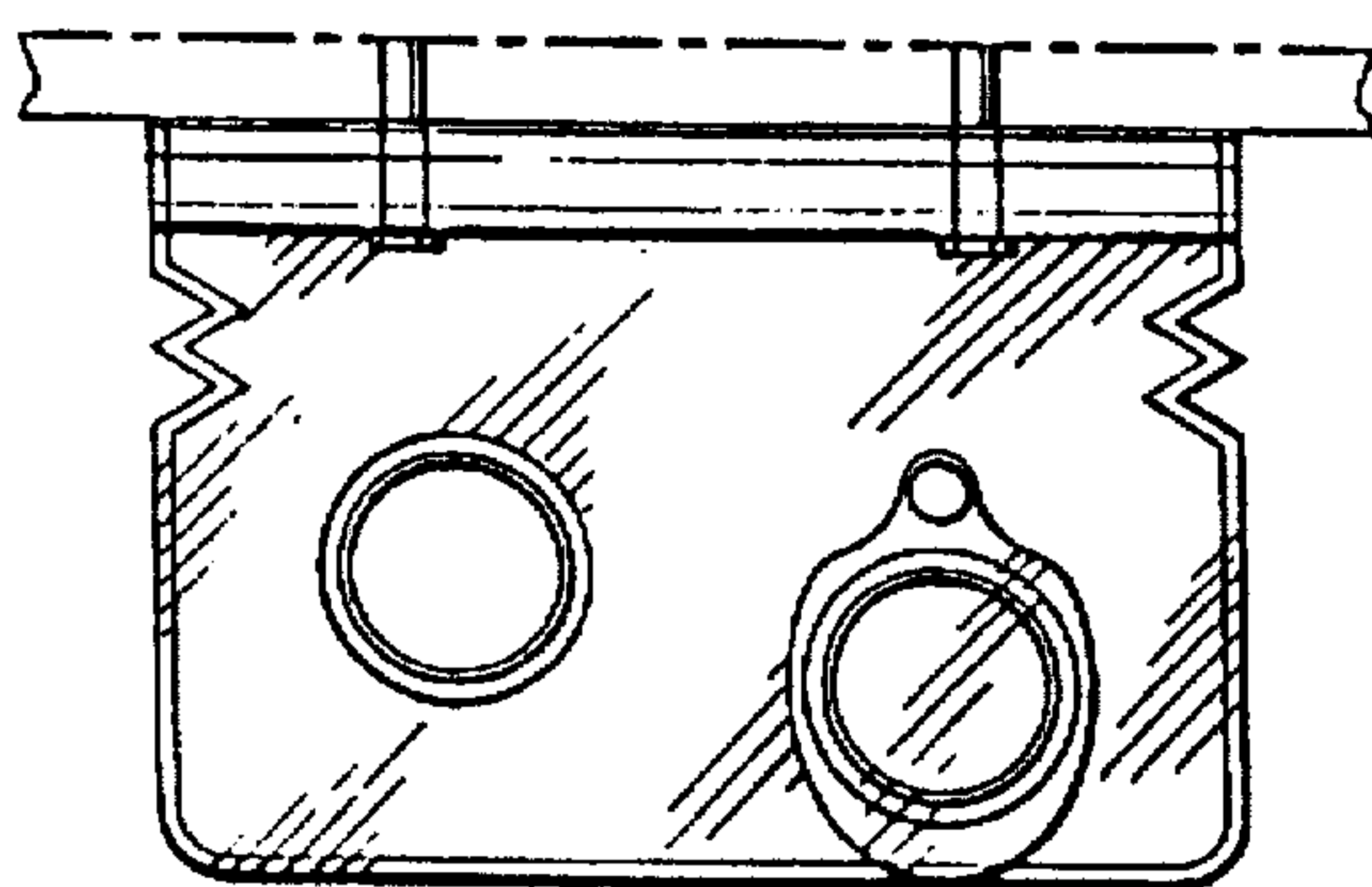
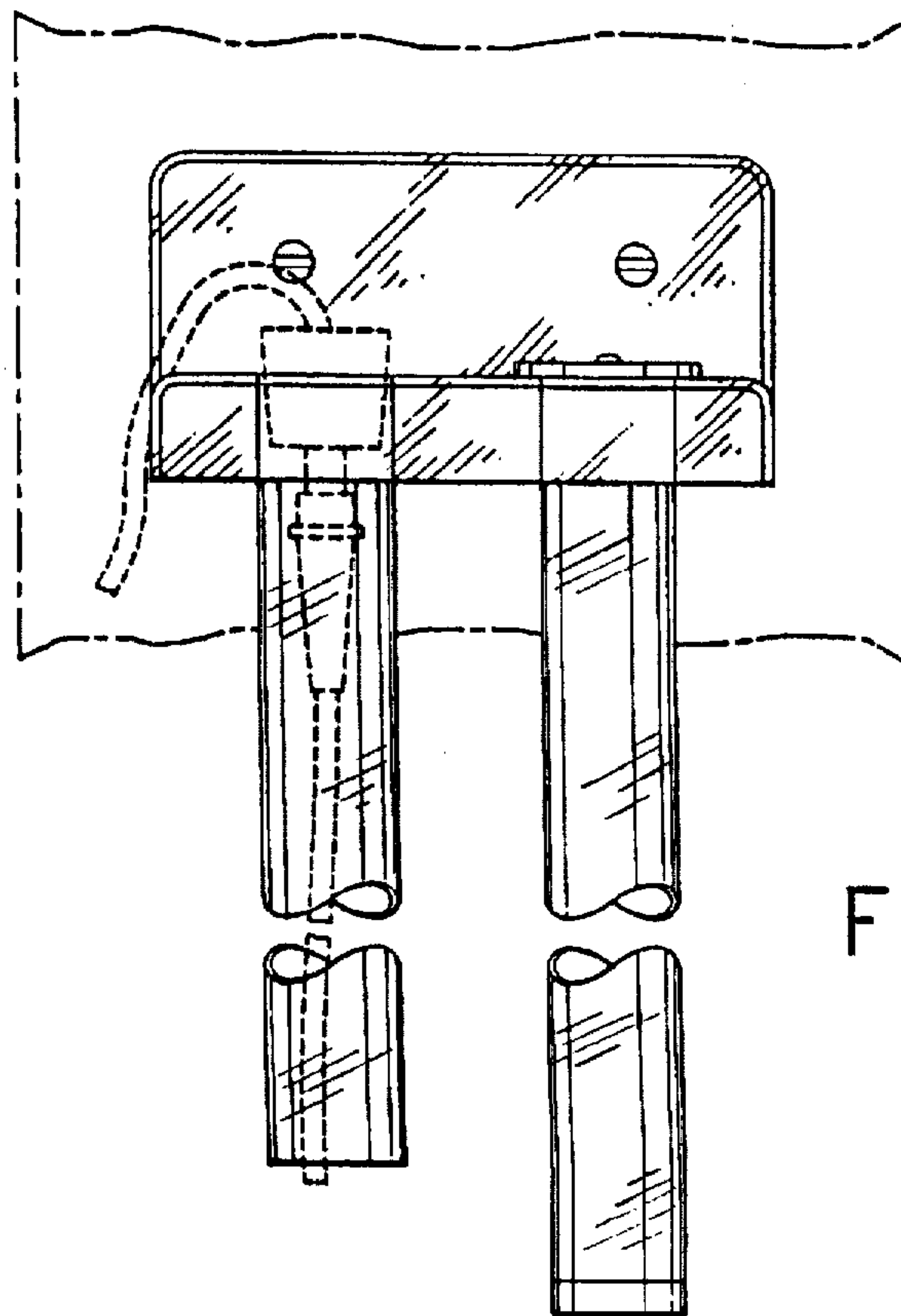
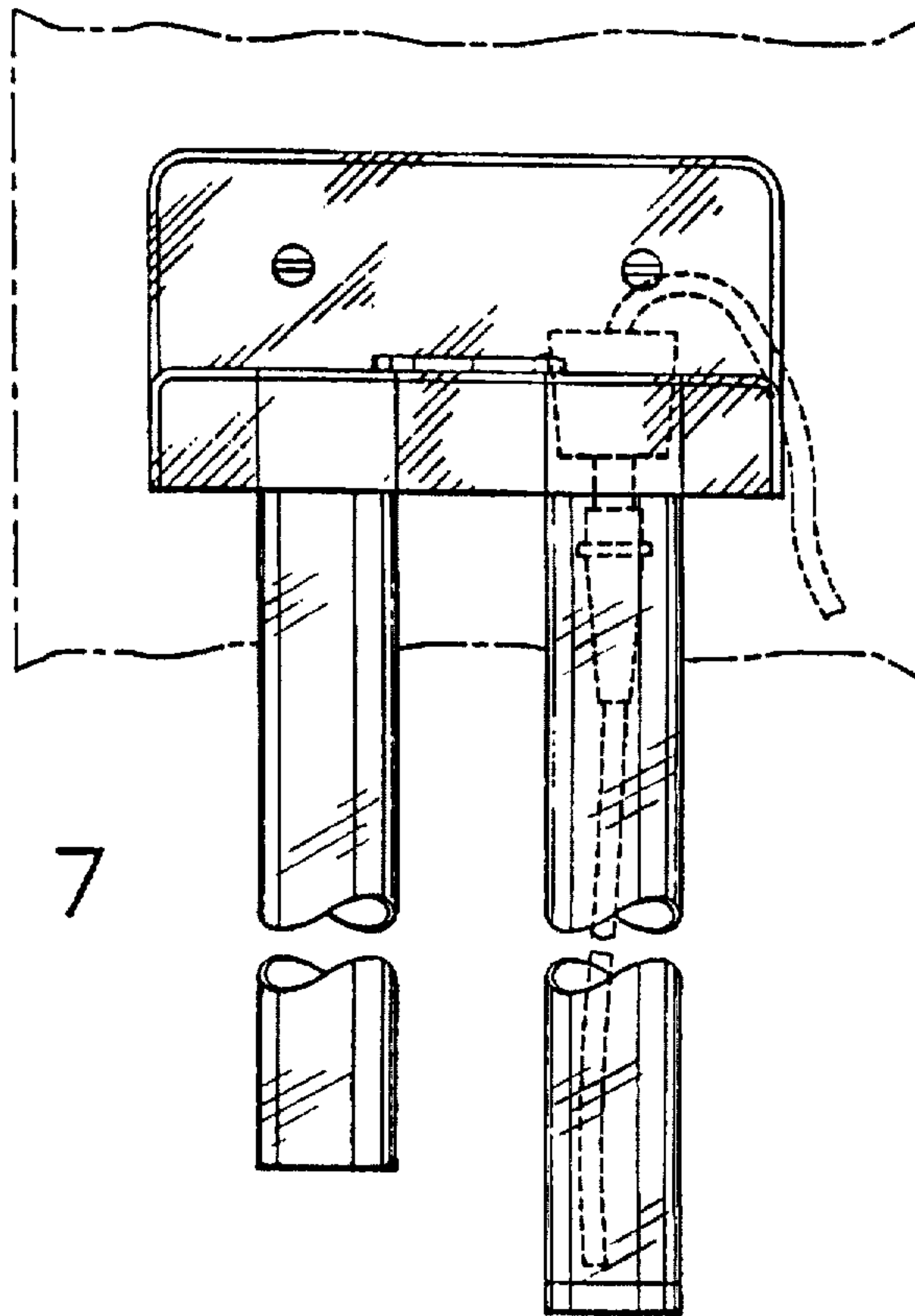


FIG. 6





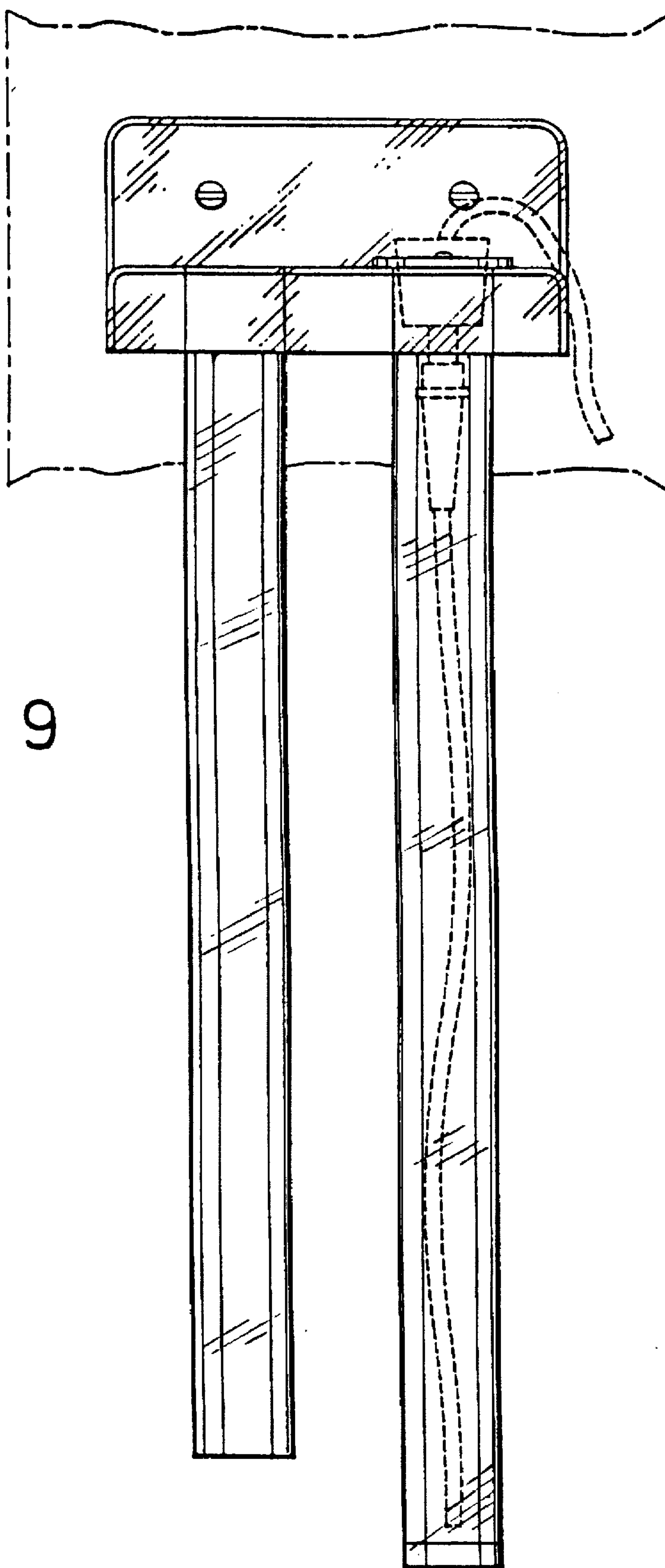


FIG. 9

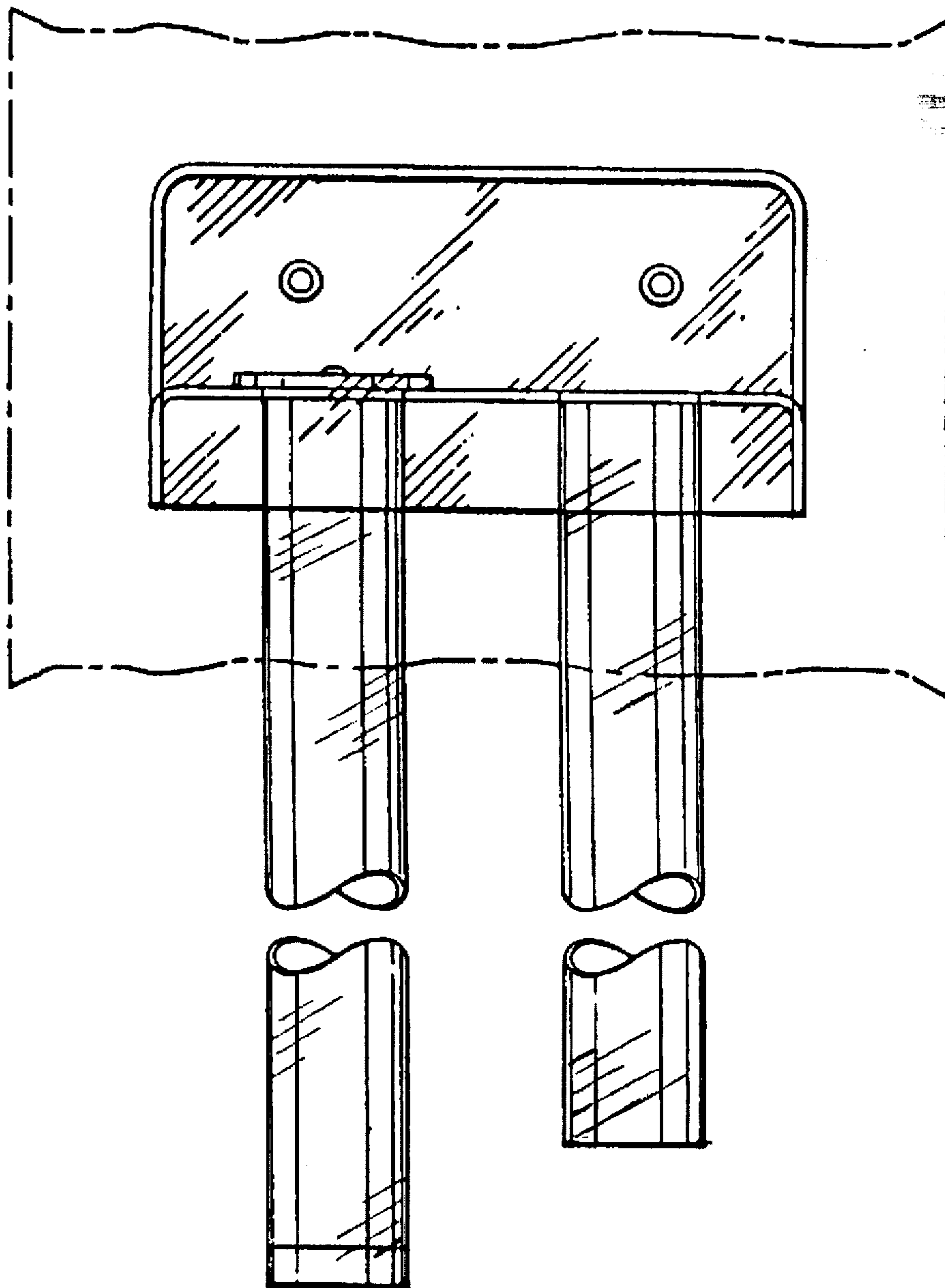


FIG. 10