



US00D462599S

(12) **United States Design Patent**  
**Becker**

(10) **Patent No.:** **US D462,599 S**

(45) **Date of Patent:** **\*\* Sep. 10, 2002**

(54) **SPLIT LEVEL, ROTARY CONTROL KNOB**

(75) Inventor: **Theodore A. Becker**, Cleveland, TN (US)

(73) Assignee: **Maytag Corporation**, Newton, IA (US)

(\*\*) Term: **14 Years**

(21) Appl. No.: **29/149,930**

(22) Filed: **Oct. 23, 2001**

(51) **LOC (7) Cl.** ..... **08-06**

(52) **U.S. Cl.** ..... **D8/306; D8/307**

(58) **Field of Search** ..... D8/300, 305-307, D8/312, 311; D23/250; D7/393; D3/12, 14-16; D21/386, 390, 484, 488, 503; 273/294, 289, 156, 157; 219/506; 200/336; 403/375, 381; 74/553, 555, 557

(56) **References Cited**

**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

D132,433 S	*	5/1942	Pellegrin	.....	D8/311
2,798,404 A		7/1957	Schaefer et al.		
D182,752 S	*	5/1958	Young	.....	D23/250
3,066,550 A		12/1962	Sundberg		
3,783,708 A	*	1/1974	Witkowski	.....	74/553
4,018,465 A		4/1977	Ramler		
4,219,232 A		8/1980	Kouth		
4,616,524 A	*	10/1986	Bidoia	.....	16/441
D297,760 S	*	9/1988	Paul	.....	D8/307
D325,865 S	*	5/1992	Del Corno	.....	D8/306
5,128,503 A		7/1992	Frantz		
5,585,578 A		12/1996	Shimotori		
6,035,492 A		3/2000	Warshaviak		
6,281,453 B1	*	8/2001	Uleski	.....	200/336

\* cited by examiner

*Primary Examiner*—B. J. Bullock

(74) *Attorney, Agent, or Firm*—Diederiks & Whitelaw, PLC

(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a split level, rotary control knob, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a top right perspective view of my split level, rotary control knob, shown on an exemplary cooktop of a cooking appliance;

FIG. 2 is an enlarged top right perspective view of the split level, rotary control knob of my design, with a portion of the control knob shown in a lowered condition;

FIG. 3 is a top right perspective view of the split level, rotary control knob of FIG. 2, with the portion of the control knob shown in a raised condition;

FIG. 4 is a front elevational view of the split level, rotary control knob in its lowered condition;

FIG. 5 is a top plan view of the split level, rotary control knob of FIG. 2;

FIG. 6 is a right elevational view of the split level, rotary control knob in the lowered condition of FIG. 2, with the left elevational view being a mirror image;

FIG. 7 is a rear elevational view of the split level, rotary control knob in the lowered condition of FIG. 2;

FIG. 8 is a bottom plan view of the split level, rotary control knob;

FIG. 9 is a front elevational view of the split level, rotary control knob, with the portion of the control knob shown in its raised condition;

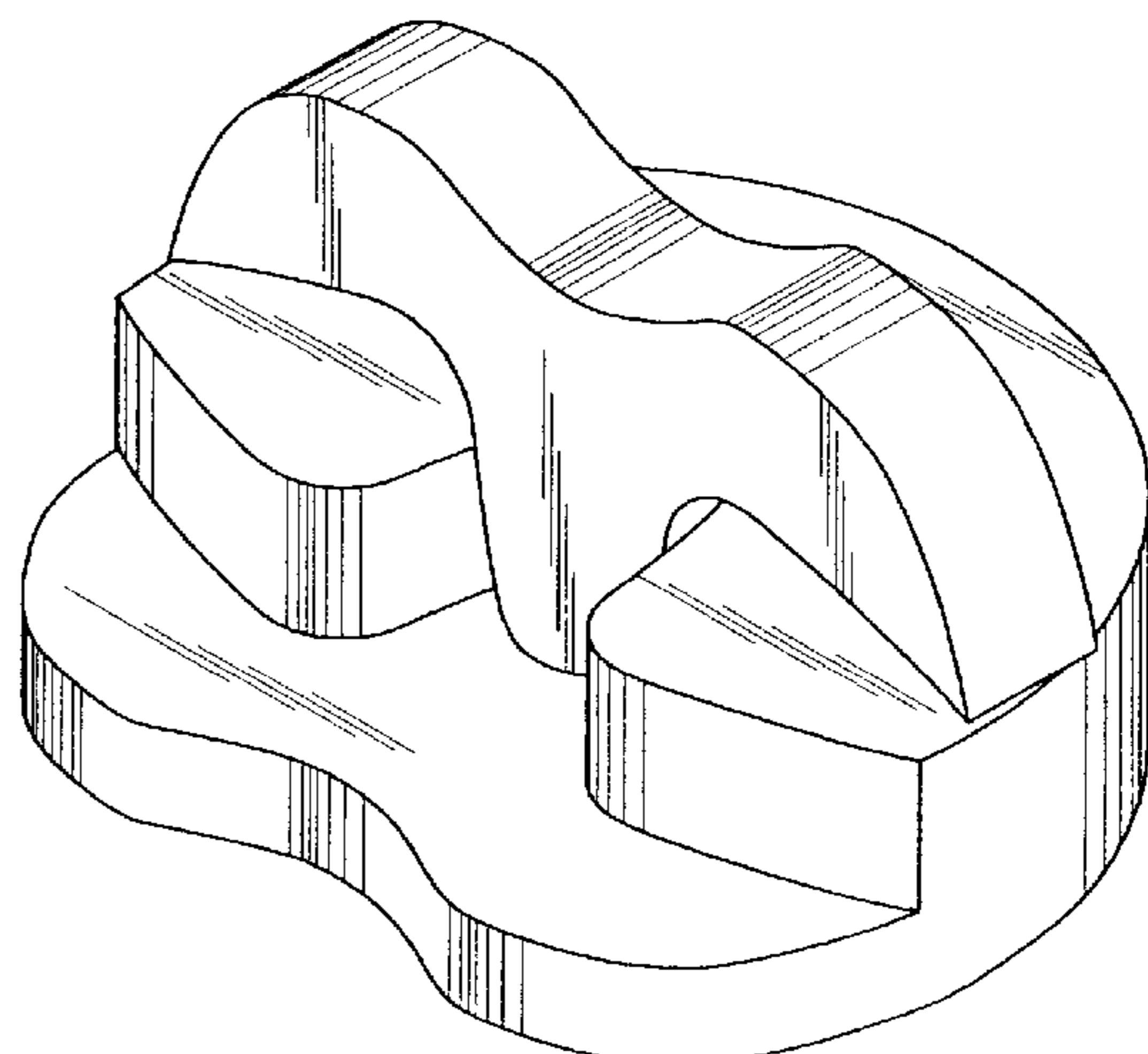
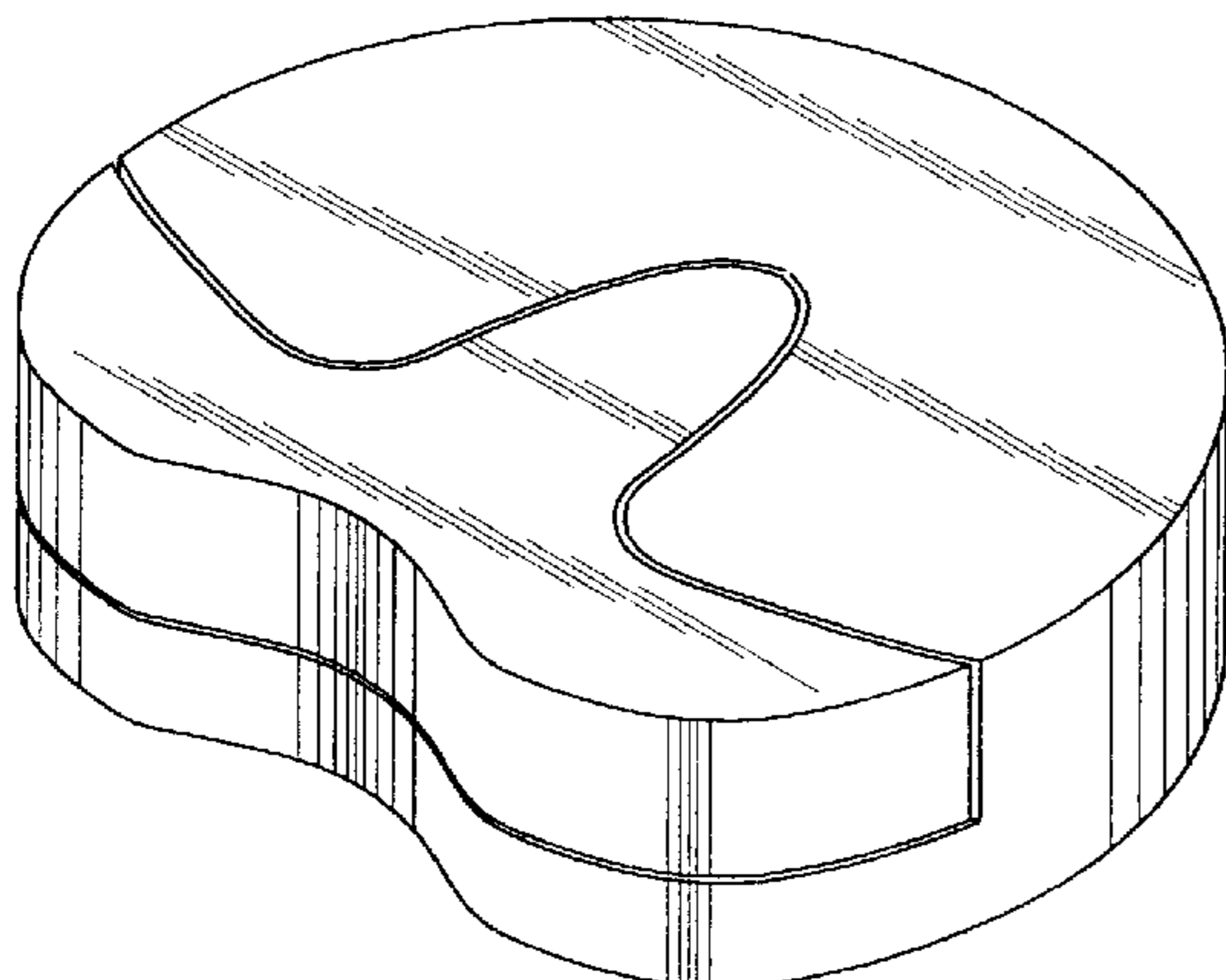
FIG. 10 is a top plan view of the split level, rotary control knob of FIG. 3;

FIG. 11 is a right elevational view of the split level, rotary control knob in the raised condition of FIG. 3, with the left elevational view being a mirror image; and,

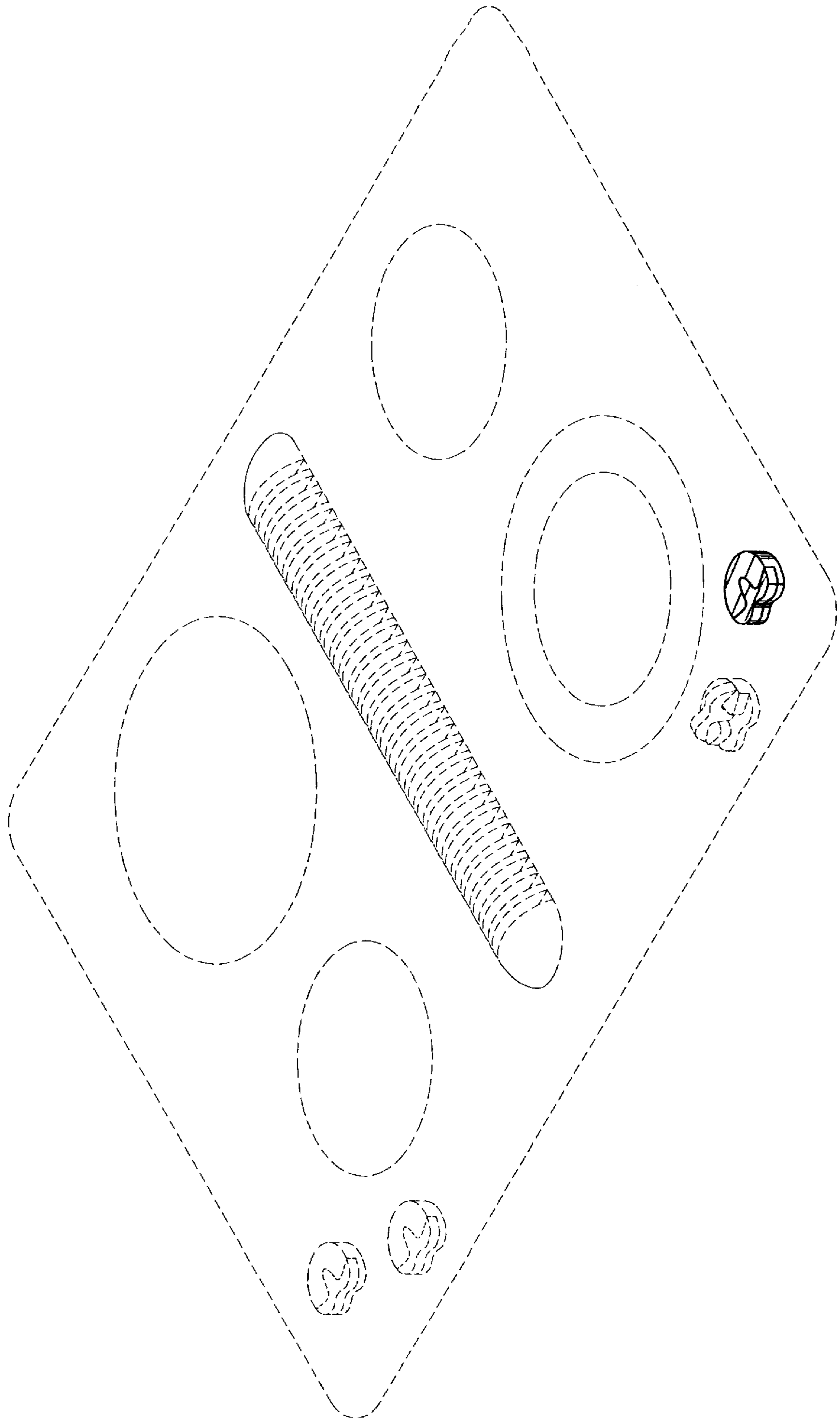
FIG. 12 is a rear elevational view of the split level, rotary control knob in the raised condition of FIG. 3.

The broken lines showing the cooktop in FIG. 1, a lower boss on the split level, rotary control knob in FIGS. 4, 6, 7-9, 11 and 12, and the mounting hole in FIG. 8 are for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed invention.

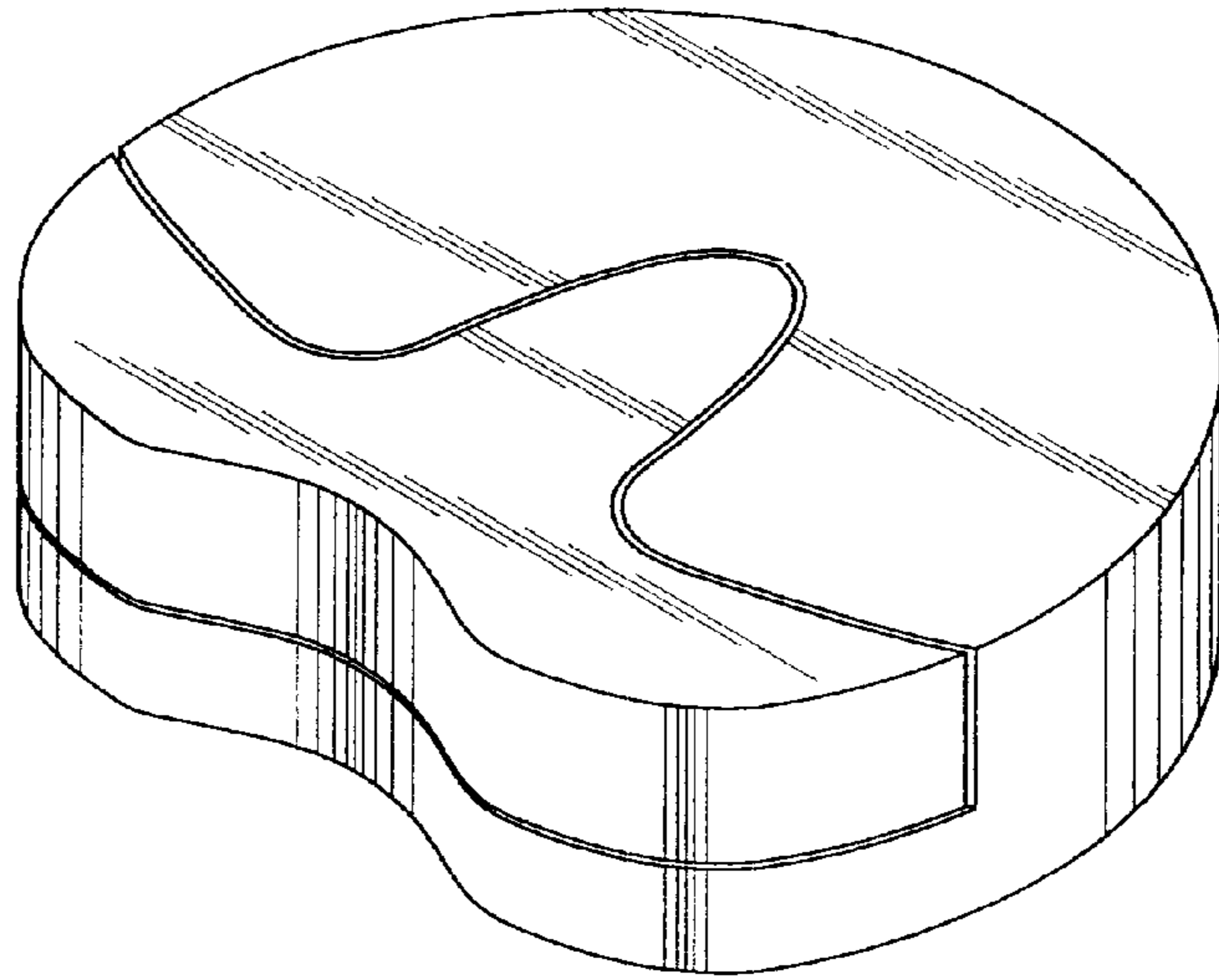
**1 Claim, 4 Drawing Sheets**



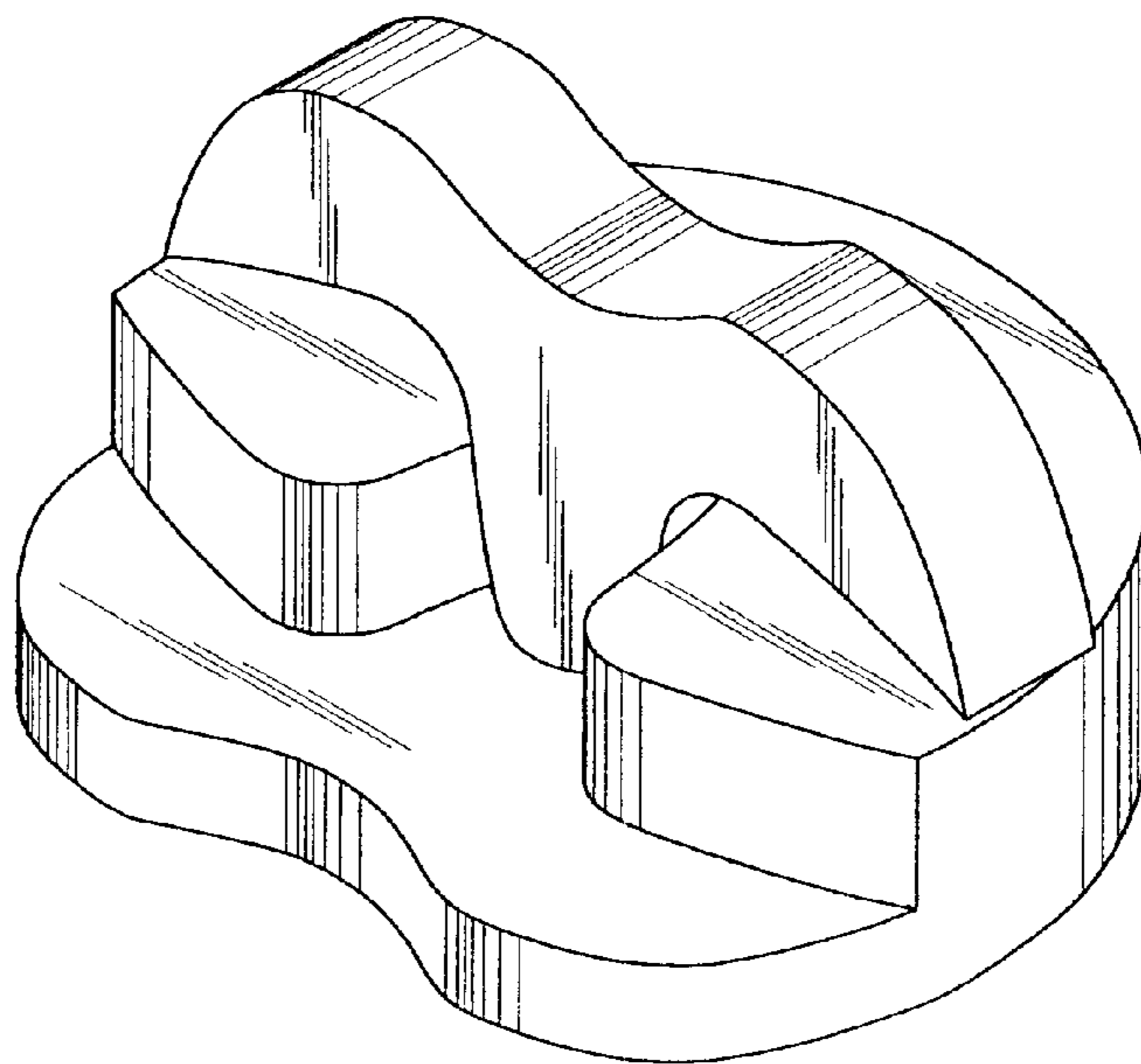
*FIG. 1*



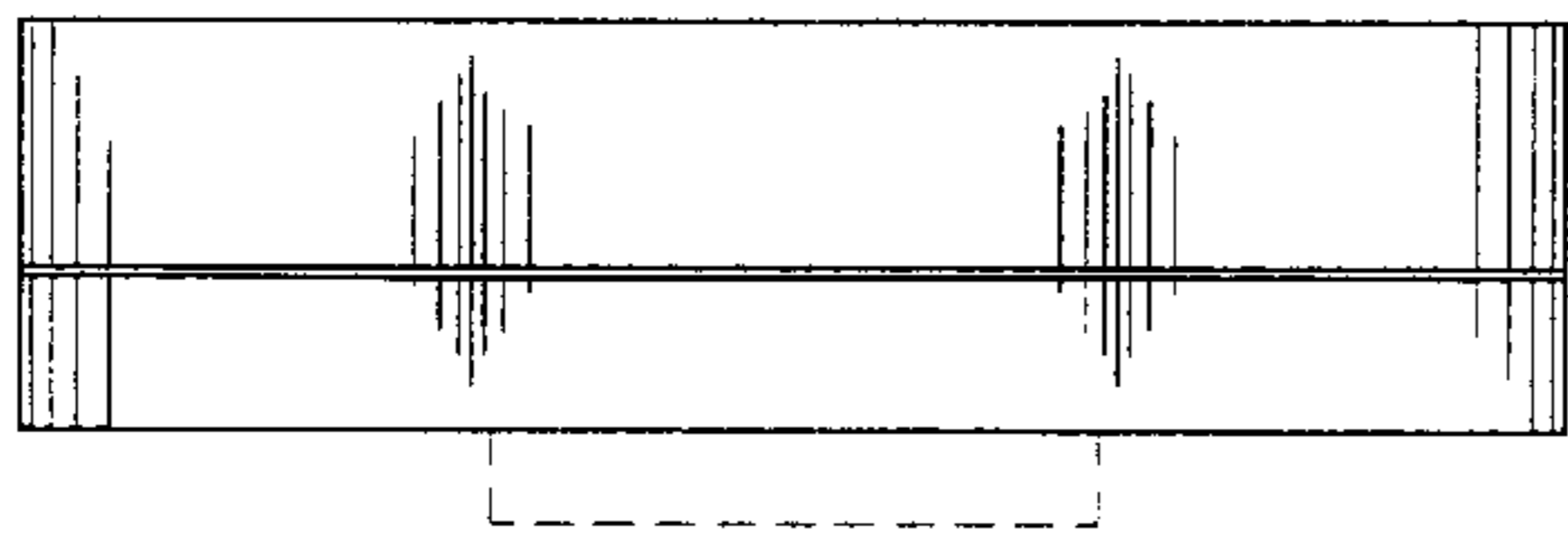
*FIG. 2*



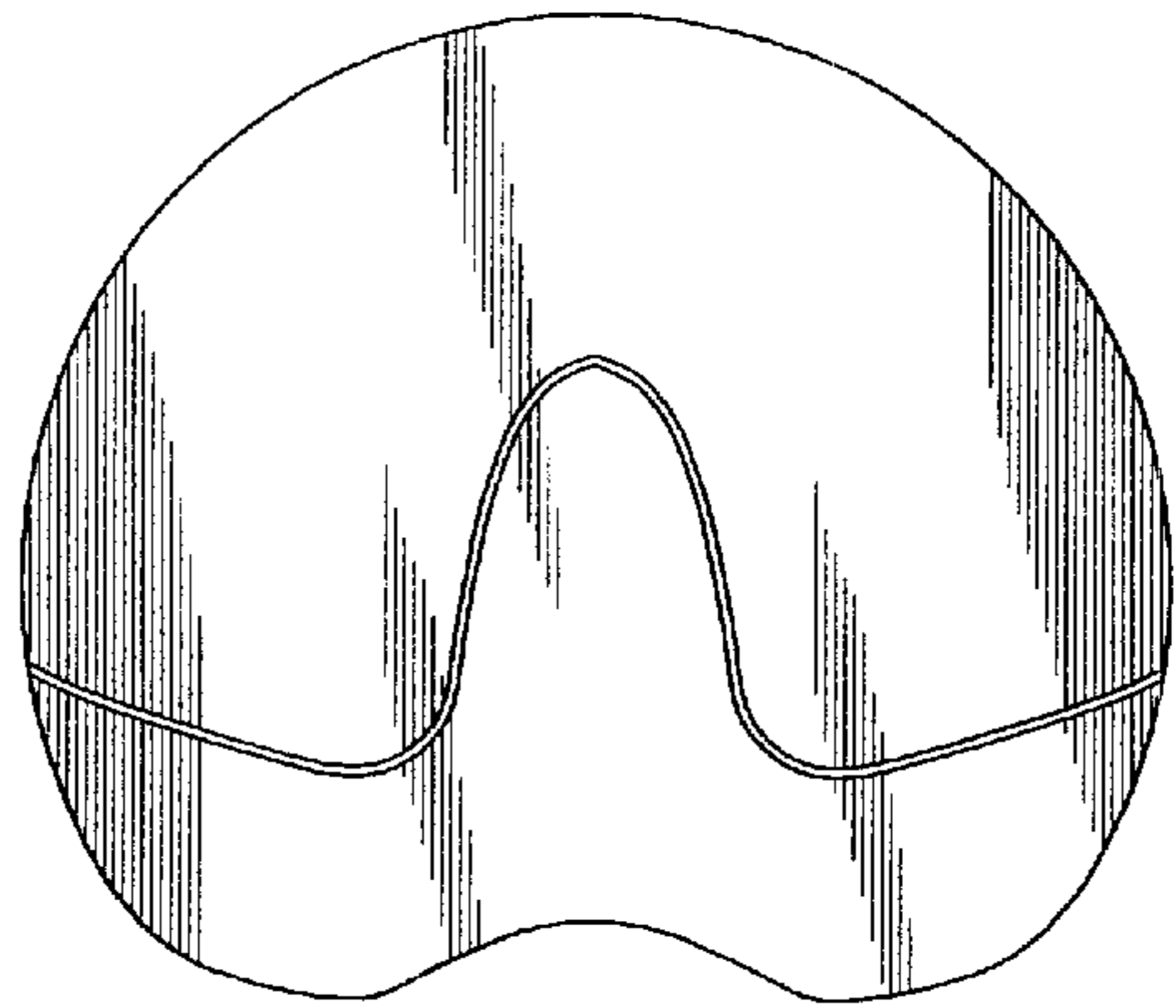
*FIG. 3*



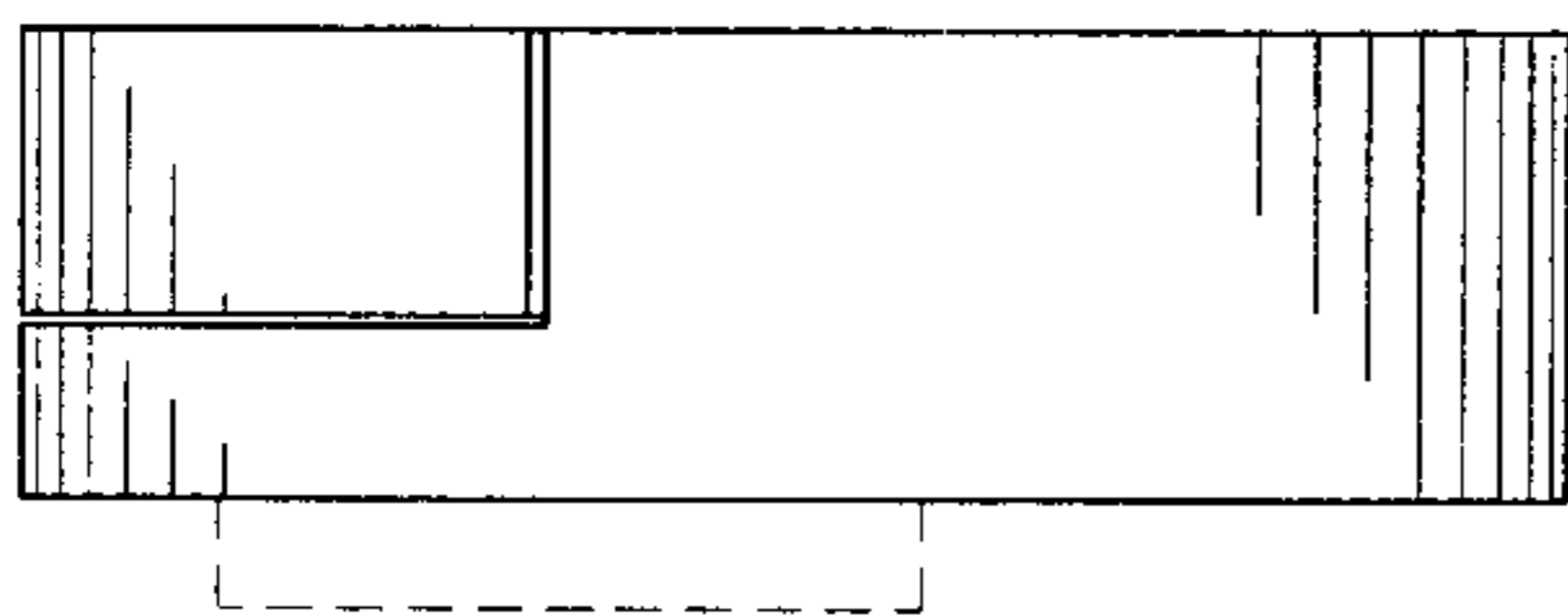
*FIG. 4*



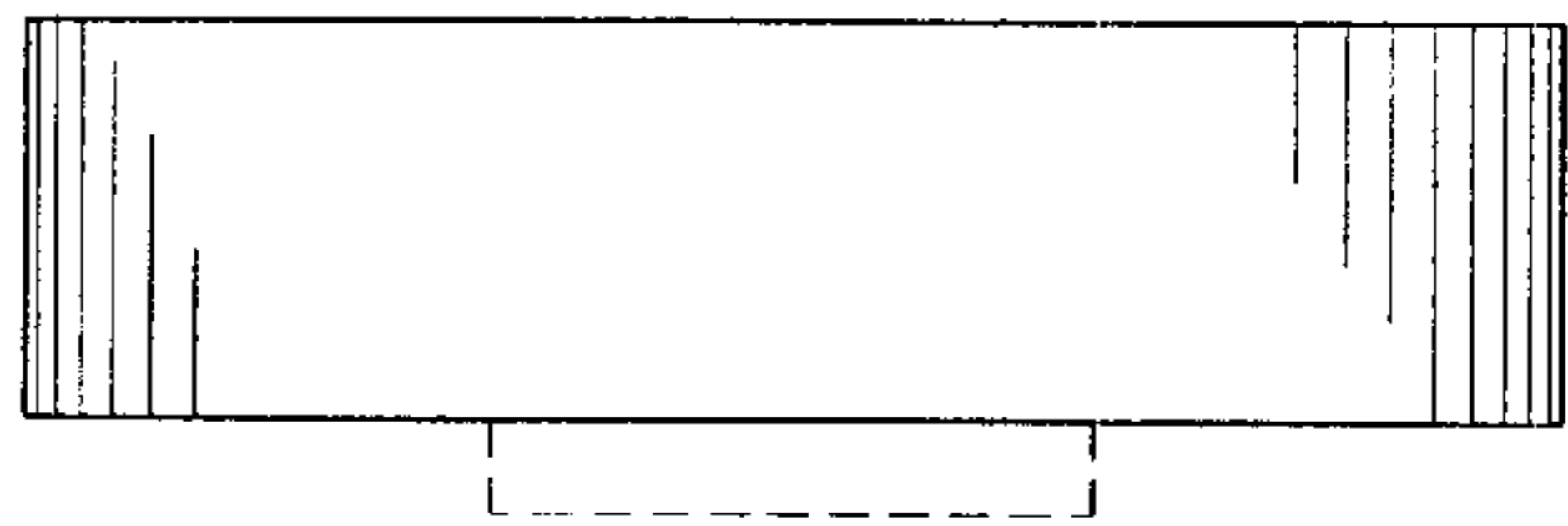
*FIG. 5*



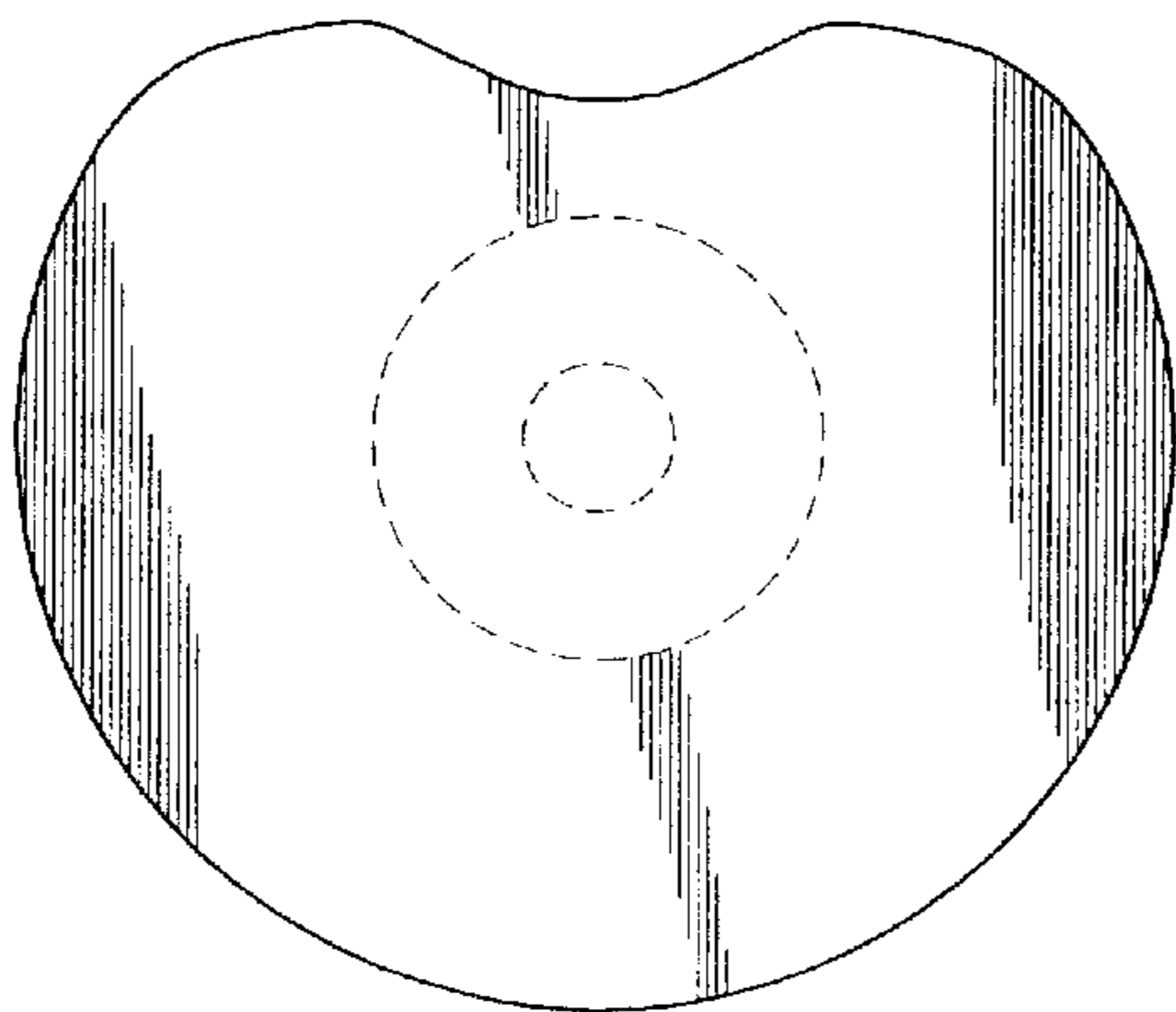
*FIG. 6*



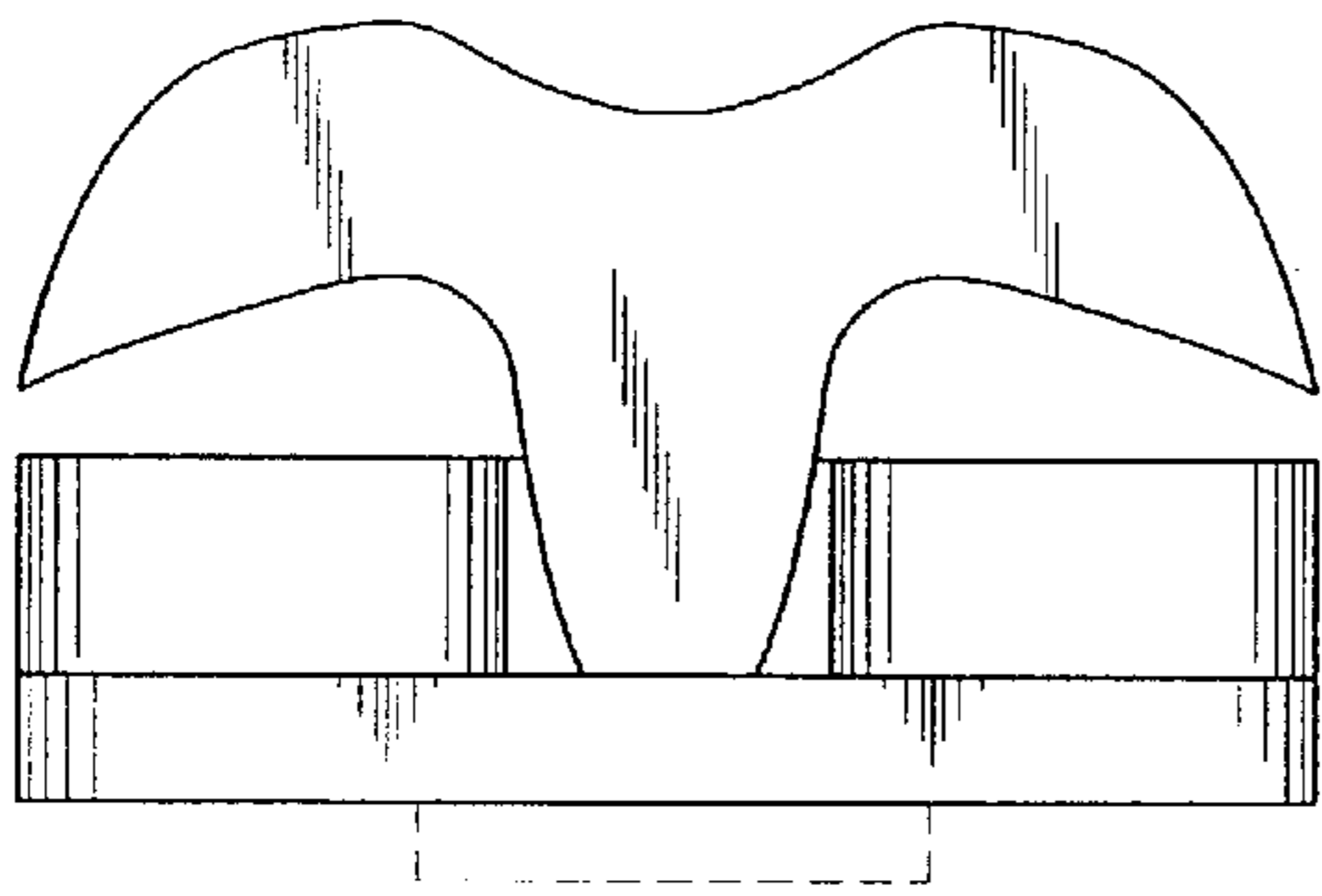
*FIG. 7*



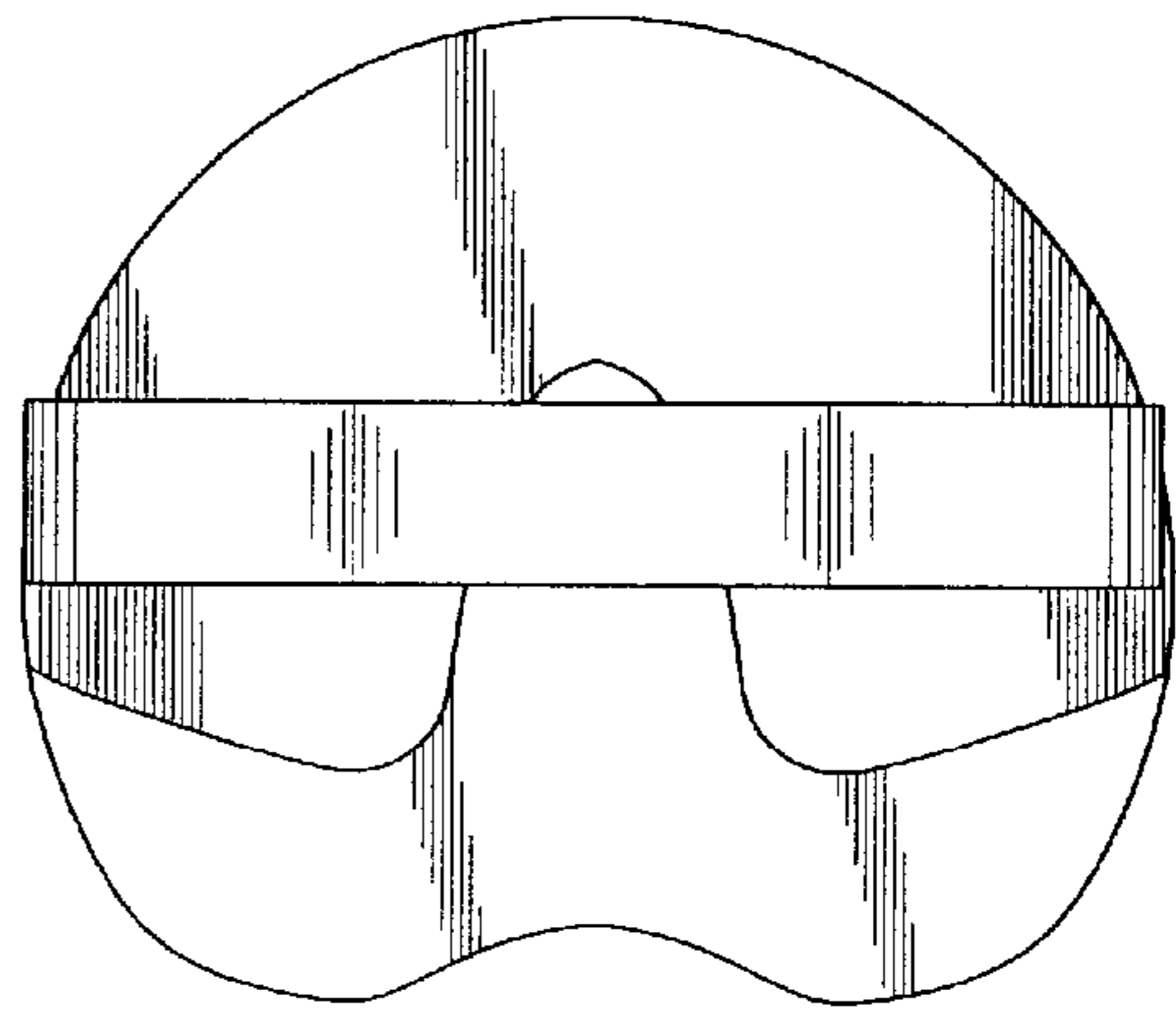
*FIG. 8*



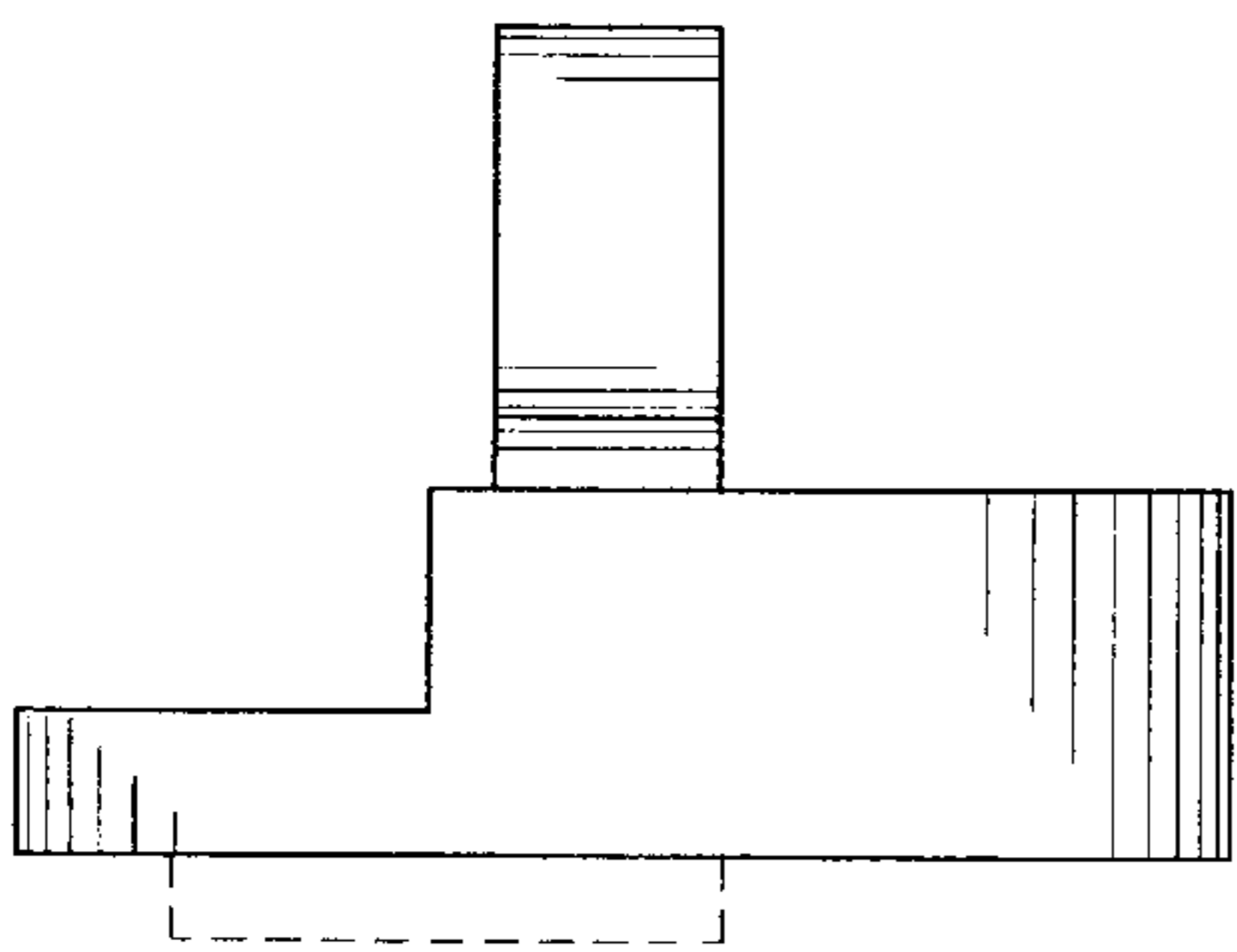
*FIG. 9*



*FIG. 10*



*FIG. 11*



*FIG. 12*

