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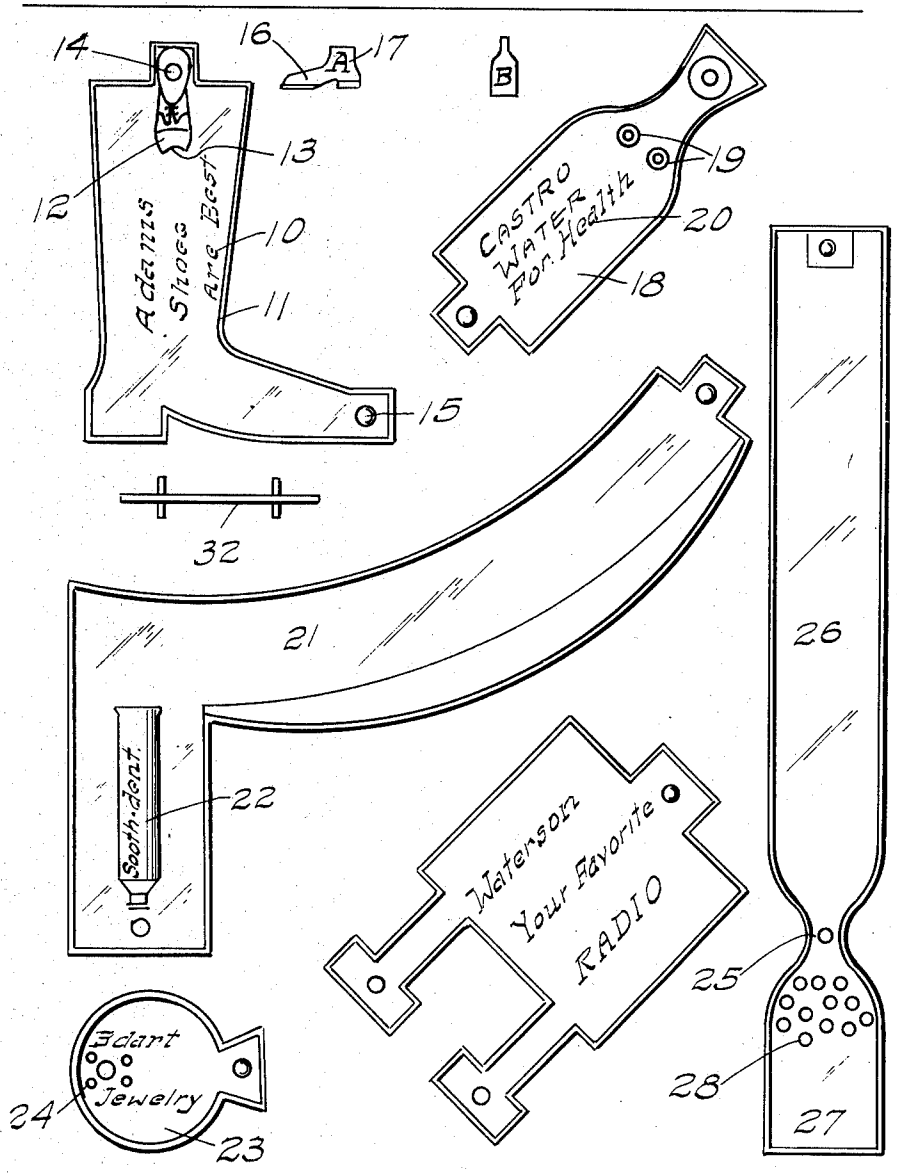


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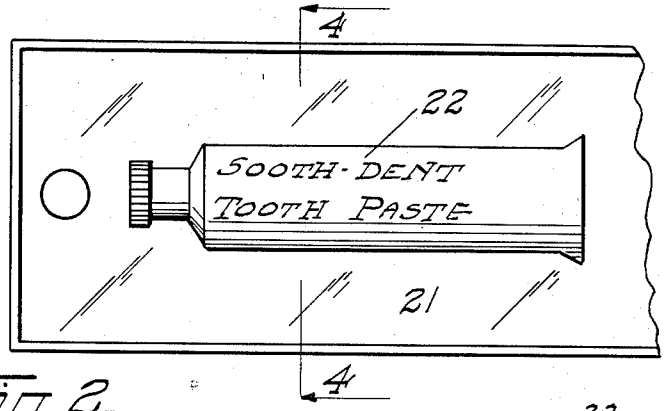


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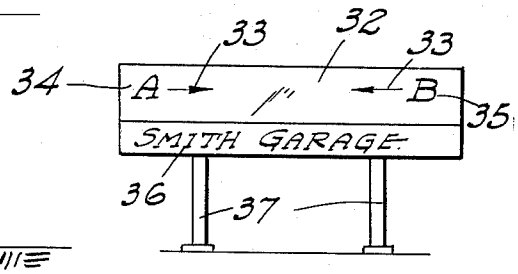


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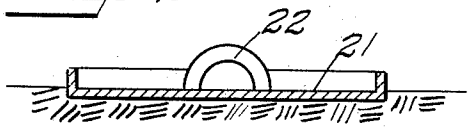


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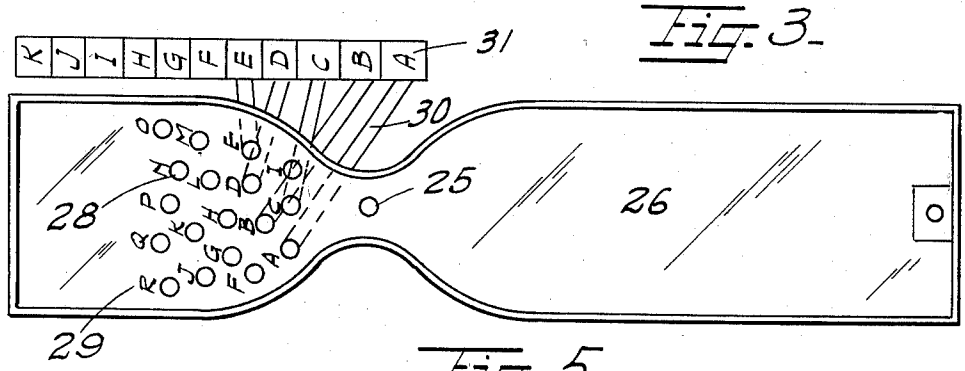


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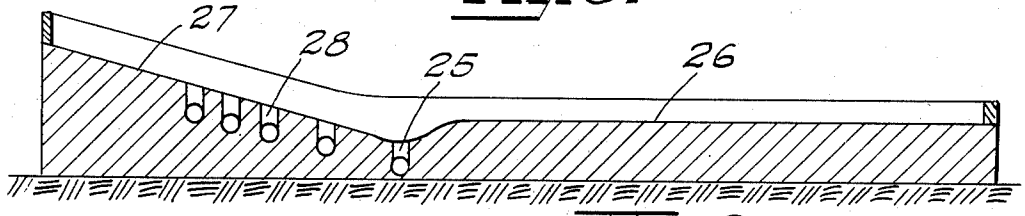


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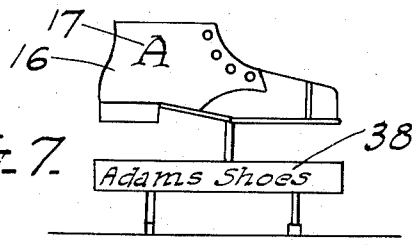


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This invention is for an advertising golf course and has special reference to a miniature golf course in which the main object is to provide advertising media in every conceivable manner, the courts being formed to simulate devices to be advertised, hazards made in forms simulative of such devices or articles, markers and other signs having advertising display thereon.

Another object of the invention is to provide an advertising golf course with a plurality of courts, markers, hazards and bunkers, making such devices either in simulation of articles or devices and in addition thereto inlaying advertising matter in the courts and painting or printing same on markers and hazards.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent as the following description is read on the drawings constituting a part of this specification.

The invention consists primarily of a miniature golf course, having a plurality, preferably twenty-six courts, providing a twenty-six hole golf course, the holes being preferably lettered from A to Z, although the numeral method may also be used. The courts are to be laid out in simulative forms, such as in the form of a shoe, stocking, bottle or such form as happens to be simulative of the article or device advertised. Hazards may be formed according to similar standards, and advertising display inlaid in courts, painted or printed on hazards, markers, etc., simulation and advertising display being the predominating features of the course.

The invention is adequately illustrated in the accompanying drawings in which

Fig. 1 is a plan view of a small section of a golf course as applied to my invention;

Fig. 2 is a plan view of a typical hazard;

Fig. 3 is an elevation of one of the indicating signs to be used;

Fig. 4 is a sectional elevation taken on line 4—4 of Fig. 2;

Fig. 5 is a plan view of the last court in a series;

Fig. 6 is a sectional longitudinal elevation of Fig. 5; and

Fig. 7 is an elevation of one of the markers.

Similar reference characters are used to indicate similar parts throughout the several views.

Referring to Fig. 1, a court 10 shaped like a boot is provided with the boundary range 11 and a hazard 12 simulating a shoe with a hole 13 in the toe into which the ball 15 is to be driven to make the hole 14. The marker 16 is formed in simulation of a shoe and is provided with a letter 17 for designating the hole 14 serially.

The court 18 simulates a bottle and is provided with bottles 19 setting verticaly as hazards. Advertising display 20 is inlaid in the court.

A different type of court is indicated at 21 not simulative of any particular article or device, a hazard 22 simulating a tooth paste tube being supplied.

Court 23 is simulative of a ring and has pin hazards 24.

The final hole of the course is indicated at 25, on a specially constructed court 26 which is indicated in detail in Figs. 5 and 6. The court consists of a substantially level section 26, which is restricted at the hole 25 and having a dip to cause a ball to normally enter the hole 25. The court beyond the hole 25 is inclined upward as at 27 and is provided with a series of holes 28 with indicating marks 29 to coincide with the different court indicators. Pipes 30 communicating with the holes 28 provide outlets into a series of receptacles 31 similarly indicated, so that putting a ball in this court provides a chance of the ball dropping into one of the holes 28 passing through the pipe 30 into the corresponding receptacle 31 which will indicate a prize to be given to the player. Should the ball not lodge into any of the holes 28, it will drop into hole 25, and no prize will be given.

Fig. 4 indicates a fragmentary portion of court 21, the hazard 22 being disposed thereon as indicated in section in Fig. 4.

The locating indicator 32 is provided with pointers 33 to indicate the direction to the respective courts indicated at 34 and 35, and is also provided with advertising display 36 and mounted on standards 37.

The hole markers 16 are provided with indicating marker 17 and are also provided with advertising display 38 and set adjacent the respective courts.

It will be noted that variations in construction and arrangement of the constituent parts of the course may be resorted to, which are consistent with the appended claims, without detracting from the spirit or scope of the invention or sacrificing any of the advantages thereof.

I claim:—

1. A game comprising a floor, the forward portion of which is horizontal and terminates in a depression at the rearward end, the rearward portion of said floor starting at the bottom of said depression and continuing diagonally upward, vertical walls encompassing said floor and

inwardly curved to form a constriction at the depression, a hole centrally disposed in said depression, and a plurality of irregularly spaced holes in said inclined portion adapted to receive a ball rolled from the forward end of said horizontal portion, the central hole in the depression forming a trap for the ball when not received by any of the spaced holes in the inclined portion, the ball being adapted to return over the depression between the central hole and the walls at the constriction to the forward end of the floor.

2. An advertising golf course having a final hole court, the final hole being located in a restricted, depressed portion of said court, an upwardly inclined portion beyond said depressed portion having a series of irregularly spaced holes, a similar number of pockets and communicating means between said holes and said pockets, said final hole and depressed portion forming a trap against the series of holes.

3. A substantially rectangular court having a curb extending thereabout, said court being transversely constricted intermediate the length thereof, the forward end of said court being substantially level, the rearward portion being upwardly inclined from said constricted portion to the rearward end, a depression formed in the constricted portion, a trap hole formed at the bottom of said depression, a series of irregular spaced objective holes formed in the inclined surface of said rearward portion, and individual passages from said holes.

4. A substantially rectangular court having a curb extending thereabout, said court being transversely constricted intermediate the length thereof, the curb being curved throughout the constricted portion, said court being substantially level from the forward end to the constricted portion, a depression formed in the constricted portion, the rearward portion being formed with upward inclination from said depression, a trap hole formed in said constricted portion, a series of objective holes, irregularly spaced, formed in the inclined surface of said rearward portion, and a series of pockets individually communicating with the individual holes.

5. A substantially rectangular court having a curb extending thereabout, said court being transversely constricted intermediate the length thereof, the forward end of said court being substantially level, a depression formed in the constricted portion, the rearward portion being upwardly inclined from said depression, a trap hole formed in the bottom of said depression, a series of irregularly spaced objective holes formed in the inclined surface of said rearward portion, individual passages for said holes, individual pockets for said individual passages.

6. A final hole court provided with a depression and a constriction adjacent the final hole, a plurality of holes in an inclined surface beyond the final hole, the forward end of said court being substantially level, a curb formed about said court, said curb being curved throughout the constricted portion, and individual passages and pockets for said holes, said final hole, said depression, and said constricted portion collectively forming a trap for a ball.

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