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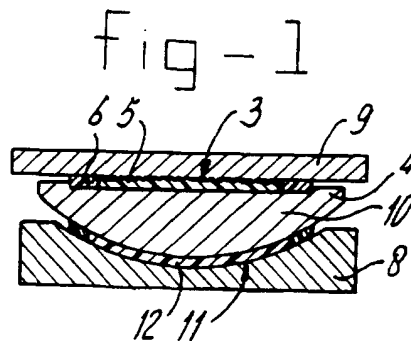
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(54) **Bearing**

(57) A bearing for a bridge comprises a bottom saddle (8) and a top saddle (9), between which there is a friction member (3) which has a relatively low coefficient of friction compared to the saddles. The friction member comprises a central sheet section (5) and an edge section (6) which is situated on the periphery of the said

sheet section. An intermediate saddle (10) is situated between the bottom saddle (8) and the top saddle (9), which intermediate saddle (10) interacts with the bottom saddle (8) by means of a bottom friction member (12) and interacts with the top saddle (9) by means of a top friction member (3).



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