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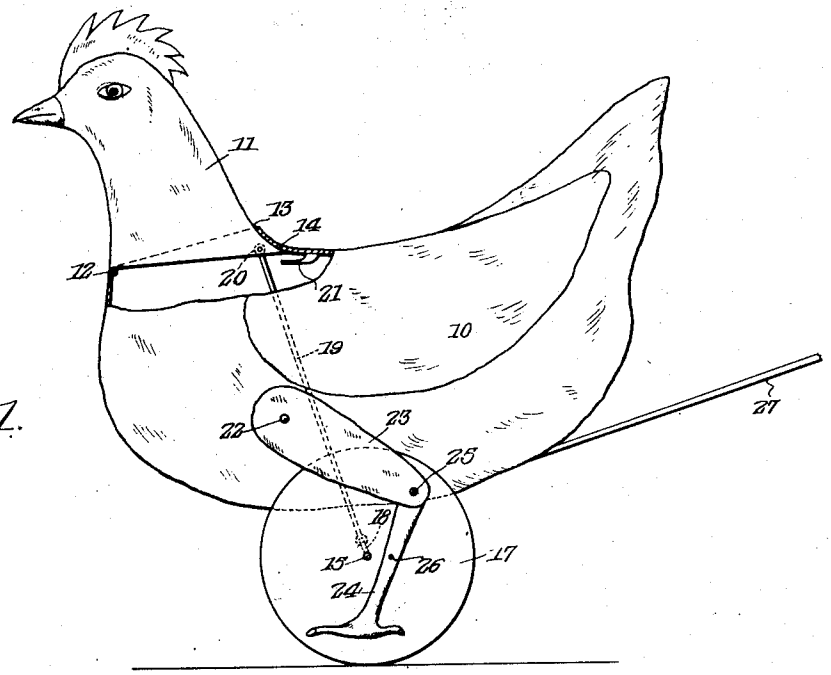


Fig. 1.

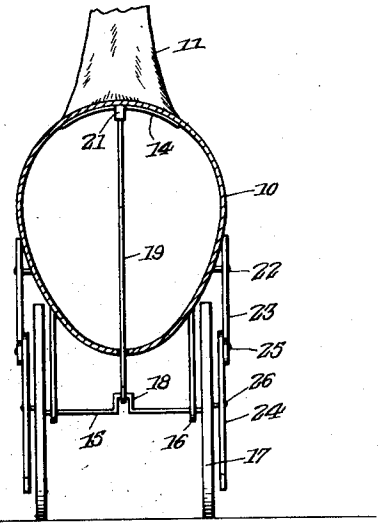


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE CURRY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Altoona, in the county of Blair and State of Pennsylvania, have invented new and useful Improvements in Toys, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to toys and aims to provide a simple, attractive and inexpensive toy, which may represent a chicken, or other fowl, and which when operated will simulate the appearance, movements and noises of such fowl.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention includes the following novel features and details of construction, to be hereinafter more fully described and illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a toy constructed in accordance with the present invention.

Fig. 2 is a central vertical transverse section.

Referring to the drawings in detail, like characters of reference denote corresponding parts throughout the several views.

The toy illustrated in the accompanying drawings, as set forth in the following description, is in the form of a chicken, but it is not the purpose of the present application to limit the invention in this respect, as it is equally well adapted for application to other fowls, or to animals of various kinds.

In carrying out the invention, the body 10 of the chicken is provided with a separate head 11, which also includes a portion of the neck, which has its lower front end hinged or pivoted to the body 10, as indicated at 12. The front end of the body is provided with an opening 13, into which the neck extends, so as to have free pivotal movement therein, the outward movement being limited by contact of the lower rear end of the neck with the portion of the body surrounding the opening 13, this contact portion of the neck being indicated at 14, and shown in the form of an extension.

Positioned transversely of the body 10, near the bottom thereof, is a crank shaft 15, this shaft being mounted in suitable bearings 16 and carrying at each end a wheel 17. Connected to the crank shaft 15, as indicated at 18, is one end of a connecting rod 19, the opposite end of this rod being pivotally secured to the neck of the chicken, as shown at 20. By means of this connection, a rotation of the crank shaft 15, through the medium of the wheels 17, will impart a rocking or pivotal movement to the head 11. During this rocking or pivotal movement, the extensions 14 formed on the neck of the chicken contact with a resilient member 21, which is positioned within the body 10, this contact causing a vibratory movement of the resilient member 21 and producing a noise, the character of the member 21 determining the character of the noise. Thus, a single cluck may be produced to simulate the noise made by a hen, which is sometimes termed "singing."

Pivotally secured to the body at each side thereof, as indicated at 22, is a leg, these legs being formed in sections 23 and 24, which represent the upper and lower joints, respectively, the sections being pivotally connected together, as at 25. The lower section 24 is pivoted, as shown at 26, to each of the wheels 17, so that when the toy is moved over the floor, through the medium of a handle 27, a movement of the legs is accomplished, as well as a movement of the head and the noise above referred to.

The invention is susceptible of various changes in its form, proportions and minor details of construction and the right is herein reserved to make such changes as properly fall within the scope of the appended claims.

Having described the invention, what is claimed is:

1. A toy comprising a body, a crank shaft extending through said body, wheels secured upon each end of the crank shaft, a head hingedly secured to said body, a rod having one end connected to the crank shaft and the opposite end to the head to move the latter upon its hinge by the rotation of the wheels and a spring member located within the body in the path of the free end of and engageable with the head to produce a noise at each movement of the head.

2. A toy comprising a body, a crank shaft extending from said body, wheels secured

upon each end of the crank shaft, a head hingedly secured to said body, a rod having one end connected to the crank shaft and the opposite end connected to the head to move the latter upon its hinge by the rotation of the wheels and a vibratory member having one end secured to the body and located in the path of movement of the head to produce a sound at each movement of the head.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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