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[54] **BUCKLE**

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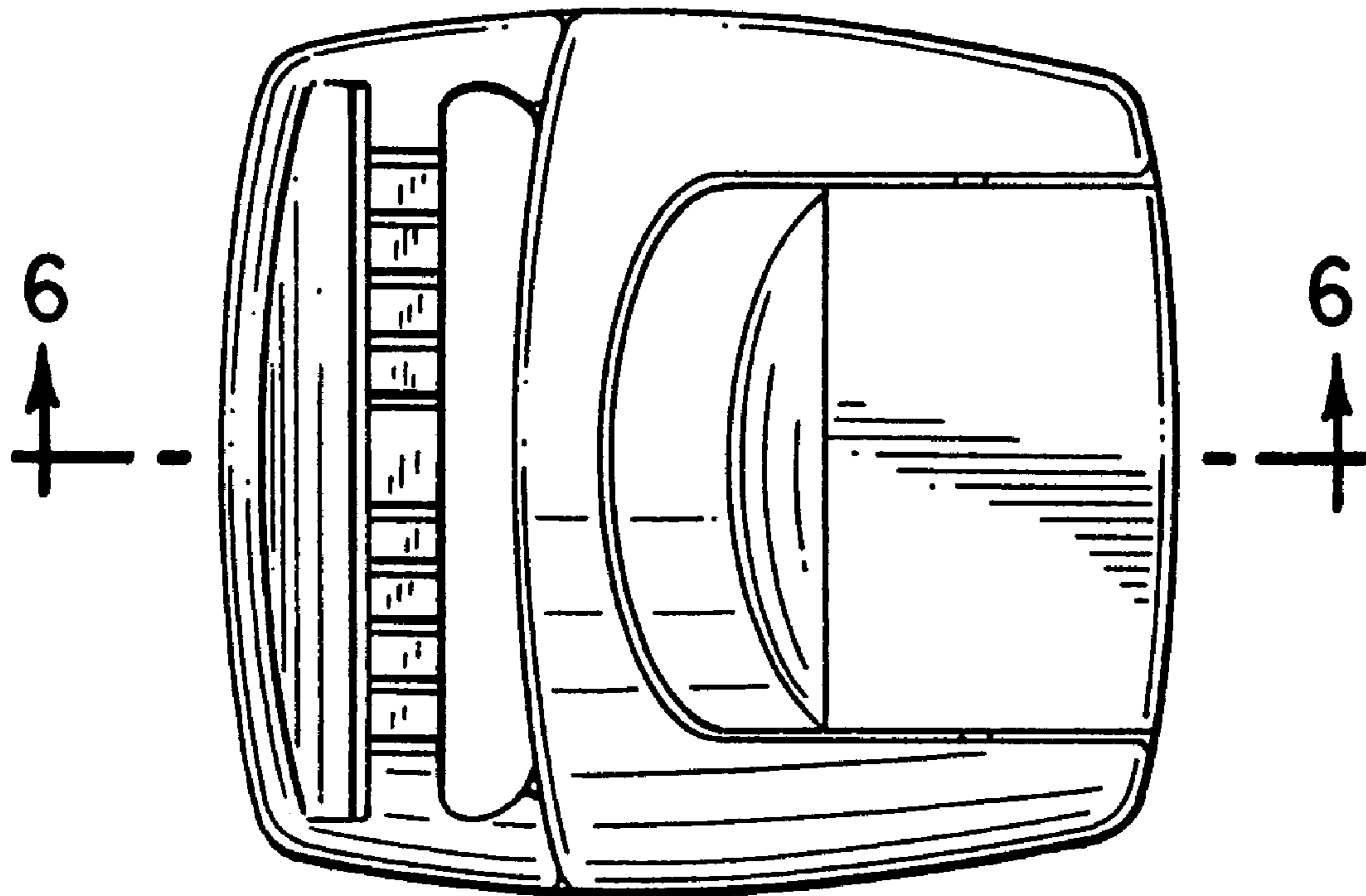
[57] **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a buckle, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a top plan view of a buckle showing my new design;  
FIG. 2 is a bottom plan view thereof;  
FIG. 3 is a front view thereof, the rear view being symmetrical to the front view;  
FIG. 4 is a left side view thereof;  
FIG. 5 is a right side view thereof;  
FIG. 6 is a cross sectional view taken along line 6—6 in FIG. 1;  
FIG. 7 is a top plan view of a male member of the buckle shown separately for convenience of illustration;  
FIG. 8 is a bottom plan view thereof;  
FIG. 9 is a front view thereof, the rear view being symmetrical to the front view;  
FIG. 10 is a left side view thereof;  
FIG. 11 is a right side view thereof;  
FIG. 12 is a cross sectional view taken along line 12—12 in FIG. 7;  
FIG. 13 is a top plan view of a female member of the buckle shown separately for convenience of illustration;  
FIG. 14 is a bottom plan view thereof;  
FIG. 15 is a front view thereof, the rear view being symmetrical to the front view;  
FIG. 16 is a left side view thereof;  
FIG. 17 is a right side view thereof; and,  
FIG. 18 is a cross sectional view taken along line 18—18 in FIG. 13.

**1 Claim, 6 Drawing Sheets**



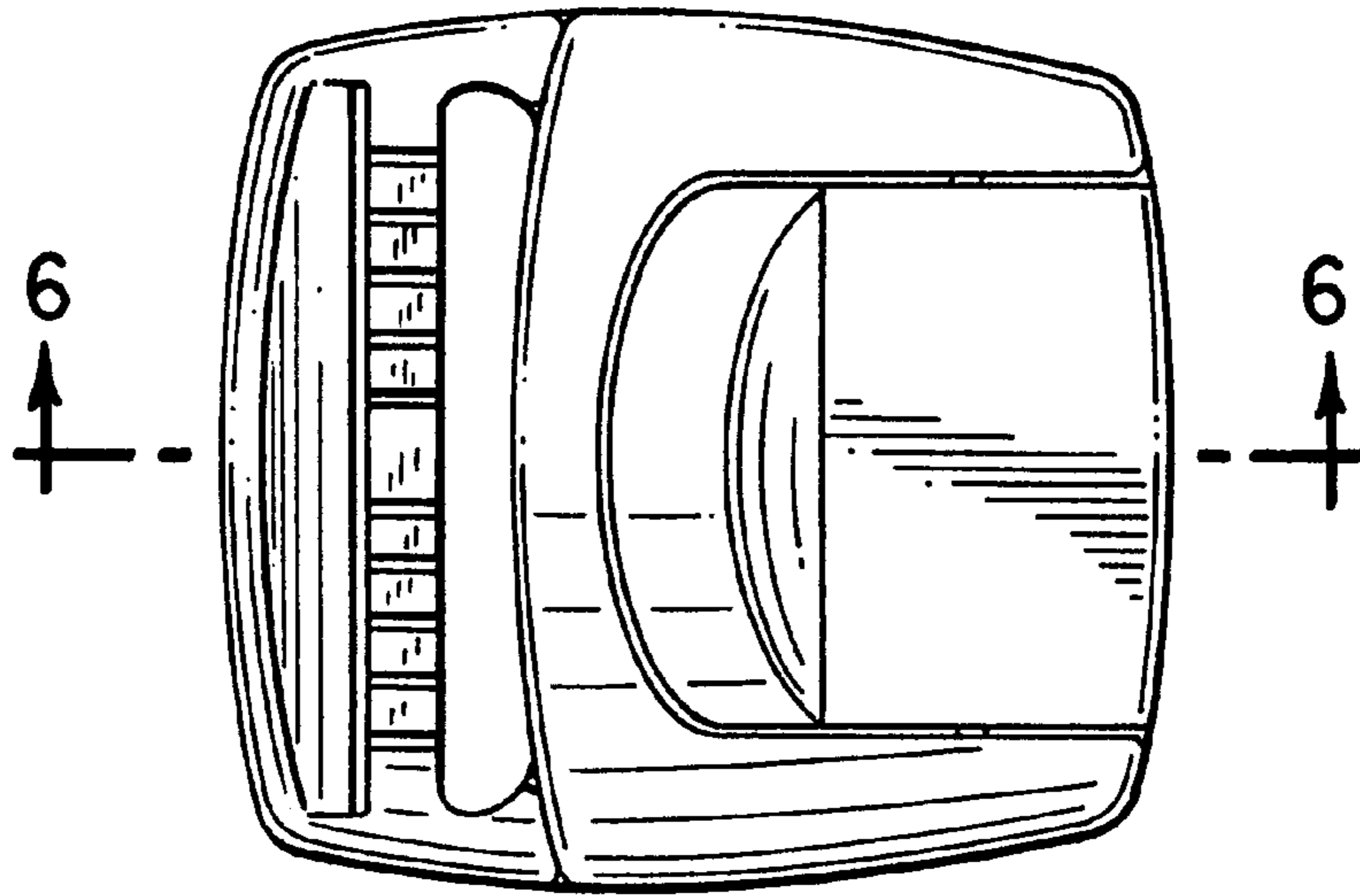


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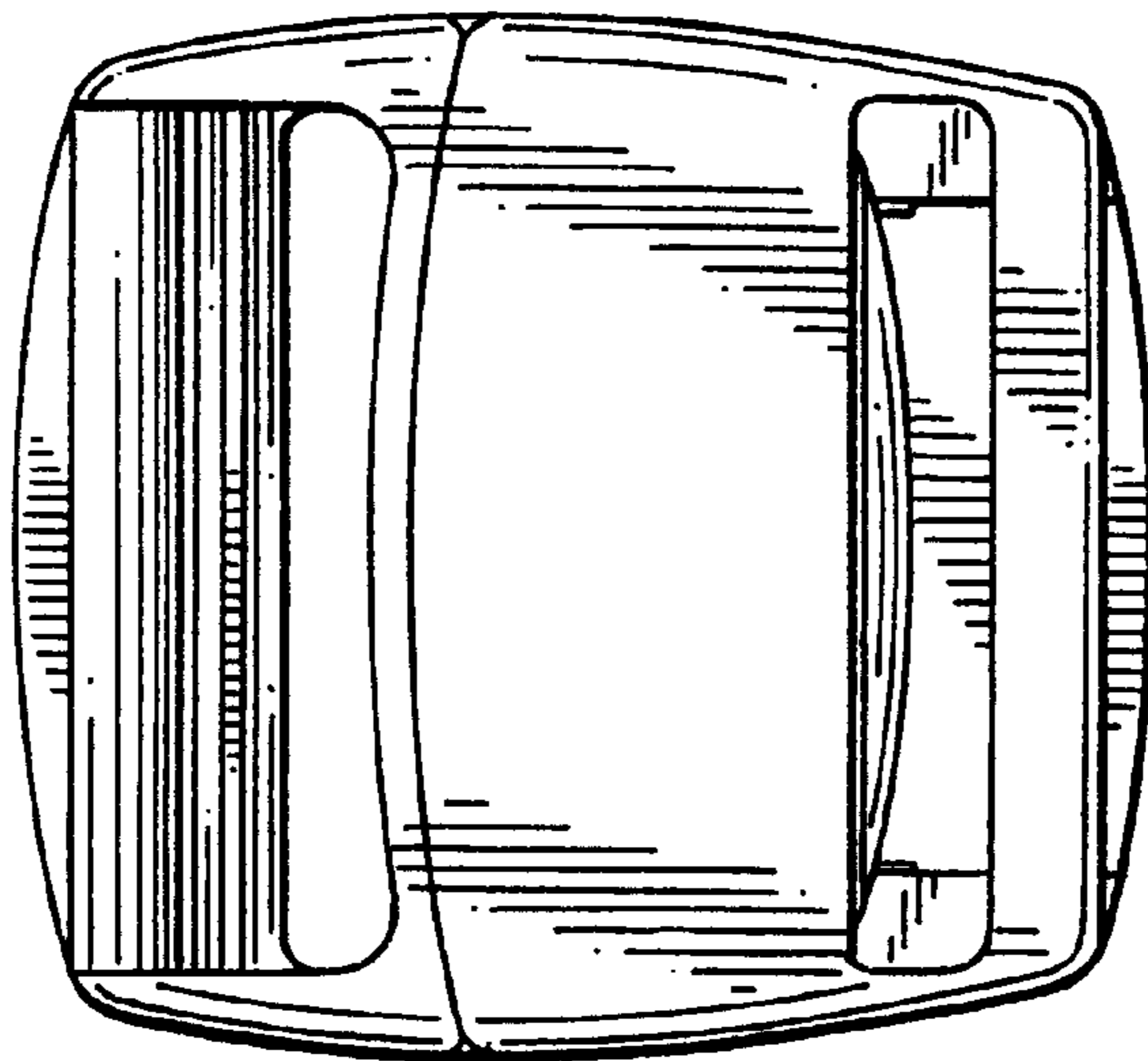


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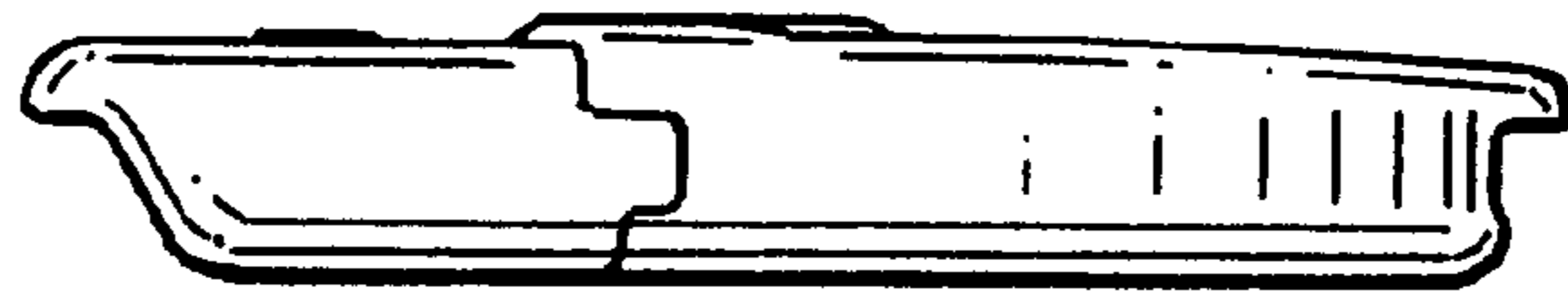


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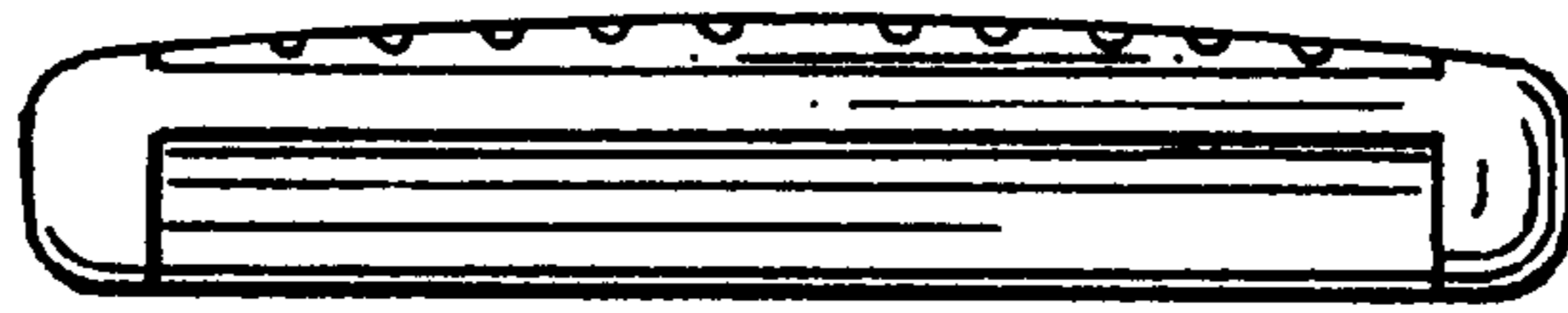


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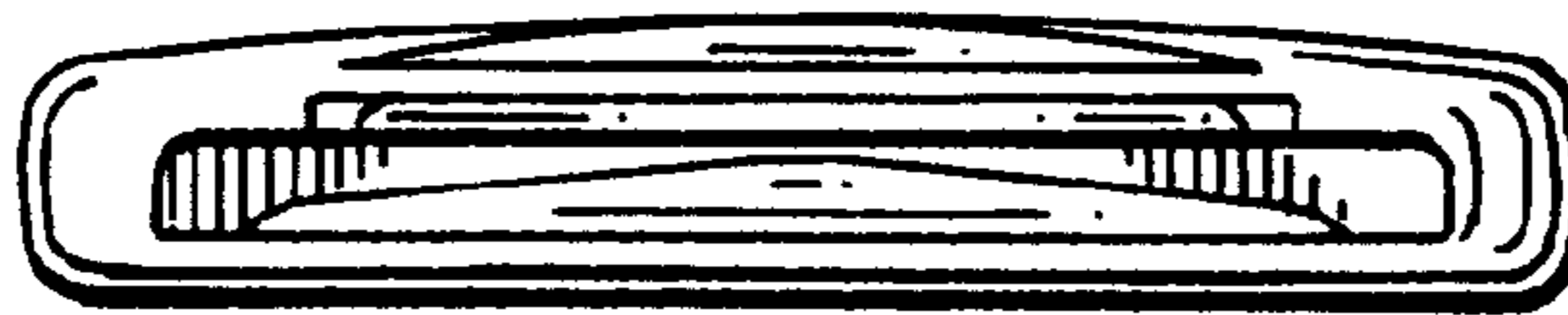


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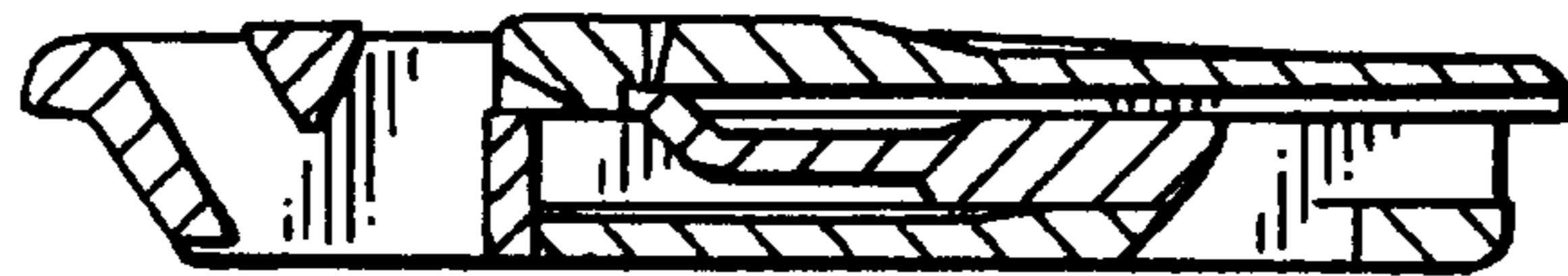


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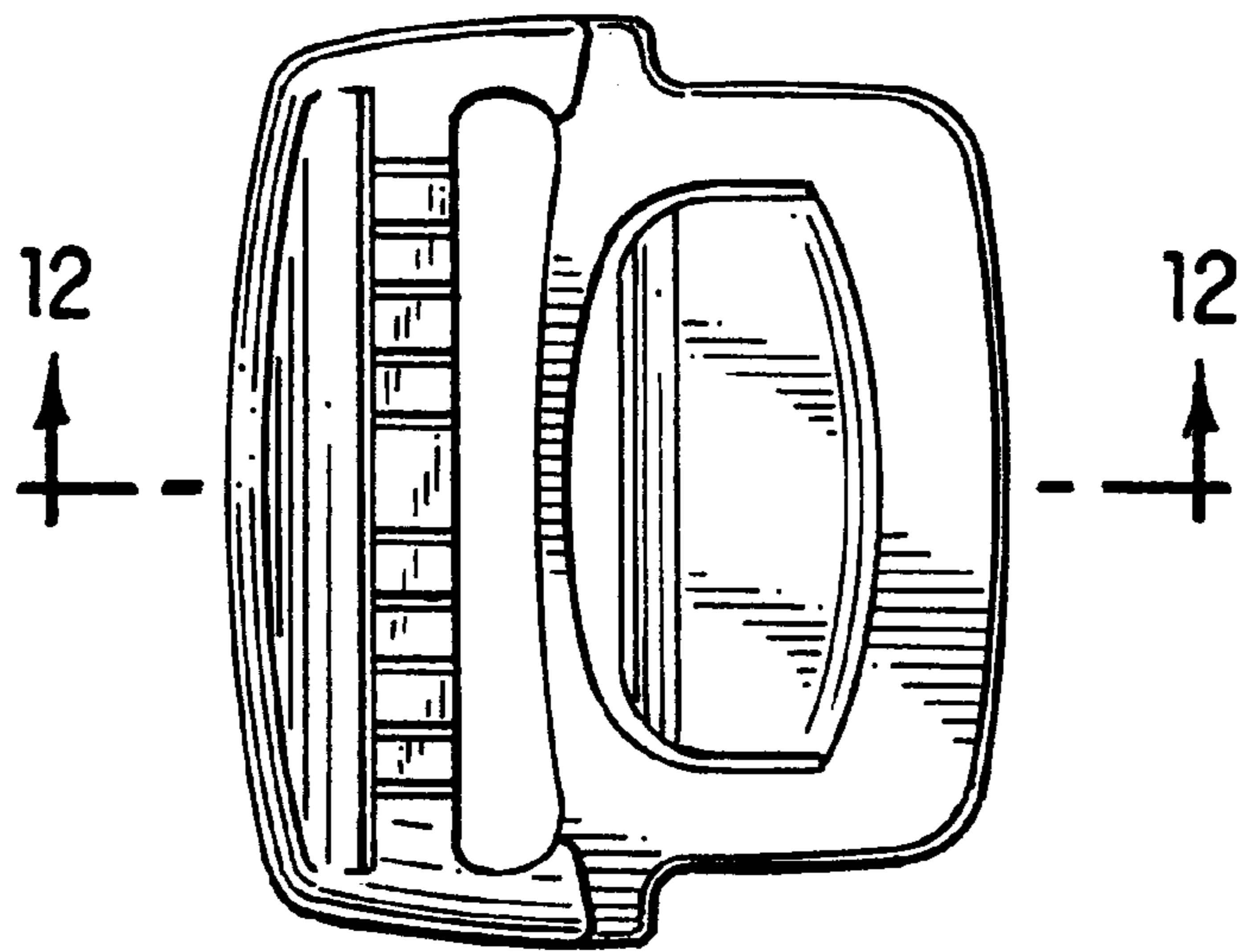


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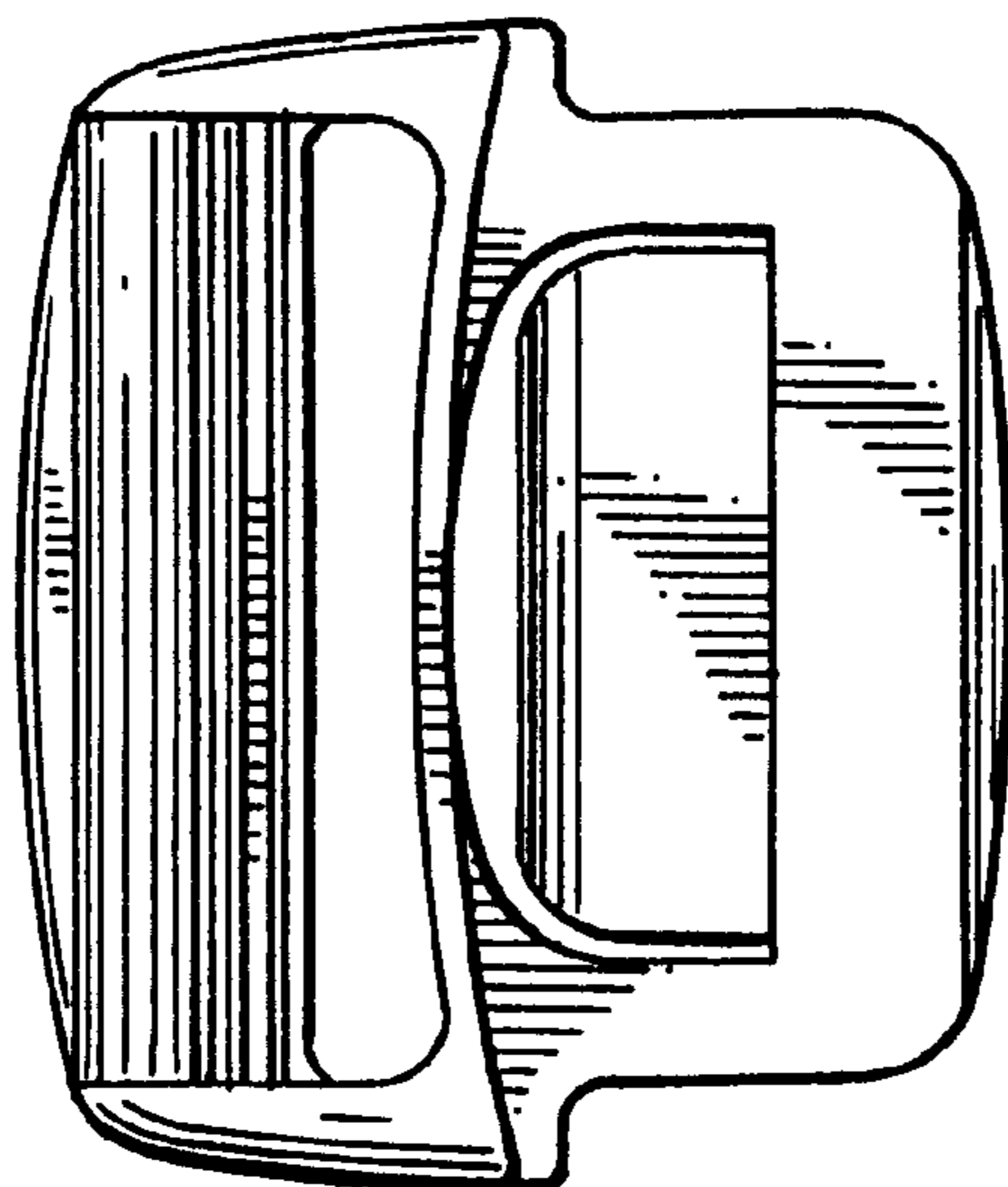


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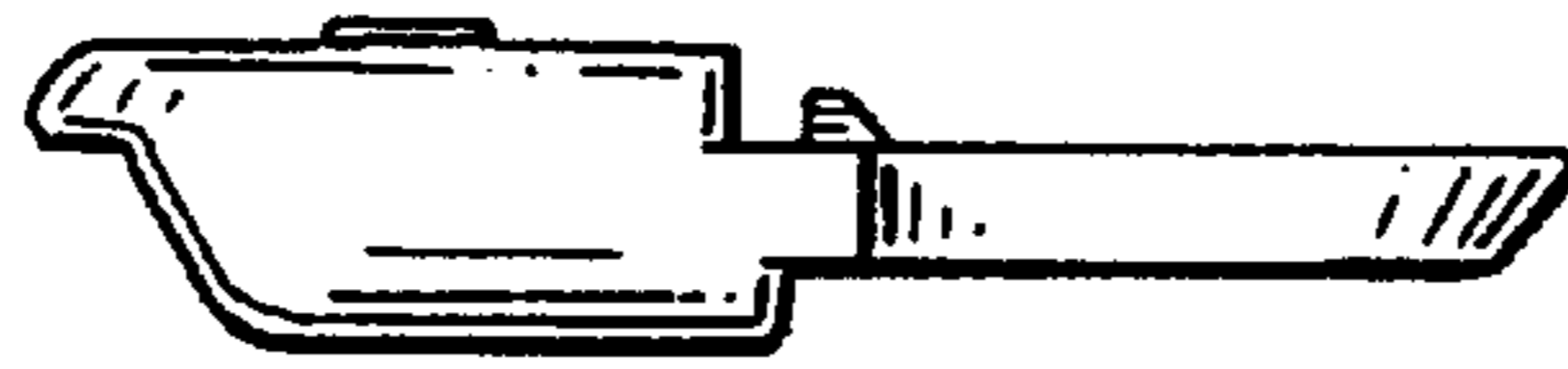


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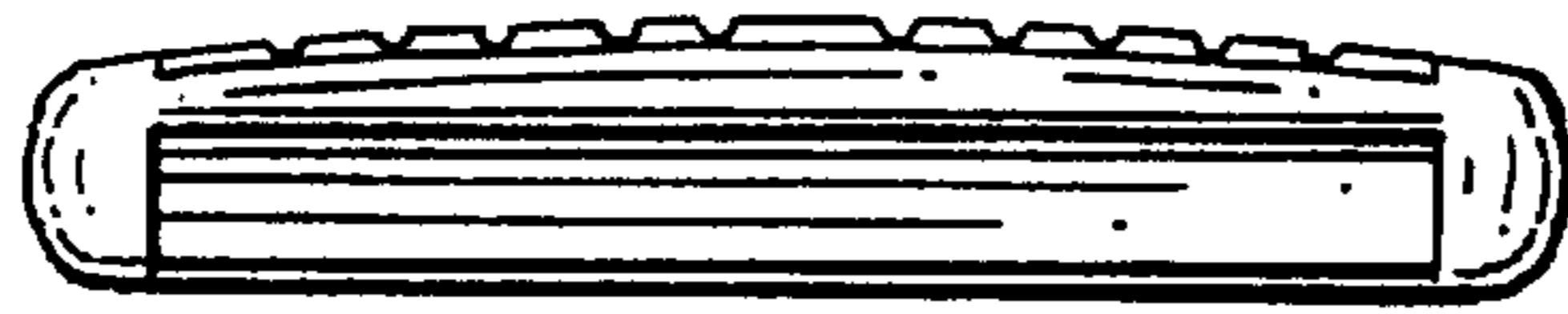


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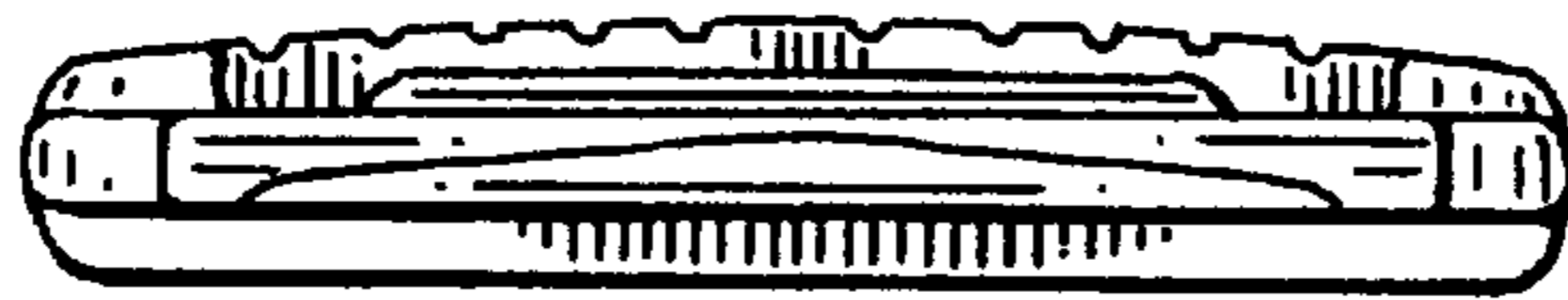


FIG. 11



FIG. 12

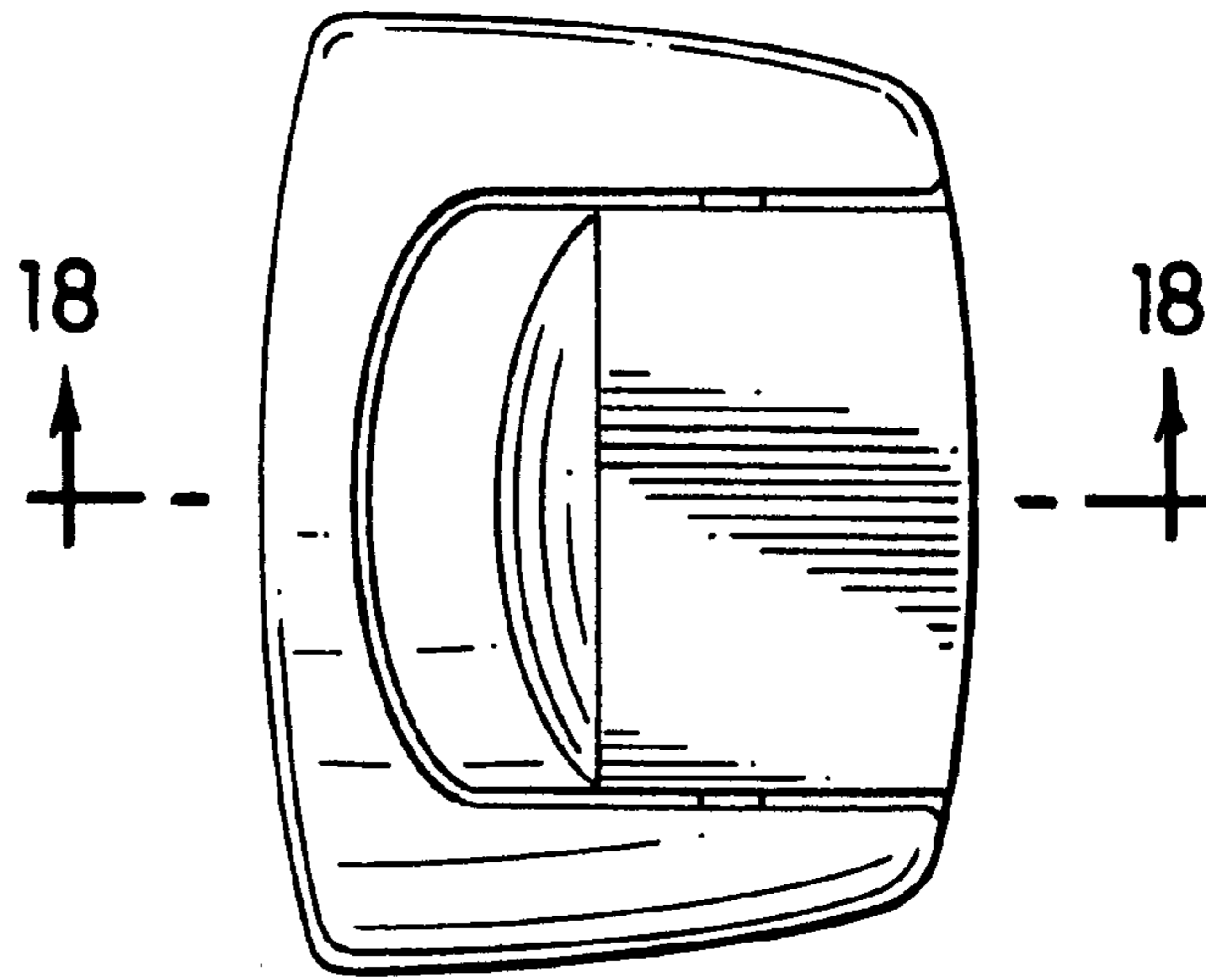


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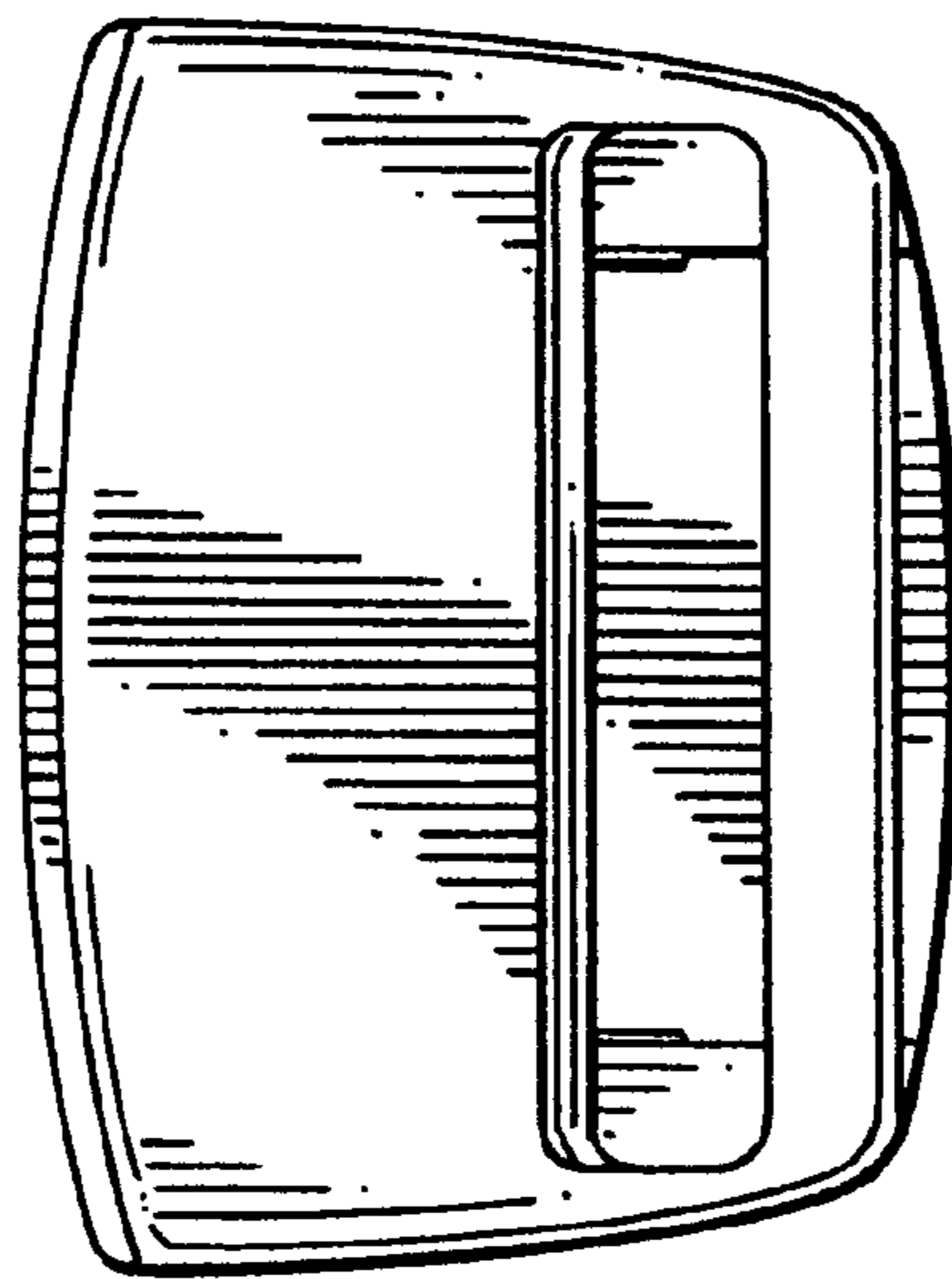


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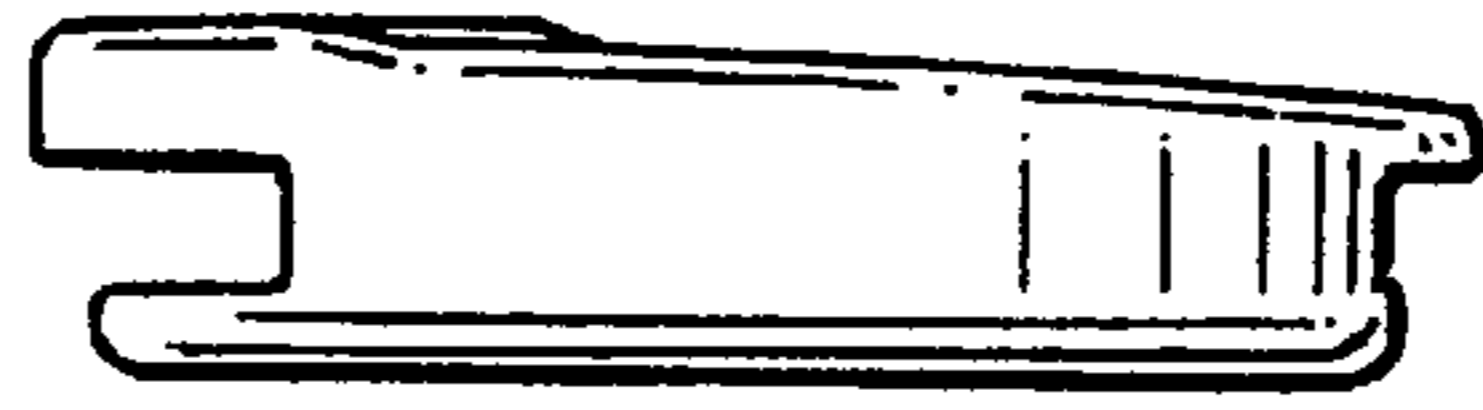


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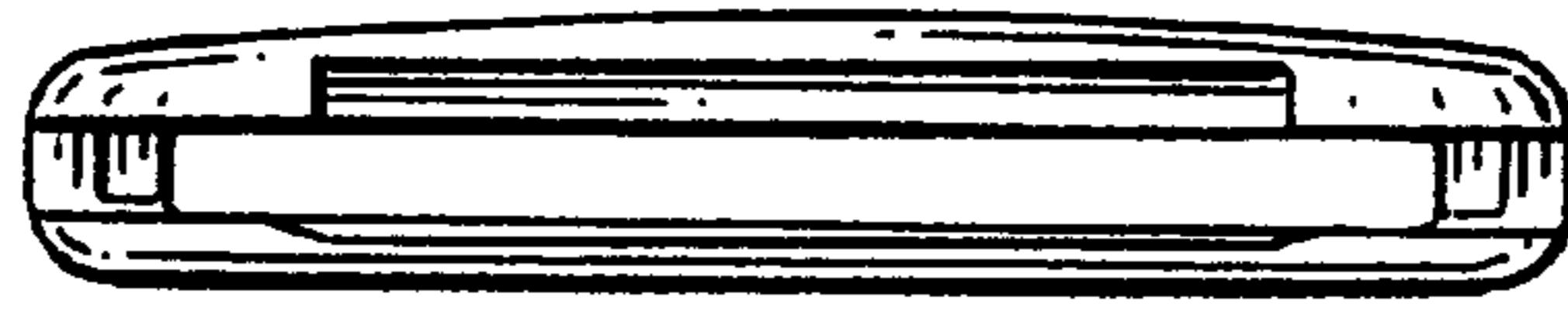


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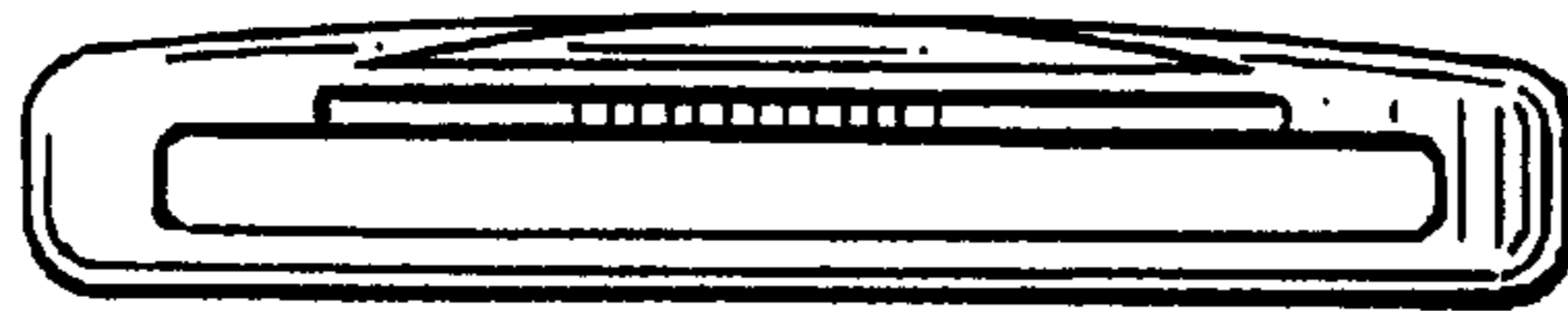


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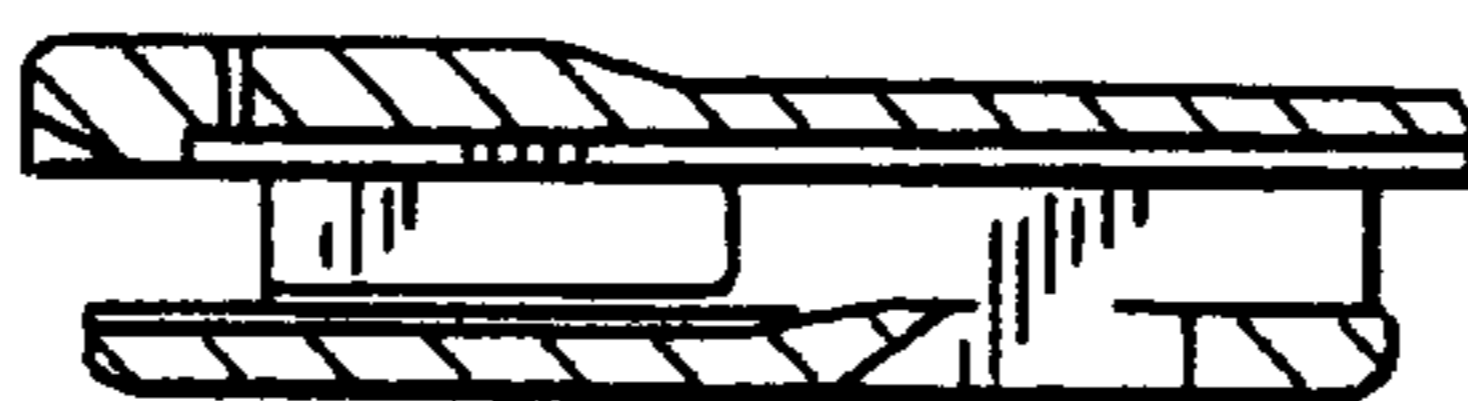


FIG. 18