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(54) **ERGONOMIC HANDLE FOR CARRYING BAGS**

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The ornamental design for an ergonomic handle for carrying bags, as shown and described.

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**DESCRIPTION**

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of the handle with the top panel closed;

FIG. 2 is an end view of the handle with the top panel closed, the opposite end view being a mirror image thereof;

FIG. 3 is a side view of the handle with the top panel closed, the opposite side view being identical thereto;

FIG. 4 is a top view of the handle with the top panel closed;

FIG. 5 is a bottom view of the handle;

FIG. 6 is a perspective view of the handle with the top panel open;

FIG. 7 is an end view of the handle with the top panel open, the opposite end view being a mirror image thereof;

FIG. 8 is a side view of the handle with the top panel open, the opposite side view being identical thereto;

FIG. 9 is a top view of the handle with the top panel open;

FIG. 10 is a perspective view of an alternate embodiment of the handle, having no top panel, it being understood that the end, top and bottom views thereof are substantially the same as those shown and described in FIGS. 3, 5 & 9;

FIG. 11 is a end view of the alternate embodiment of the handle, depicted in FIG. 10, the opposite end view being a mirror image thereof; and,

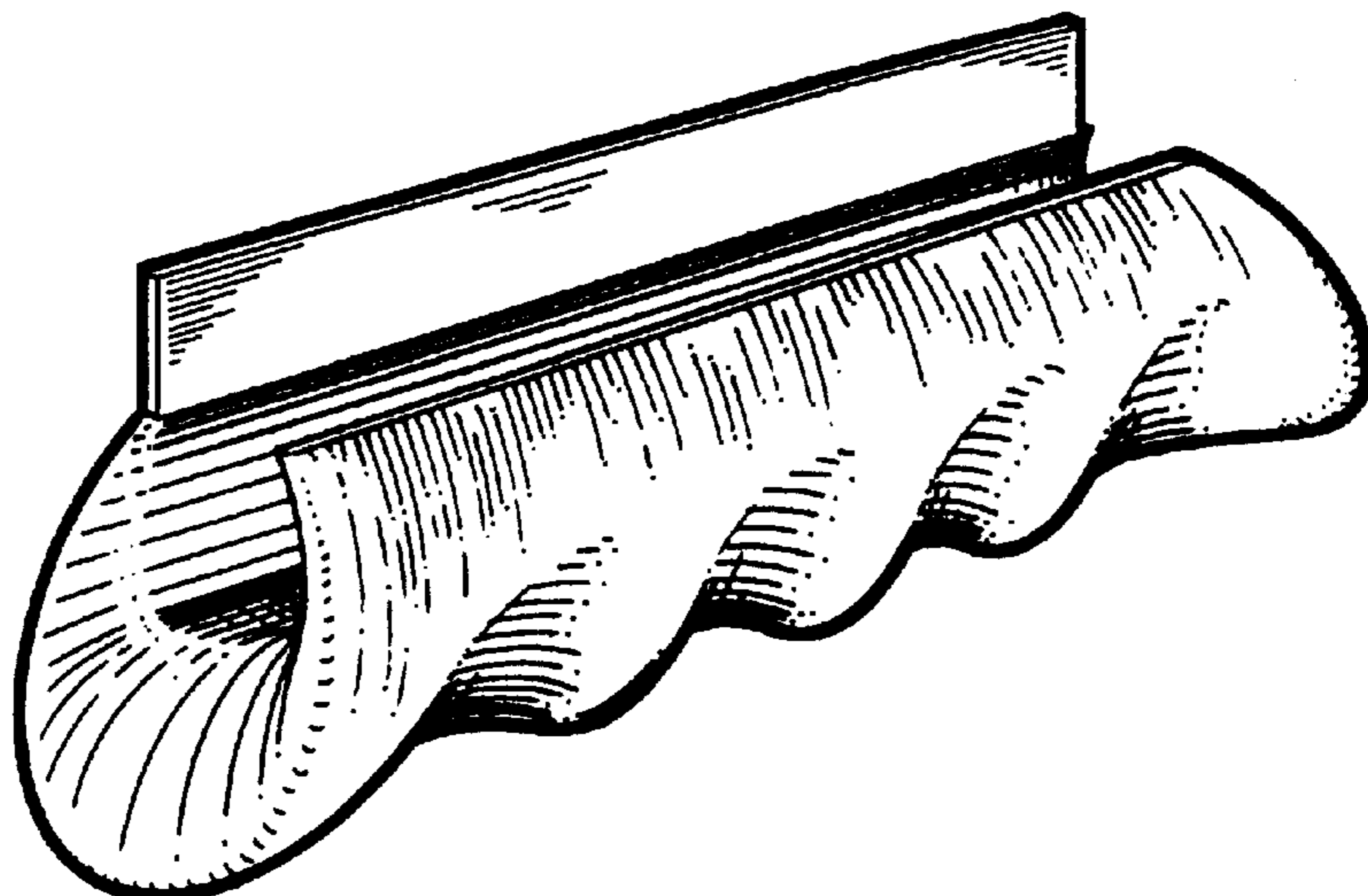
FIG. 12 is a side view of the handle when used as a bag carrying device; the broken lines in this figure showing the outline of the hand and of the bag form no part of the claimed design, but illustrate how the handle is used to carry a bag and how it can be ergonomically gripped and held by the hand.

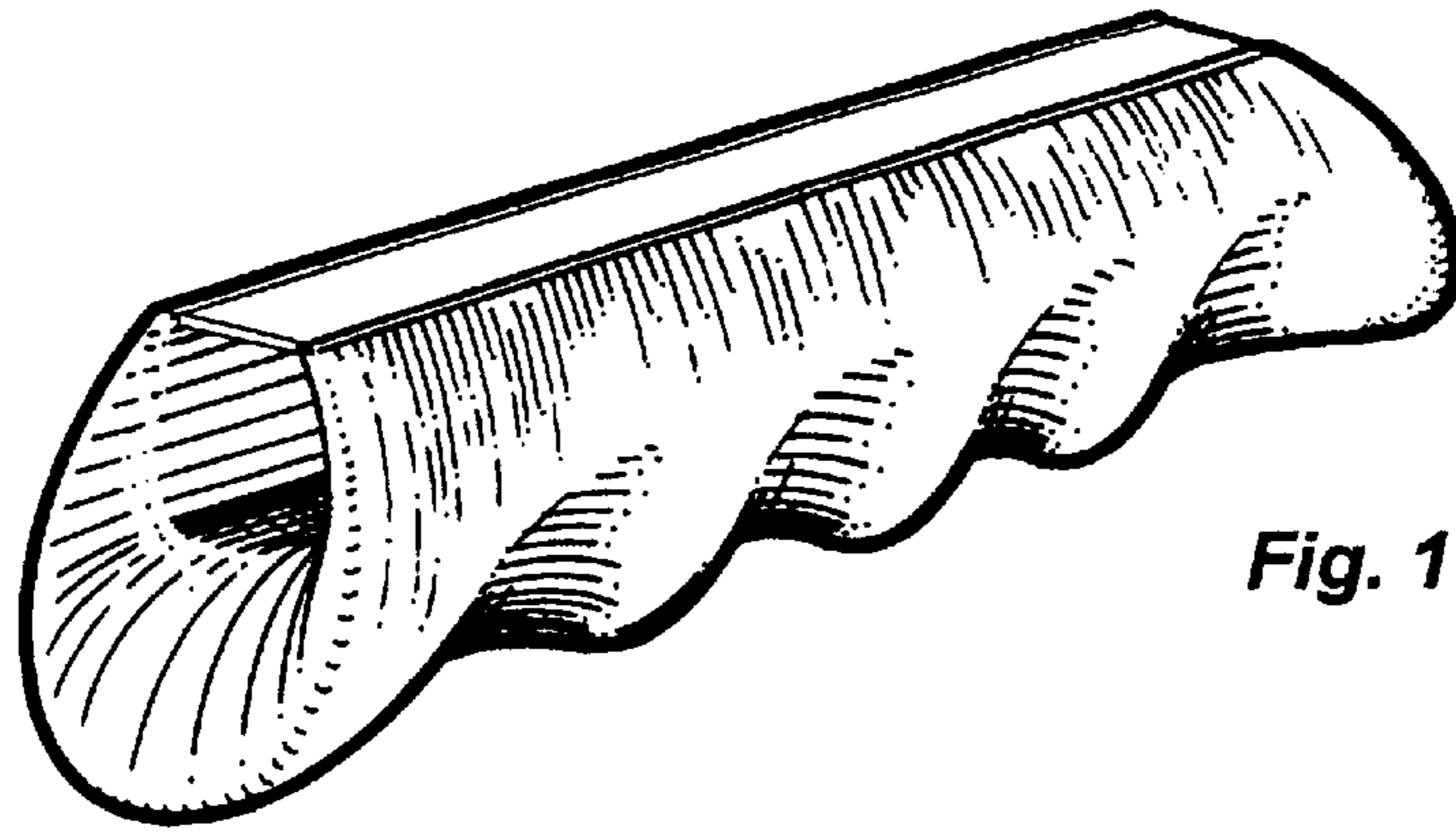
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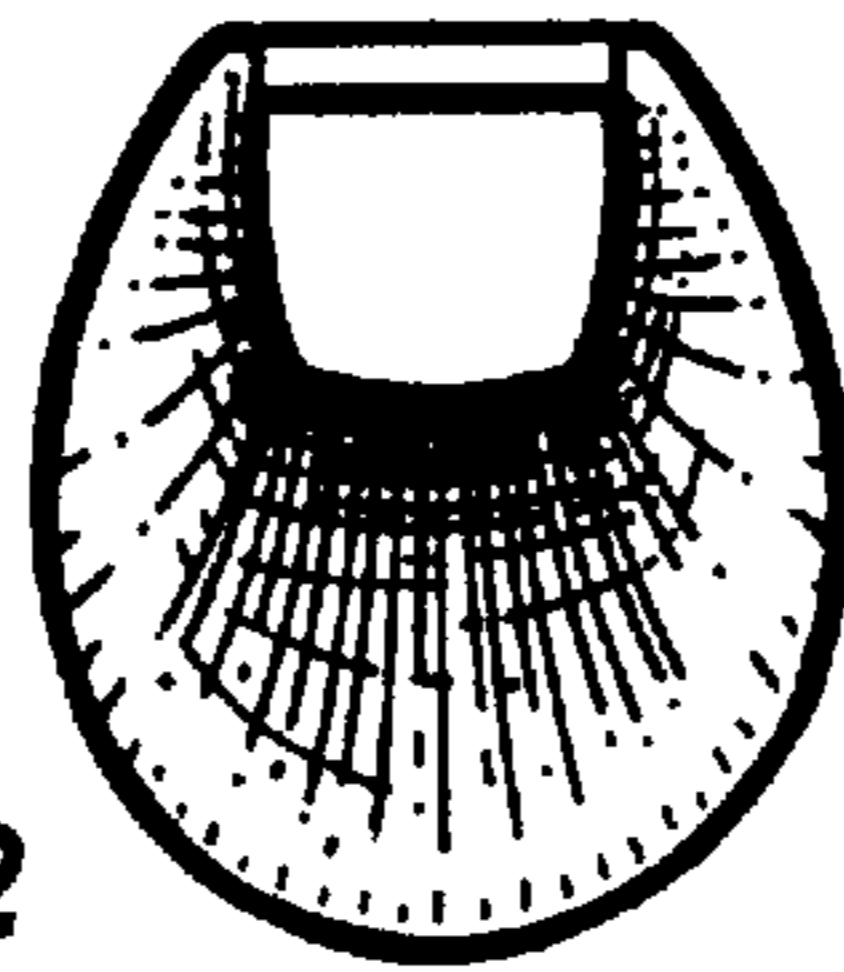
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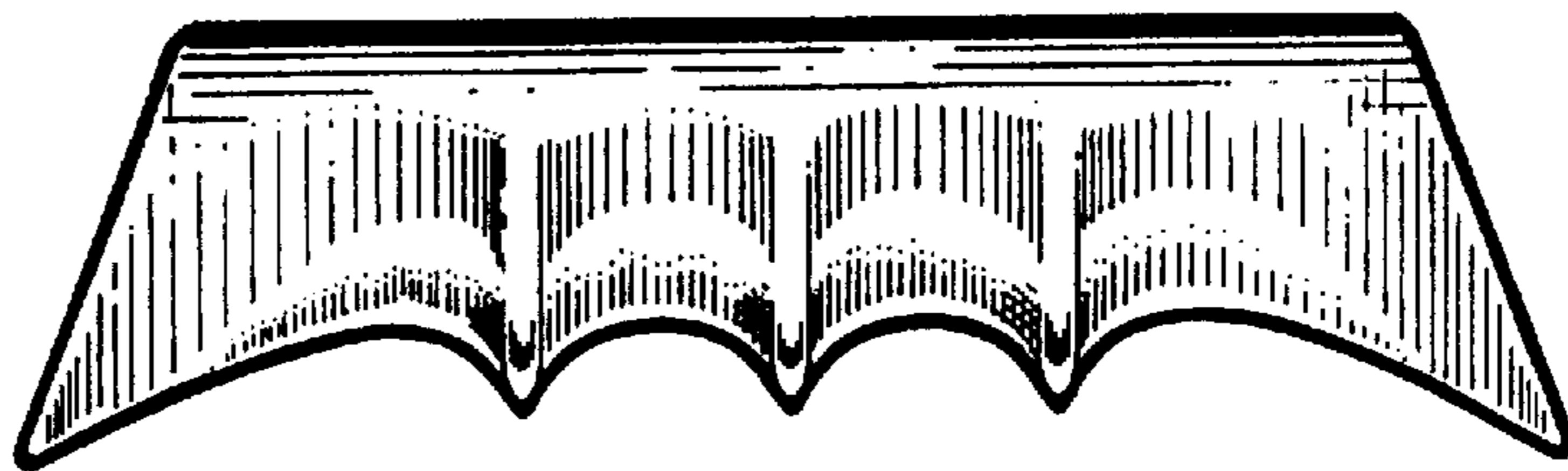




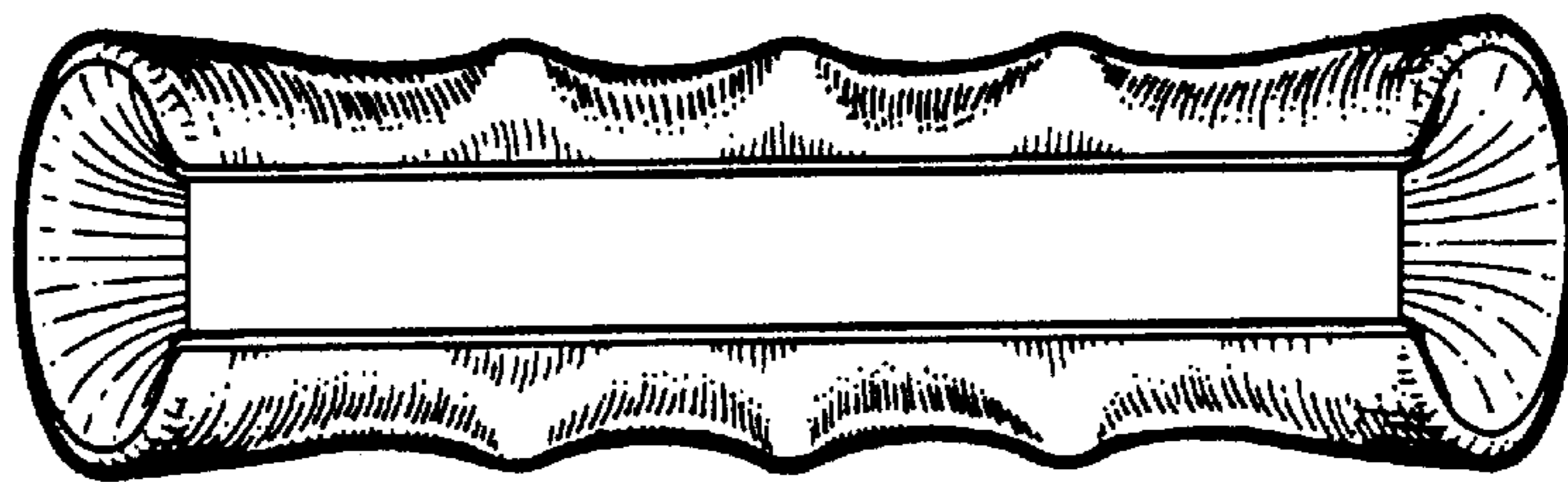
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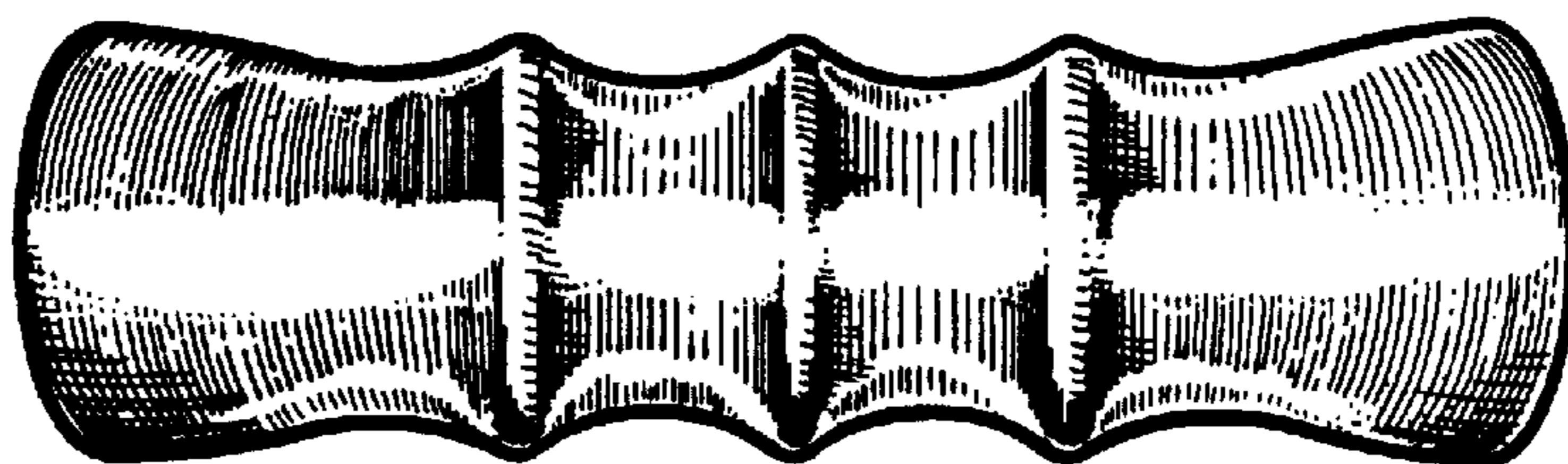
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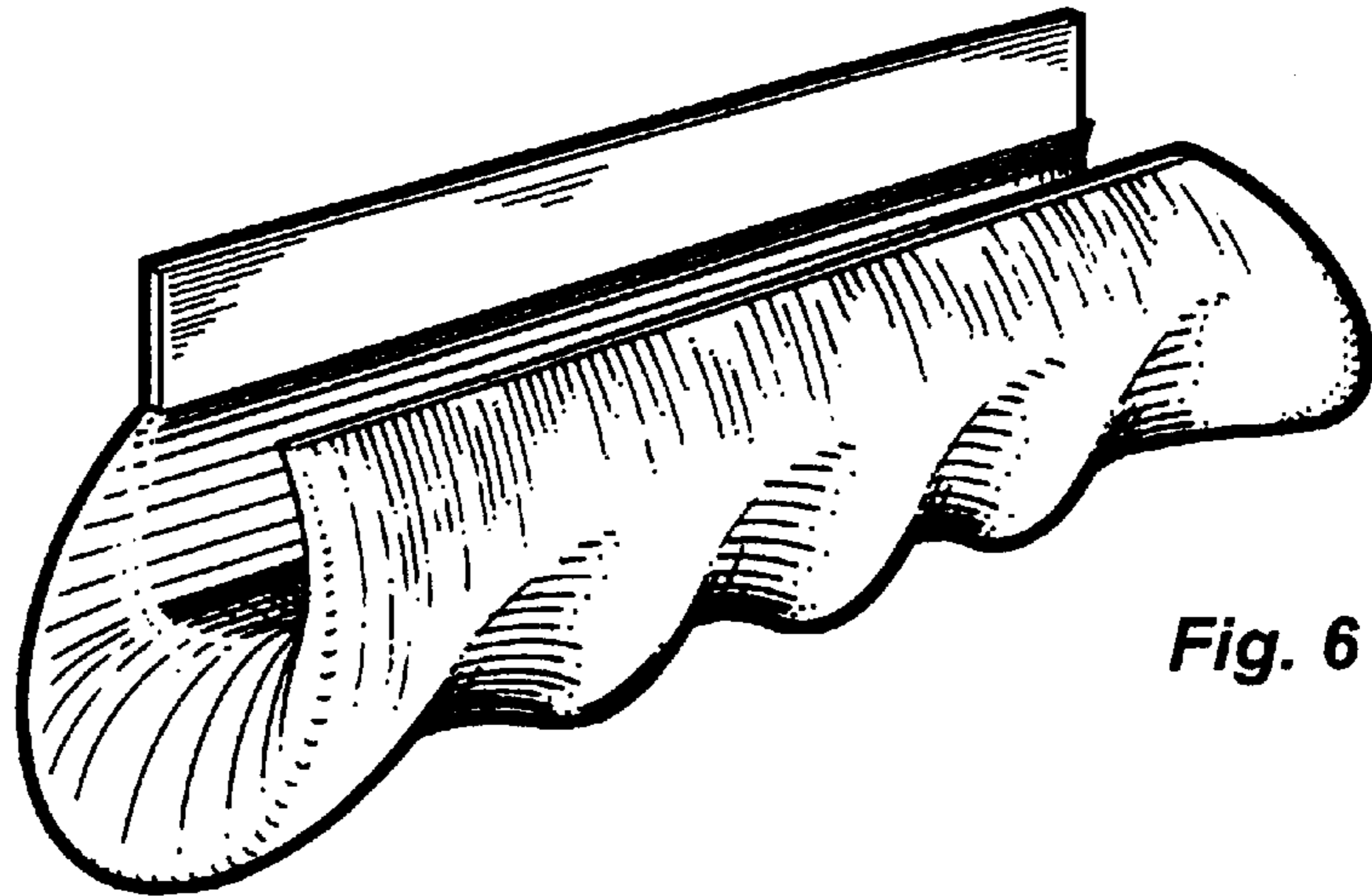
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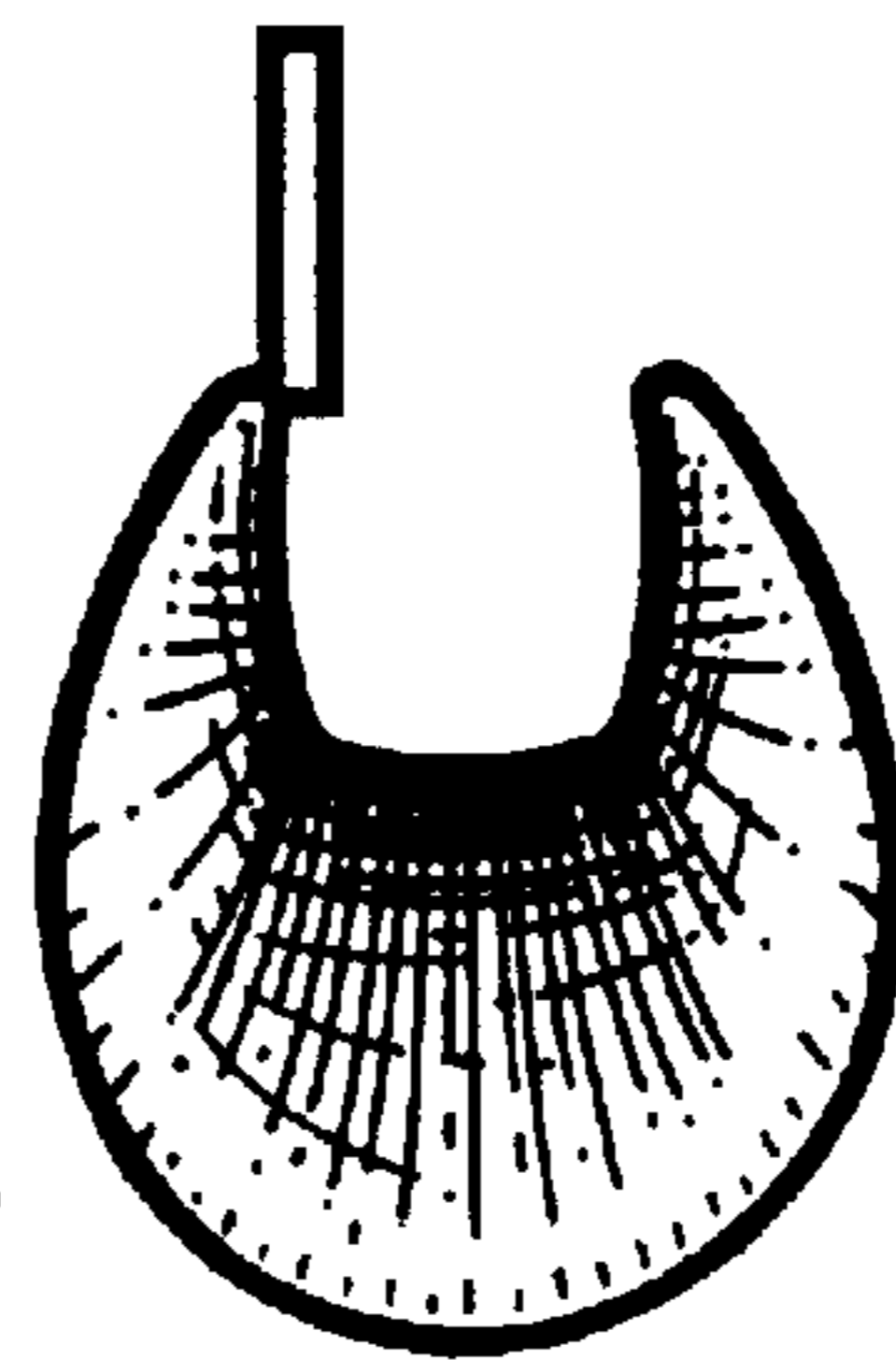
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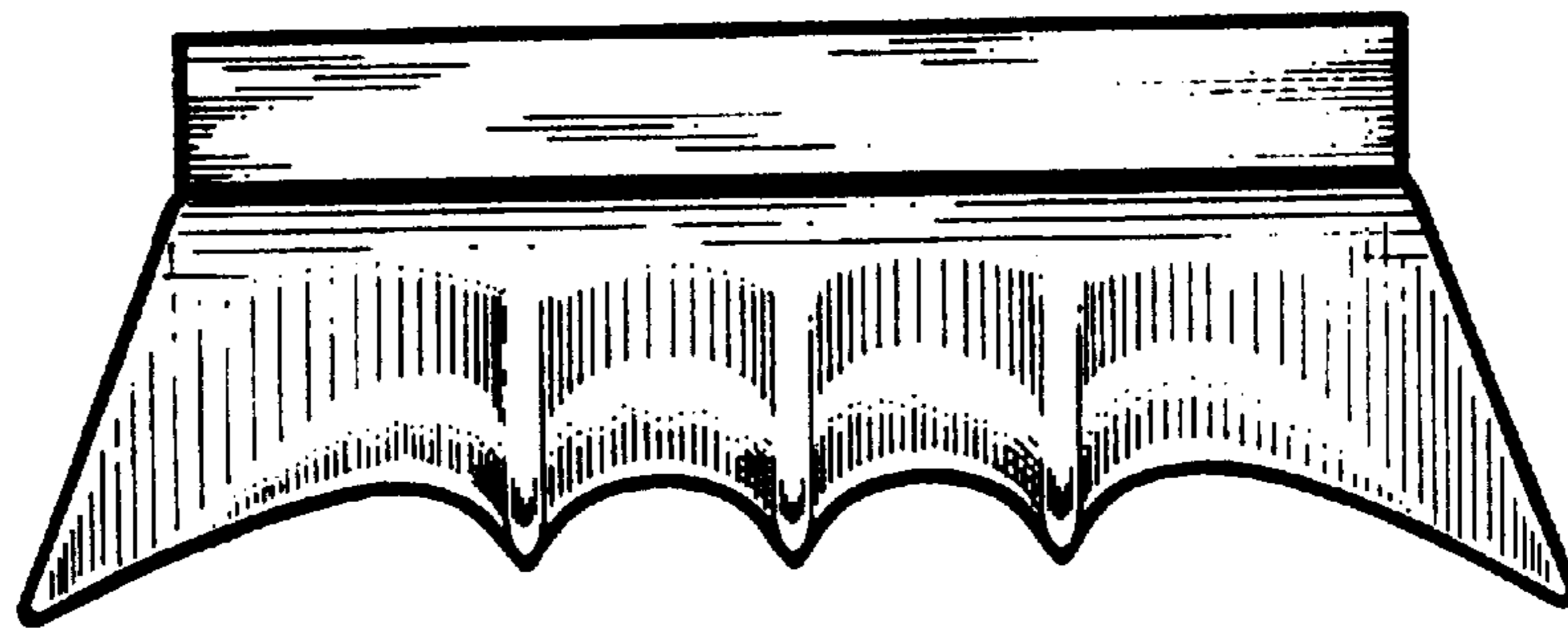
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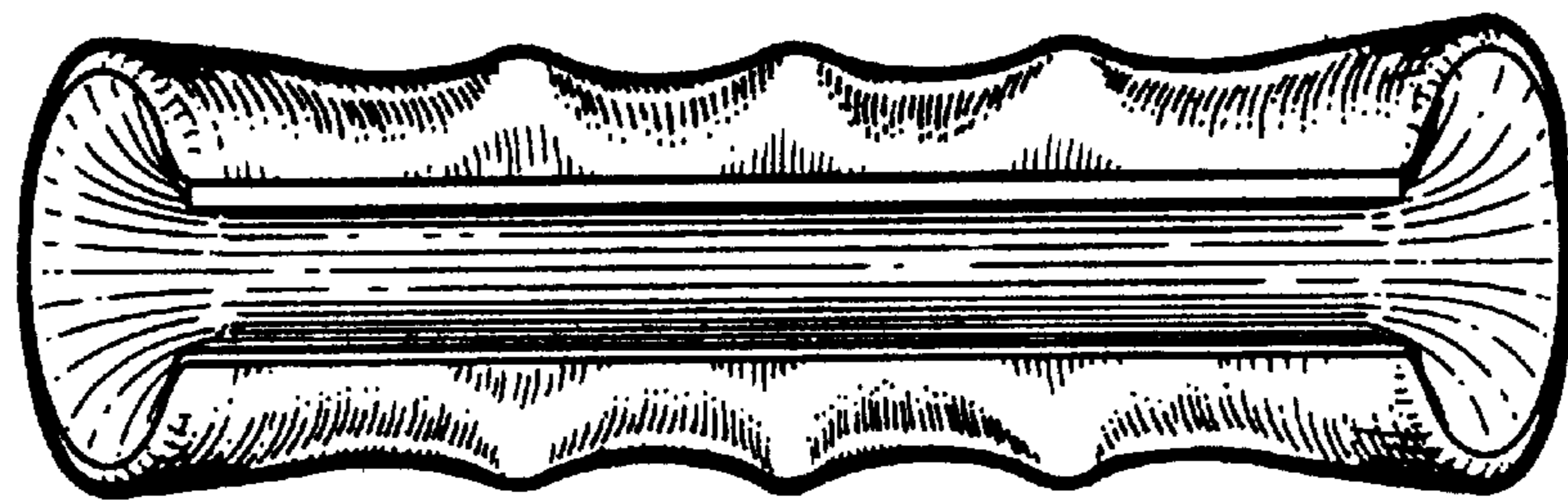
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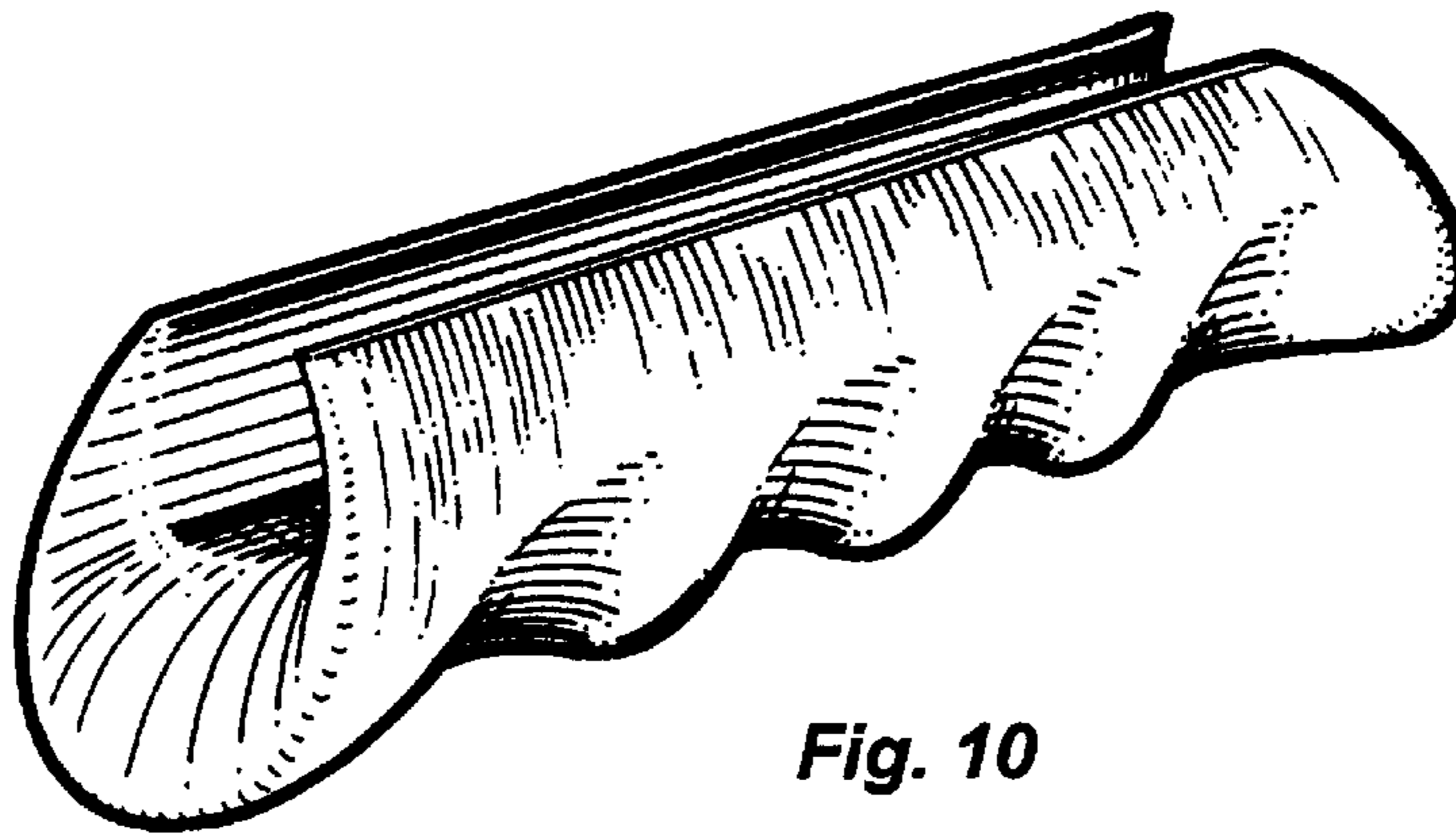
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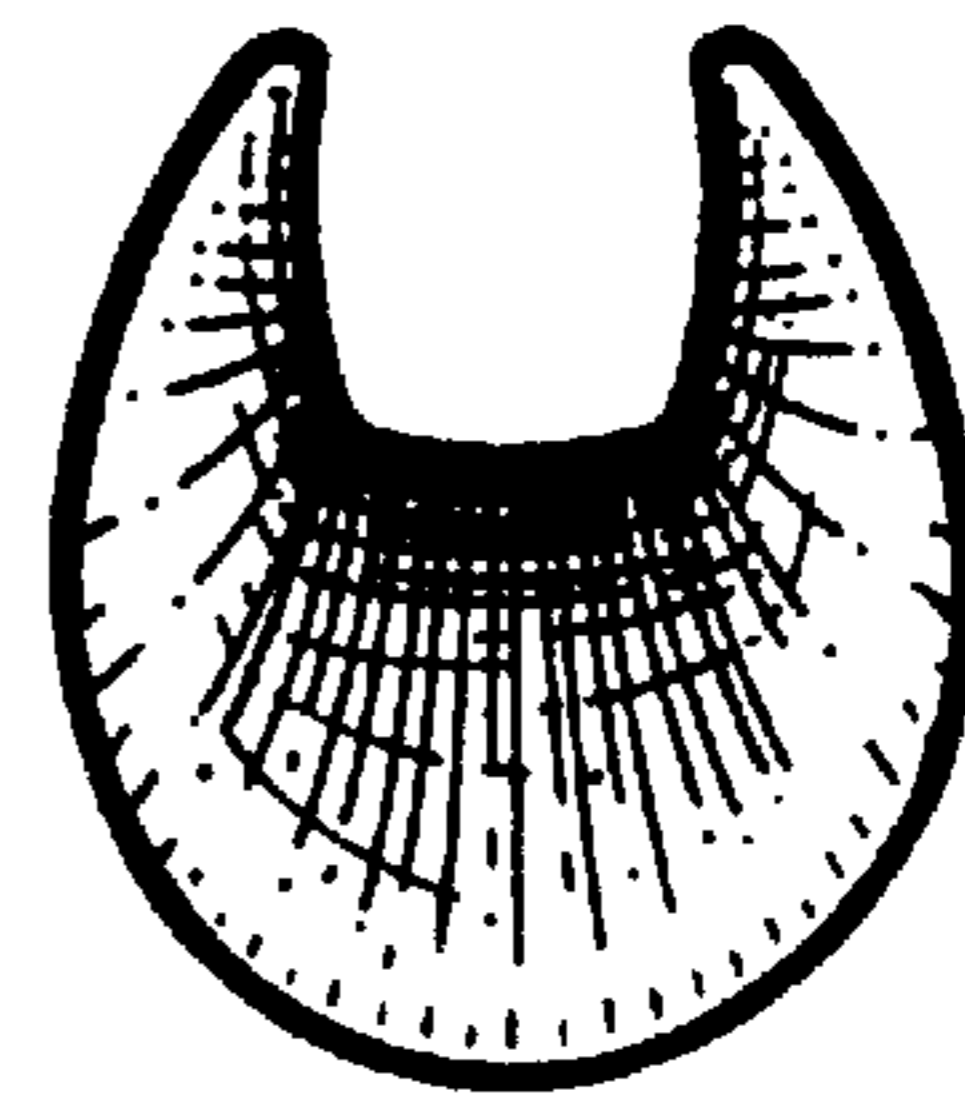
*Fig. 8*



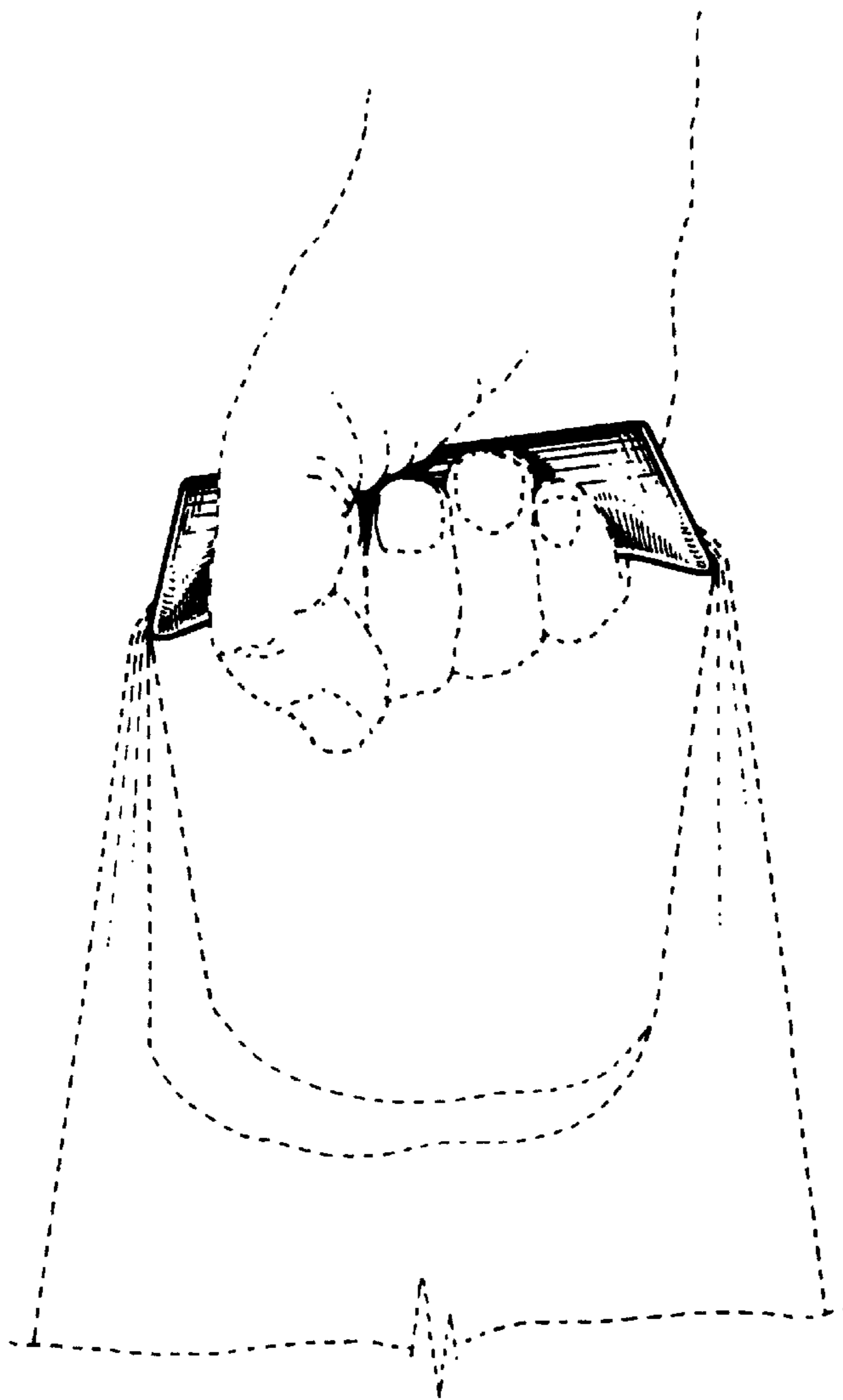
*Fig. 9*



**Fig. 10**



**Fig. 11**



**Fig. 12**