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The ornamental design for an earplug, as shown and described.

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**DESCRIPTION**

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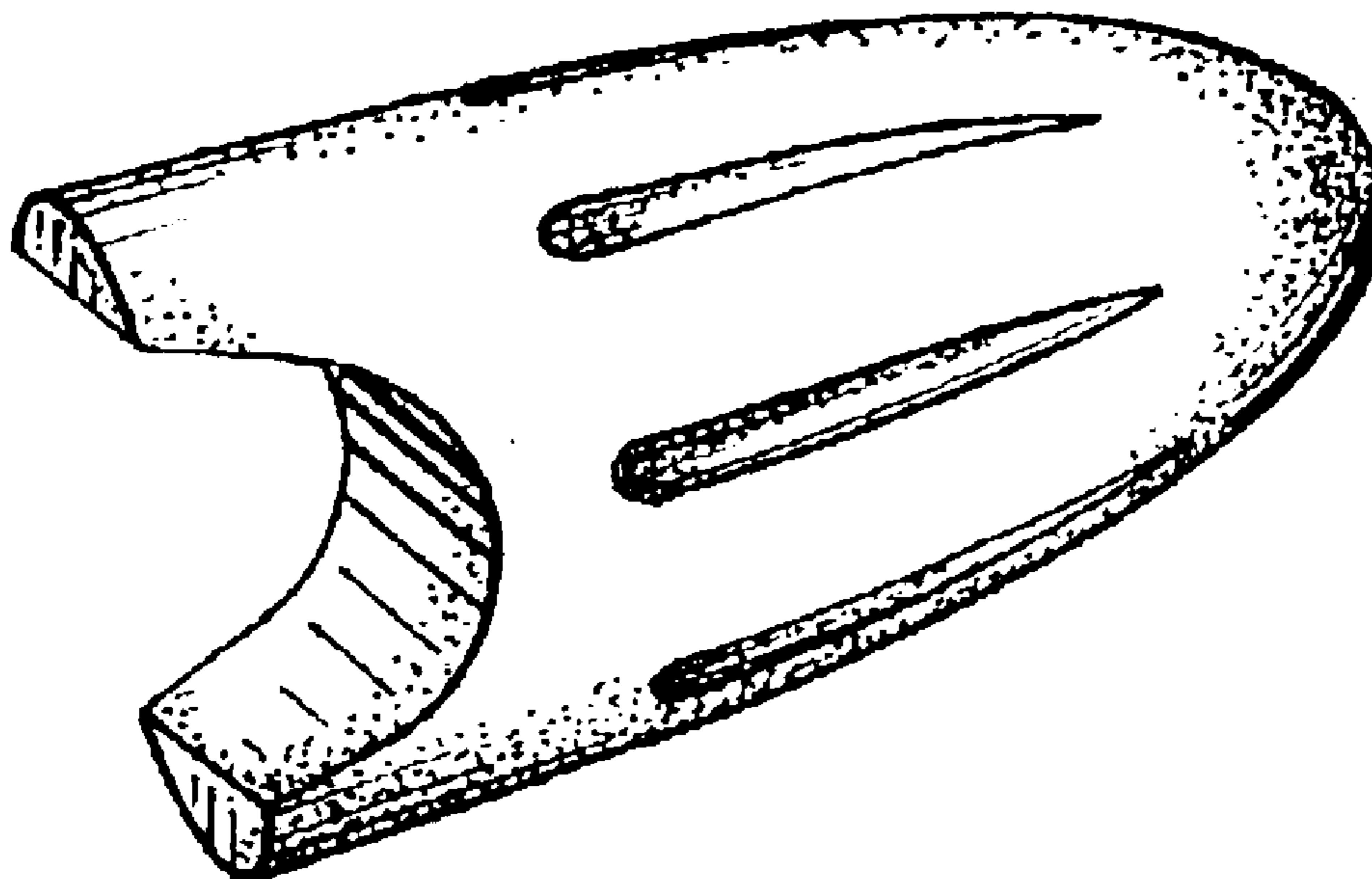
FIG. 1 is a perspective view of an earplug, showing our new design;  
FIG. 2 is a side elevational view thereof, the opposite side being a mirror image thereof;  
FIG. 3 is another side elevational view thereof, the opposite side being a mirror image thereof;  
FIG. 4 is a bottom plan view thereof; and,  
FIG. 5 is a top plan view thereof.

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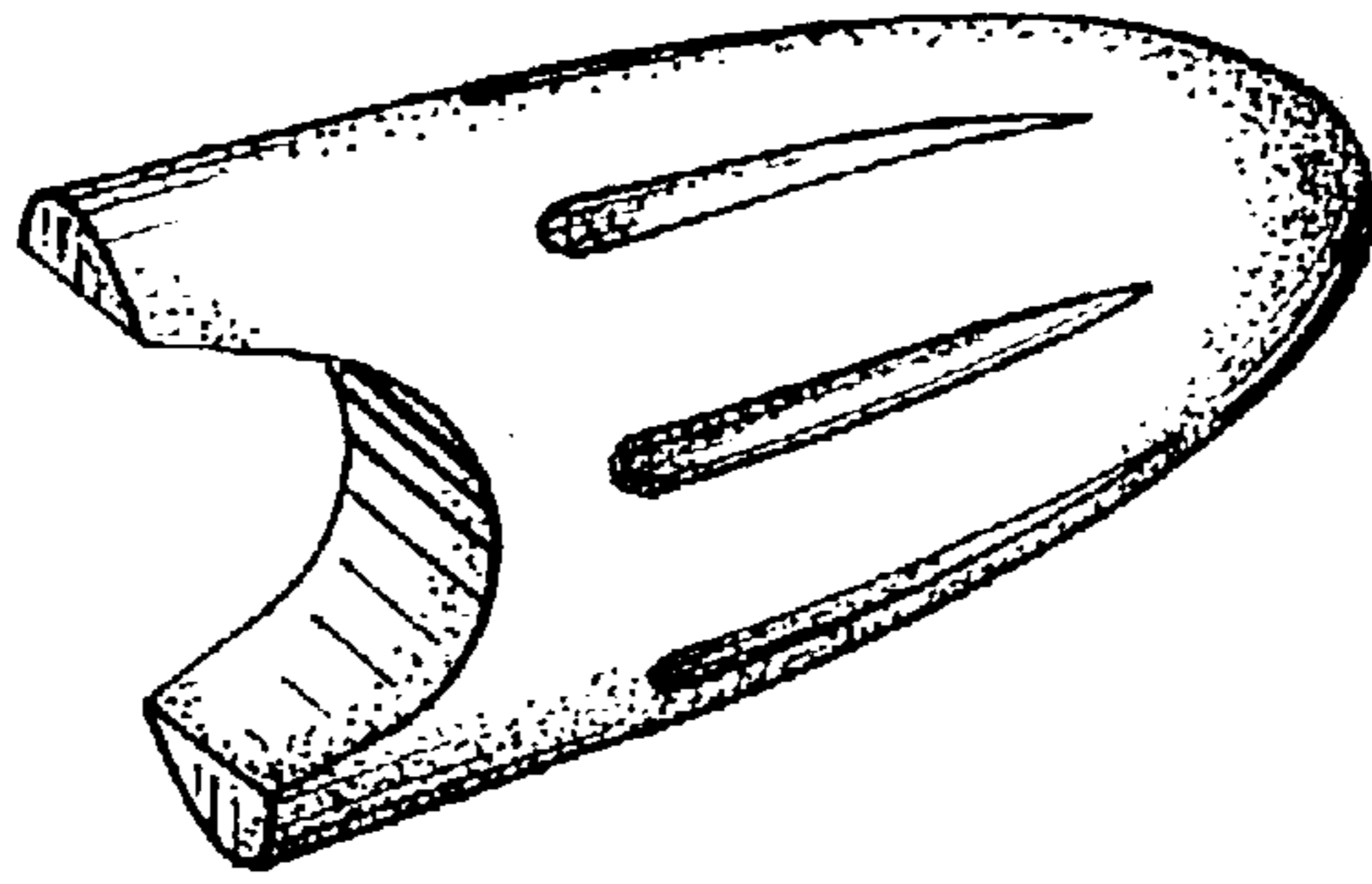


FIG. 1

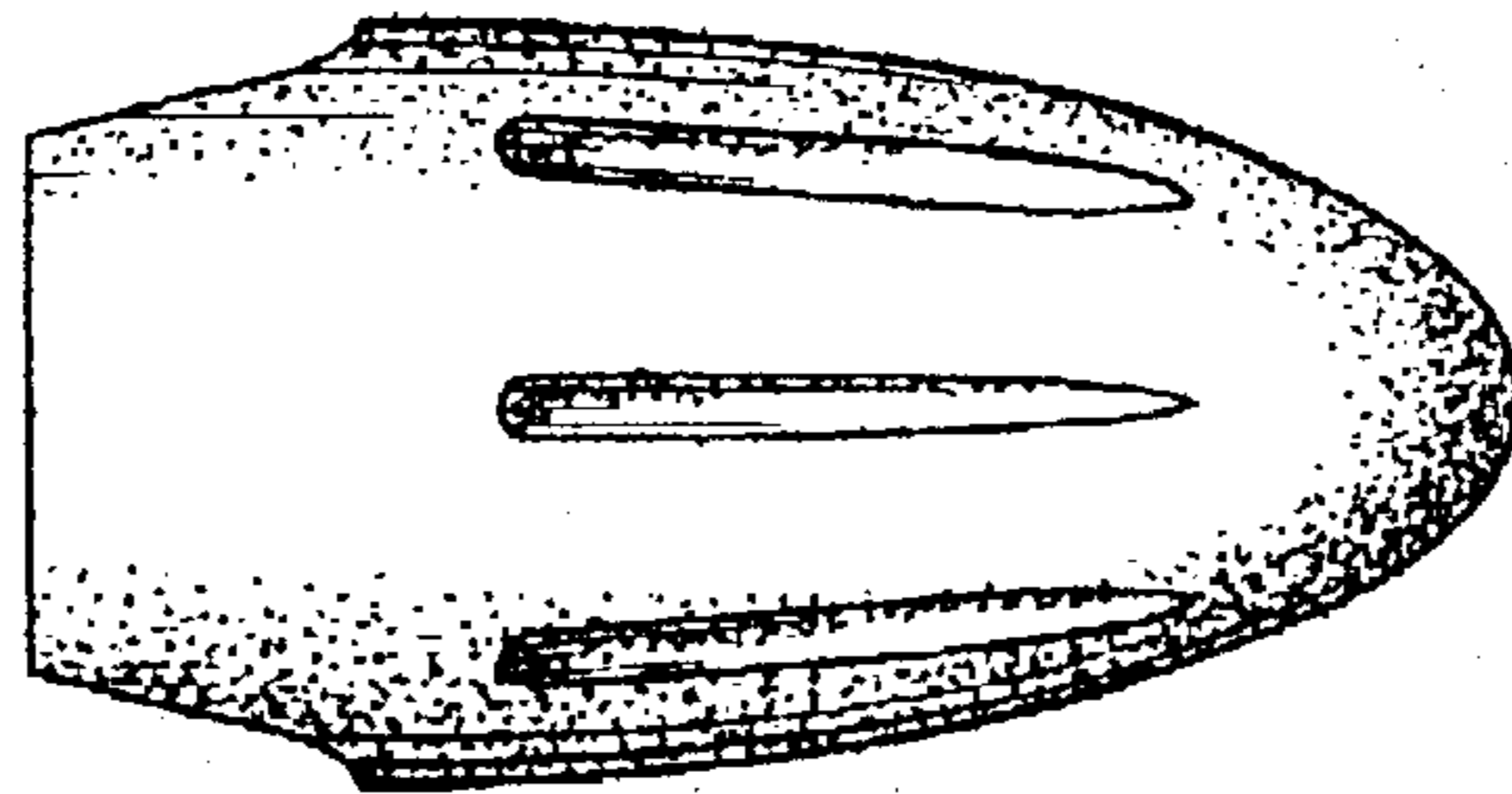


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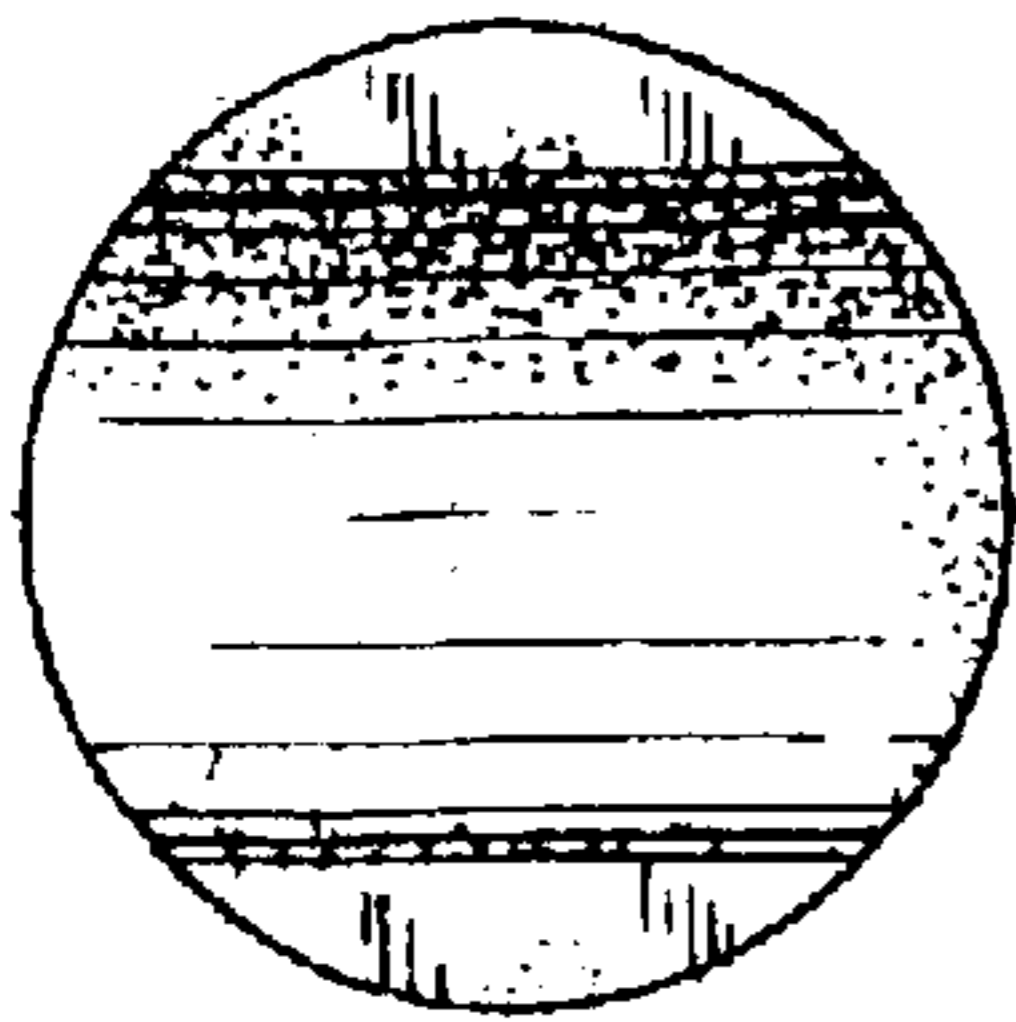


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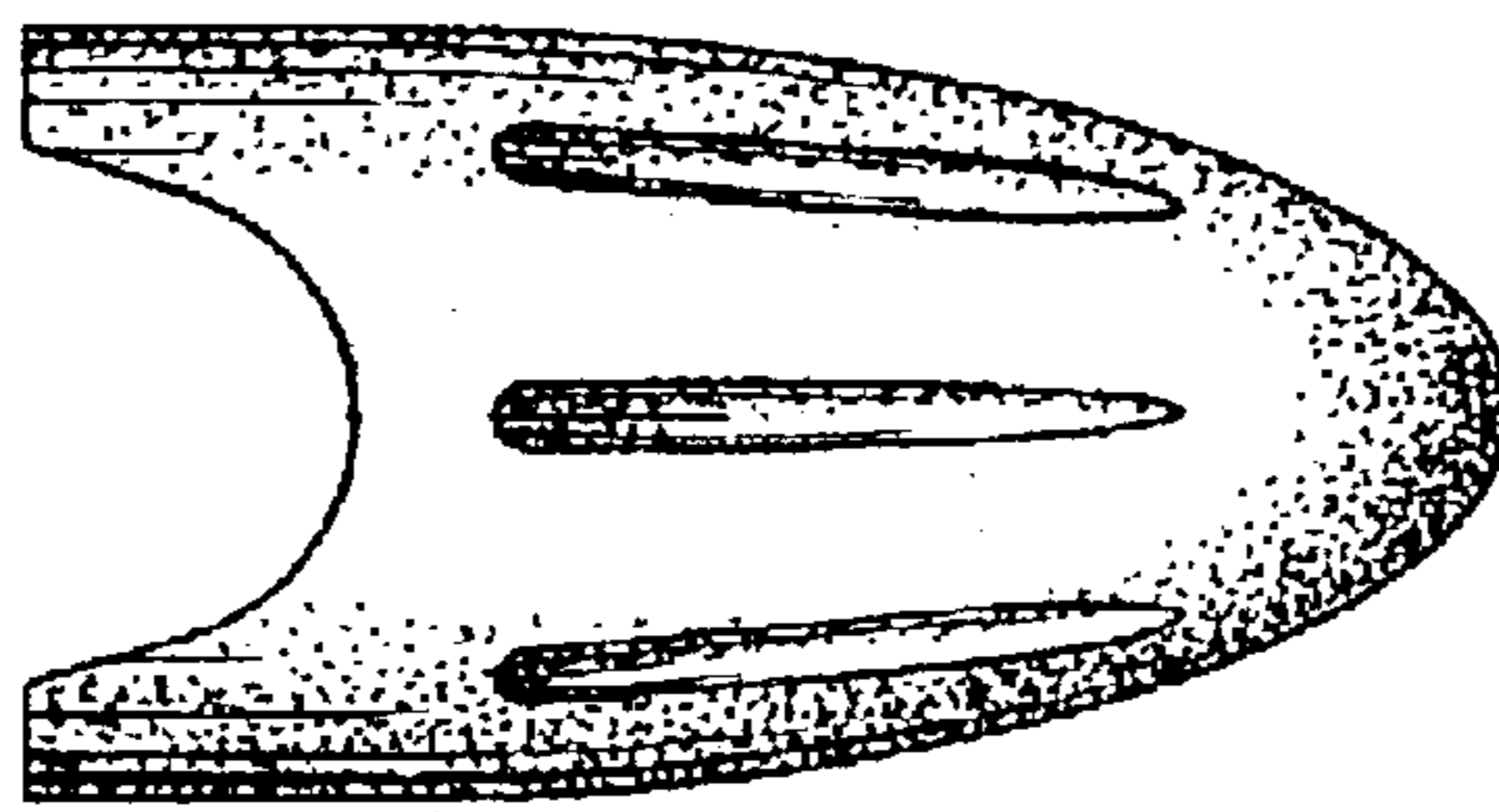


FIG. 3

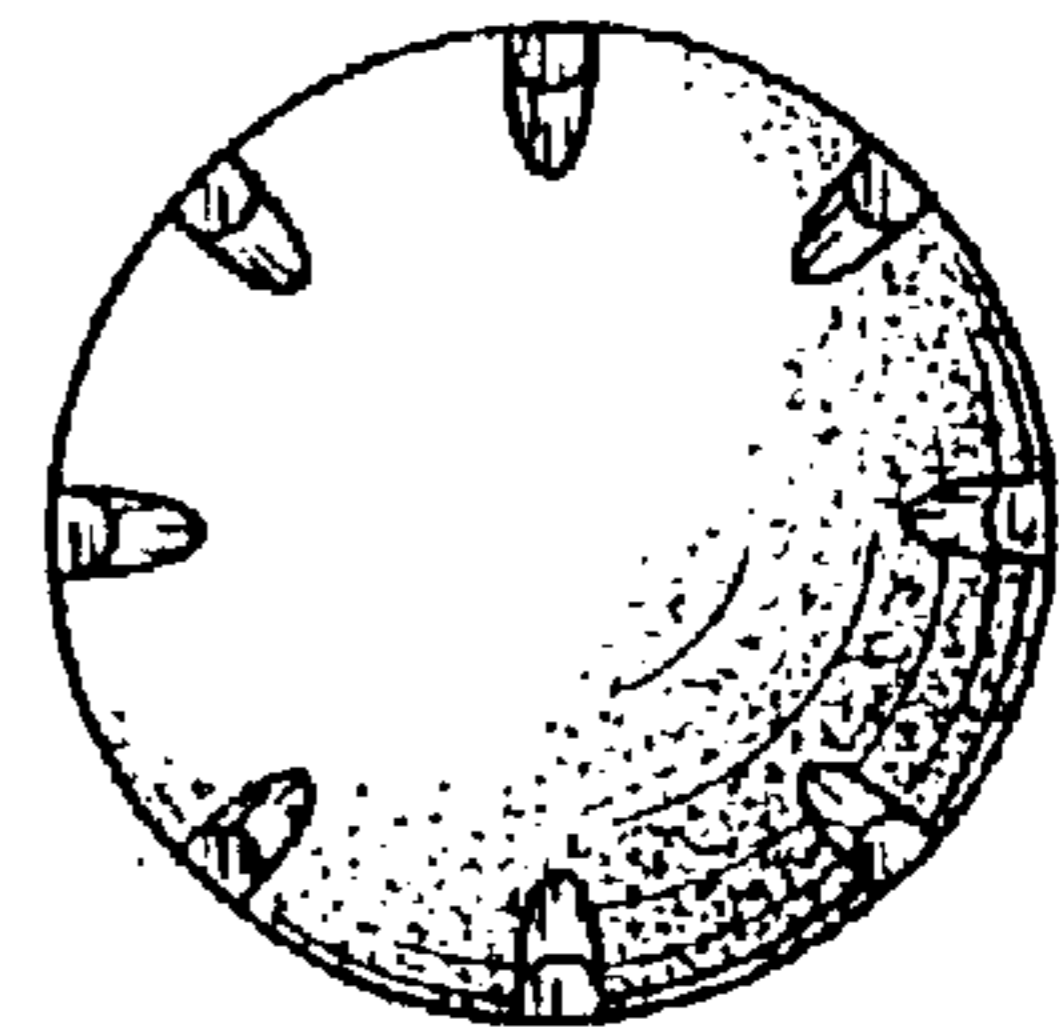


FIG. 5