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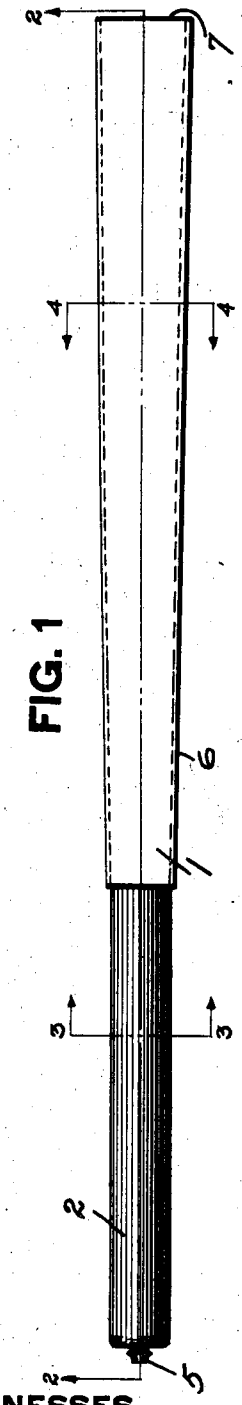


FIG. 1

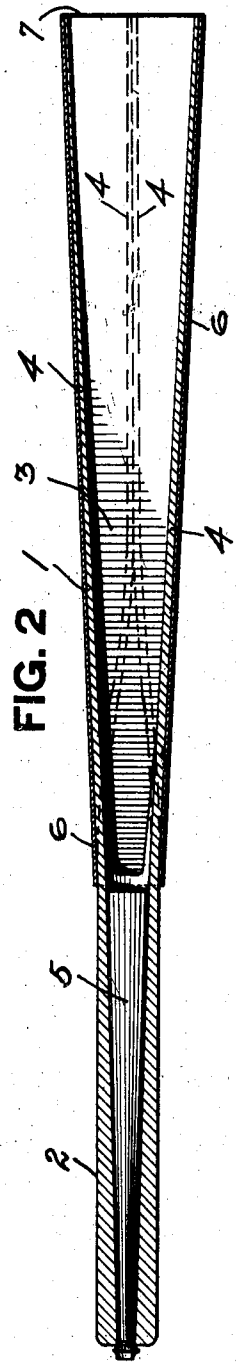


FIG. 2

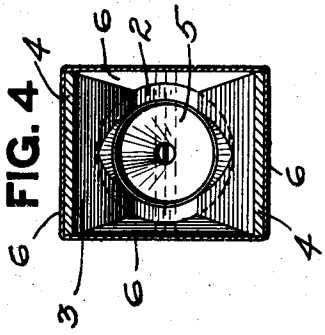


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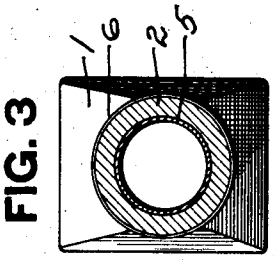


FIG. 3

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWIN A. REINEMAN, a resident of Allegheny, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Toys; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention relates to toys and amusement devices; and the object is to provide a device having the appearance of a short club, but so constructed that when used to strike a blow it will give a loud crashing sound.

A further object is to provide a device of this kind with means whereby it will give the sound of a horn, whistle, or other wind instrument.

For campaign purposes, torchlight processions, and other jubilees it is the custom to make extensive use of horns and other devices for creating loud noises. My invention is intended for this purpose and is to provide a device which will produce a loud noise, such as a horn, and which will also produce a loud crashing noise when a blow is struck therewith, the device as a whole having the appearance of a short light club, thus making it easy to carry and handle and concealing its intended purpose, so that parties may be taken by surprise.

The device comprises, generally stated, a long slender body constructed of wood or other suitable material having one end shaped to form a convenient handle and having the opposite end cleft or divided, so as to form a pair of members or legs, which terminate in thin flat ends, so that when a blow is struck therewith these ends will come together with a crash. Preferably the body or cleft portion thereof will be covered with some flexible fabric, so as to conceal the cleft and give the appearance of a club. Preferably, also, the handle portion will be hollow and in it will be inserted a horn, whistle, or suitable wind instrument.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of the device. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section on the line 2 2, Fig. 1; and Figs. 3 and 4 are transverse sections on the lines 3 3 and 4 4, respectively, Fig. 1.

The body 1 of the device will preferably be long and slender, as shown in the drawings, and will have one end shaped so as to form a convenient handle 2, whereby the same may be grasped and carried. The body is cleft or divided from its opposite end, as indicated at 3, this cleft extending, preferably, for more than half the length of the instrument. This cleft divides the body into two legs or members 4, which preferably will taper toward their ends and terminate in thin flat end portions. The inner face of these legs will preferably be flat for their entire or, at least, for most of their lengths, so that when a blow is given the flat surfaces will come together with a crash. The handle preferably will be hollow and in it will be inserted a horn, whistle, or other suitable wind instrument 5.

The body will be made of any suitable material, preferably wood, although it may also be made of metal. It may be either made of a single piece cut out from one end, as shown, to form the cleft or it may be made of two separate members of the desired shape and secured together at the handle portion. The legs normally will be slightly separated from each other, and the material will be sufficiently flexible, so that when a blow is struck the two legs will come together and produce a loud sound.

Preferably the cleft portion of the instrument will be covered with cloth, leather, or other suitable flexible material 6, so as to conceal the cleft and give the appearance of a solid club. The end 7, however, will be left open. The instrument as a whole is light and of neat appearance and resembles quite closely an ordinary policeman's club or similar stick. It can be used either as a horn or similar wind instrument or by striking a blow on any convenient object or even on the back of a person will produce a loud crashing sound. By reason of the concealment of the cleft in the instrument the crashing sound can be produced much to the astonishment of lookers-on.

What I claim is—

1. A device of the kind described comprising a long narrow club-like body separated or cleft from one of its ends to form legs integral with the body and provided with flat inner faces which normally are out of contact with each

other and adapted when a blow is given to come together with a crash.

2. A device of the kind described comprising a long narrow club-like body having one end thereof shaped to form a handle and being separated or cleft from its other end so as to form thin legs integral with the handle and normally separated from each other and provided with flat inner faces adapted when a blow is given to come together with a crash.

3. A device of the kind described comprising a long narrow club-like body having one end thereof shaped to form a handle and being separated or cleft from its other end so as to form thin flat-faced legs normally separated from each other, and a fabric or other flexible material covering the cleft portion of said body.

4. A device of the kind described comprising a long narrow club-like body having one end thereof shaped to form a handle, and being separated or cleft from its other end to form thin legs integral with the handle and normally separated from each other, said handle having a hole extending therethrough from its end and intersecting the cleft.

In testimony whereof I, the said EDWIN A. REINEMAN, have hereunto set my hand.

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