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(54) **FRONT EXTERIOR PORTION OF A LATCH OR LOCK HOUSING WITH PUSH BUTTON OPERATOR**

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(57) **CLAIM**

We claim the ornamental design for a front exterior portion of a latch or lock housing with push button operator, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. **1** is a front and right side perspective view of a front exterior portion of a latch or lock housing with push button operator showing one embodiment of our new design, with the push button operator in its normal projected position relative to the housing;

FIG. **2** is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. **3** is a front elevational view thereof;

FIG. **4** is a right side elevational view thereof, the left side being identical but a mirror image reversal thereof;

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

FIG. **6** is a front and right side perspective view of a front exterior portion of a latch or lock housing with push button operator showing a second embodiment of our new design, with the push button operator in its normal projected position relative to the housing;

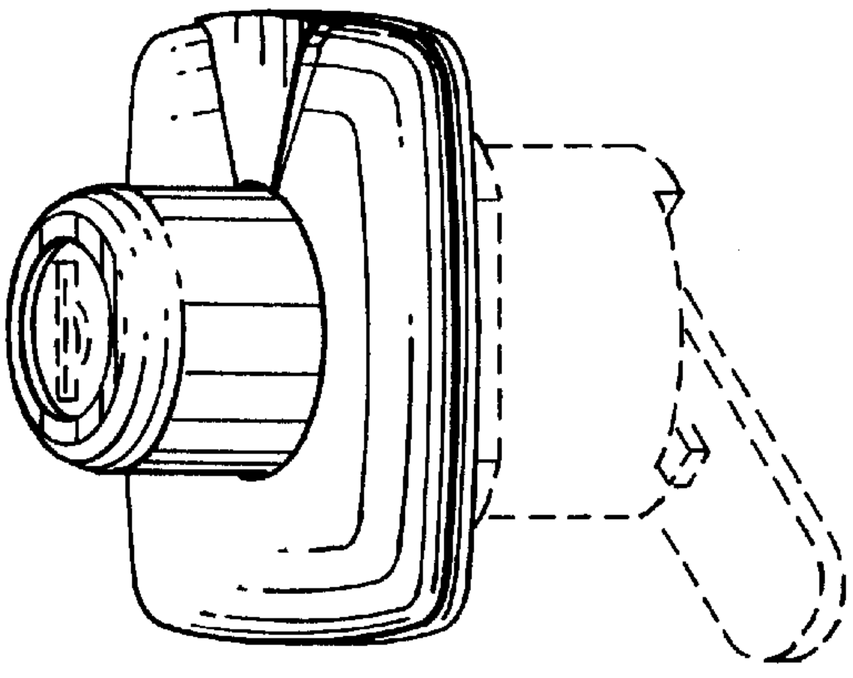
FIG. **7** is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. **8** is a front elevational view thereof;

FIG. **9** is a right side elevational view thereof, the left side being identical but a mirror image reversal thereof;

FIG. **10** is a bottom plan view thereof;

FIG. **11** is a front and right side perspective view of the first embodiment showing the push button operator in its operated depressed position relative to the housing;



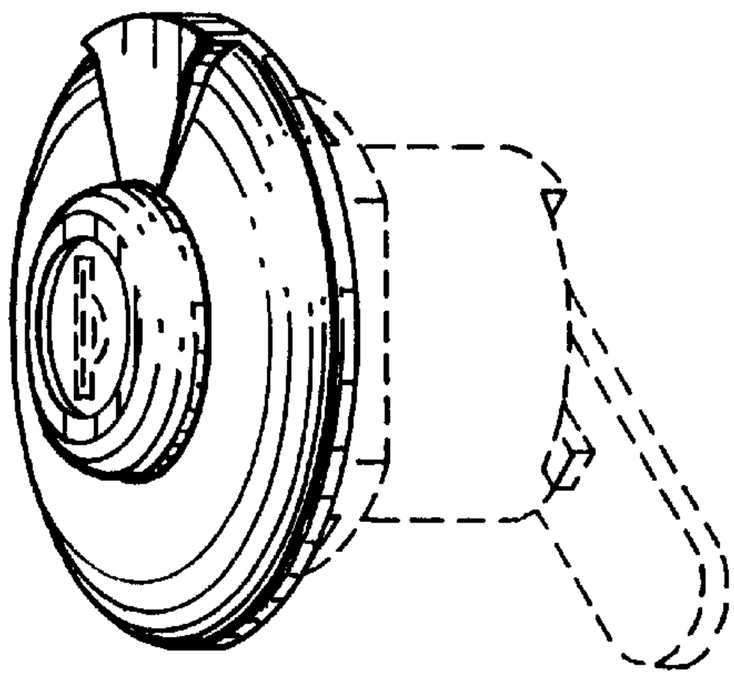
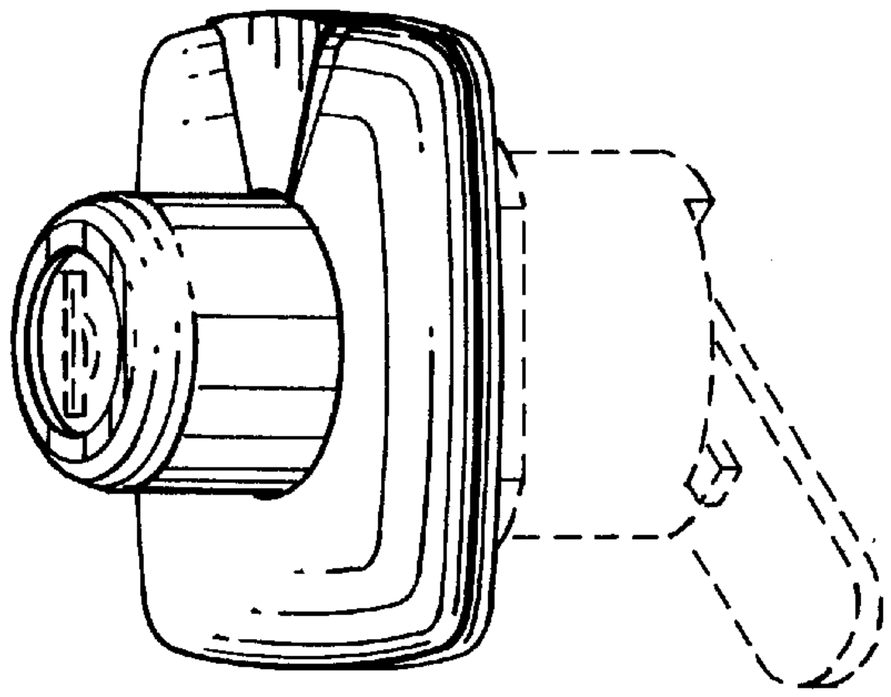


FIG. **12** is a front and right side perspective view of the second embodiment showing the push button operator in its operated depressed position relative to the housing;
FIG. **13** is a front and right side perspective view of a front exterior portion of a latch or lock housing with push button operator showing a third embodiment of our new design, with the push button operator in its normal projected position relative to the housing;
FIG. **14** is a top plan view thereof;
FIG. **15** is a front elevational view thereof;
FIG. **16** is a right side elevational view thereof, the left side being identical but a mirror image reversal thereof;
FIG. **17** is a bottom plan view thereof;
FIG. **18** is a front and right side perspective view of a front exterior portion of a latch or lock housing with push button operator showing a fourth embodiment of our new design, with the push button operator in its normal projected position relative to the housing;
FIG. **19** is a top plan view thereof;
FIG. **20** is a front elevational view thereof;
FIG. **21** is a right side elevational view thereof, the left side being identical but a mirror image reversal thereof;
FIG. **22** is a bottom plan view thereof;
FIG. **23** is a front and right side perspective view of the third embodiment showing the push button operator in its operated depressed position relative to the housing;
FIG. **24** is a front and right side perspective view of the fourth embodiment showing the push button operator in its operated depressed position relative to the housing;
FIG. **25** is a front elevational view of a front exterior portion of a latch or lock housing with push button operator showing a fifth embodiment of our new design, with the push button operator in its normal projected position relative to the housing;
FIG. **26** is a top plan view thereof;
FIG. **27** is a bottom plan view thereof;
FIG. **28** is a right side elevational view thereof, the left side being identical but a mirror image reversal thereof;
FIG. **29** is a right side elevational view of the fifth embodiment showing the push button operator in its operated depressed position relative to the housing;
FIG. **30** is a front elevational view of a front exterior portion of a latch or lock housing with push button operator showing a sixth embodiment of our new design, with the push button operator in its normal projected position relative to the housing;
FIG. **31** is a top plan view thereof;
FIG. **32** is a bottom plan view thereof;
FIG. **33** is a right side elevational view thereof, the left side being identical but a mirror image reversal thereof; and,
FIG. **34** is a right side elevational view of the sixth embodiment showing the push button operator in its operated depressed position relative to the housing.
The broken line disclosure in FIGS. **1, 3, 6, 8, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20, 23, 24, 25** and **30** is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 8 Drawing Sheets



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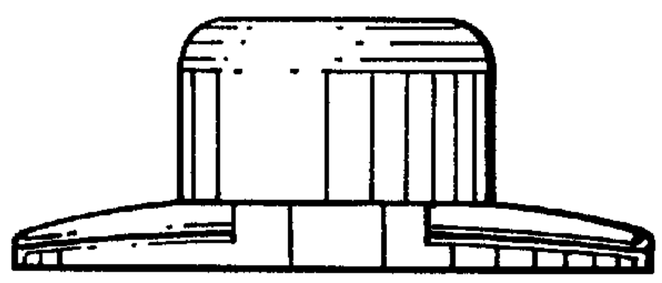

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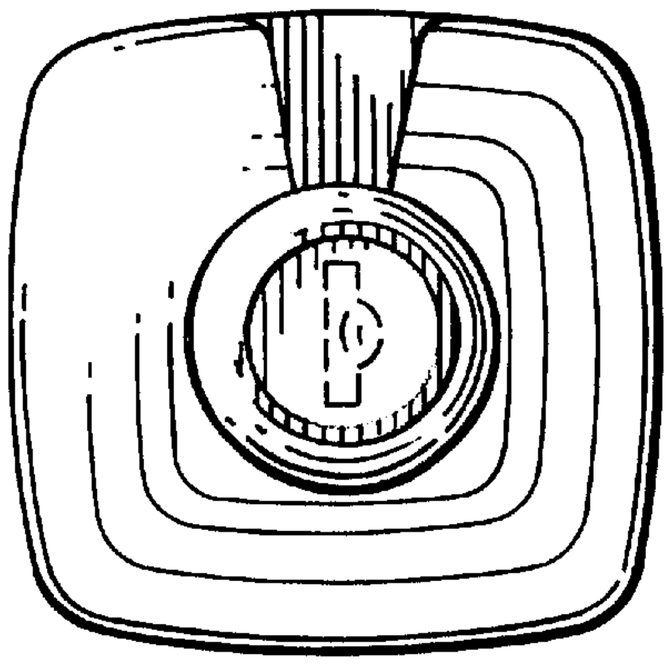

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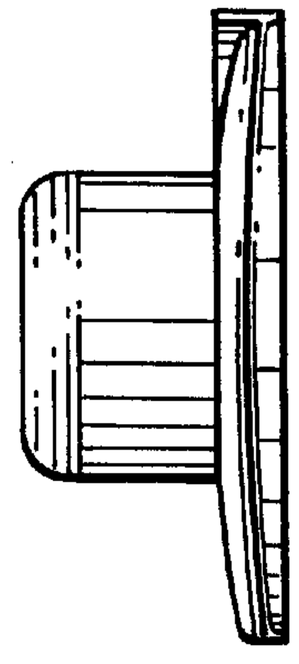

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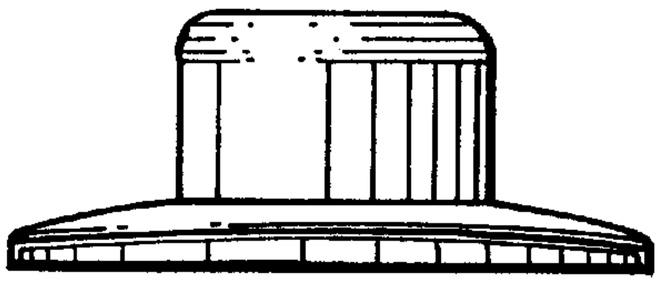

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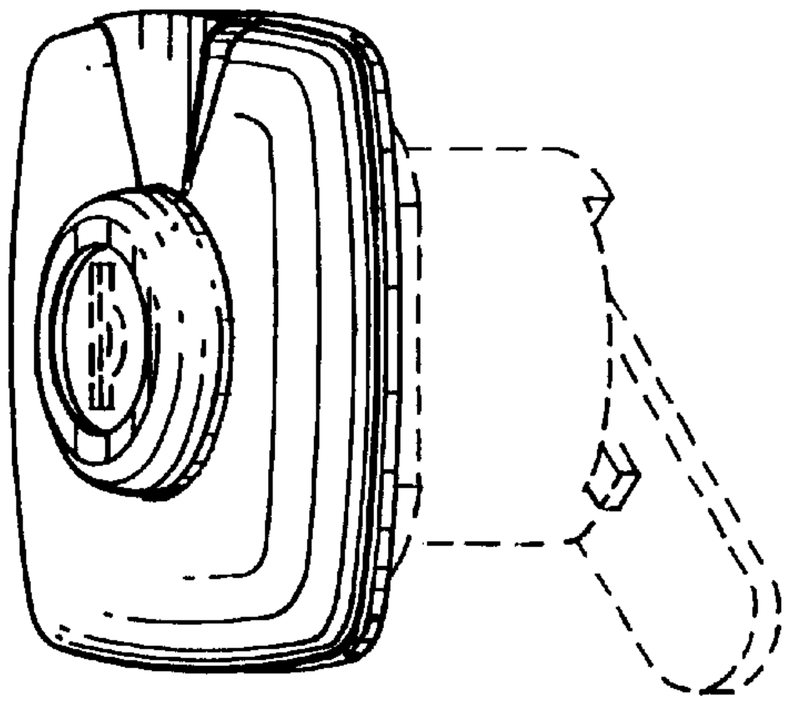

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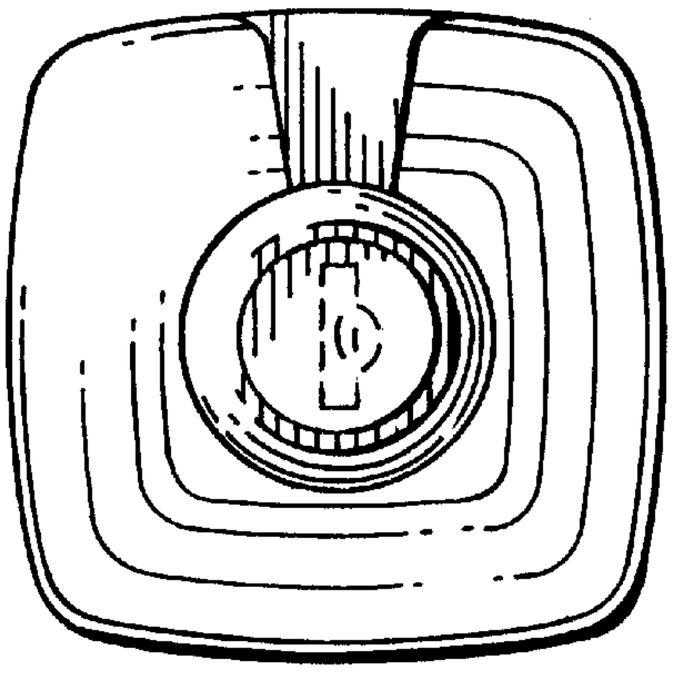

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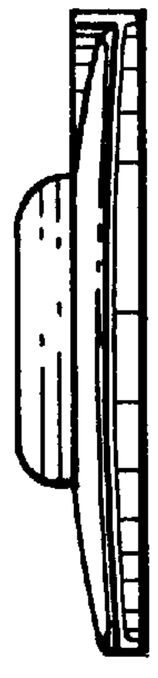

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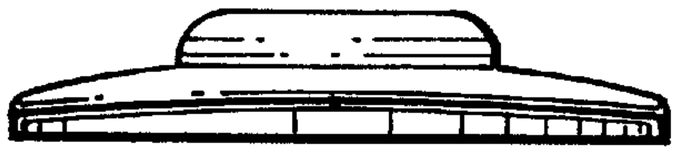

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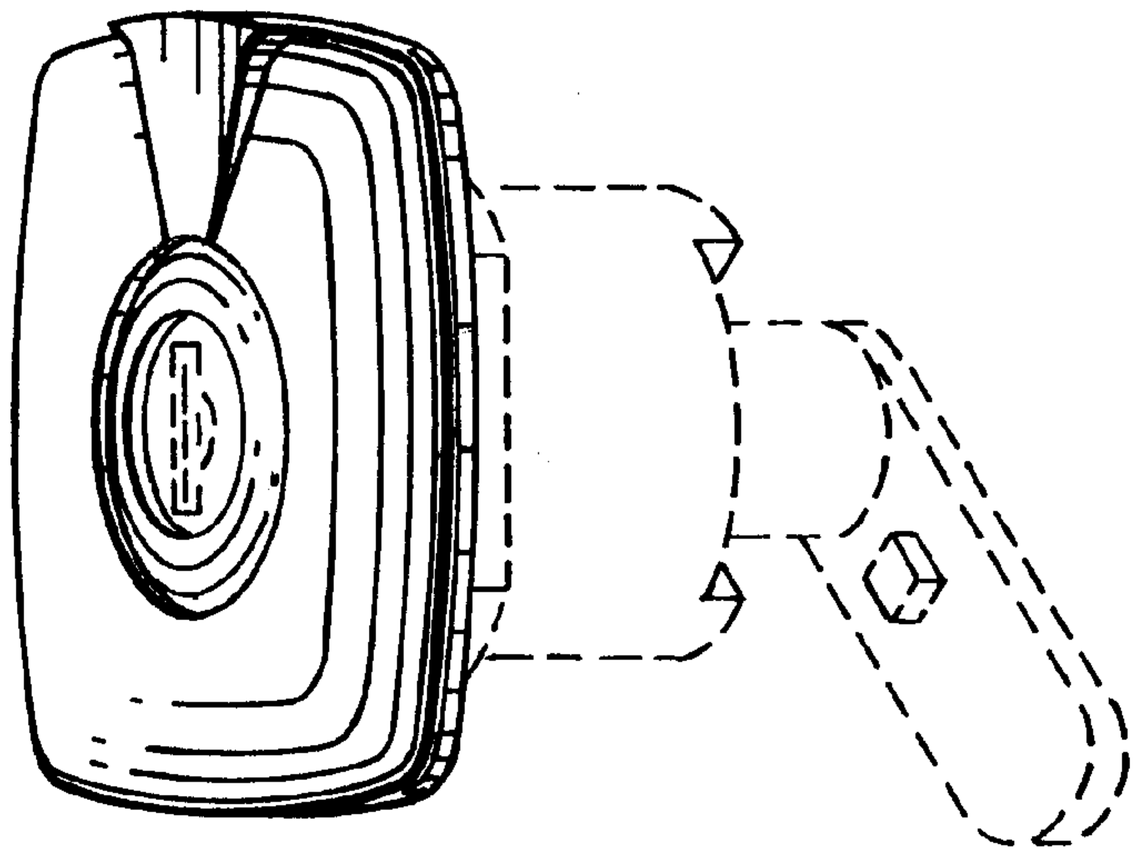

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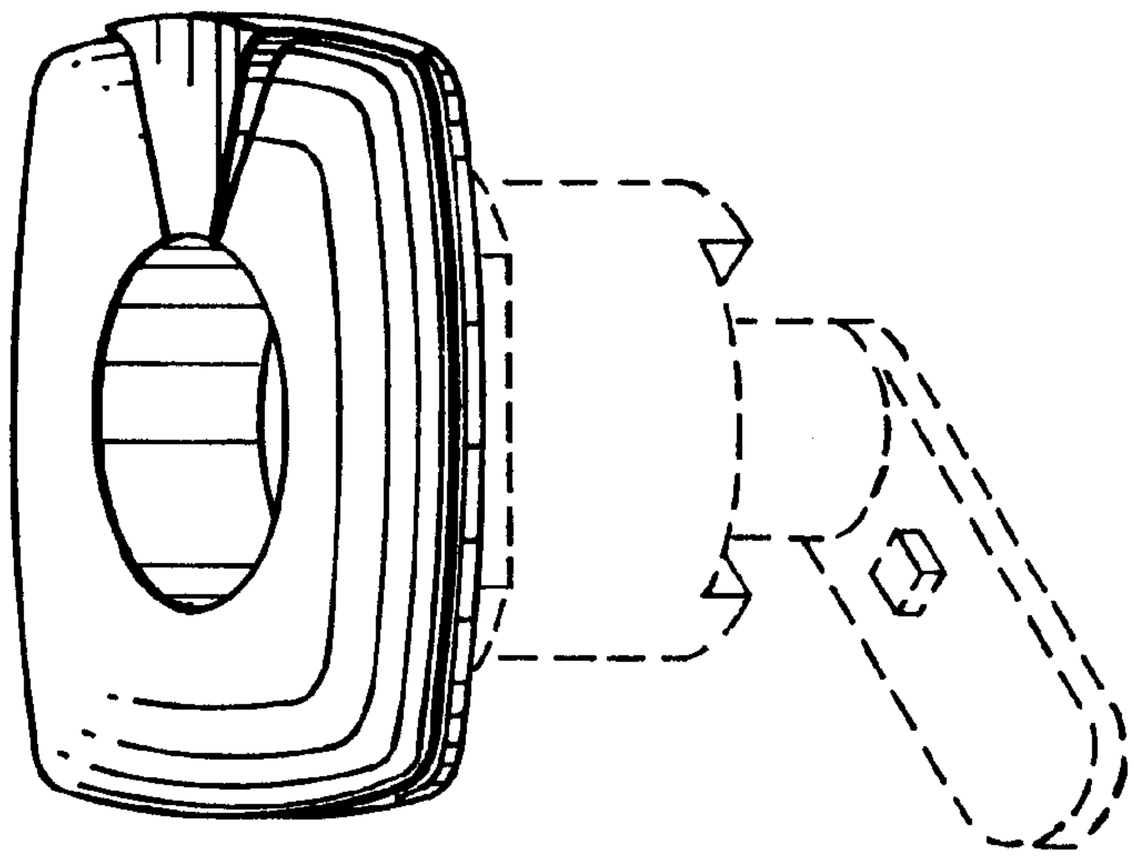

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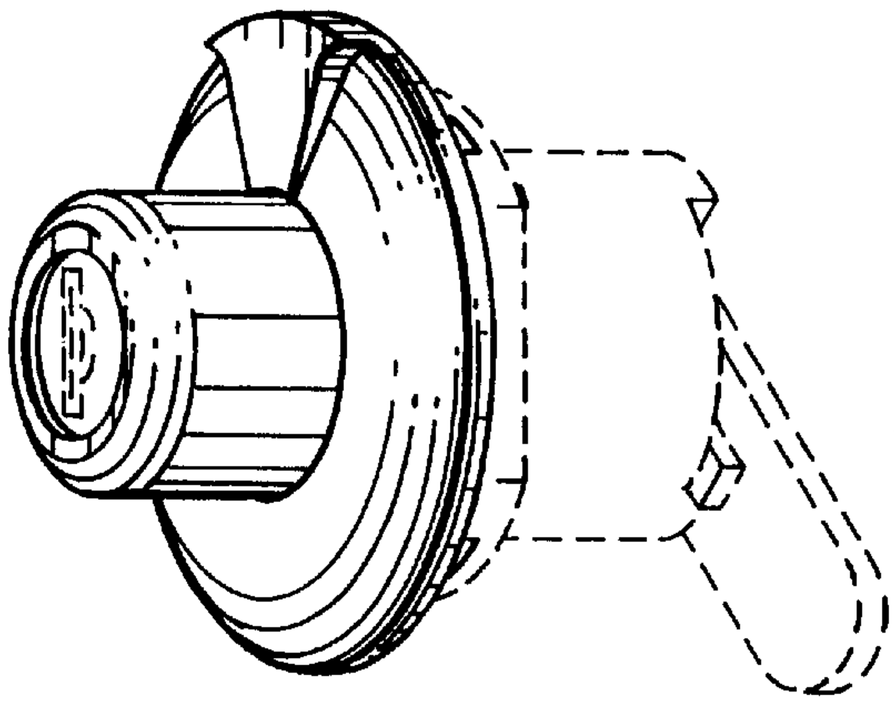

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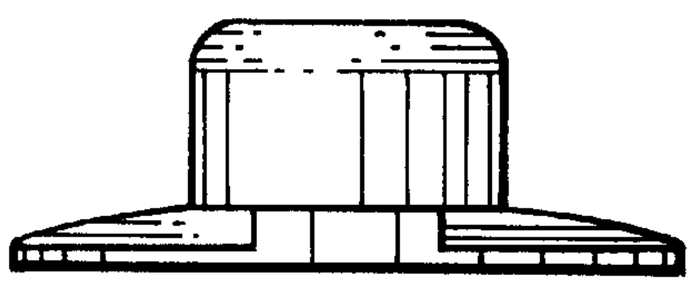

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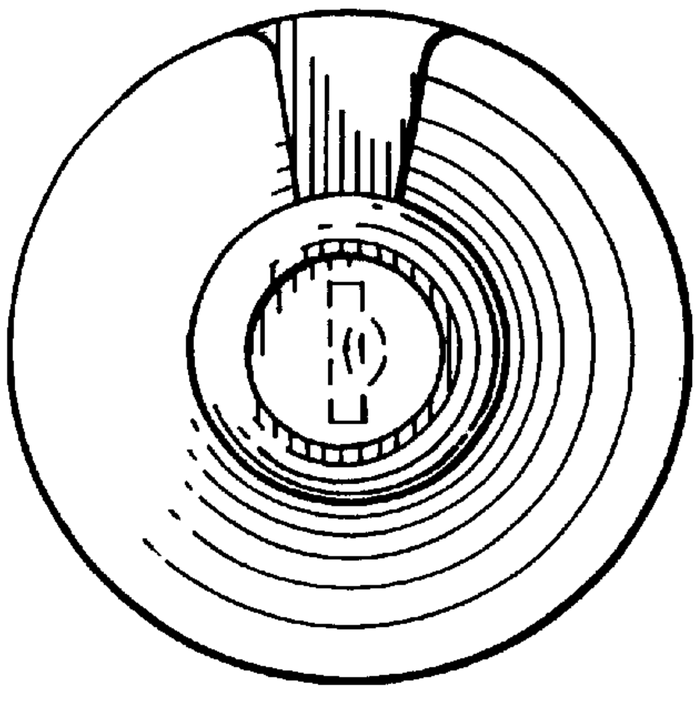

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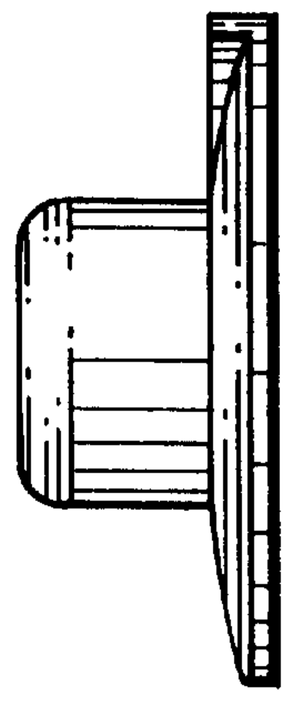

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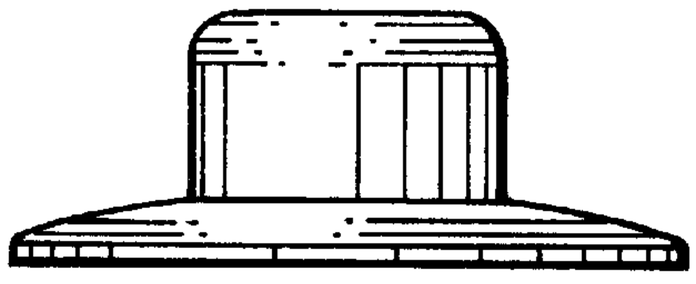

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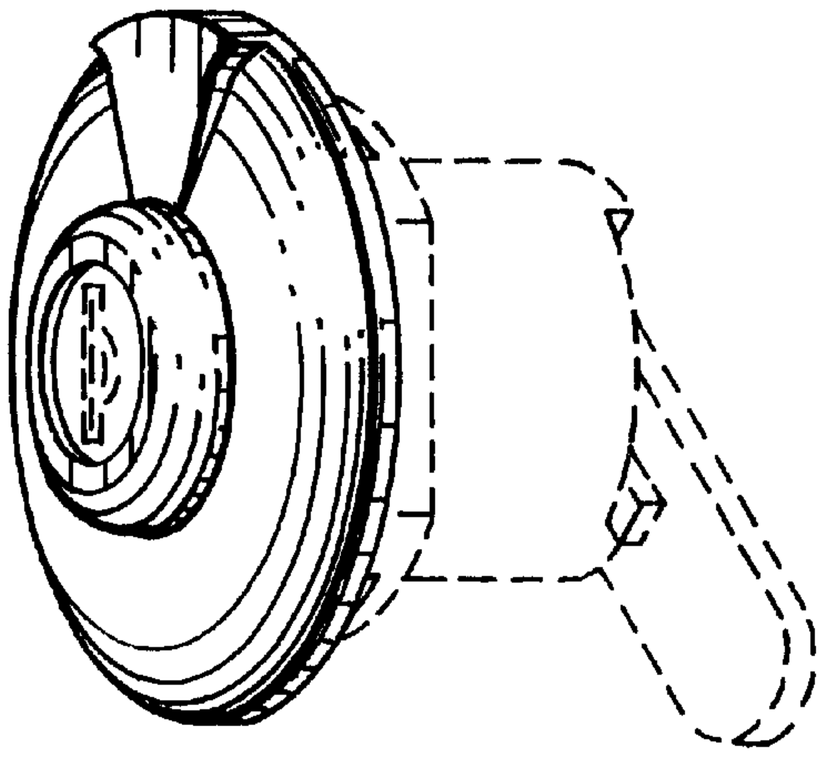

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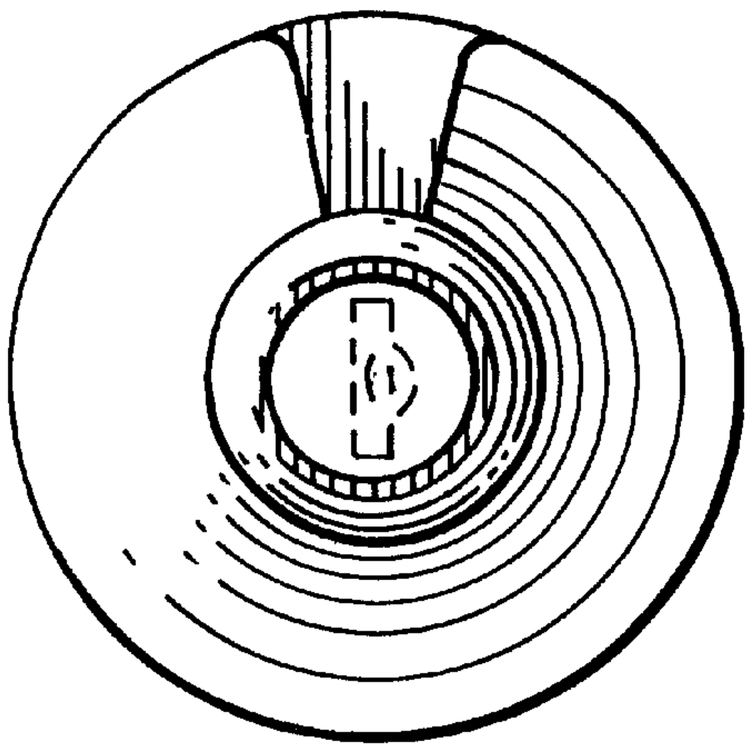

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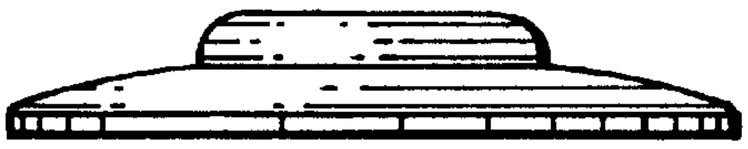

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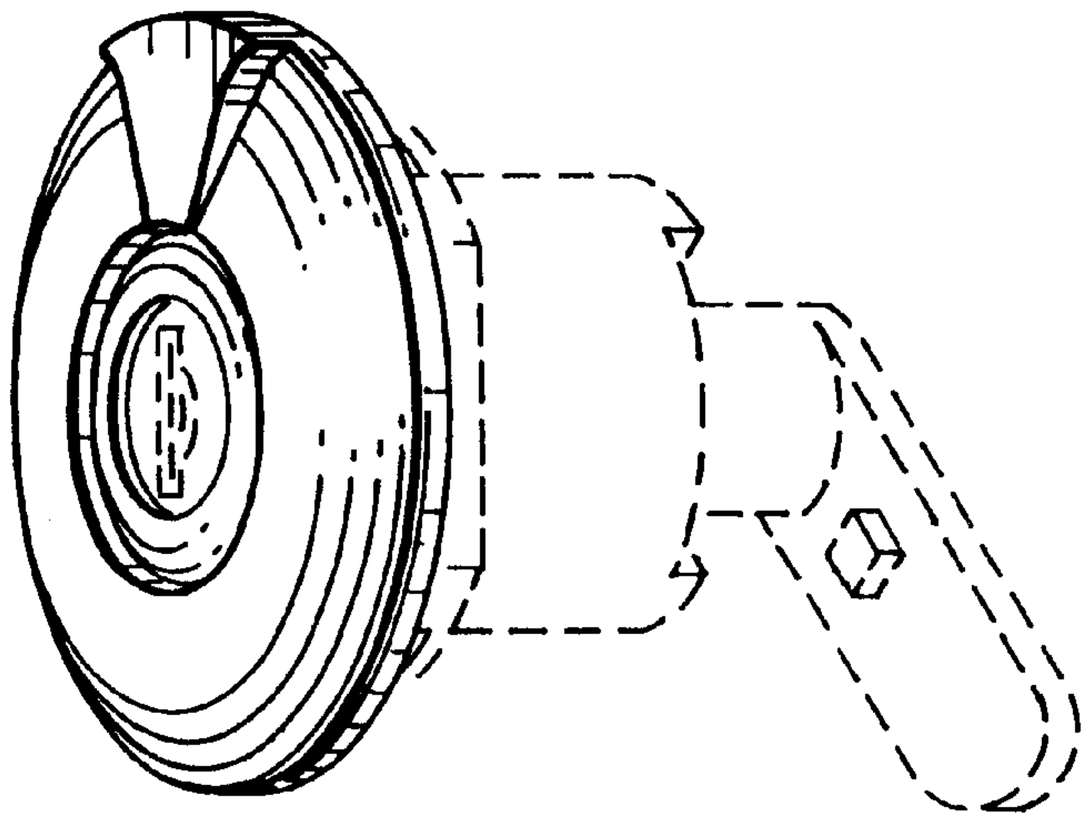

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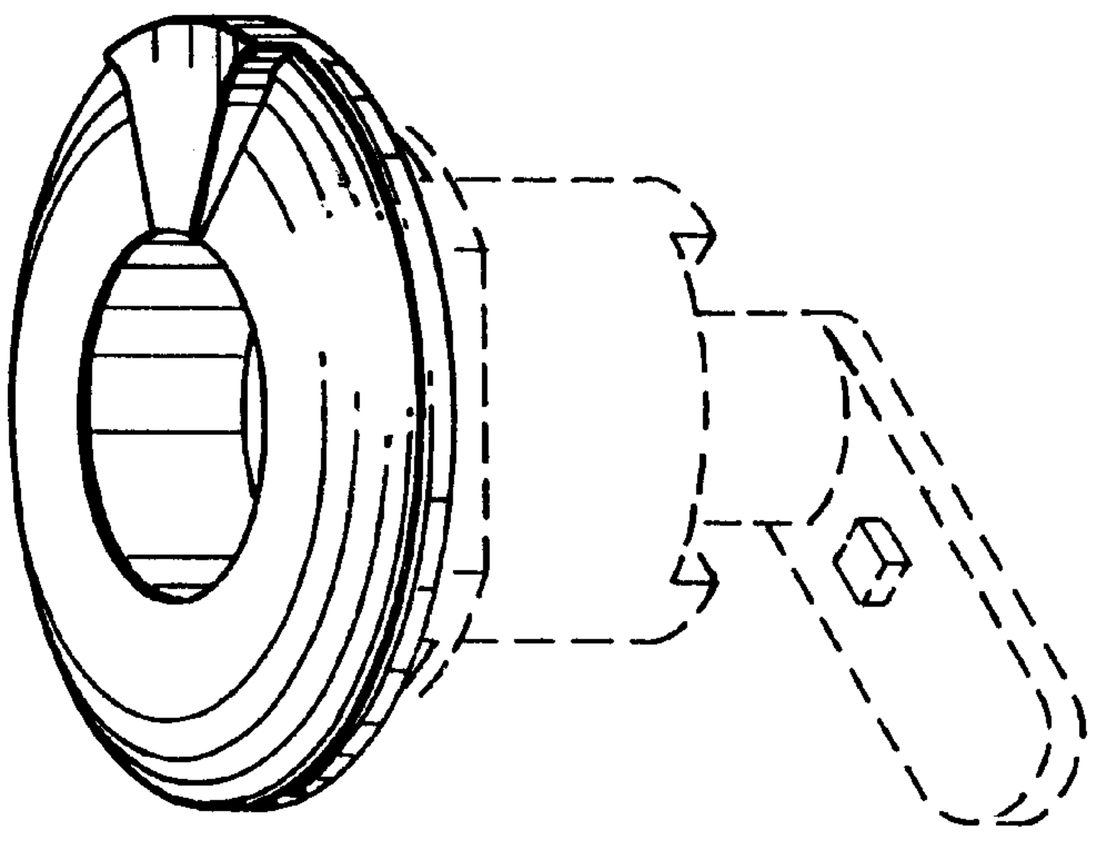

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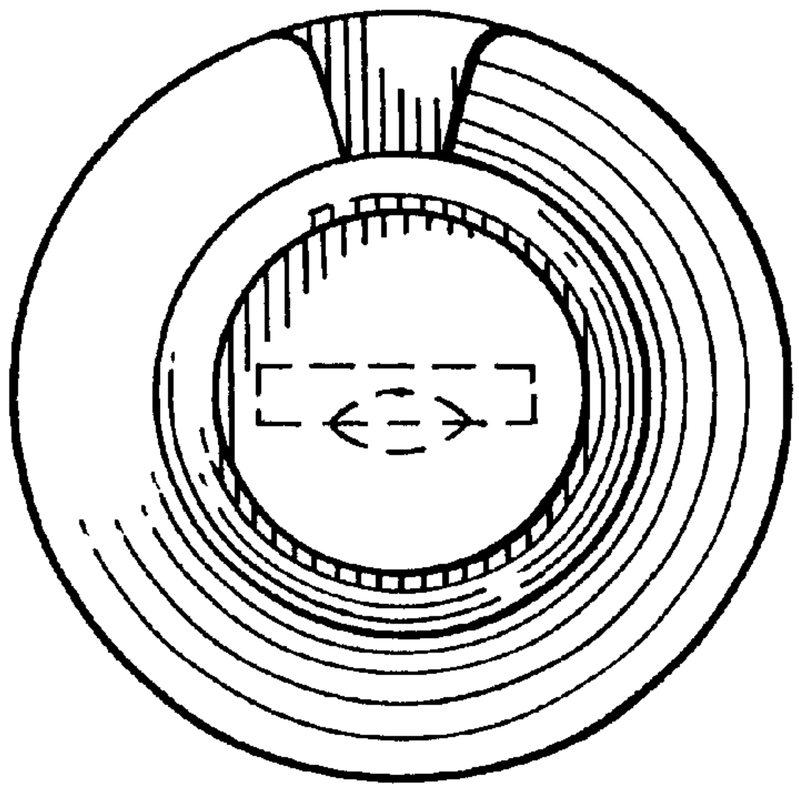

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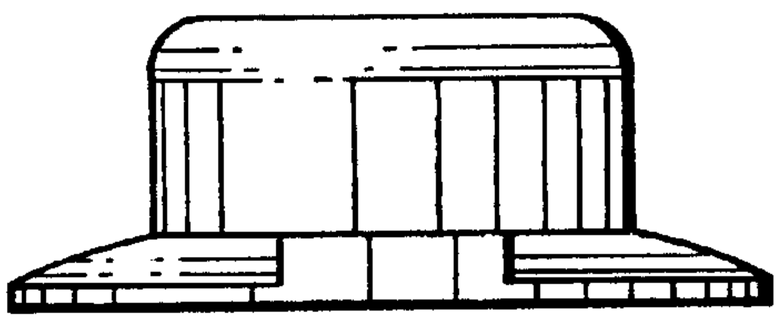

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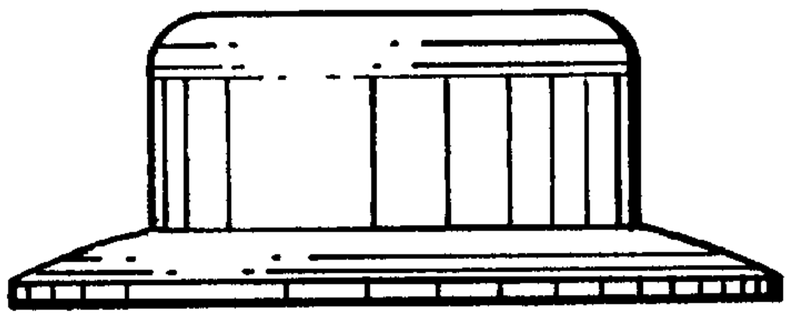

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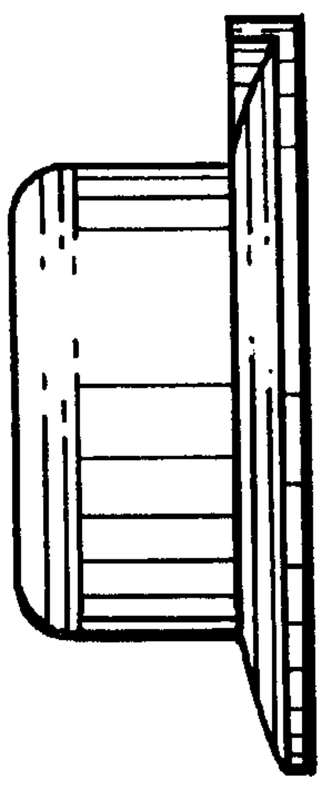

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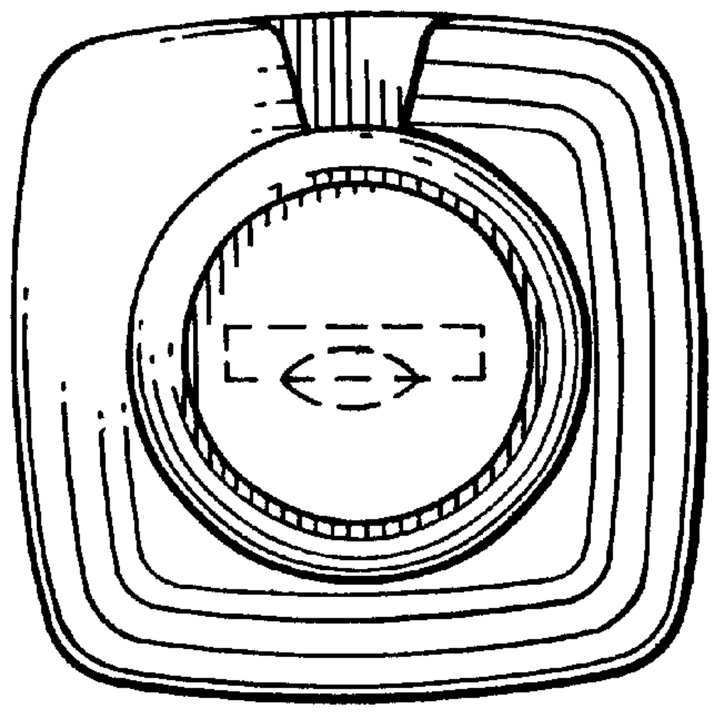

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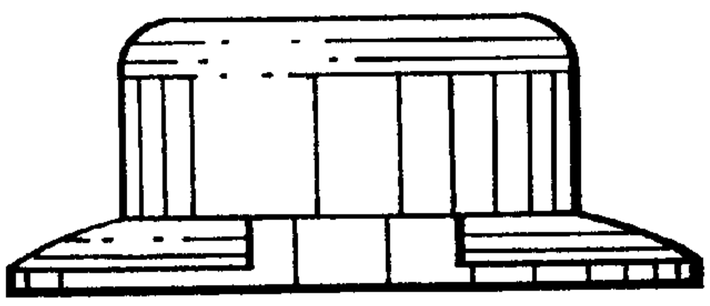

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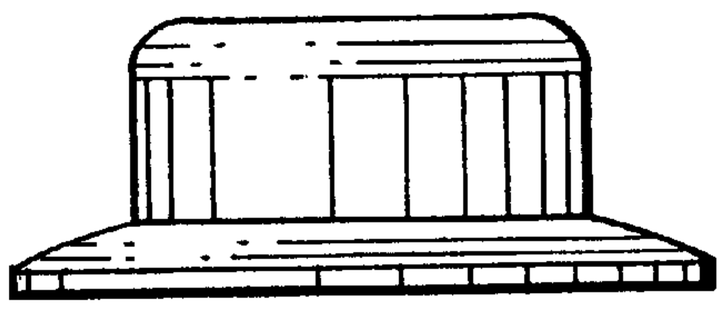

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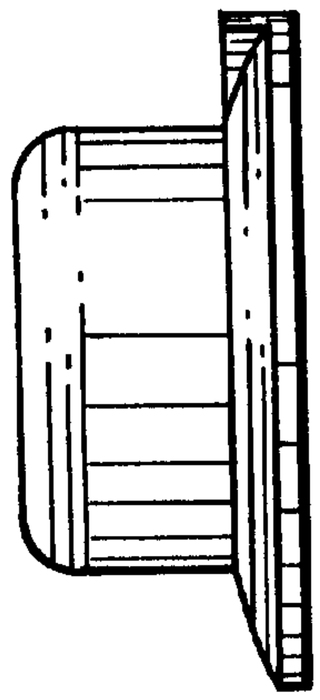

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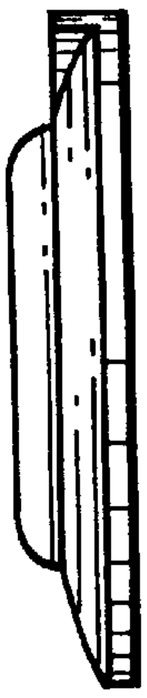

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