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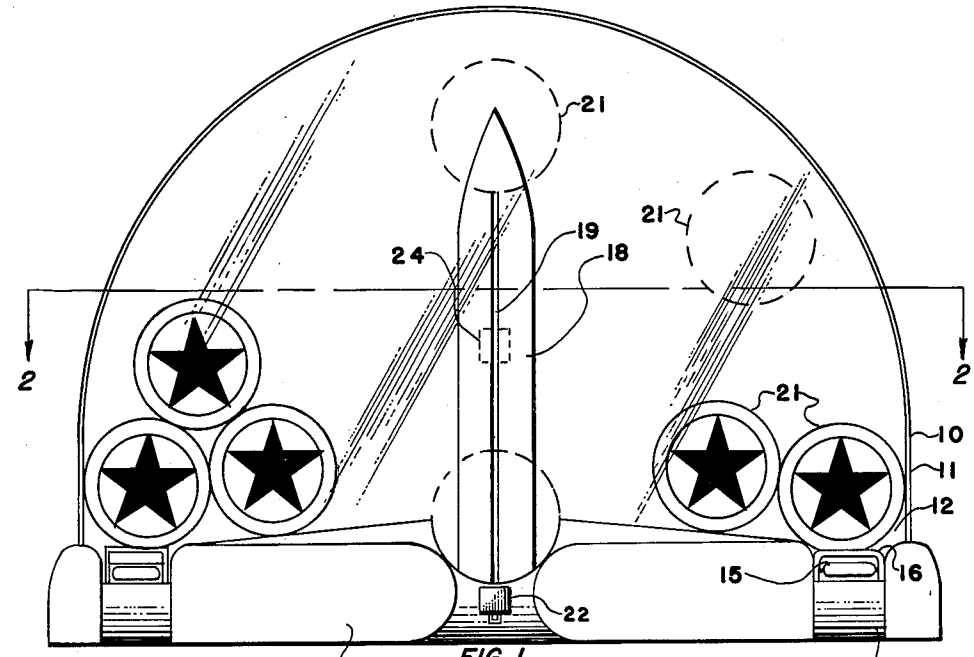


FIG. 1

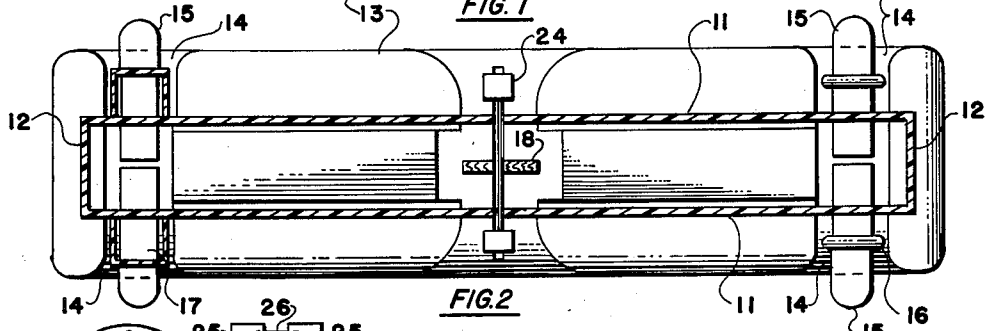


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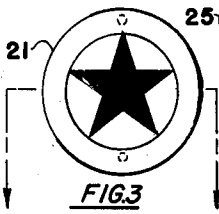


FIG. 3



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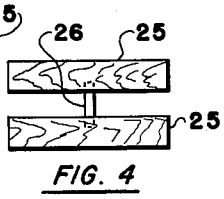


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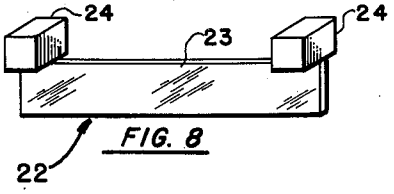


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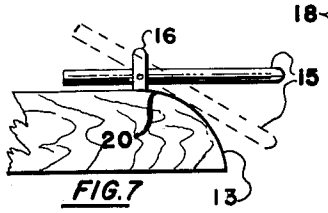


FIG. 7

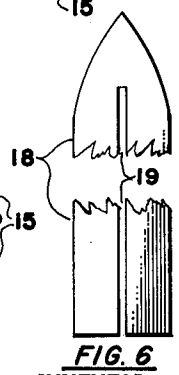


FIG. 6

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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in toys, or toys suitable for a game to be played, and it has for its object to provide an article, or toy that may be played by children and grownups alike.

Thus one of the characteristics of the invention is that two players, one playing from each side, by skill or dexterity are supposed in playing the game to place the missiles on an upright or post.

With the above and other objects in view, this invention consists of the novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts, hereinafter fully described, claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawing forming part of this application, and in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all views, and in which:

FIGURE 1 is a perspective elevational view of my invention.

FIGURE 2 is a transverse sectional view of same, taken on the line 2—2 in FIGURE 1.

FIGURE 3 is an elevational view showing the shape of a missile.

FIGURE 4 is a transverse view taken on the line 4—4 in FIGURE 3, while

FIGURE 5 shows a modification of FIGURE 4; while FIGURES 6, 7 and 8 are detail views.

Referring more particularly to the drawing numeral **10** indicates a housing of a substantially rectangular shape, as may be seen especially in FIGURE 2, in which **11** are side walls and **12** end walls, while **13** indicates the base.

At each side the side walls are formed with cut-outs **14, 14** to accommodate levers or keys **15** which are arranged on each side and fulcrumed at the crest **20** of the base, as shown in FIGURE 7; said keys may be kept in position by bent hooks **16** or by a thin plastic strip **17** inserted under the walls and overlapping part of said keys; said strips are held snugly but movably

in position by the edges of the cut-out portions of the wall.

A substantially flat pole **18** having a longitudinal through slot **19** therein, is mounted at the center of the housing **10** and adapted to receive missiles **21**, when these during the game are catapulted upwards in the housing by operating said keys **15**.

When it is desired to remove the said missiles from the pole **18**, a member **22**, consisting of a bar with operating knobs **24, 24**, is adapted to slide in said slot **19** and is passed up and down in the latter for said removing purpose.

The missile **21** consists of two parts **25, 25** secured together by a central bar **26**, and is thus suitable for being caught on the pole **18** and ride on the latter.

It is obvious that changes may be made in the construction as shown, without departing from the spirit of the invention, and I do not, therefore, restrict myself to the construction shown and described herein.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is:

1. A toy game comprising a housing and a base with bevelled side portions, a substantially flat pole arranged at the center of said housing, said pole being formed with a vertical slot therein, keys arranged on both sides of said housing and fulcrumed at the crest of the bevelled side portions of said base, missiles disposed within said housing and being adapted to be catapulted by said keys for engagement with the pole, and a member slidable in the slot of said pole for the disengagement of said missiles, each missile consisting of two parts connected by a bar and adapted to straddle said pole.

2. In a device, as claimed in claim 1, and wherein said member consists of a bar having an operating knob at each end thereof.

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