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(54) **PALLET**

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(57) **CLAIM**

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

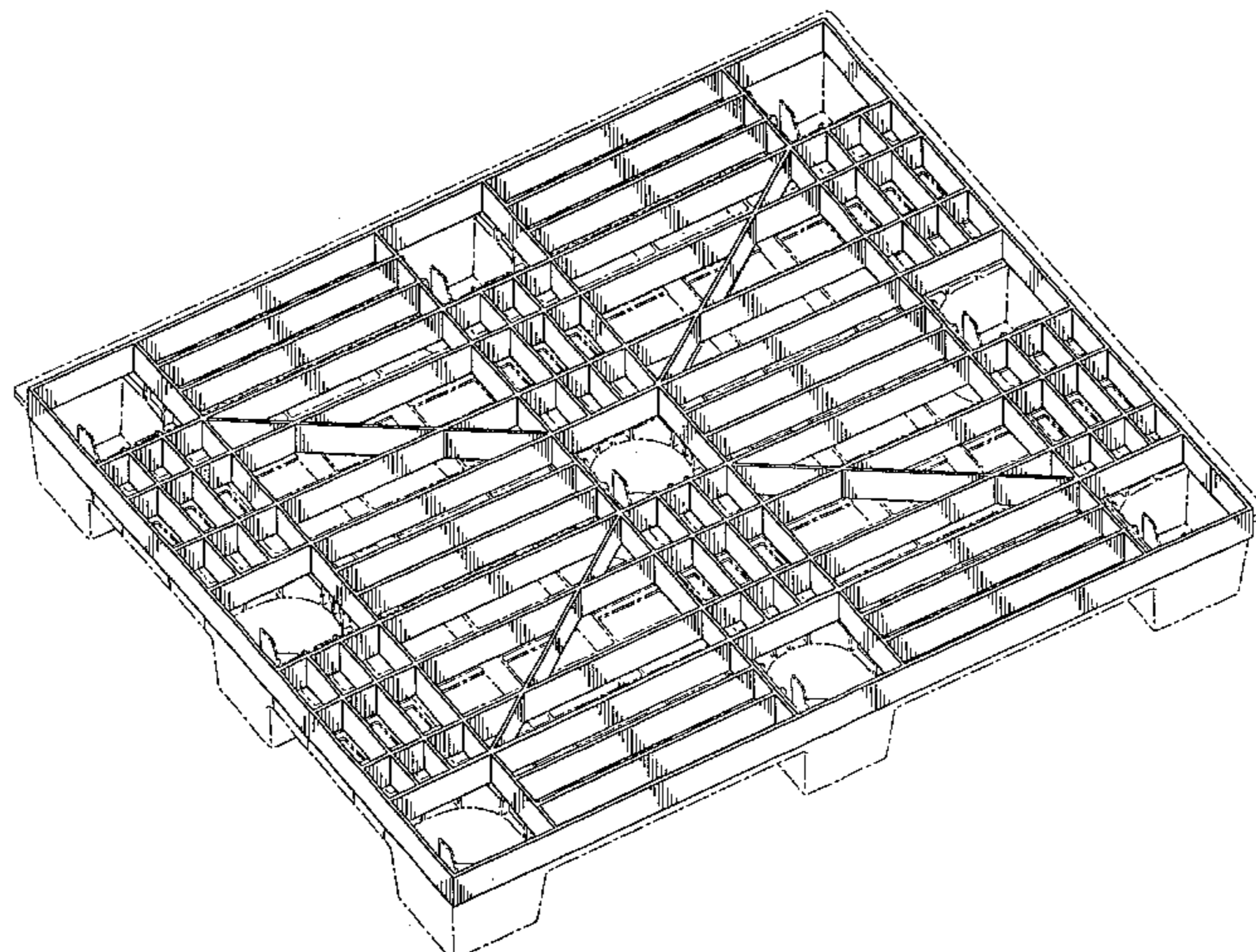
**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a top perspective view of a pallet of the invention. FIG. 2 is a top plan view of the pallet of FIG. 1, the bottom plan view being a mirror image thereof;

FIG. 3 is a front elevational view of the pallet of FIG. 1, the back elevational view being a mirror image thereof; and, FIG. 4 is a side elevational view of the pallet of FIG. 1, the opposite side being a mirror image thereof.

The broken lines in FIGS. 1-4, showing the feet and certain other details of a pallet, are for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.

**1 Claim, 3 Drawing Sheets**

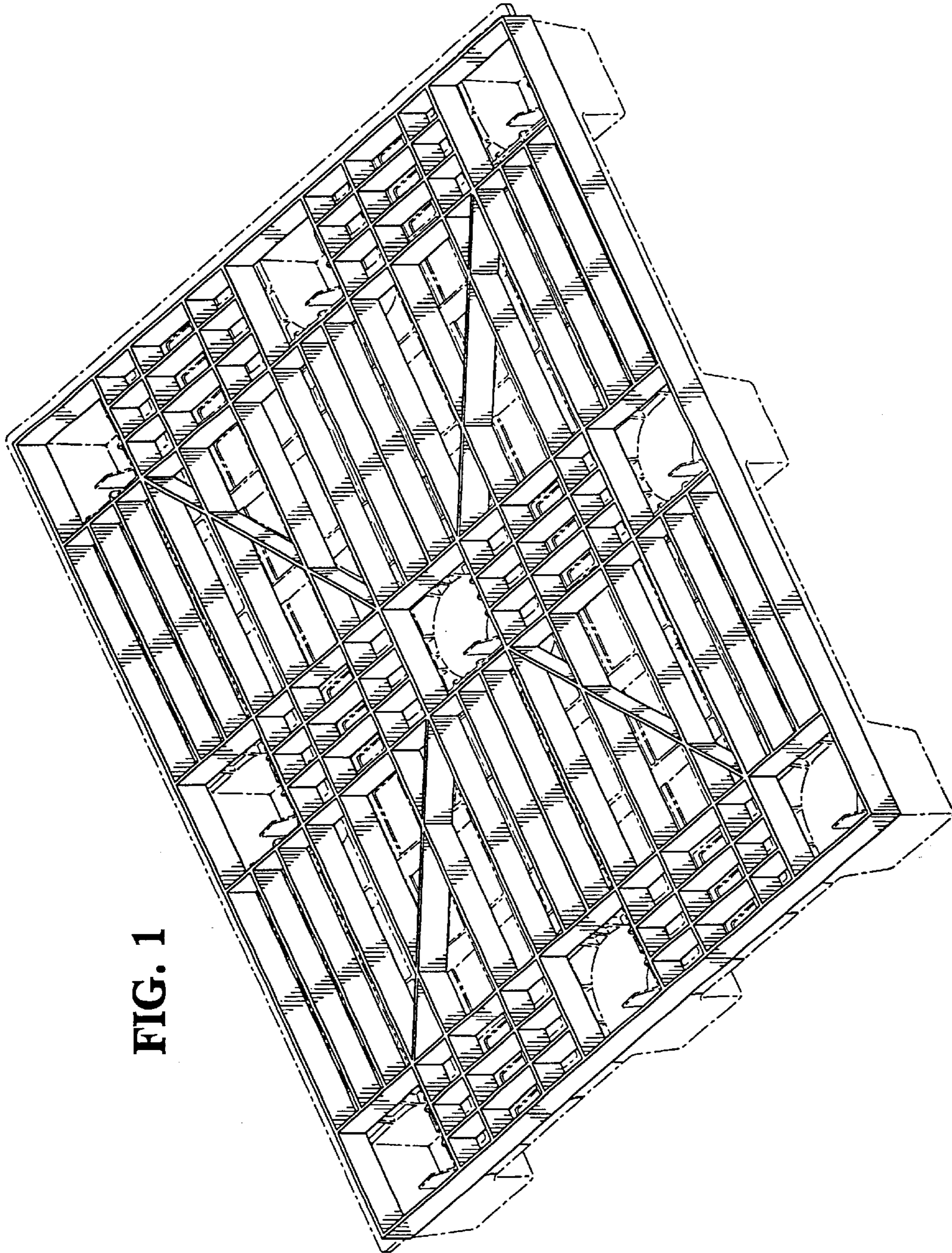


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**FIG. 1**

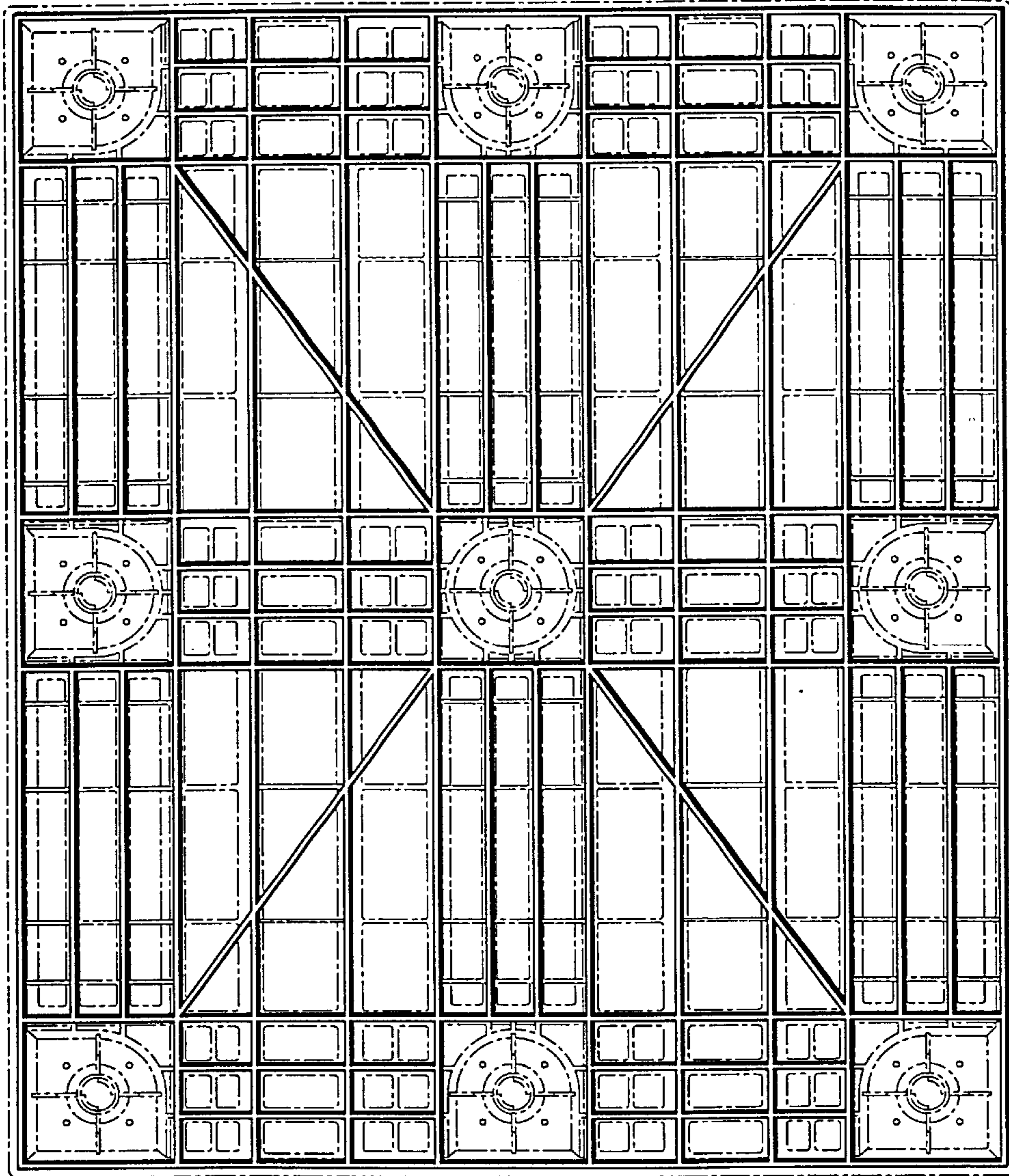
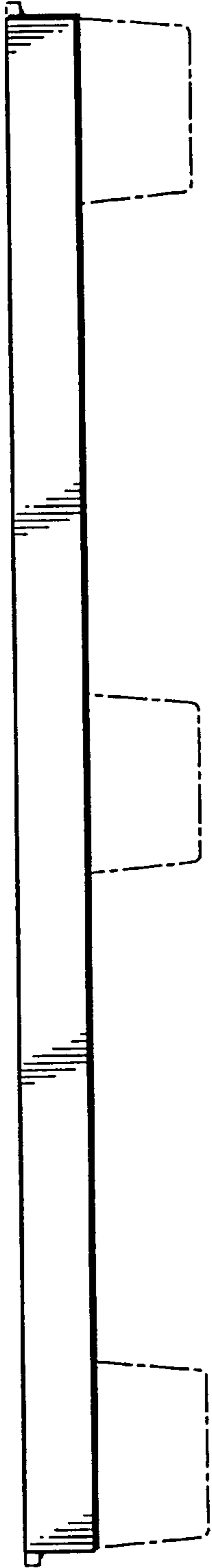


FIG. 2

**FIG. 3**



**FIG. 4**

