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(54) **INFLATABLE SPORTS BALL IN THE STYLE OF A TENNIS BALL**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for an inflatable sports ball in the style of a tennis ball, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a plan view, the opposite plan view having the same appearance, but rotated 90° from FIG. 1;

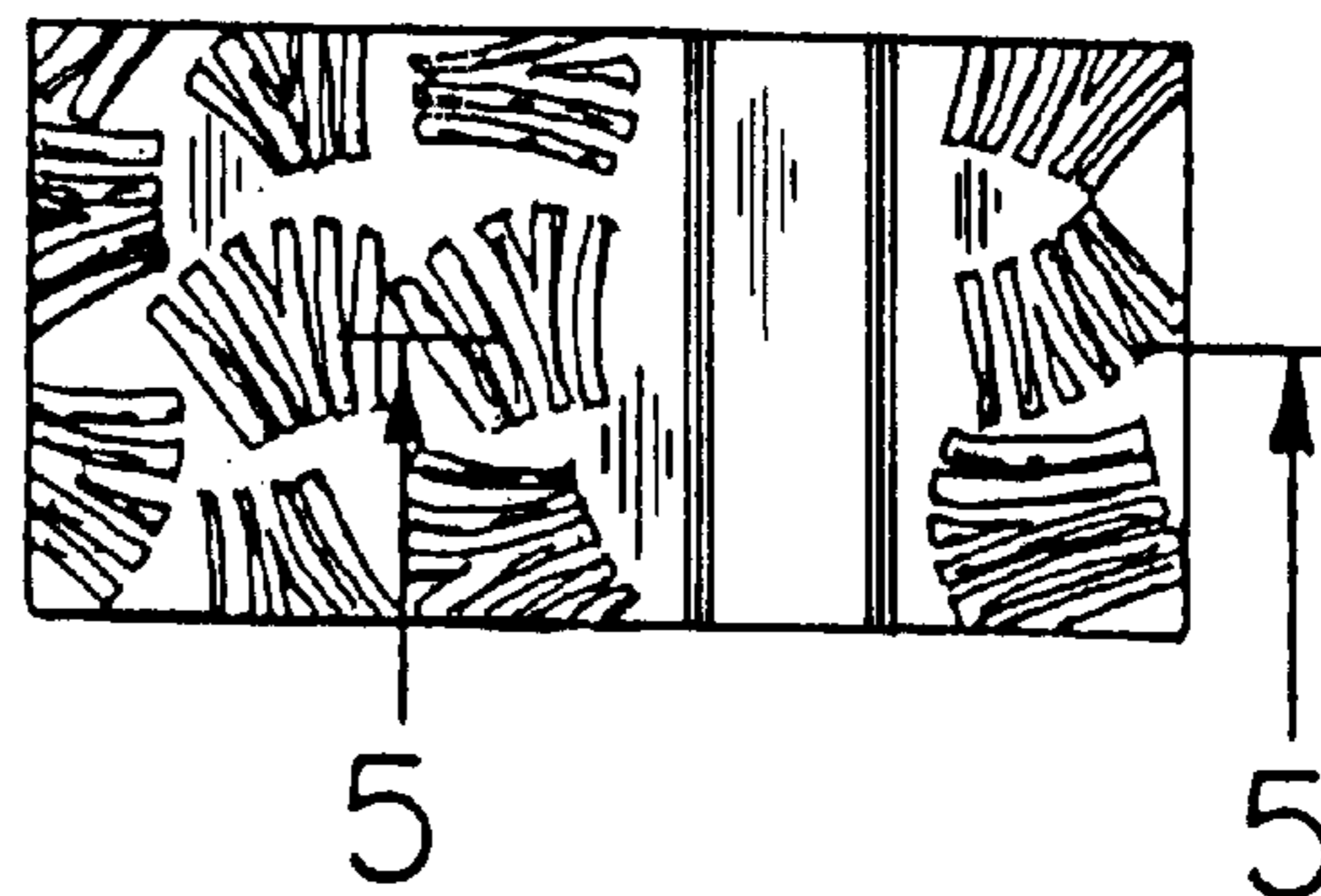
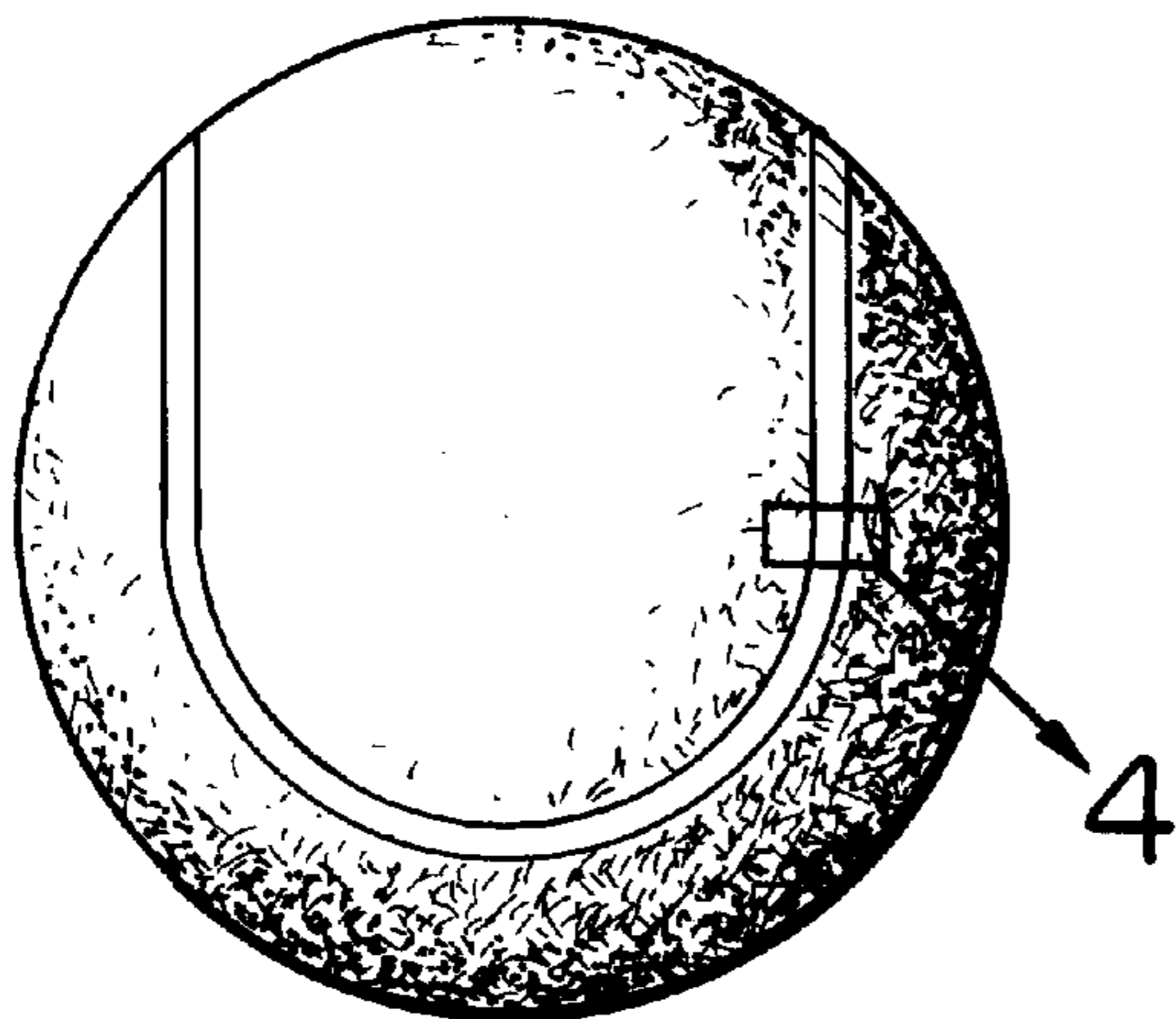
FIG. 2 is a front view, the rear view being the same;

FIG. 3 is a right side elevational view, the left side view being the same;

FIG. 4 is an isolated detailed view, on an enlarged scale, of the surface texture within the rectangle of FIG. 4; and

FIG. 5 is a cross sectional view, as taken along line 5—5 of FIG. 4.

1 Claim, 1 Drawing Sheet



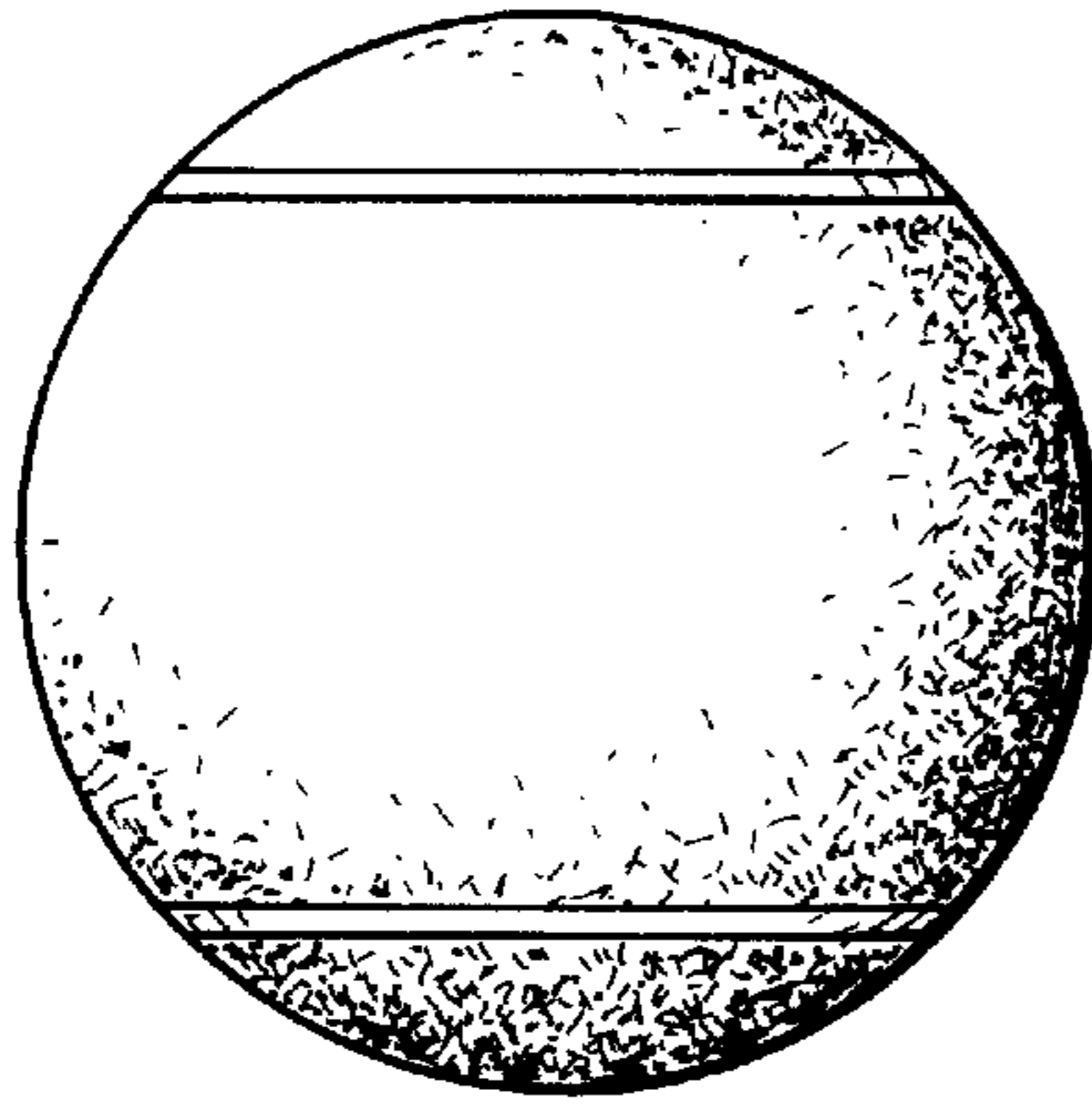


FIG. 1

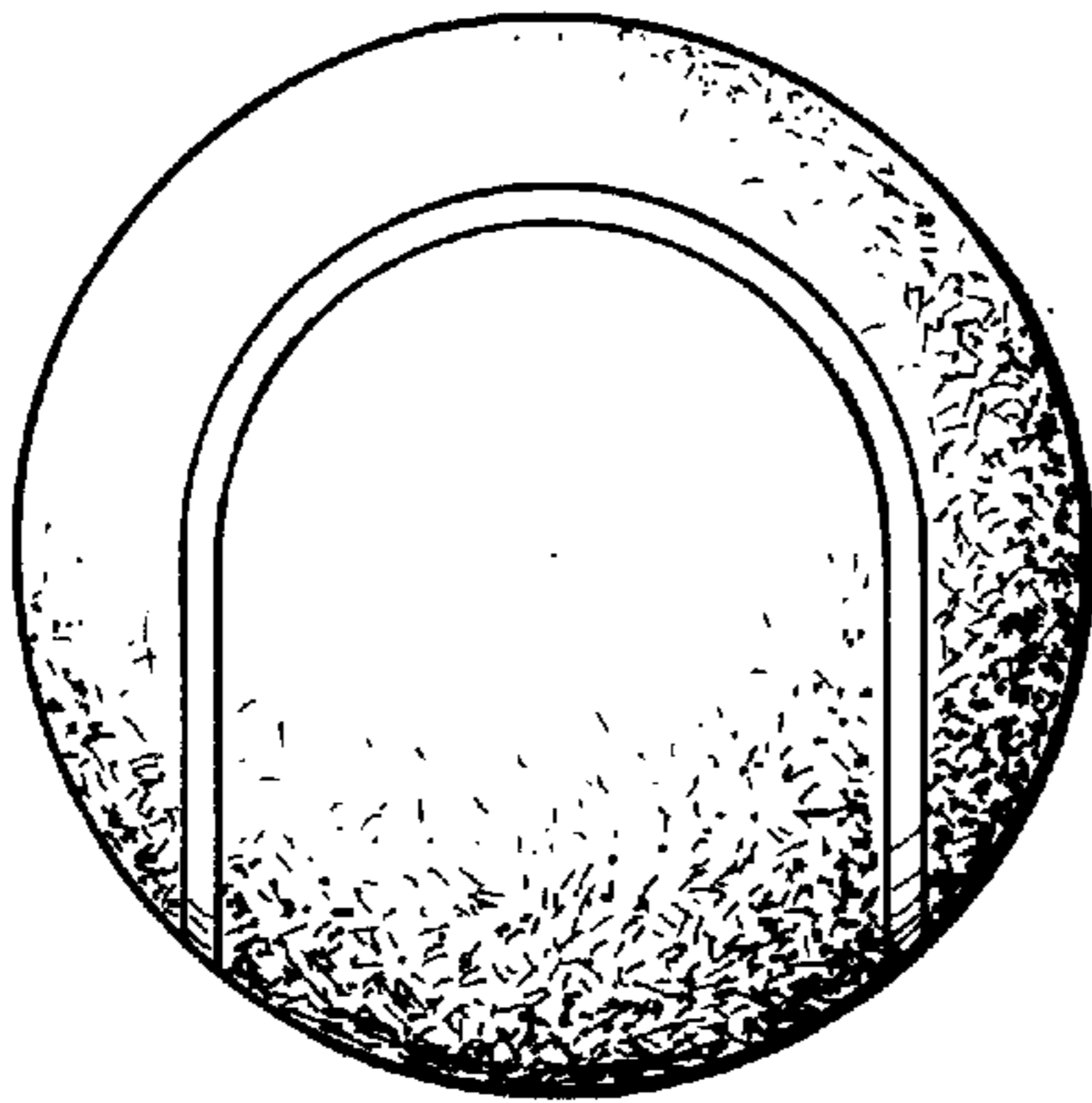


FIG. 2

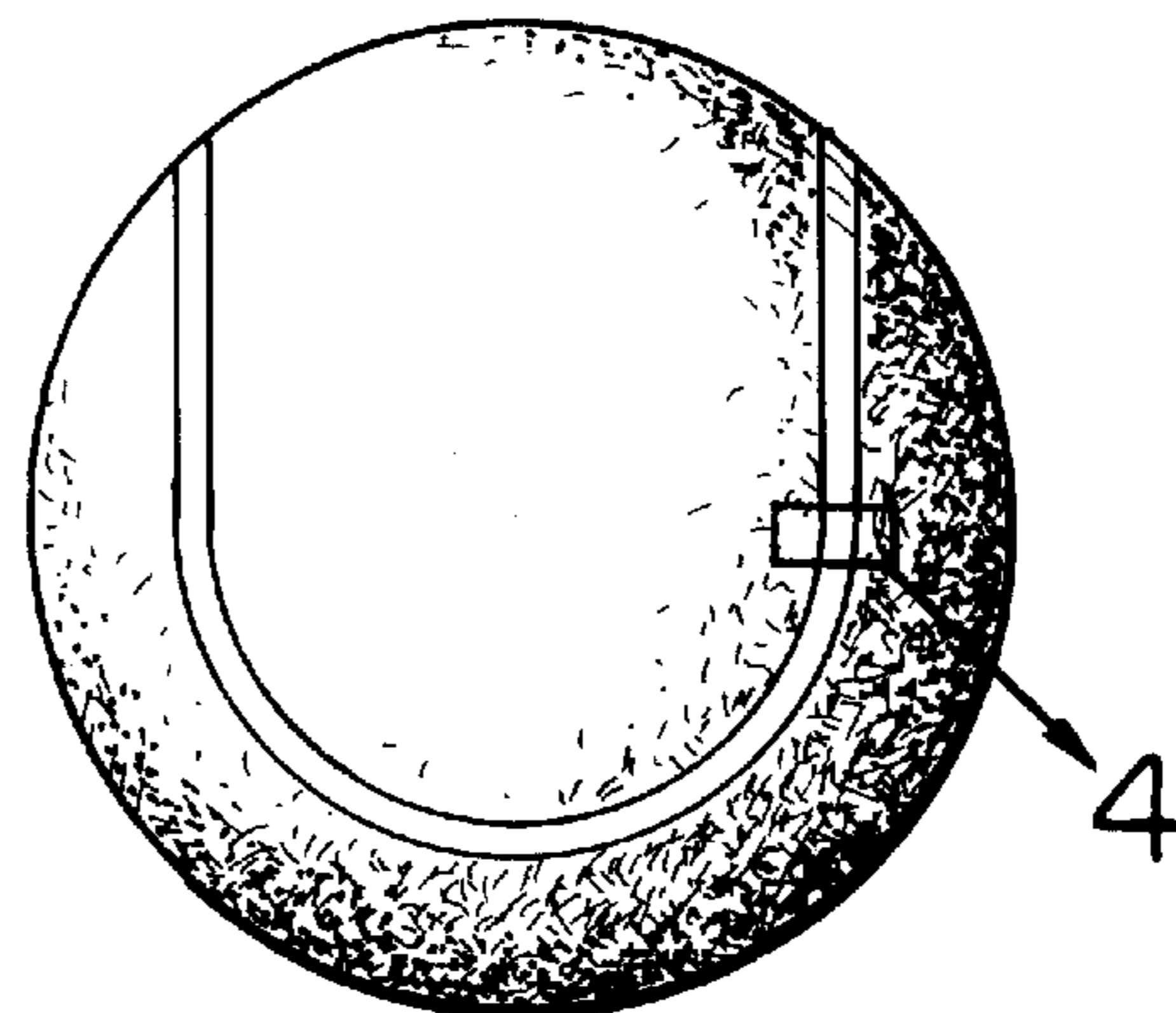


FIG. 3

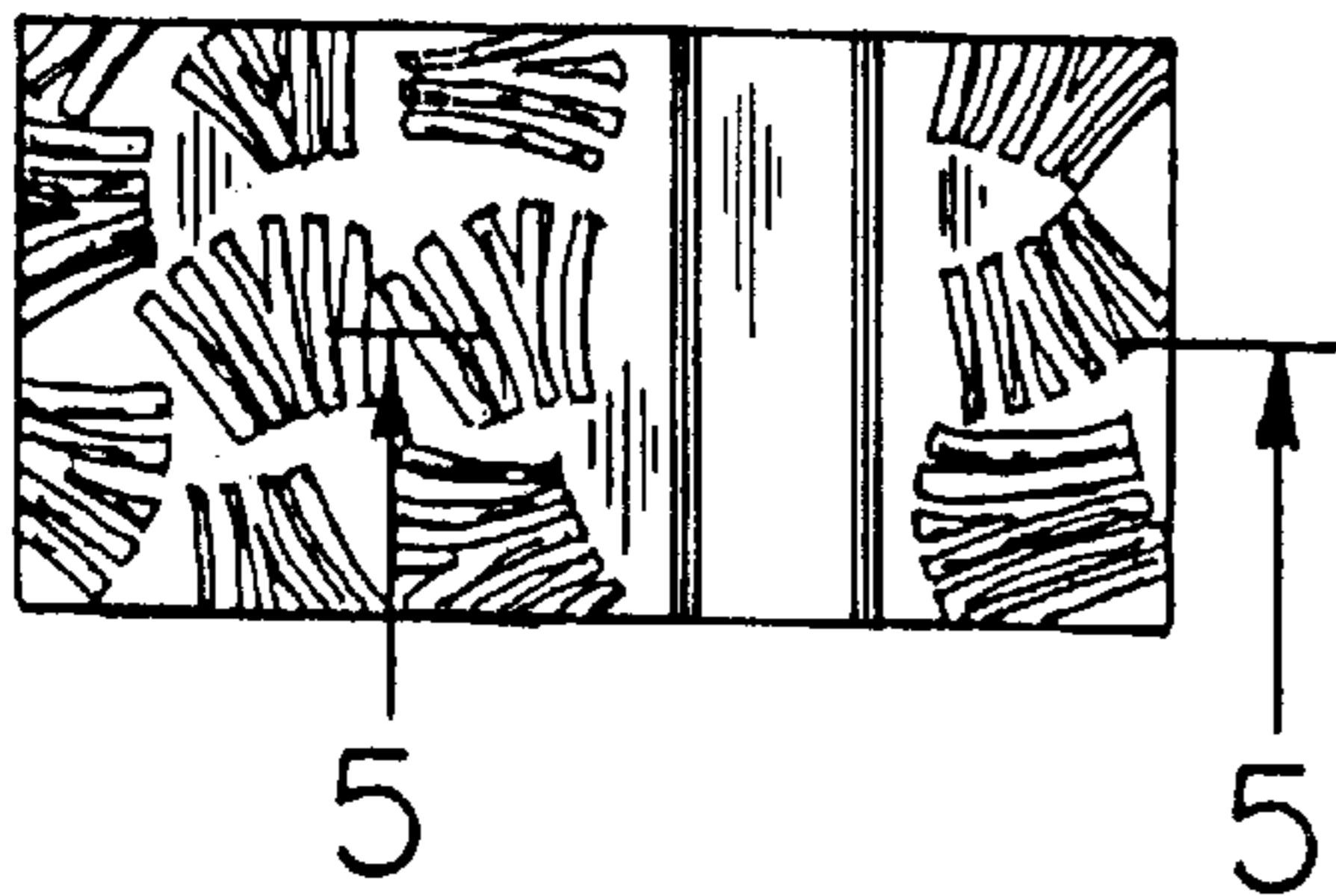


FIG. 4



FIG. 5