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(54) **HAND-HELD DEVICE THAT SUPPORTS FAST TEXT TYPING**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The invention comprises a hand-held device with multiple keys on its face ("face-keys") and with one or more buttons on its side ("side-buttons"). A user types a character (or invokes a function) by pressing one of the face-keys using a finger on the hand that is not holding the device while simultaneously holding in combinations of the side-buttons with fingers on the hand that is holding the device. Pressing a face-key without holding in any of the side-keys produces a given character (or function). Pressing the same face-key while simultaneously holding in a given combination of the side-keys can result in a different character (or function). The invention allows for faster typing of text on cell phone handsets and other hand-held devices.

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"Web-phone" handset that enables fast typing, and fast application navigation

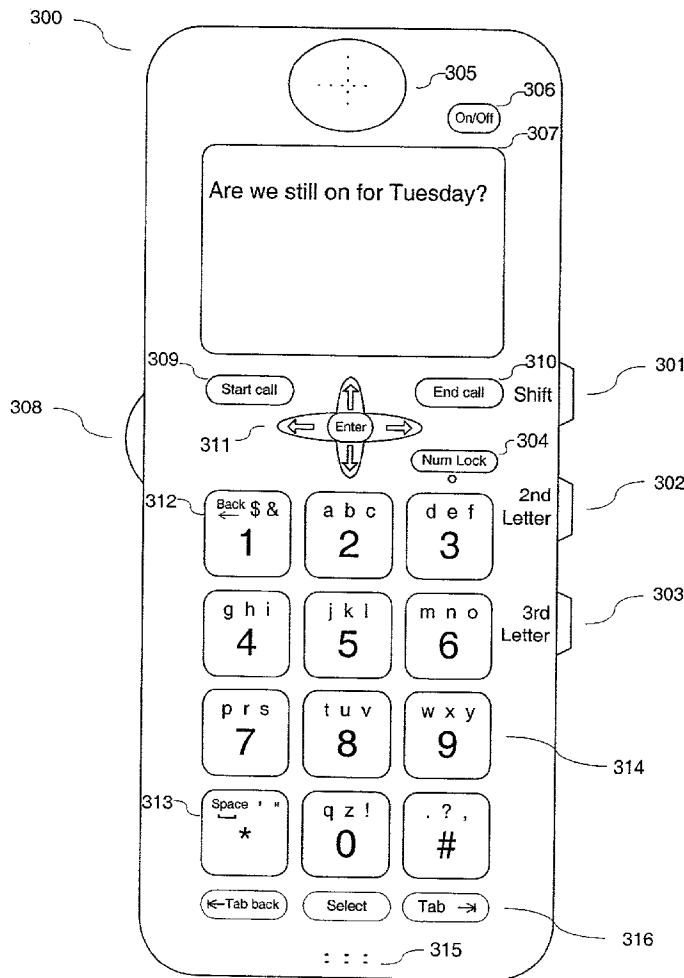


Figure 1 -- Phone handset that enables fast typing

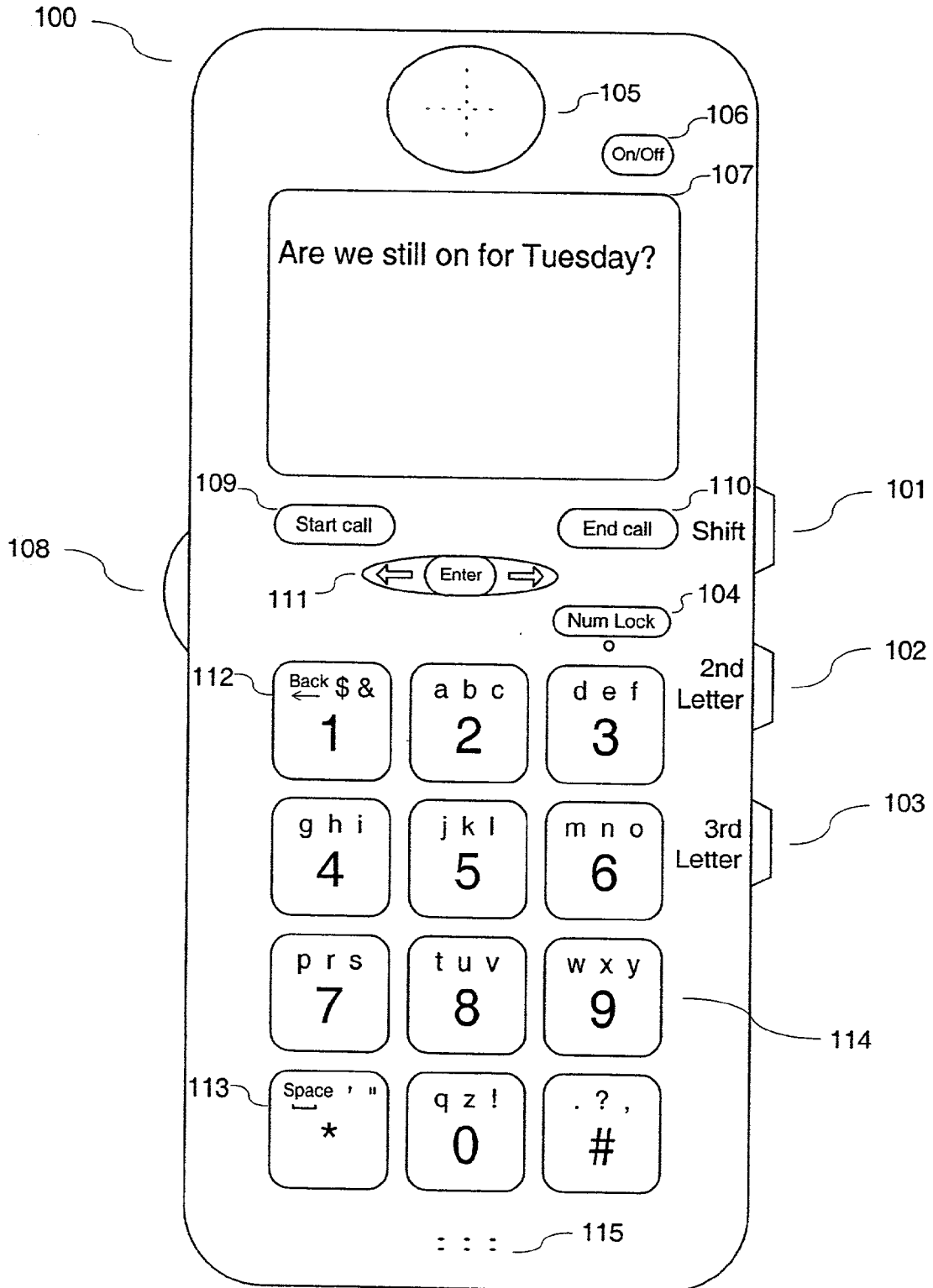


Figure 2 -- Phone handset that enables fast typing

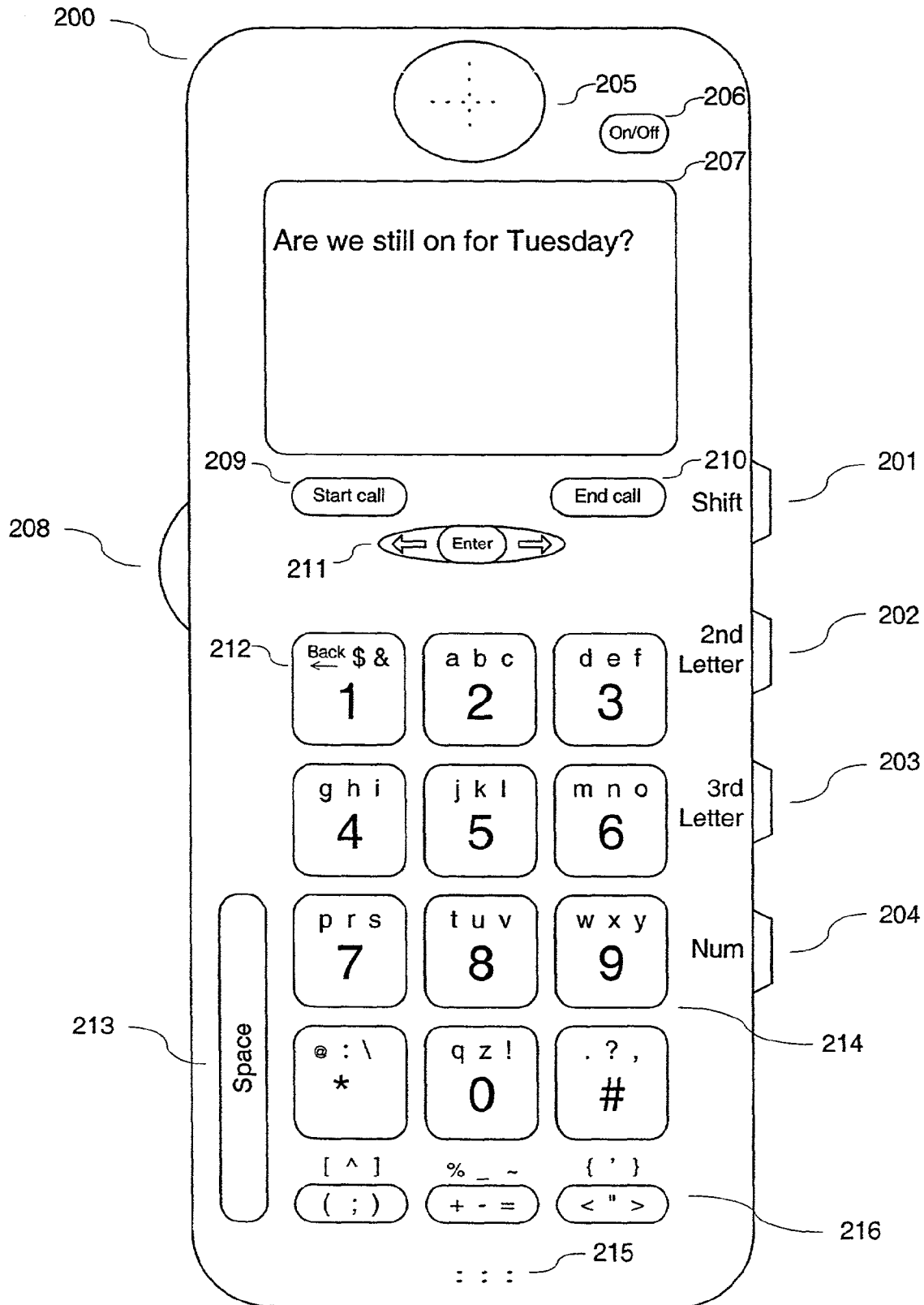


Figure 3 -- "Web-phone" handset that enables fast typing, and fast application navigation

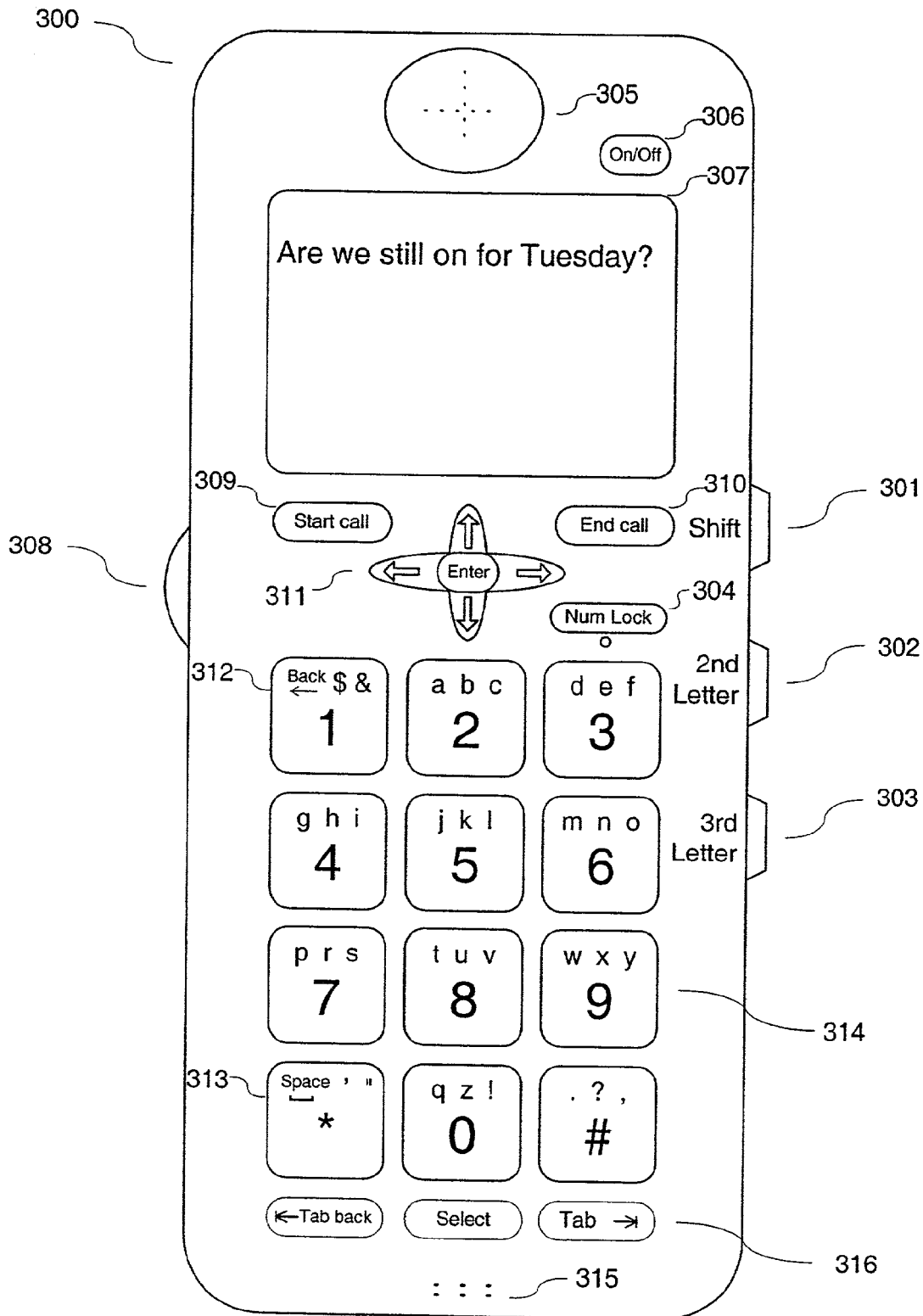
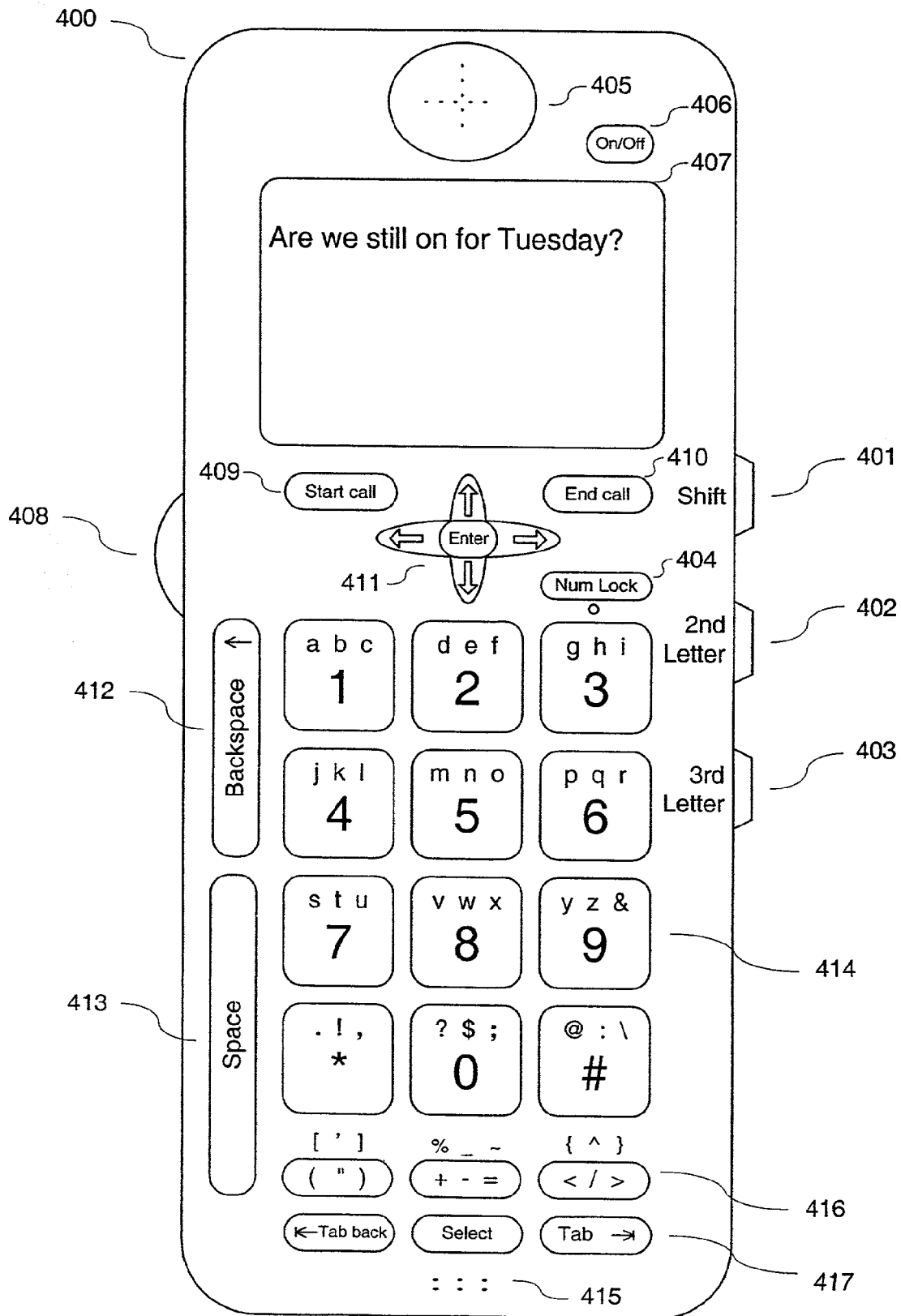


Figure 4 -- "Web-phone" handset that enables fast typing, and fast application navigation



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