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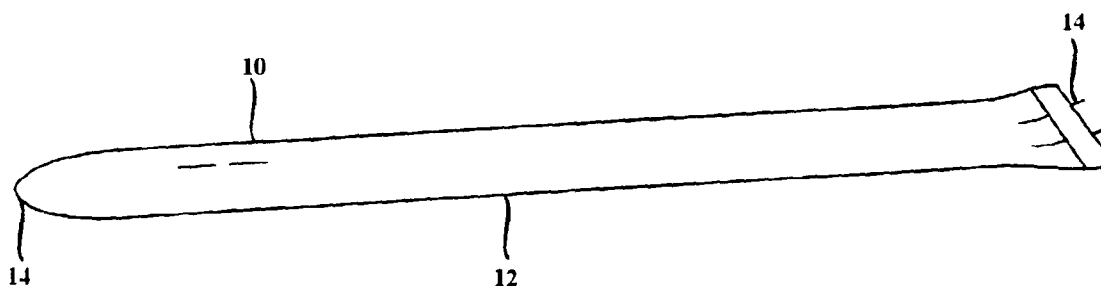
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(54) **Amusement device**

(57) An inflatable noise maker (10) has a substantially cylindrical hollow member (12), made of a flexible, substantially non-stretchable material. The member (12) is sealable at both ends (14) and houses a column of gas. The gas is at a pressure such that, when the

member (12) is transversely folded, the gas reaches a pressure above atmospheric pressure, thereby tensioning both distal ends (14) of the folded member (12) such that the distal ends (14) of the noise maker (19) vibrate at at least one audible frequency when struck.

FIG. 1



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