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[54] **PALLET**

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[57] **CLAIM**

The ornamental design of a pallet, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. **1** is a perspective view of a three top-slat embodiment of a pallet showing my new design;

FIG. **2** is an elevational view of the front side thereof, the view from the back side being a mirror image of this view and the view from the front and back sides of each cross-member supporting the slats being the same;

FIG. **3** is an elevational view taken from the left side thereof, the view from the right side being a mirror image of this view;

FIG. **4** is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. **5** is a bottom plan view thereof;

FIG. **6** is a perspective view of another embodiment of the pallet of FIG. **1** which further comprises modular inserts forming continuous transverse supports on the bottom side thereof;

FIG. **7** is an elevational view of the front side thereof, the view from the back side being a mirror image of this view and the view from the front and back sides on each cross-member supporting the slats being the same;

FIG. **8** is a bottom plan view thereof;

FIG. **9** is a perspective view of a five top-slat embodiment of a pallet showing my new design;

FIG. **10** is an elevational view of the front side thereof, the view from the back side being a mirror image of this view and the view from the front and back sides of each cross-member supporting the slats being the same;

FIG. **11** is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. **12** is a bottom plan view thereof;

FIG. **13** is a perspective view of another embodiment of the pallet of FIG. **9** which further comprises modular inserts forming continuous transverse supports on the bottom side thereof;

FIG. **14** is an elevational view of the front side thereof, the view from the back side being a mirror image of this view and the view from the front and back sides of each cross-member supporting the slats being the same;

FIG. **15** is a bottom plan view thereof;

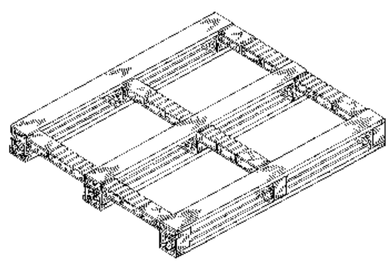
FIG. **16** is a perspective view of a four top-slat embodiment of a pallet showing my new design;

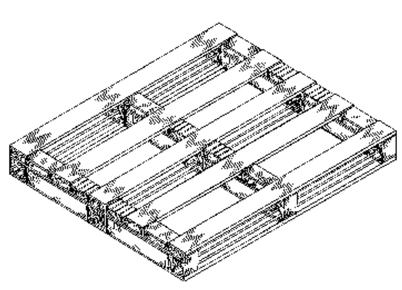
FIG. **17** is an elevational view of the front side thereof, the view from the back side being a mirror image of this view and the view from the front and back sides of each cross-member supporting the slats being the same;

FIG. **18** is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. **19** is a bottom plan view thereof;

FIG. **20** is a perspective view of another embodiment of the pallet of FIG. **16** which further comprises modular inserts forming continuous transverse supports on the bottom side thereof;





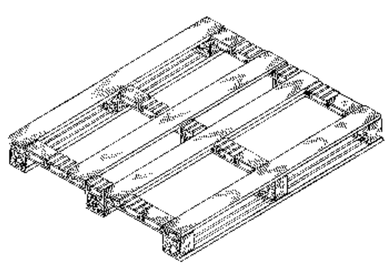


FIG. **21** is an elevational view of the front side thereof, the view from the back side being a mirror image of this view and the view from the front and back sides of each cross-member supporting the slats being the same;
FIG. **22** is a bottom plan view thereof;
FIG. **23** is an enlarged, partially cut-out perspective view of the vertical end block portions of all cross-members and of interlocking top and bottom slats to illustrate the structural details thereof, shown broken away for ease of illustration; and,
FIG. **24** is an enlarged, partial front elevational view of the vertical central block portions of all cross-members and of an interlocking bottom slat to illustrate the structural details thereof, shown broken away for ease of illustration.

The top view of the embodiment of FIG. **6** is the same as the top view of the embodiment of FIG. **1**, as shown in FIG. **4**. The top view of the embodiment of FIG. **13** is the same as the top view of the embodiment of FIG. **9**, as shown in FIG. **11**. The top view of the embodiment of FIG. **20** is the same as the top view of the embodiment of FIG. **16**, as shown in FIG. **18**. The elevational views taken from the left side of the embodiments of FIGS. **6, 9, 13, 16** and **20** are the same as that view for the embodiment of FIG. **1**, as shown in FIG. **3**, and the views from the right side thereof are a mirror image of this view.

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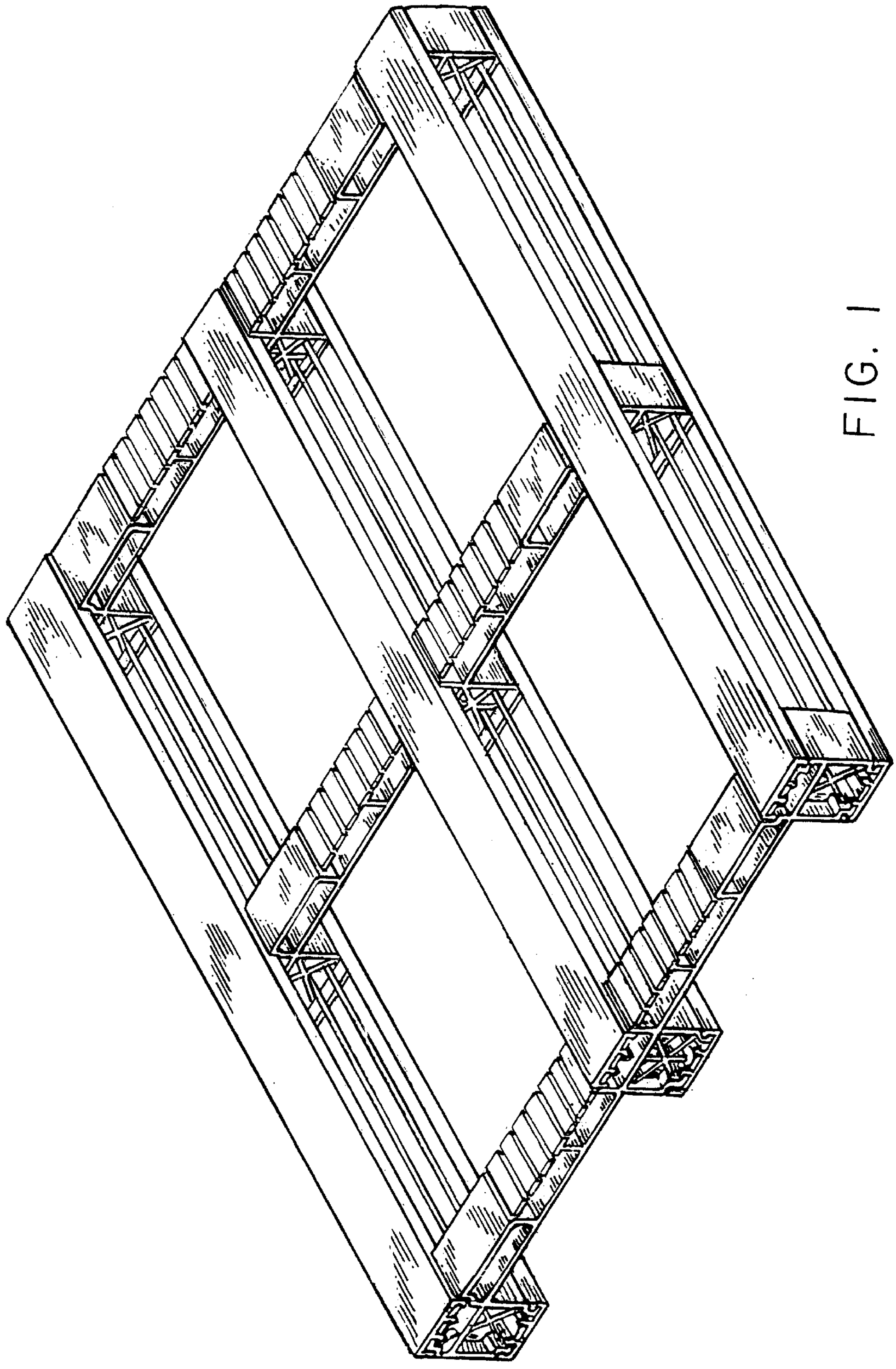

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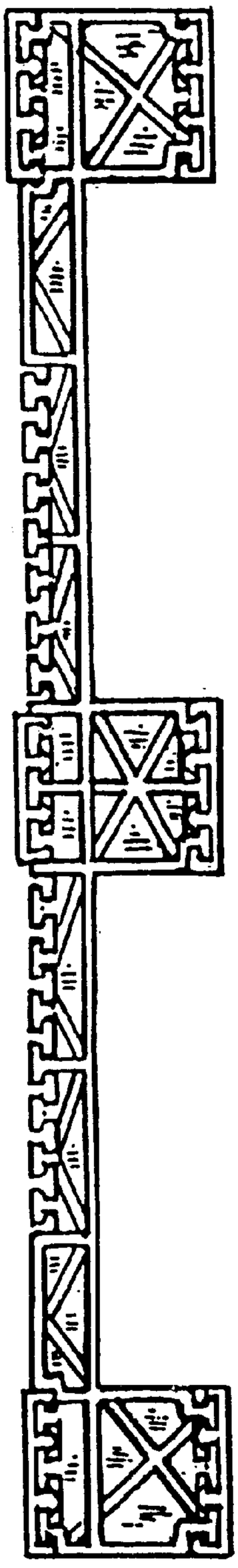

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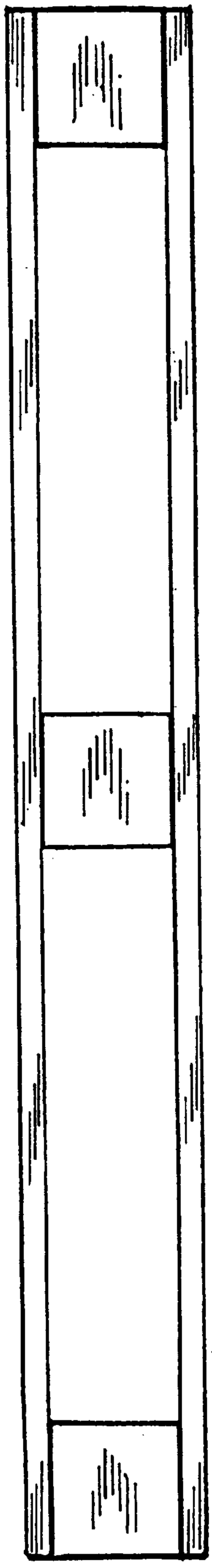

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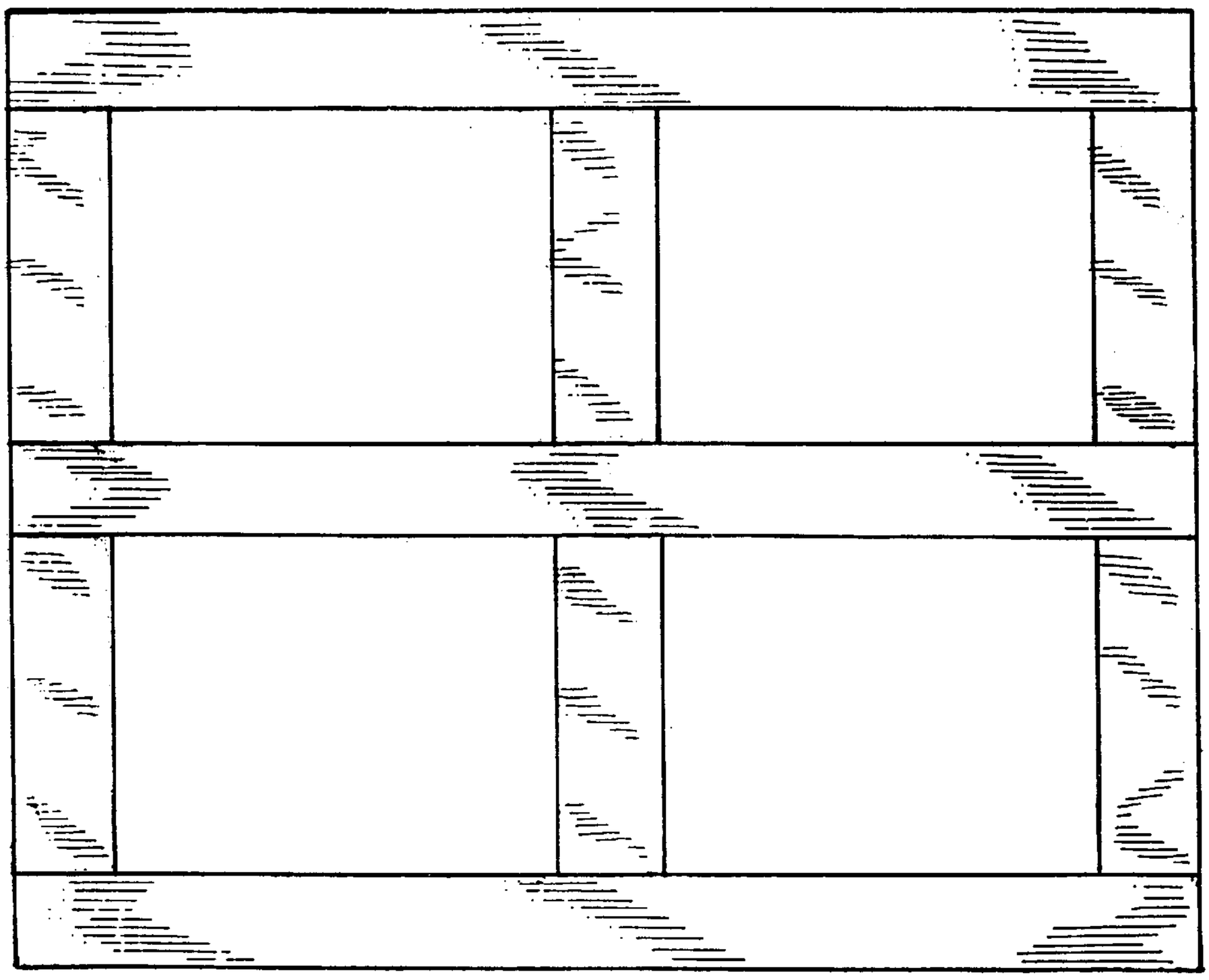

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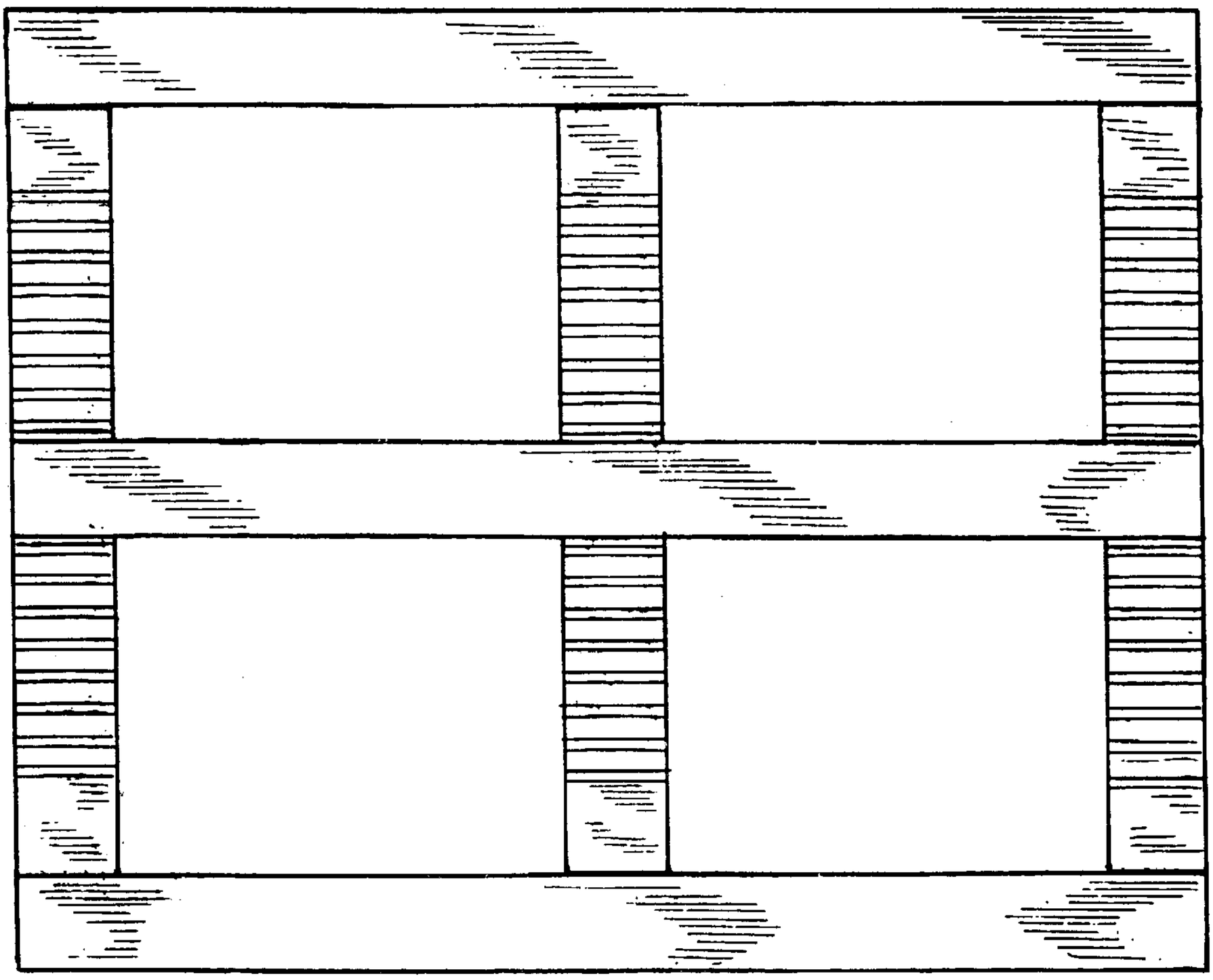

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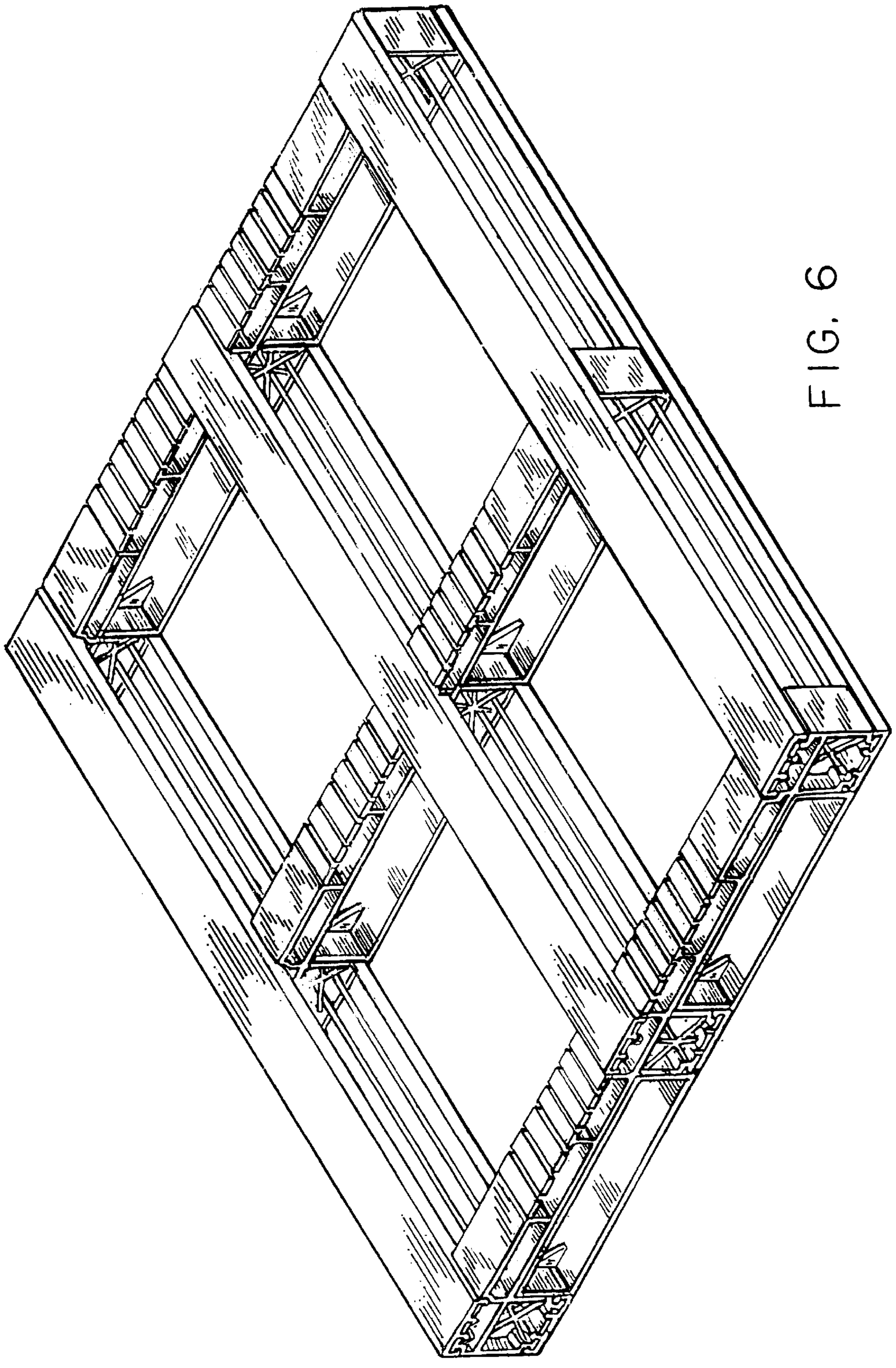

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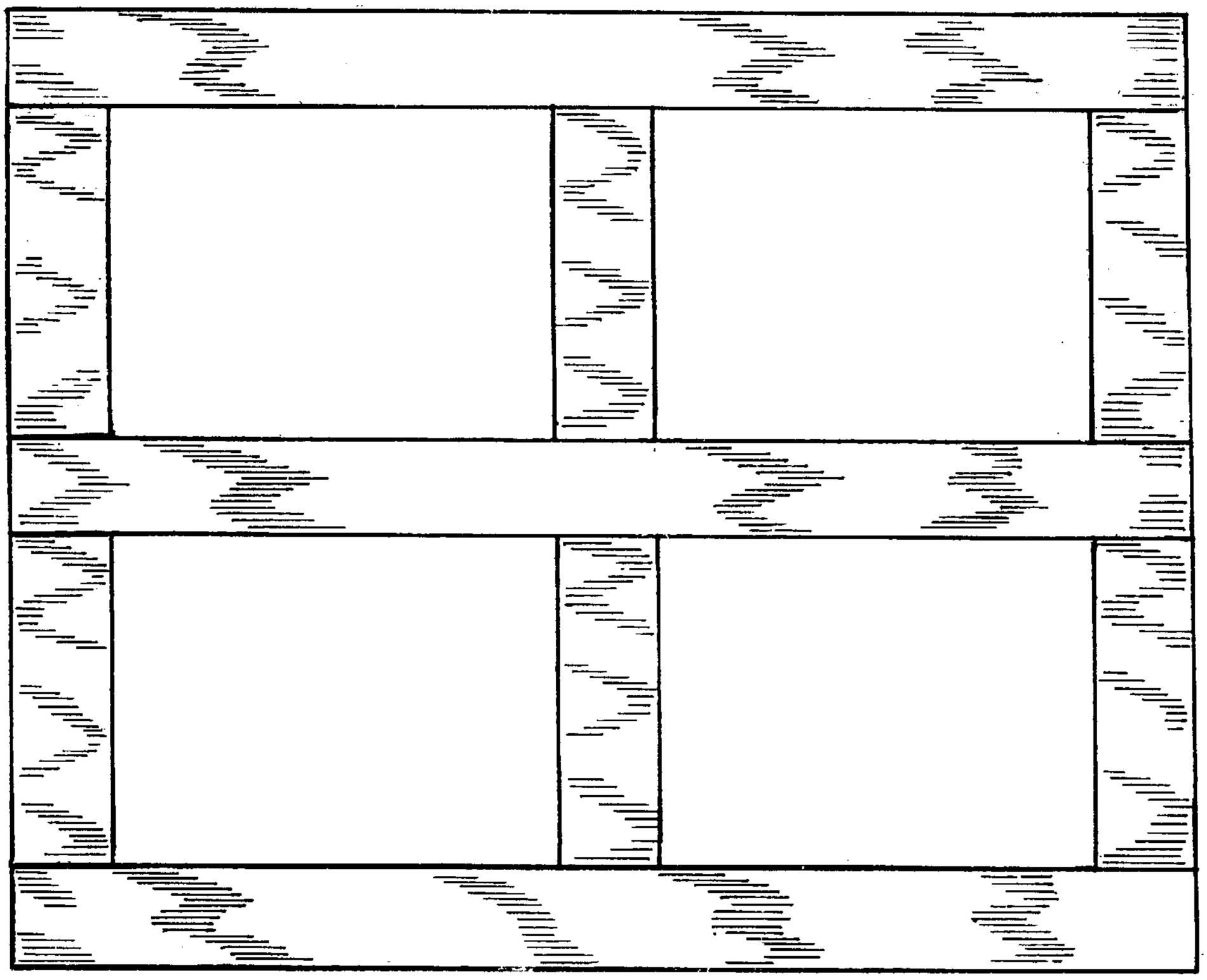

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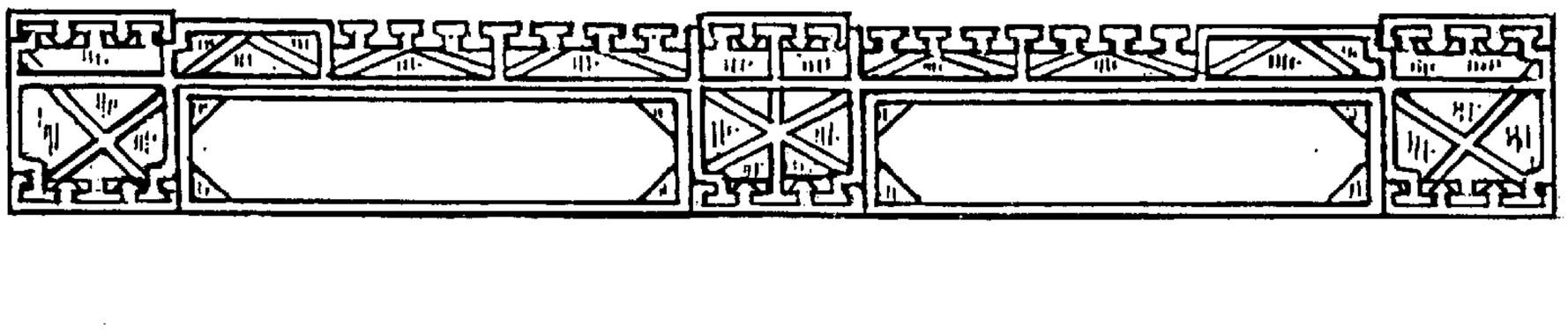

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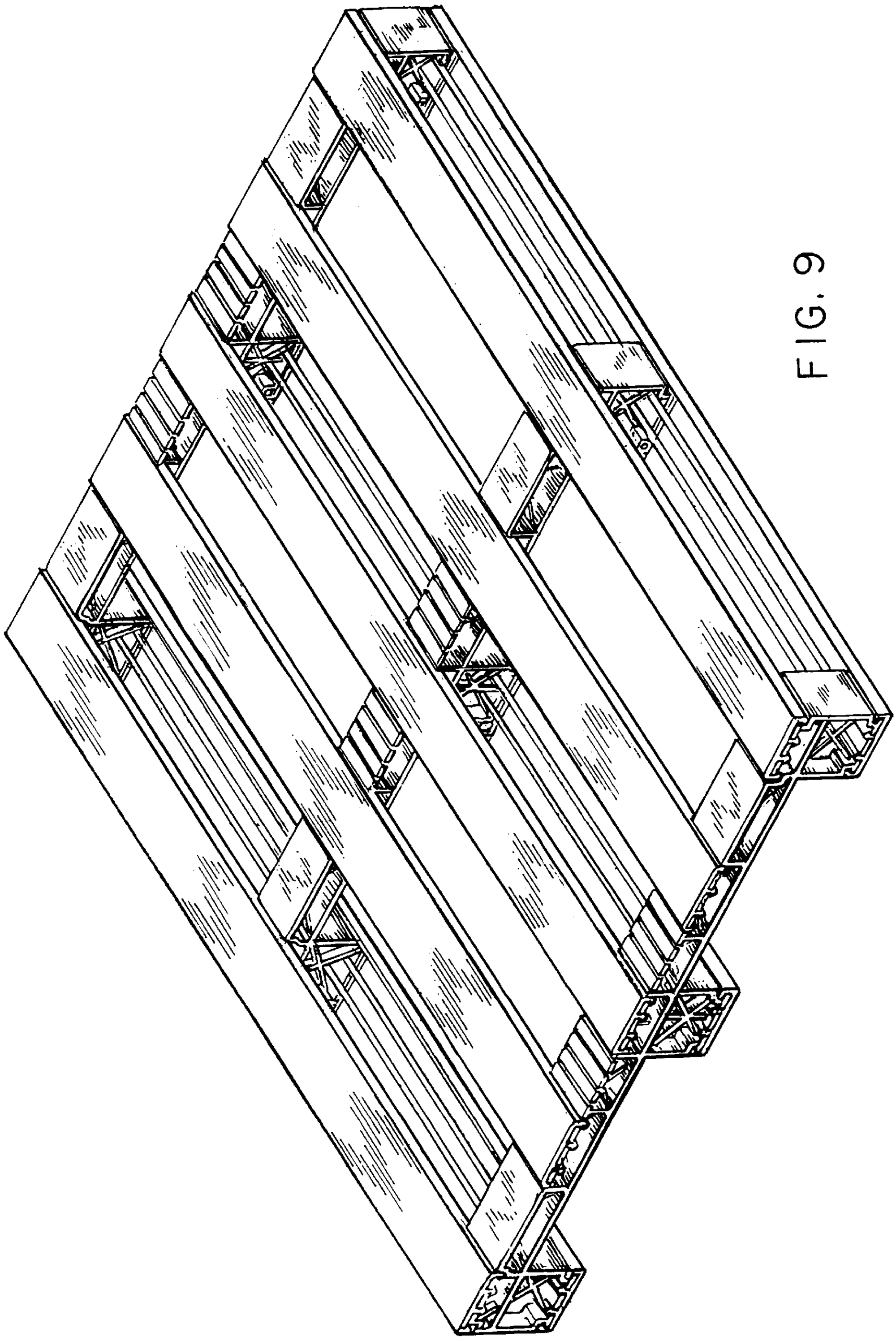

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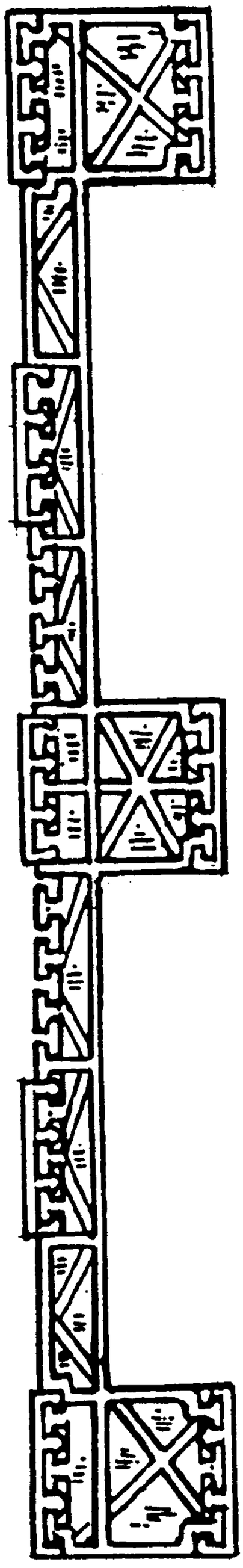

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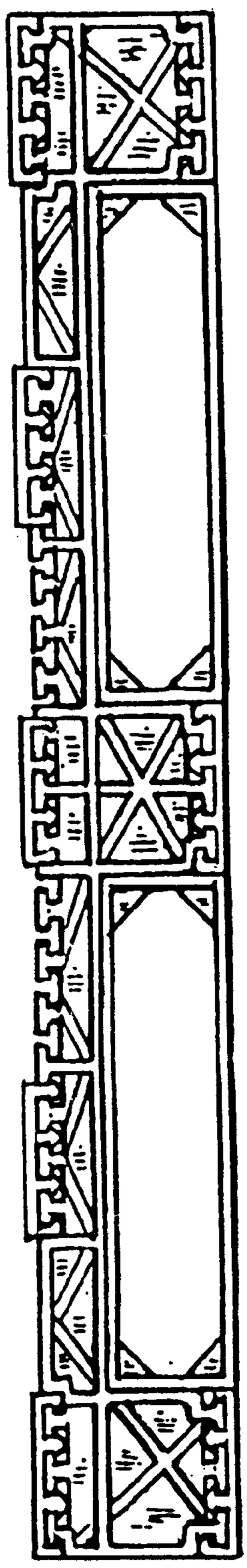

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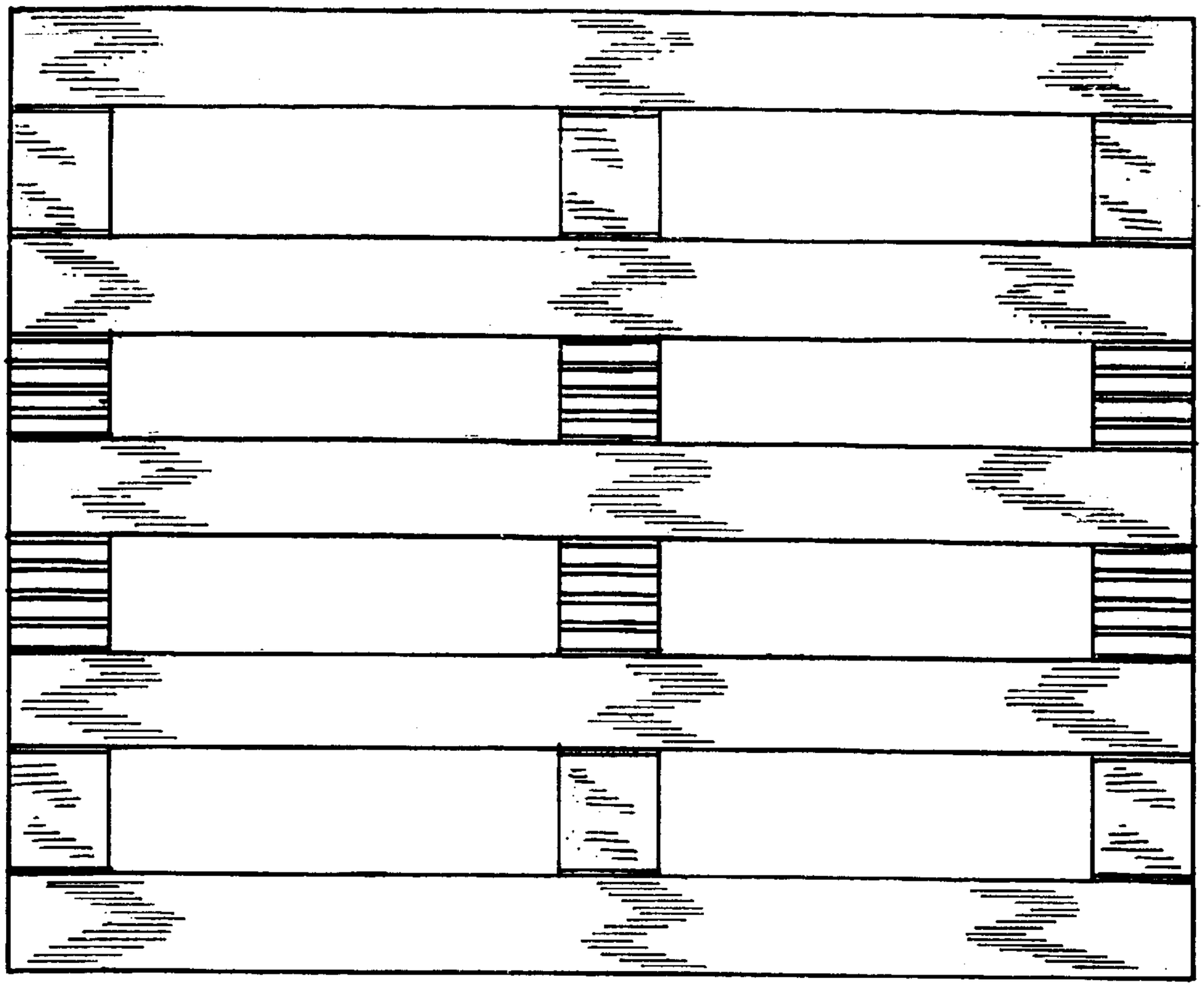

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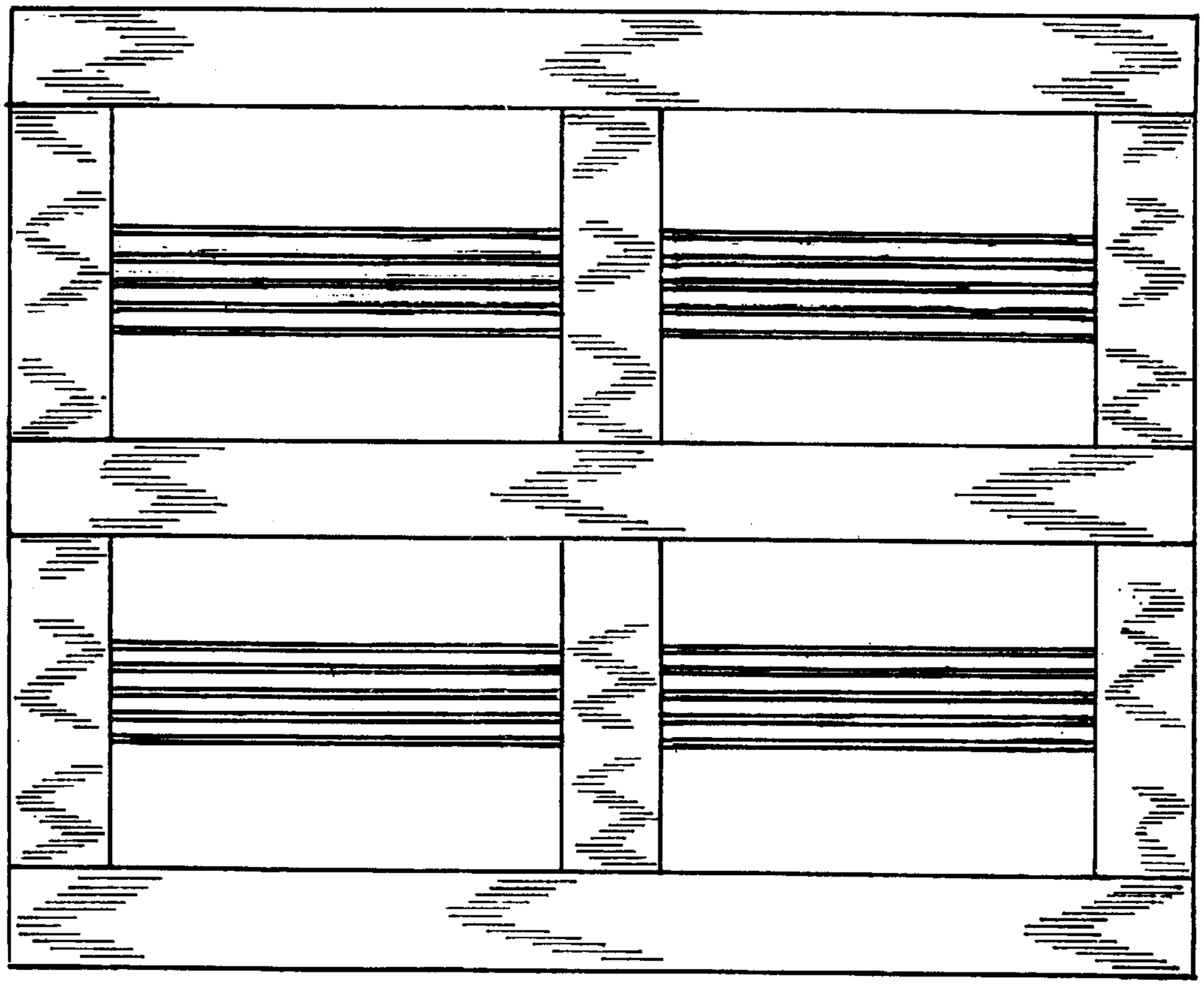

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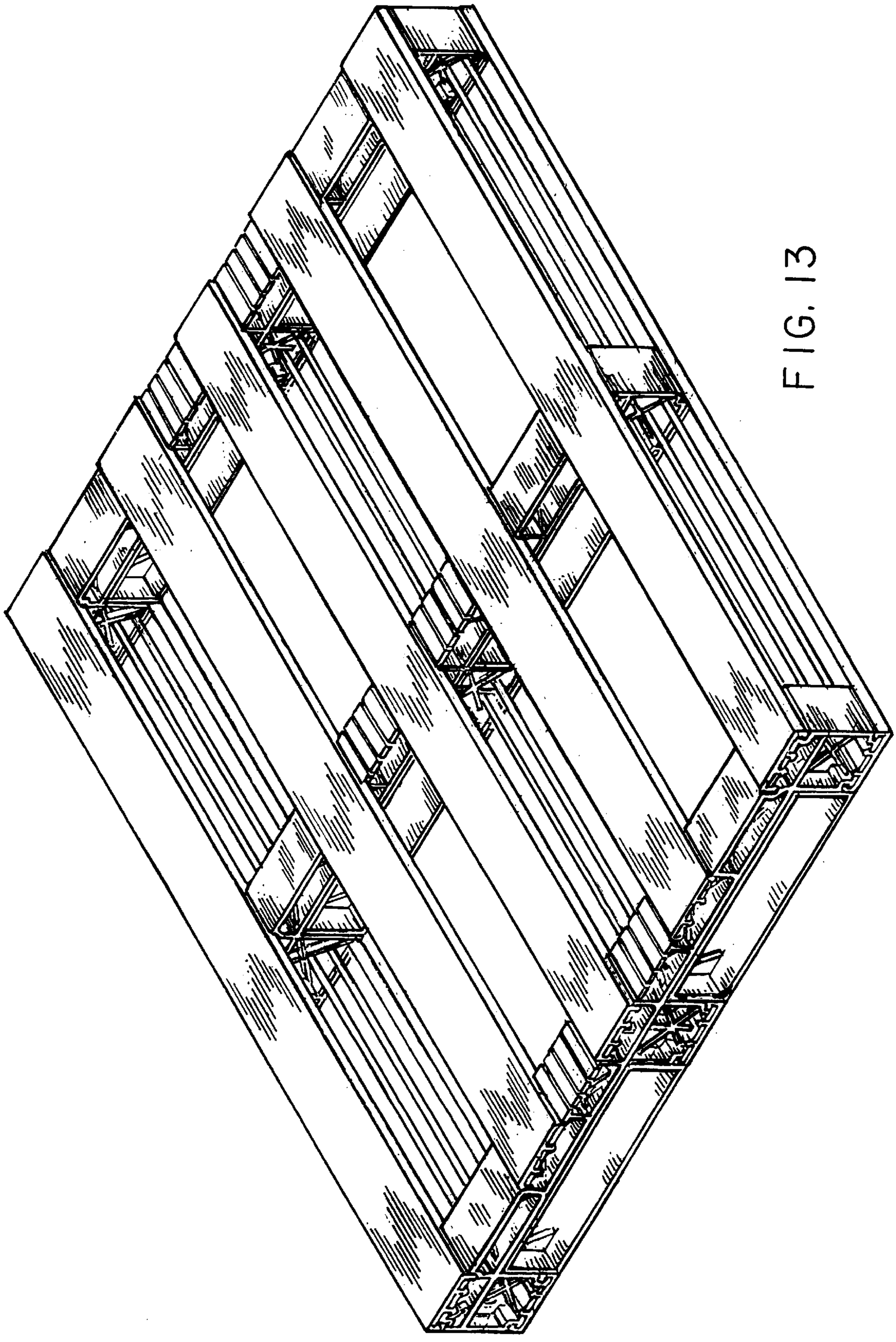

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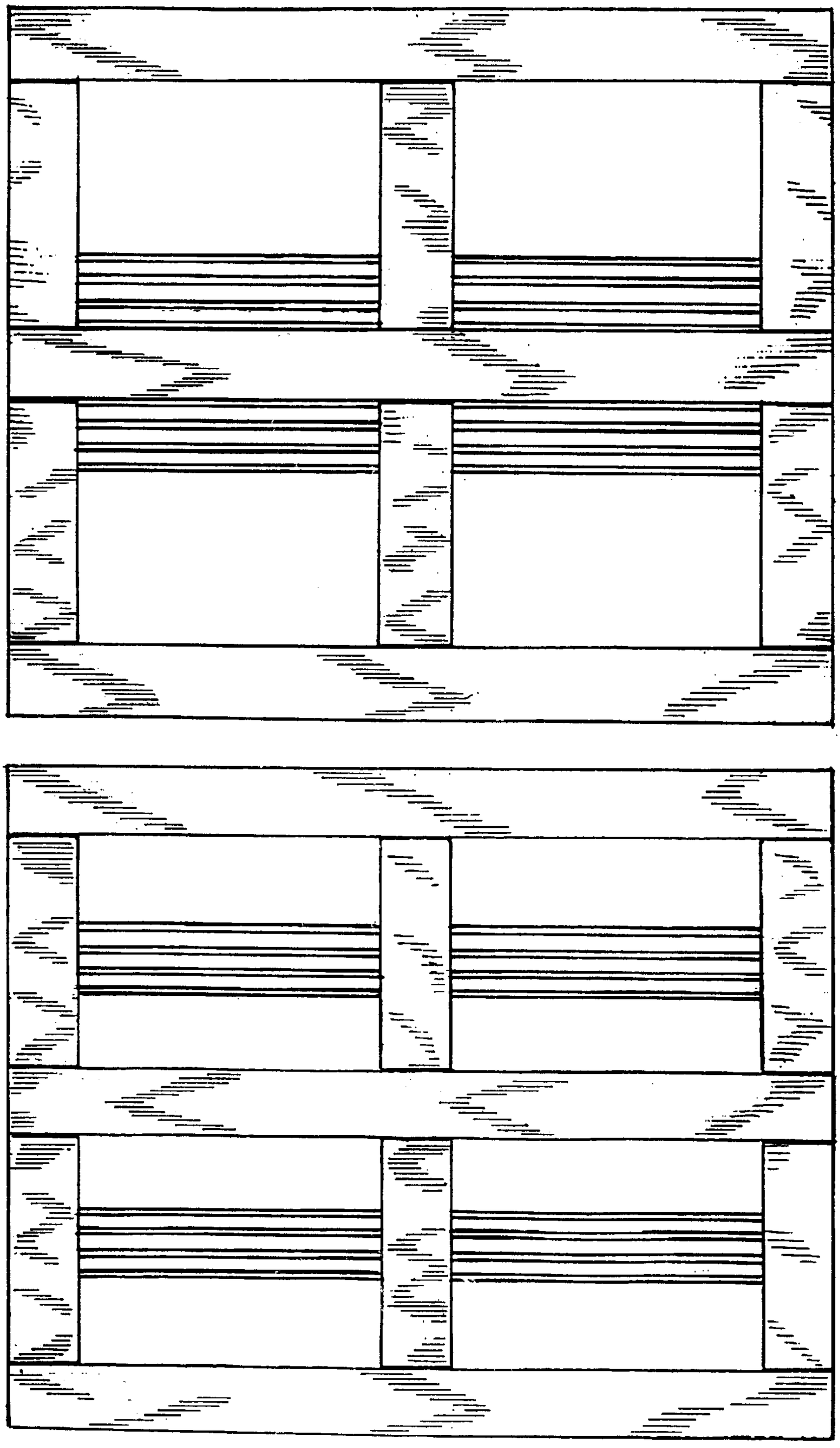

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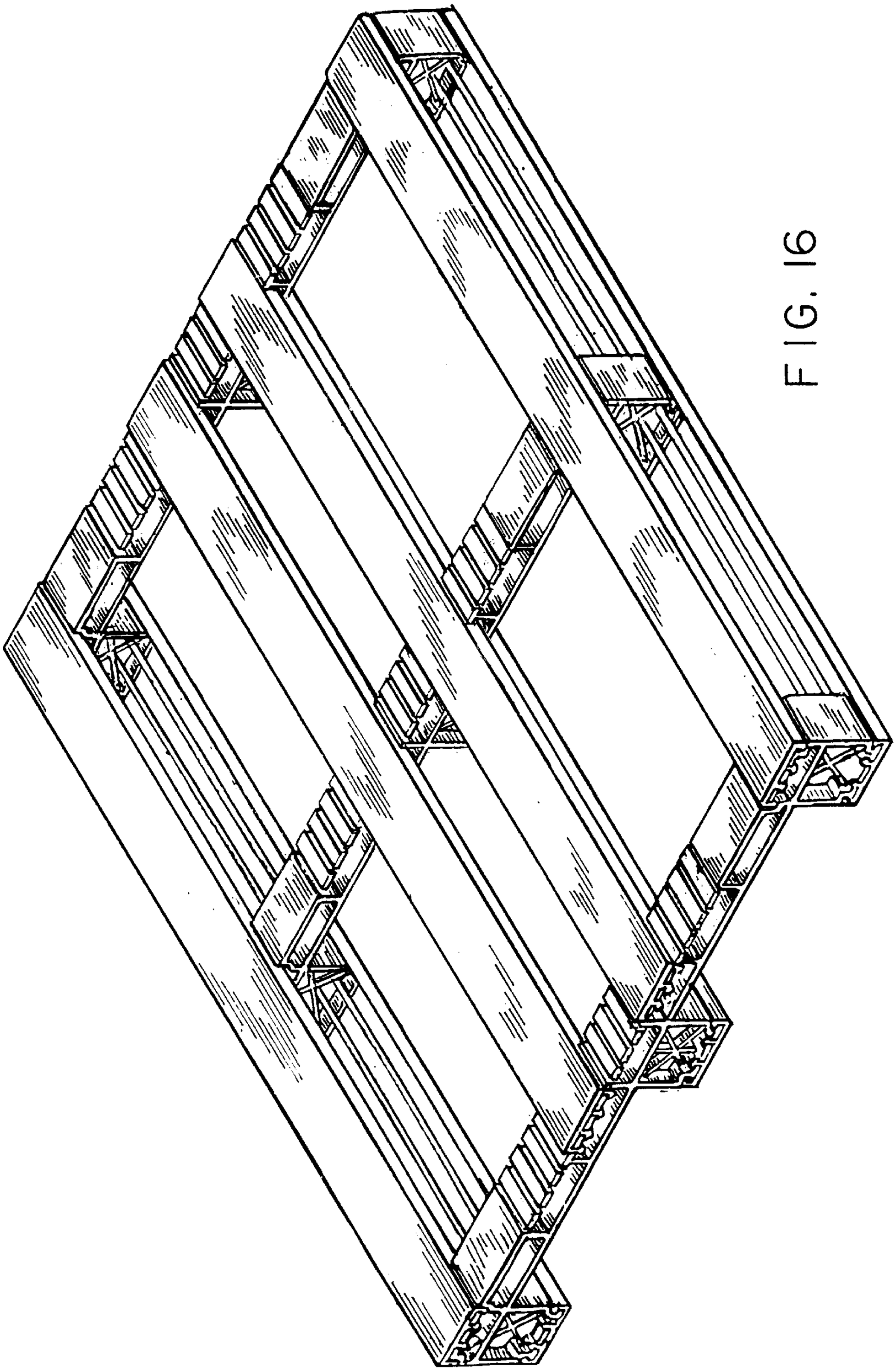

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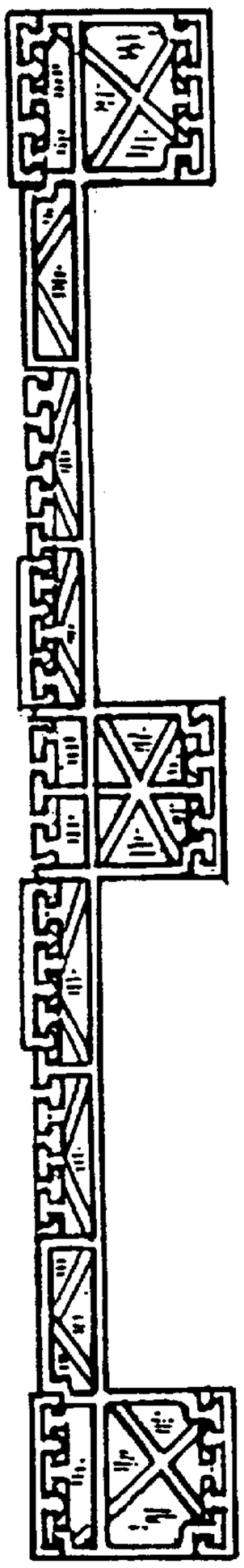

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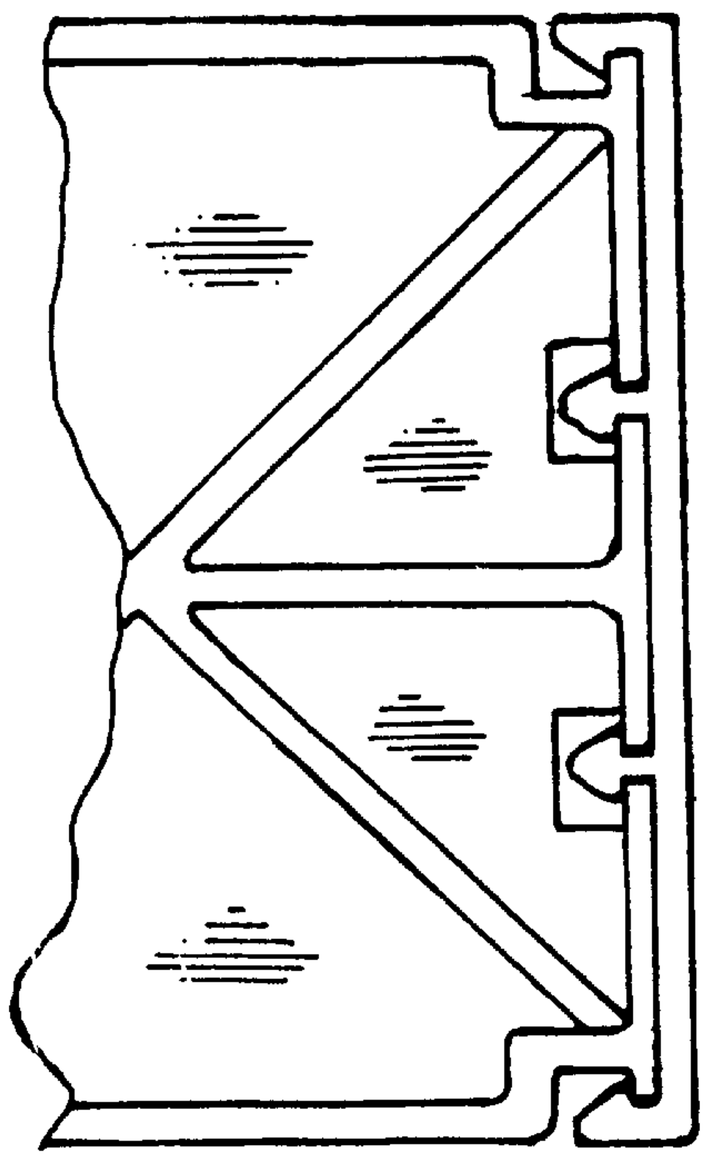

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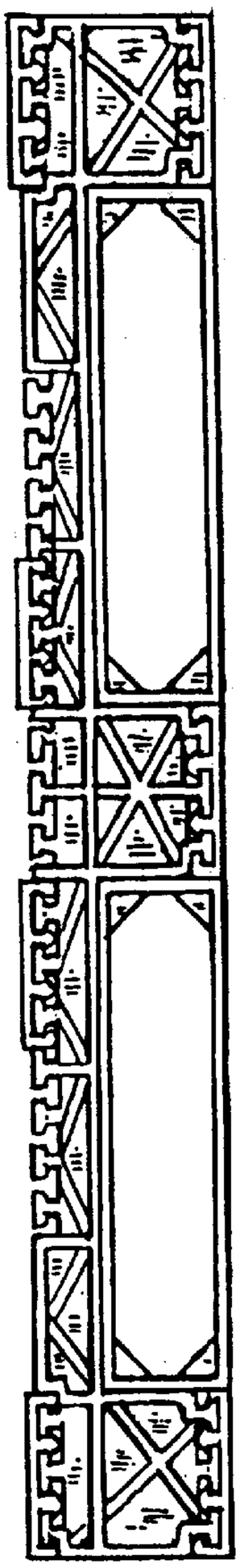

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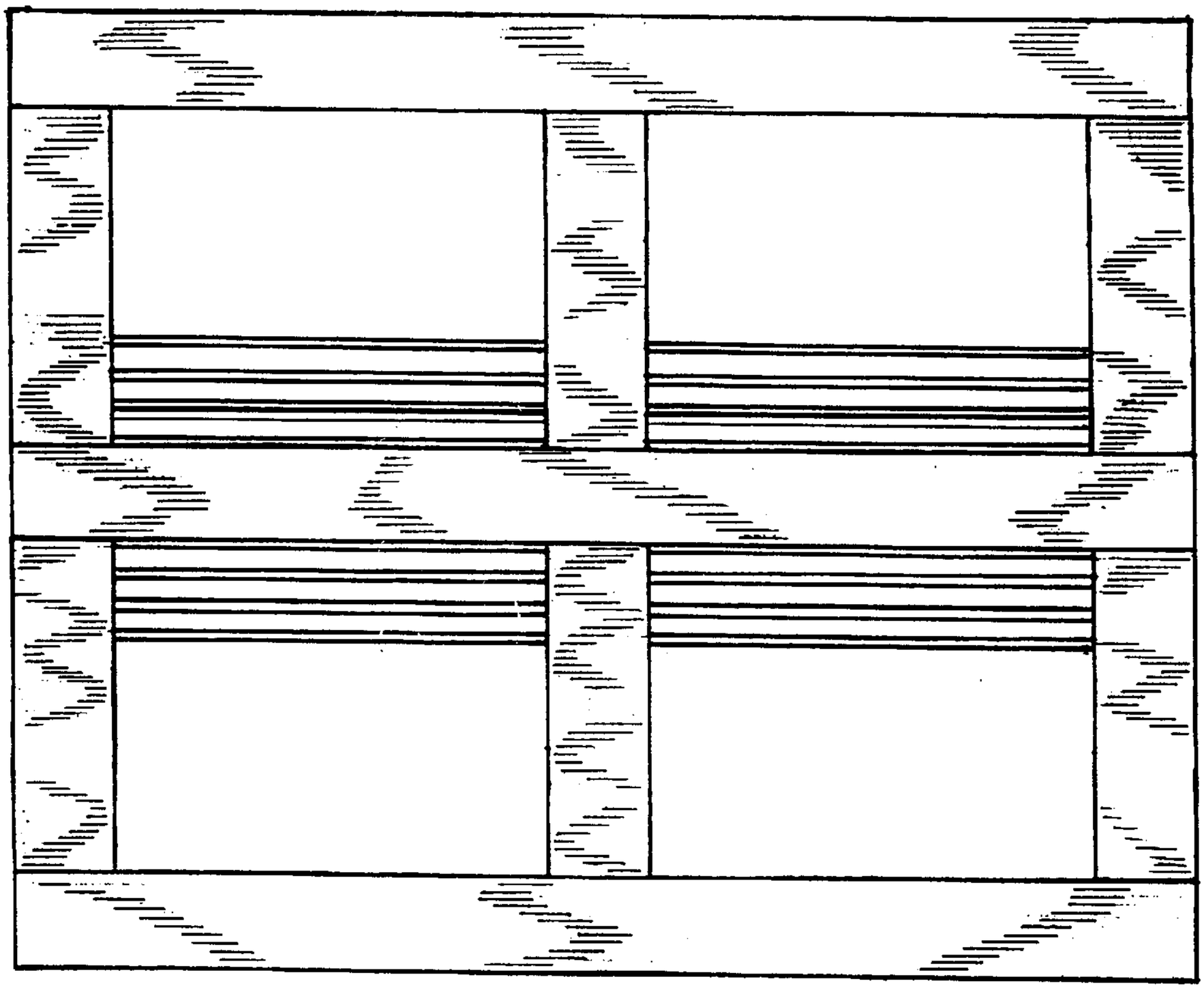

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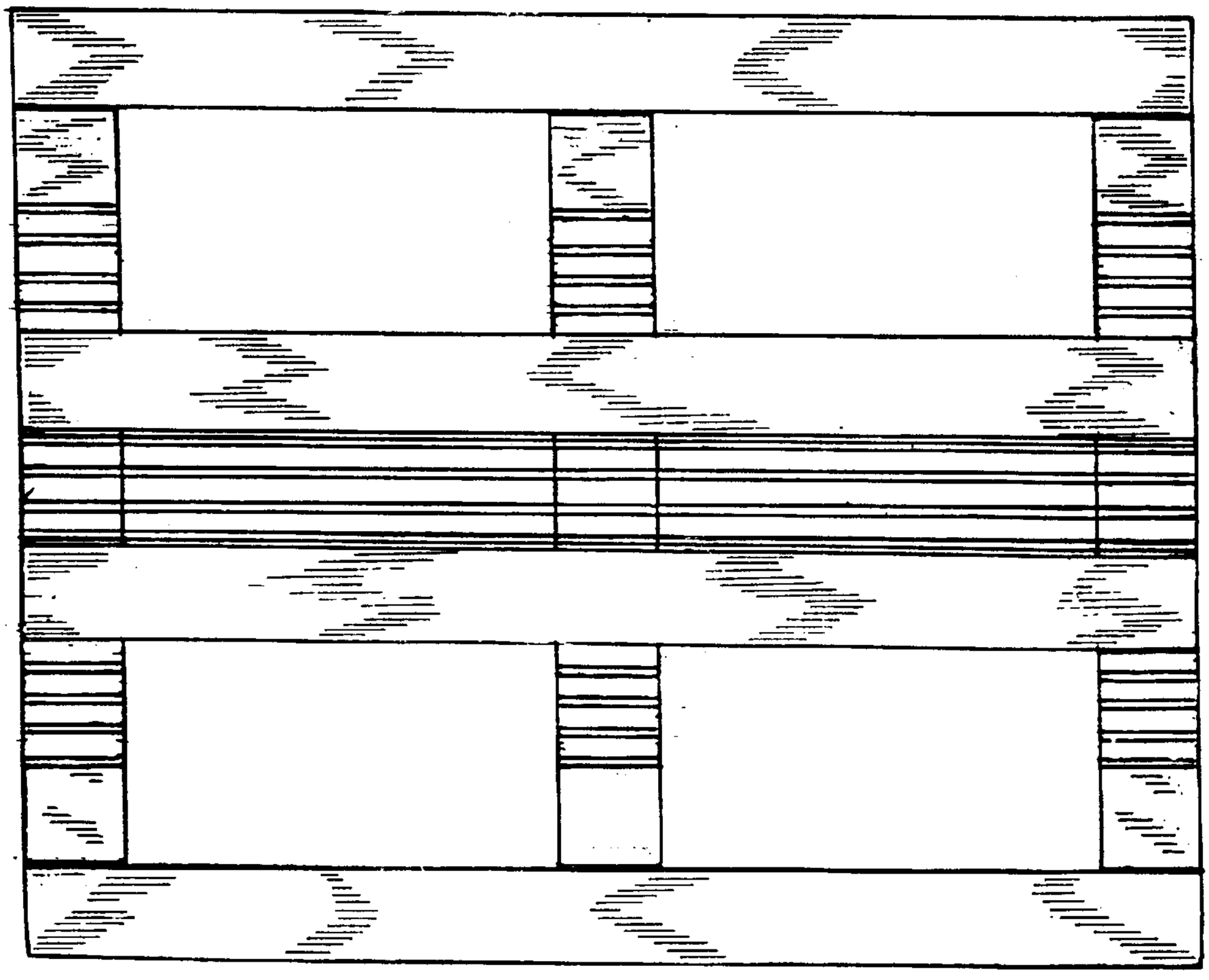

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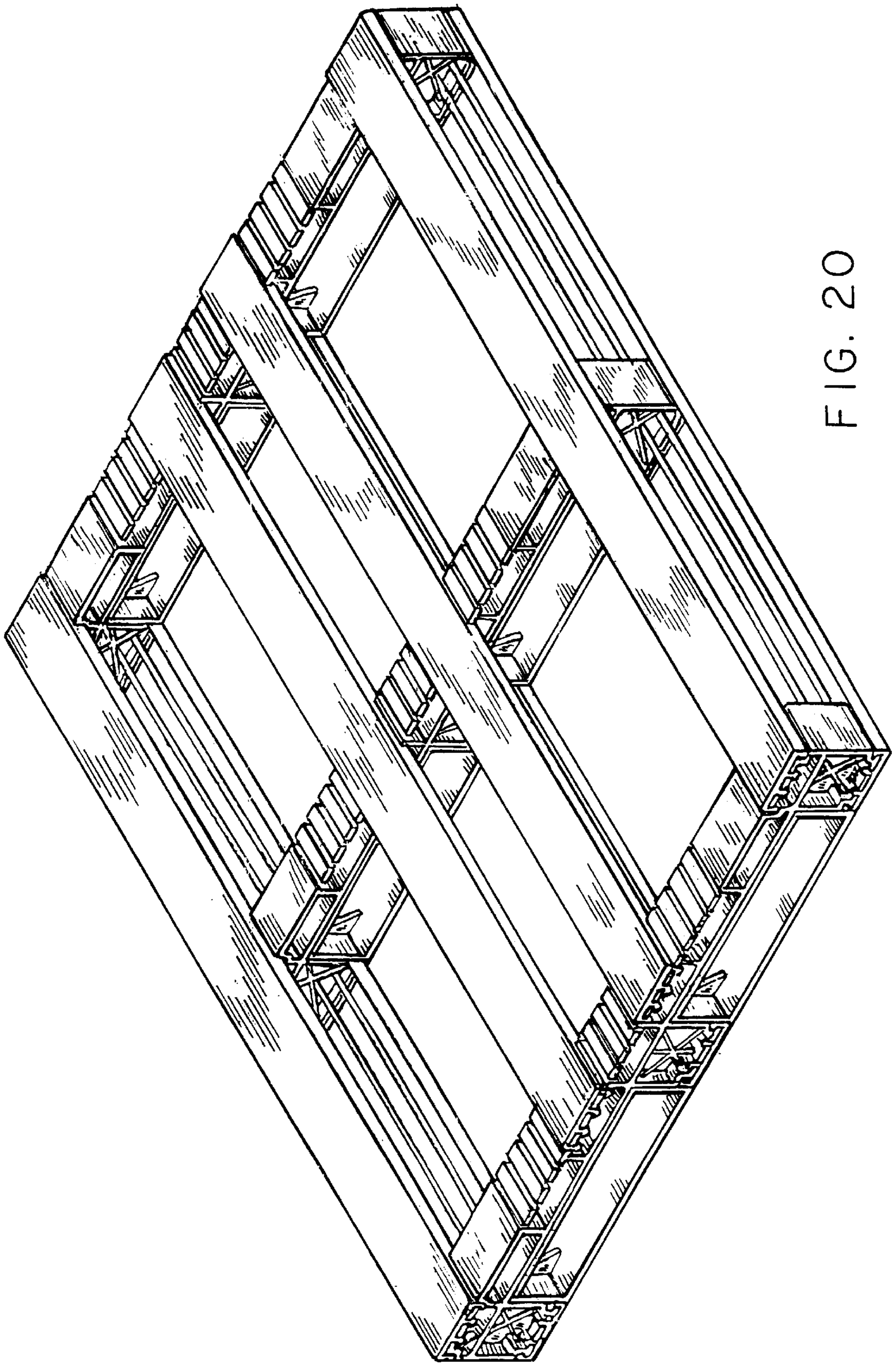

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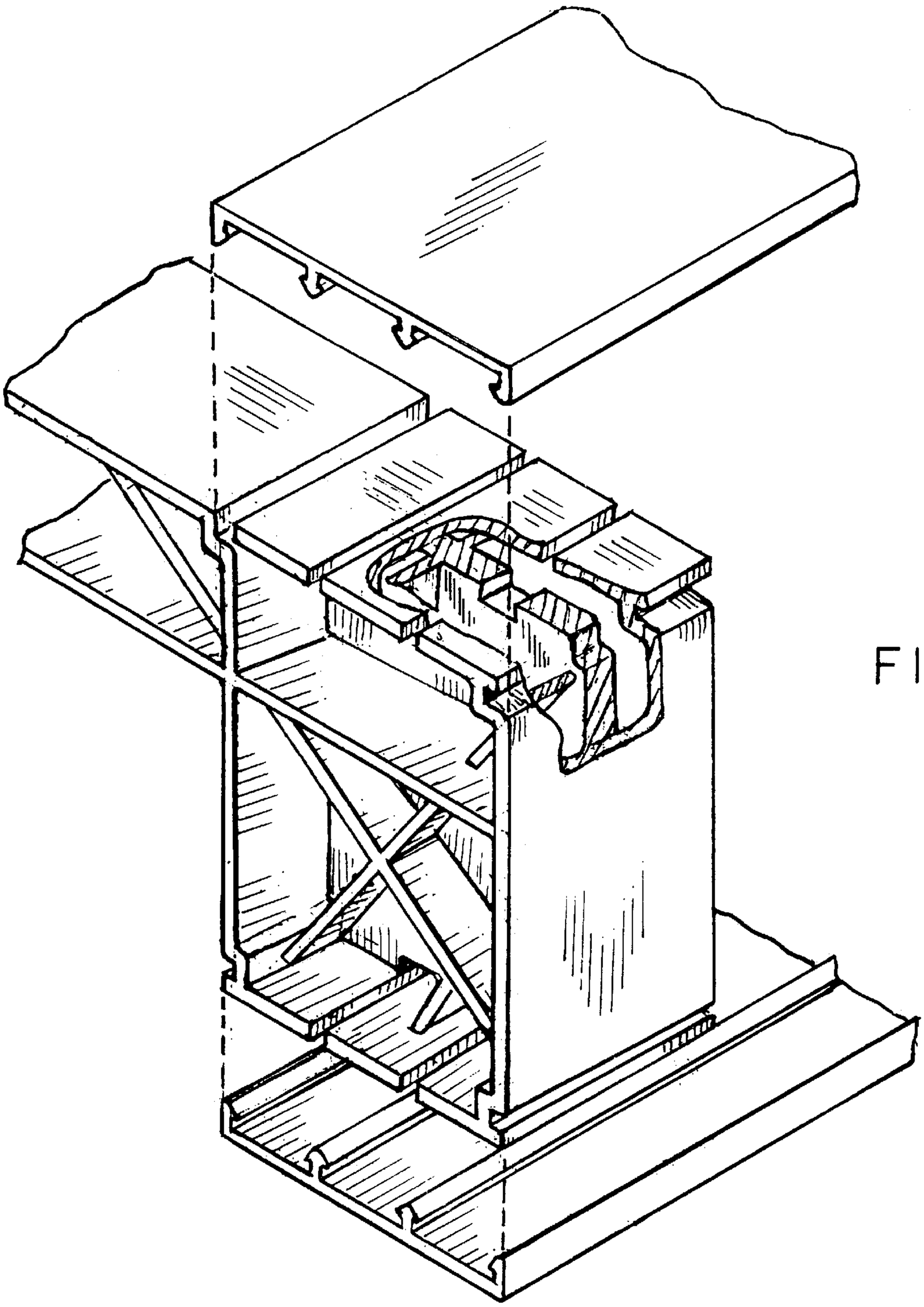

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