

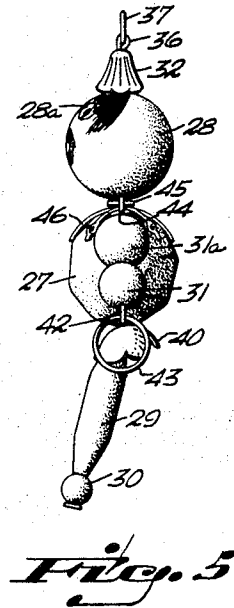
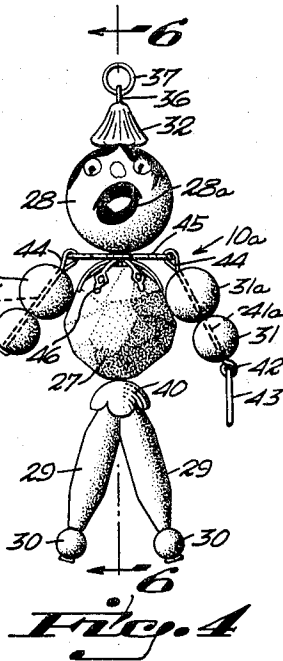
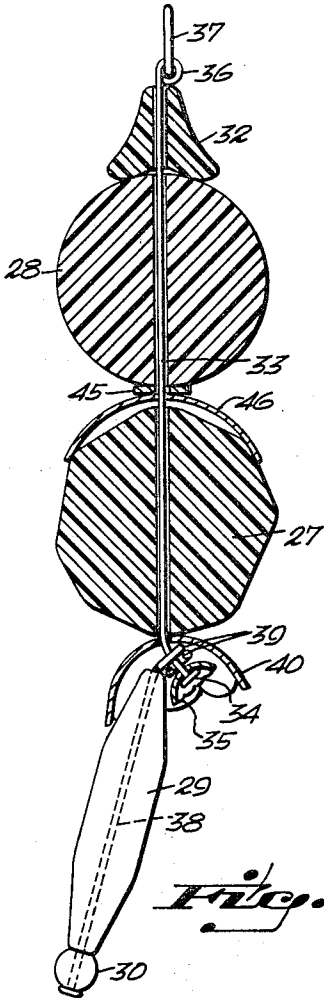
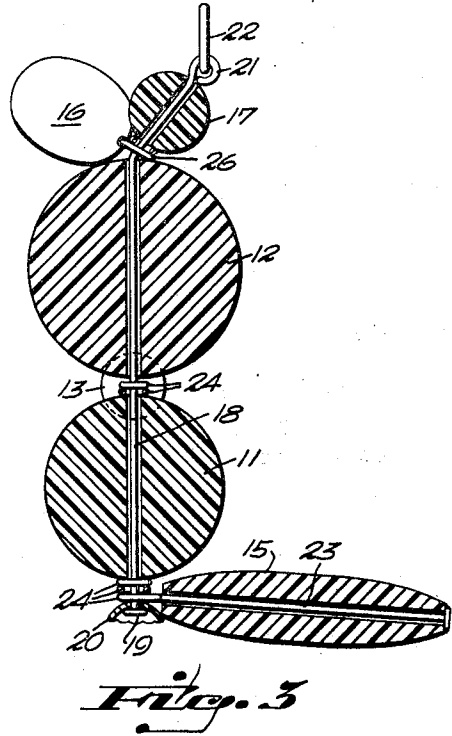
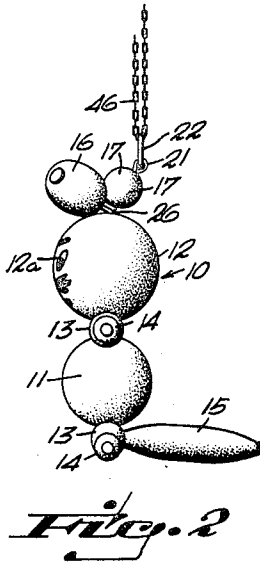
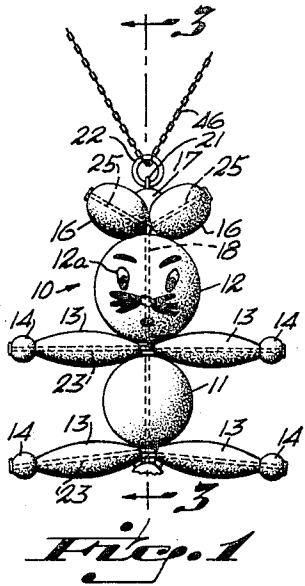
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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Novelty jewelry in the form of animal and human caricatures utilizing beads strung on wire pins, comparatively large torso and head beads being strung on a main wire pins, inner ends of which are appropriately linked animal or human appendages being strung on auxiliary wire pins, inner ends of which are approximately linked to the main wire pin at positions therealong, selectively, between the torso and head beads and at the outer ends of said beads.

This invention relates to novelty jewelry and has for its principal object provision of novel and improved means for the manufacture and assembly of novelty jewelry in the form of animal or human caricatures.

A more particular object is to provide novelty jewelry caricatures of the above nature wherein the torsos and heads of the caricatures as well as appendages such as legs and arms are all in the form of beads of various sizes appropriately formed, colored and decorated, wherein the torso and head are secured together by a central main wire pin, and wherein the various appendages are secured together by auxiliary wire pins appropriately anchored to the main wire pin at one or the other ends thereof or at a position between the torso and head beads.

Still another object is to provide a novel method for the assembly of novelty jewelry that will be readily adaptable to the caricatural representation of a wide variety of animal species and human forms.

Other objects, features and advantages of the invention will be apparent from the following description when read with reference to the accompanying drawings. In the drawings, wherein like reference numerals denote corresponding parts throughout the several views:

FIG. 1 is a front elevational view of an item of novelty jewelry embodying my invention and in the caricatural representation of a cat;

FIG. 2 is a side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 3 is a front-to-back vertical cross-sectional view of a novelty jewelry item shown in FIGS. 1 and 2, on an enlarged scale;

FIG. 4 is a front elevational view of another form of novelty jewelry embodying the invention, in the caricatural representation of a clown;

FIG. 5 is a side elevational view thereof; and

FIG. 6 is a front-to-back vertical cross-sectional view of the novelty jewelry item shown in FIGS. 4 and 5.

Referring now in detail to FIGS. 1, 2 and 3 of the drawings, there is illustrated therein an item of novelty jewelry 10 in the caricatural representation of a cat assembled of centrally-apertured beads strung and secured together as hereinafter described. The various beads comprising the assembly are preferably formed of glass, Lucite, or any tough, synthetic plastic material attractively colored and decorated and appropriately shaped. More particularly, the assemblage comprises comparatively large torso and head beads 11 and 12, respectively, pairs of leg and paw beads 13 and 14, respectively, a tail bead 15, a pair of ear beads 16, and a cap bead 17. The torso and head beads 11 and 12 and the cap bead 17 are strung and secured together by means of a main wire pin 18, headed at its lower end as indicated at 19, and fitted

thereat with an ornamental washer 20. The upper end of the main wire pin 18 is bent, as indicated at 21, to loop around an eyelet 22. The eyelet serves as means for attaching the item to a wearer when the item is worn as a pendant. The leg and paw sets 13, 14, respectively, are each strung and secured together along headed auxiliary wire pins 23, the inner ends of which are looped around the main wire pin 18, as indicated at 24 in FIG. 3, one pair being linked therealong between the torso and head beads 11, 12, respectively, to simulate the front legs, and the other pair being linked therealong between the torso bead 11 and the ornamental washer 20 to simulate the hind legs. As indicated at 12a in FIGS. 1 and 2, the head bead 12 is painted or otherwise impressed with caricatural features of a cat.

The modified form of the invention illustrated in FIGS. 4, 5 and 6, being a caricatural representation of a clown, comprises comparatively large torso and head beads 27 and 28, respectively, a pair of elongated leg beads, 29, 29, a pair of foot beads 30, 30, arm bead pairs 31, 31a, and a bell-shaped cap bead 32. The torso and head beads 27, 28, and the cap bead 32 are strung and secured together by means of a main wire pin 33, headed at its lower end, as indicated at 34, and fitted thereat with an ornamental washer 35. The upper end of the main wire pin 33 is bent, as indicated at 36, to loop around an eyelet 37. The leg and feet sets 29, 30 are each strung and secured together along headed auxiliary wire pins 38, the inner ends of which are looped around the main wire pin 33, as indicated at 39 in FIG. 6, between the ornamental washer 34 and a hollow, inverted, ornamental metal member 40 simulating a skirt. One pair of arm beads 31, 31a is strung along headed auxiliary wire pin 41, looped at its inner end, as indicated at 44, to an ornamental metal yoke member 45 fitted along the main wire pin 33 between the torso bead 27 and the head bead 28. The other pair of arm beads 31, 31a is strung along an auxiliary wire pin 41a, the outer end of which is looped, as indicated at 42, to link with an ornamental eyelet 43. The other end of the auxiliary wire pin 41a is looped, as indicated at 44, to the other side of the yoke member 45. For enhanced effect, a decorative metal collar 46 is also strung on the main wire pin 33 between the yoke member 45 and the torso bead 27. As indicated at 28a in FIGS. 4 and 5, the head bead 28 is painted or otherwise impressed with caricatural features of a clown's face or the like, as desired.

While I have illustrated and described herein only two forms in which my invention can conveniently be embodied in practice, it is to be understood that these forms are presented by way of example only and not in a limiting sense. For example, while I have illustrated and described the use of eyelets 22 and 37 for hanging on a jewelry chain 46 when using the novelty jewelry items as pendants, it will be understood that they could instead be similarly attached to other means for attachment to a wearer such as clasp pins and the like for pinning to wearing apparel. It will further be apparent that while only caricatural representations of a cat and a clown are shown by way of example, the herein described method of construction with the use of beads of various sizes, color and shape is as well adaptable to the production of a wide variety of simulated animal and human forms. The invention, in brief, comprises all the modifications and embodiments coming within the scope and spirit of the following claim.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. An item of novelty jewelry in the caricatural representation of a human figure, comprising comparatively large, apertured torso and head beads, a main wire pin, said torso and head beads being strung and secured to-

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gether by and along said main wire pin, a plurality of sets of apertured beads representative of body appendages, an auxiliary wire pin for each of said sets of beads, said bead sets being strung and secured together by and along their respective auxiliary pins, an ornamental yoke member having a central opening and being strung along said main wire pin between said torso and said head beads, said yoke member extending outwardly to each side of said torso bead and of said head bead, one end of each of two of said auxiliary pins being linked to respective outer end portions of said yoke member at each side of said torso bead and of said head bead at locations spaced from said head and torso beads, each of a second pair of said auxiliary pins being linked to said main wire pin at the outer end of said torso bead, and means for attaching said jewelry item to the person of a wearer.

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