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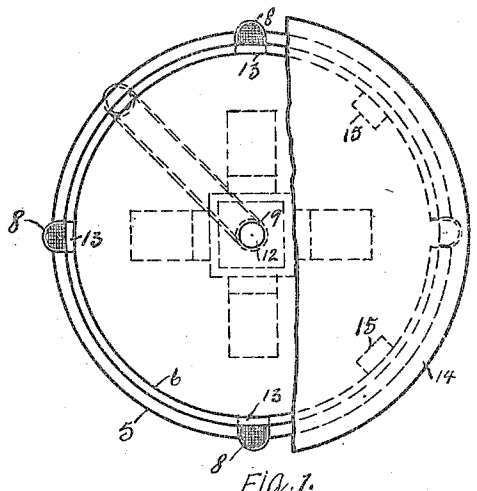


Fig. 1.

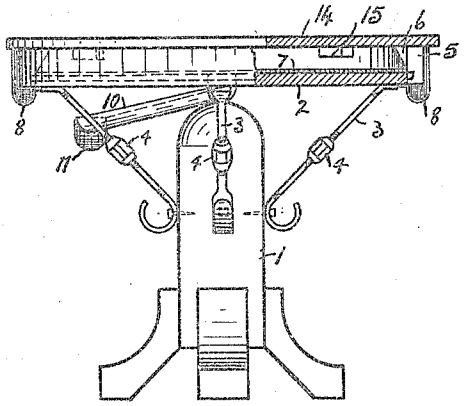


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HOARD LEE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Houston, in the county of Harris and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combination Pool and Billiard Tables, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in a combination pool and billiard table.

The object of the invention is to provide a circular table having peripheral pockets, and a central pocket, of the ordinary construction and having also plugs whereby the pockets may be filled and the table converted from a pool to a billiard table, adapted to be used in playing said games in a modified form.

A further feature of the invention resides in the provision of a circular removable covering, whereby the device may be converted from a game table to a table suitable to be used for ordinary household purposes.

A still further feature of the invention resides in the provision of means whereby the table may be adjusted relative to the supporting stand and thus may be easily leveled.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention has particular relation to certain novel features of construction and arrangement of parts, an example of which is given in this specification and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1, is a plan view of the device, with a portion of the removable covering broken away, and,

Fig. 2, is a side elevation thereof, partially in section.

Referring now more particularly to the drawings, wherein like numerals of reference designate similar parts in each of the figures, the numeral 1, refers to a stand, which may be of any desirable construction and mounted upon which is the circular table 2. This table is supported relative to the stand by means of the braces 3, whose lower ends are secured to said stand and whose upper ends radiate relative thereto and are secured to the underside of the table. Each brace is provided with a turn buckle, as 4, by means of which it may be lengthened or shortened and the table thus adjusted and leveled.

Surrounding this table 2, and upstanding therefrom, is the annular rim 5, which may be formed continuous or in segments, as shown in Fig. 1.

Secured to the inner side of this rim is the annular rib, 6, which is preferably triangular in cross section, and is formed of rubber or some similar resilient material. The upper side of the table 2, is lined with felt, as 7, or some similar material.

Peripheral pockets 8, are provided, which are formed of the usual netting, and the ribs 6, are cut away opposite the pockets to permit the passage of the cue ball into said pockets. Preferably four pockets will be provided, which are spaced a uniform distance apart, but a greater number may be provided, if desired.

A central aperture 9, is cut through the table 2, and from which leads the chute 10, arranged underneath the table and whose free end carries the pocket 11.

When it is desired to use the table for playing billiards the central aperture and side pockets may be closed by means of the plugs 12, and 13.

A circular removable covering 14, is provided, by means of which the table may be converted from a game table to a table suitable for ordinary purposes. The underside of this covering has a plurality of downwardly projecting shoulders 15, which are spaced apart therearound and fit within the ribs 6, so as to prevent the lateral displacement of said covering.

The fact that the table is round will make the game more difficult to play, and consequently more interesting and scientific. The cushions, pockets and other parts of the ordinary game table are constructed in the usual manner, and the dimensions and material of which the parts are formed, may be varied to suit the circumstances under which the table is to be used.

While I have shown only one form of this device, it is obvious that the structure thereof may be changed without departing from the principle of the invention, and I hereby reserve the right to make such mechanical modifications as may be found desirable, so long as I keep within the scope of the appended claims.

What I claim is:

1. A device of the character described including a stand, a circular table mounted thereon, rods secured to said stand and table respectively, each rod being formed into sections and turn buckles connecting said sec-

tions and provided for adiusting the table relative to the stand.

2. In a device of the character described in combination, a table having a base therefor, rods secured to said base, rods secured to said table, turn buckles for adjusting the table relative to the base, an upstanding annular rim surrounding said table, peripheral pockets carried by the table, said pockets having square corners, a central pocket carried thereby, closures for said pockets, and a removable covering supported by said annular rim.

3. A device of the character described including a stand and circular table mounted thereon, an upstanding annular rim surrounding the same, peripheral pockets carried by the table, a circular covering resting on the rim, a shoulder projecting downwardly from the inner end of said covering and resting against said rim to prevent the lateral displacement of the covering and adjustable means securing the table on the stand and providing for the adjustment of the table relative to the stand.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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