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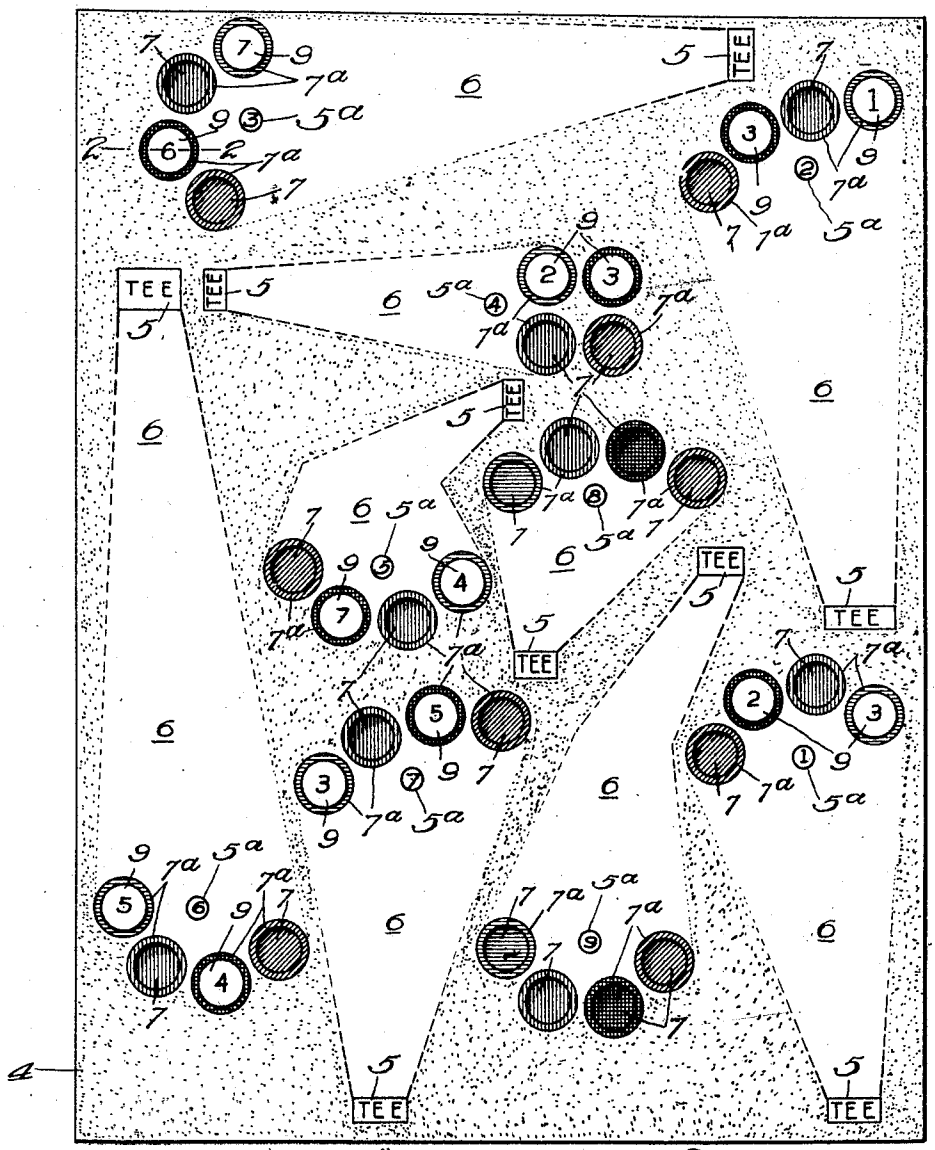


Fig. 1.

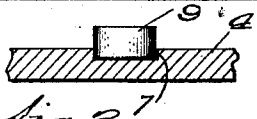


Fig. 2.

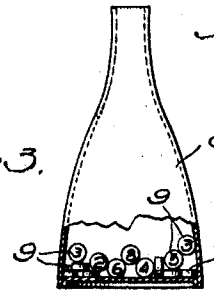


Fig. 3.

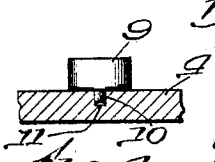


Fig. 4.

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The invention relates to games, and its object is to provide a game which is similar to golf in scoring, but in lieu of using a ball, the number of strokes for each hole is determined by chance.

A further object of the invention is to provide a game of this character in which the tokens are placed on the board and retained at different holes, so that at the conclusion of a series of plays for all of the holes, each player can ascertain his score by aggregating the indications on the tokens in the series of places which he has used in the game.

The invention consists in the several novel features hereinafter set forth and more particularly defined by the claims at the conclusion hereof.

In the drawing:—

Fig. 1 is a plan of a board embodying the invention, showing the disks in a partially completed game. Fig. 2 is a section through one of the retaining recesses in the board. Fig. 3 is a view of a bottle or container for tokens, and from which they are singly discharged to determined the number of strokes of each player for each of the holes. Fig. 4 is a section illustrating a modification of the invention.

The invention is exemplified in a board 4 which has represented thereon, a golf course with a series of tees 5, designations 5^a for the holes, and the fairways 6. Around each hole the board is provided with four recesses 7, each adapted to retain therein a disk 9 so that it will be retained in place and will not be displaced in event that the board should be moved about. Each of these four recesses is surrounded by a circular designation 7^a of different colors to distinguish the recesses to be used by the four players from one another. The disks 9 are kept in a leather bottle or other suitable receptacle 8, from which they can be singly discharged. The disks are differently numbered to indicate the number of strokes for each hole. These disks are all placed in the bottle and are singly discharged by the players. The number on the disk thrown from the bottle by each player indicates the number of strokes credited to him for each hole. The players in their turn will discharge the disks and place the disk in that recess 7 which is marked according to his color designation. For example, each player in turn will throw a disk from the bottle and place it in the recess around the first hole, and when each player has thrown the disk and placed it in the recess allotted to him, the players will again rotate in throwing the disks for the second hole, and place them in the recesses around the second hole. The disks with their numbers facing upwardly will remain in the recesses until all of the holes have been played in this manner. At the conclusion of the game, the numbers on the disks of each player will be aggregated to determine his score for the game, the player having the lowest score being the winner.

Fig. 4 illustrates a modification in which the disks are provided with studs 10 adapted to enter recesses 11 in the board in lieu of the recesses 7 shown in Figs. 1 and 2. In this game, it is desirable to avoid confusion by preventing displacement of the disks after they have been placed on the board.

The invention exemplifies a game which resembles golf and in which the number of strokes of each player is determined by chance rather than by play with a ball, and in which the player's final score may be readily ascertained from the tokens left on the board until a game has been completed.

The invention is not to be understood as restricted to the details set forth, since these may be modified within the scope of the appended claims, without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention.

The term "board" is herein used in a generic sense, it being understood that the element therefor may be of any suitable material or character, so long as it serves to retain the differently numbered tokens of each player in place during a game.

Having thus described the invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. In a game device, the combination of a board having a series of places thereon, each for a plurality of tokens, and a sufficient number of differently numbered tokens indicating strokes, for consecutive placement in the entire series of places so the number of strokes for a series of plays by each player can be aggregated from the tokens on the board.

2. In a game device, the combination of a board marked to resemble a golf course, having thereon a series of places corresponding to holes of a course, each for a plurality of tokens, and a sufficient number of tokens indicating different numbers of strokes for

the entire series of holes so the number of strokes by each player for the entire game can be aggregated from the tokens on the board.

3. In a game device, the combination of a board having a series of places thereon, each distinguishingly marked for the tokens of a plurality of players, and a sufficient number of tokens indicating different numbers of strokes for consecutive placement in the entire series of places, so the number of strokes for a series of plays by each player can be aggregated from the tokens on the board.

4. In a game device, the combination of a board having a series of places thereon, each for a plurality of tokens and distinguishly marked for different players, a sufficient number of differently numbered tokens indicating strokes, for consecutive placement in the entire series of places, so the number of strokes for a series of plays by each player can be aggregated from the tokens on the board, and means for preventing displacement of the tokens while on the board.

5. In a game device, the combination of a board having a series of places thereon, each comprising a plurality of recesses to retain tokens and distinguishingly marked for different players, and a sufficient number of differently numbered tokens indicating strokes for consecutive placement in the entire series of recesses so the number of strokes for a series of plays by each player can be aggregated from the tokens on the board.

6. In a game device, the combination of a board marked to indicate the tees and holes of a golf course having a series of places for disks at each hole, and distinguishingly marked for different players, a sufficient number of differently numbered disks indicating strokes, for consecutive placement in the entire series of places, so the number of strokes for a series of plays by each player can be aggregated from the disks on the board, and means for preventing displacement of the disks while on the board.

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