

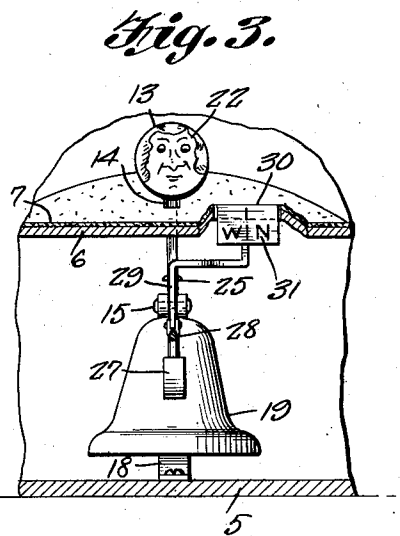
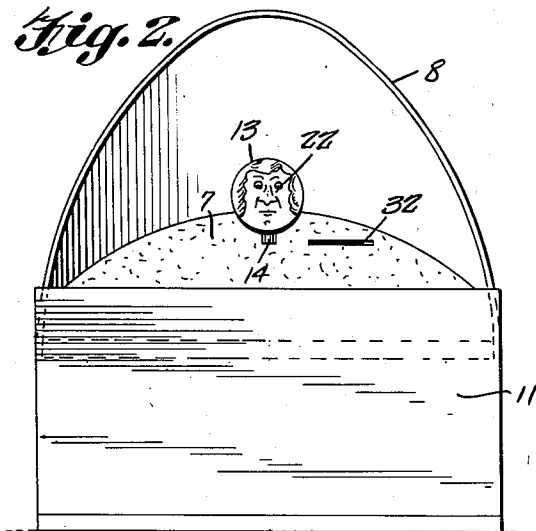
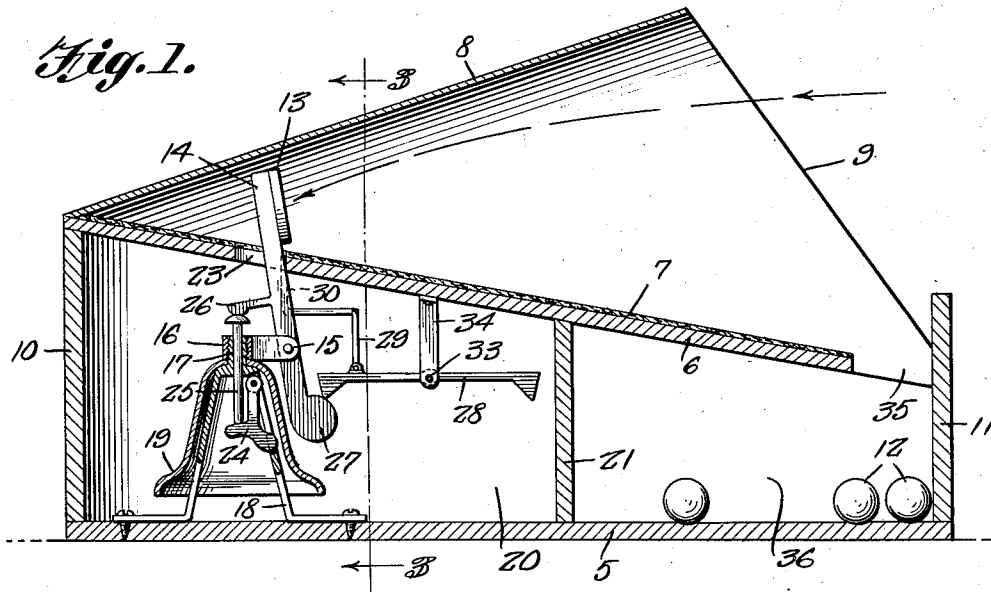
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1 Claim. (Cl. 273—102.1)

The invention relates to a game device and more especially to a target game apparatus.

The primary object of the invention is the provision of a device or apparatus of this character, wherein through the use of marbles a target may be struck and in this manner affording amusement to a player as well as requiring accuracy in the throwing of a marble for the striking of the target, the target when struck will sound a gong thereby signifying the winning of the game.

Another object of the invention is the provision of a device or apparatus of this character, wherein the players are not required to kneel or sit upon the ground as such game is played while standing and involves a target in the nature of an image to be struck by a marble when thrown by a player, the device or apparatus when being played affords pleasure and amusement.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a device or apparatus of this character, which is simple in its construction, serviceable as a toy, thoroughly reliable and efficient in operation, requiring skill in the playing thereof, and inexpensive to manufacture.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists in the features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will be hereinafter more fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawing, which discloses the preferred embodiment of the invention and pointed out in the claim hereunto appended.

In the accompanying drawing:

Figure 1 is a vertical longitudinal sectional view through a device or apparatus constructed in accordance with the invention.

Figure 2 is a front elevation thereof.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary sectional view on the line 3—3 of Figure 1 looking in the direction of the arrows.

Similar reference characters indicate corresponding parts throughout the several views in the drawing.

Referring to the drawing in detail, the device or apparatus comprises a box-like body 5 which is vertically walled and is formed with an inclined playing bed 6 at the top of said body, the playing side thereof being carpeted or covered with a felt sheeting 7 to minimize noise in the playing of the device or apparatus.

Above the playing bed 6 is arranged a canopy or hood 8 having the inclined front open end 9 and this canopy or hood slopes rearwardly in the direction of the rear wall 10 of the body while the front wall 11 of such body rises a distance above the lowermost plane of the bed 6 to effect a guard

at the front of the device or apparatus. Adapted to be thrown into the open end 9 of the canopy or hood 8 are spherical objects 12 in the nature of marbles for the striking of a target when aimed at the same the target being hereinafter fully described.

The target is in the form of a circular head or disk 13 carried at the upper end of a vertically swinging upstanding lever 14 pivoted at 15 in a bracket 16 threaded on a stud 17 of a stand 18 for a bell 19. This stand is fixed within a rear compartment 20 provided by a partition 21 interiorly of the body 5 for supporting the bell 19 above the flooring of said body and beneath the playing bed 6 as well as carrying the bracket 16 for the swinging pivoted lever 14.

The front or exposed face of the head or disk 13 is ornamented to simulate an image as at 22. This lever 14 carrying the head or disk 13 projects upwardly through a slot 23 provided in the bed 6 and forming a clearance for said lever so that a player can aim an object 12 at the head or disk for the striking thereof.

Swingingly fitted within the stand 18 for the bell 19 is a clapper 24 for said bell and this clapper is actuated by a plunger 25 engaged by a trigger 26 on the lever 14. Thus on the striking of the target, namely, the head or disk 13, the plunger 25 is actuated for moving the clapper 24 to sound the bell 19 indicative of a strike upon the target.

The lever 14 at its lower end is formed with a weight 27 for the holding of the lever normally in upright position and coacting with this weight is a trip arm 28, it having connection with a staff 29 carrying a placard 30 provided with indicia such as the word "Win" at 31 on the exposed front face thereof, the placard being adapted for projection through a slot 32 provided in the bed 6, the placard being normally in lowered position and out of view but when a strike has been had on the target the placard 30 moves upwardly through the slot 32 for exposing its indicia indicative of the winning of the game as played by the device or apparatus.

The arm 28 is pivoted at 33 in a hanger 34 fixed to and depending from the under side of the bed 6. This bed 6 at its front or forward end is cut away to provide an opening 35 communicating with a compartment 36 provided in the body 5 at the front thereof and created by the partition 21 which renders this compartment 36 separate and independent from the compartment 20. The opening 35 is to receive the marbles 12 projected into the canopy or hood 8 as such marbles spent will roll upon the bed 6 in a forward direction and

be disposed within the compartment 36 where the same can be recovered for the throwing thereof at the target.

5 The bell 19 only sounds when a strike of a target has been had and also the placard 30 is invisible until such striking of the target thence the placard will rise above the bed 6 and be exposed through the open front end 9 of the canopy or hood 8.

10 What is claimed is:

A game apparatus comprising a tray-like body having an inclined playing bed at its top, a stand stationarily mounted beneath the bed, a stud up-
15 standing from said stand, a bracket fixed to the stud and extending laterally therefrom, a ver-

tically swinging lever pivoted to the bracket and having its upper end projected above the playing bed through a clearance therein, a disk-like head carried at the upper end of said lever and pre-
5 senting an image, a weight at the lower end of the lever, a bell on the stand and fixed by the bracket thereto, a clapper swingingly supported in the stand for striking the bell, a plunger slid-
10 able through the stud rising from the stand and engageable with the clapper, and a trigger integral with the lever and engageable with the plunger for operating the same on the striking of
the target by a thrown object above the playing bed.

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