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[54] **GAME BOARD, ATTACHABLE GAME PIECES AND CARRYING CASE**

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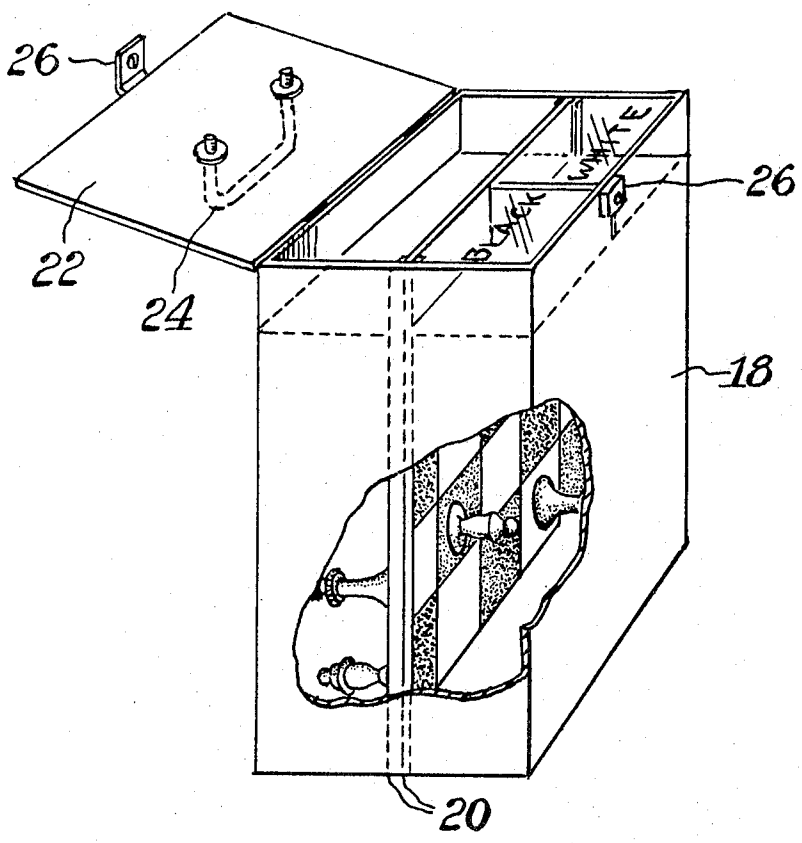
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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A chess set comprising a board made of squares surfaced with hooked nylon of two different colors, and chess pieces bottomed with pieces of brushed nylon which hold the pieces in place on the chess board. The board is hinged along a center line to fold thereabout with the surface of the board having the squares forming the external sides of the folded board. A carrying case having guide members to receive the folded board is also provided. The board is carried within the case such that the external sides thereof are sufficiently spaced from the walls of the case so as to preclude interference by the walls of the case with pieces mounted on the external sides of the folded board.

1 Claim, 5 Drawing Figures



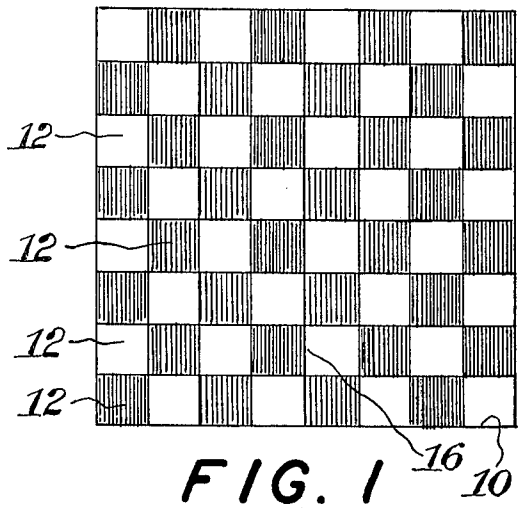


FIG. 1

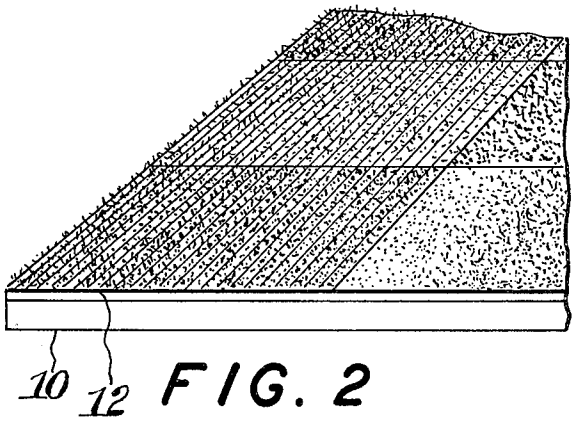


FIG. 2

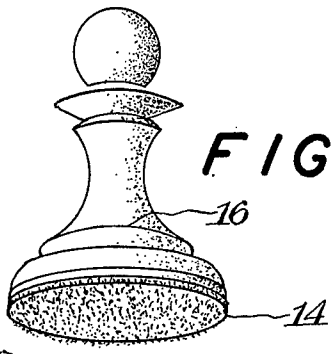


FIG. 3

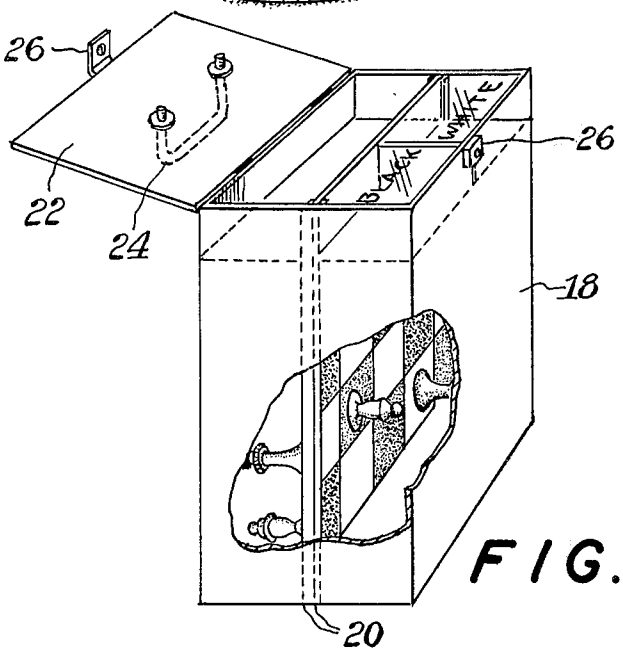


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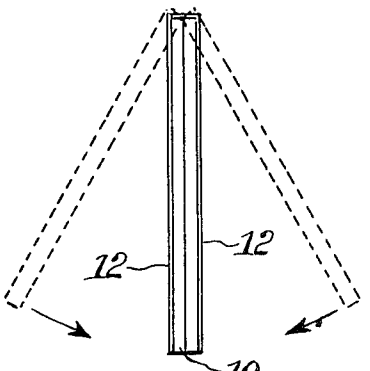


FIG. 4

GAME BOARD, ATTACHABLE GAME PIECES AND CARRYING CASE

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates to a chess set with means to hold the pieces in place on the chess board regardless of the physical orientation of the chess board.

The advantage of this invention is that a game of chess can be played when the chess set is placed on a sloped or on a vibrating surface.

A further advantage of this invention is that a game can be interrupted, the set stored, and the game continued subsequently, with assurance that the pieces were not moved.

The invention comprises a board covered with squares of hooked nylon of alternating colors, the board being of the shape of a conventional chess board. The bottom of each of the pieces of the chess set are fitted with pieces of brushed nylon covering their underside surfaces.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The objects and features of the invention may be understood with reference to the following detailed description of an illustrative embodiment of the invention, taken together with the accompanying drawings in which:

FIG. **1** is a top view of the chess board;

FIG. **2** is a fragmentary perspective view of the chess board;

FIG. **3** is a perspective view of a chess piece;

FIG. **4** is a side view of the chess board in its folded position; and

FIG. **5** is a perspective of the carrying case of the set.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

Turning now descriptively to the drawings, in which similar reference characters denote similar elements throughout the several views, FIG. **1** illustrates the chess board **10** to which square sections of hooked nylon material **12** have been attached. As shown in FIG. **1,** the board **10** shaped as a square, having a length sufficient to hold 64 square pieces of nylon **12** side-by-side.

As shown in FIG. **2,** the nylon squares **12** are of two contrasting colors, adjacent squares alternating in color. FIG. **3** illustrates a pawn **16,** with its underside covered with a piece of brushed nylon **14.** When the piece **16** is placed on the board **10,** the brushed nylon

14 attaches to the hooked nylon **12** and the piece **16** is held fast. The board **10** can be folded in a fashion that allows the exterior surface of the board and the nylon squares **12** to be exposed, as shown in FIG. **4.** The board **10** in the folded condition, with or without pieces **16** attached, can be placed in its case **18** as shown in FIG. **5.** The case **18** has interior channels **20** to hold the board **10** firmly with the chess pieces **16** attached. The case is fitted with a hinged lid **22** with a handle **24** mounted on the outside of the lid **22.** The lid **22** has a latch **26A** attached which mates with a latch **26B** attached to the side of the case **18** so as to hold the lid **22** in the shut position, as desired.

The invention may be made in the form of other board games played with movable pieces on a marked playing board such as checkers, draughts, lotto, bingo and Monopoly.

Since obvious changes may be made in the specific embodiment of the invention described herein, such modifications being within the spirit and scope of the invention claimed, it is indicated that all matter contained herein is intended as illustrative and not as limiting in scope.

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

1. A portable game board, and playing pieces, in which the playing pieces are located, in play, on the marked external playing surface of the game board,

said game board external playing surface consisting of pieces of hooked nylon, with

the underside of each playing piece covered with brushed nylon so that the playing pieces will adhere to the external surface of the game board, without movement, regardless of the physical orientation of the game board in play or in transit,

said game board hinged along a mid line so that the game board may be folded together, with the playing surfaces forming the external sides of the folded board exposed, together with

a carrying case in which the folded board may be inserted, said carrying case being fitted with guide members to retain the folded board within the case so that the external surfaces of the folded board are spaced a distance from the walls of the carrying case, said distance being of a magnitude to permit playing pieces mounted on the external surface of the game board to be free of interference with the walls of the carrying case.

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