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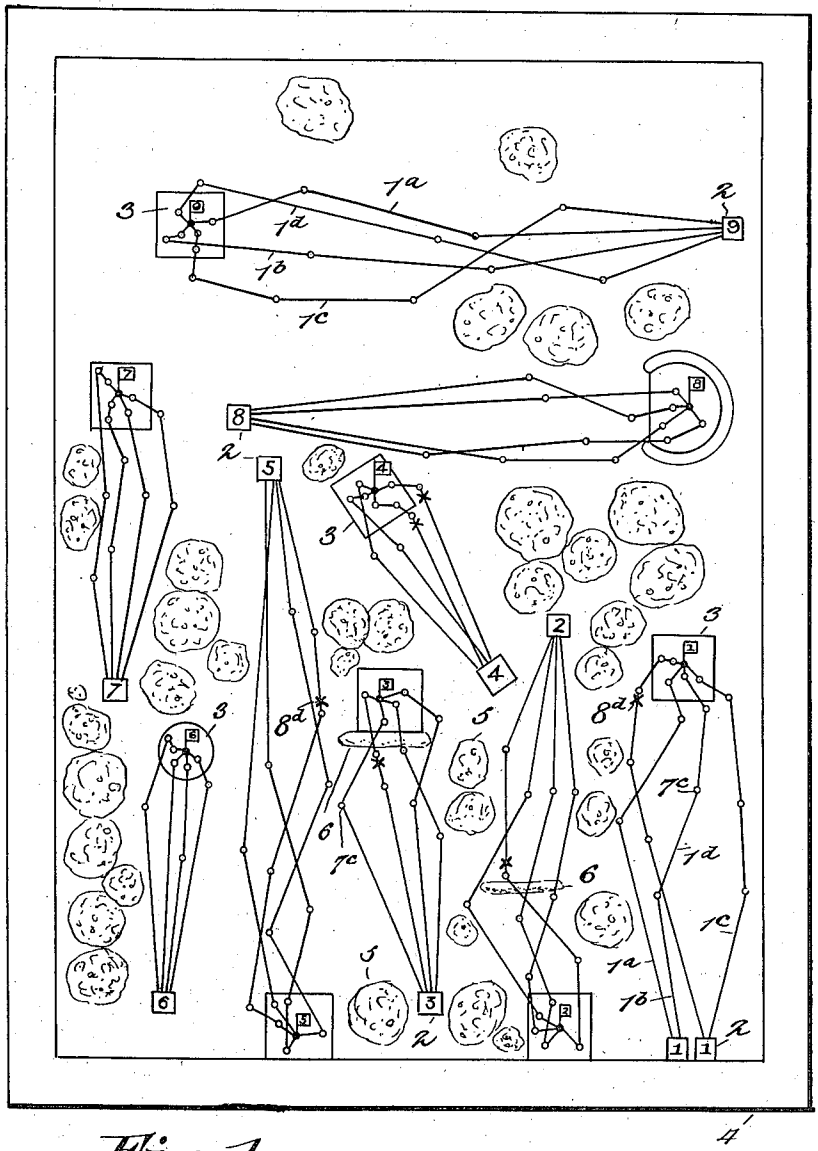


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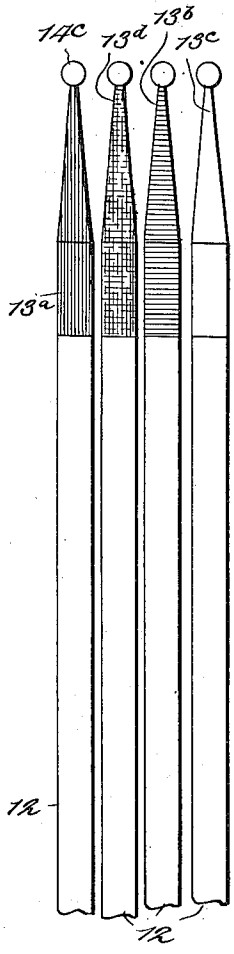


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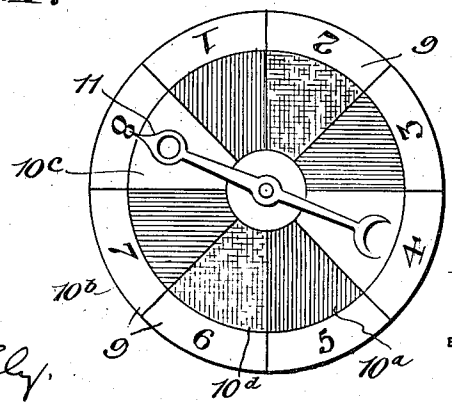


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LINNIE B. TREBOUL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bronx, in the county of Bronx and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Indoor-Golf Games, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a game of indoor golf and the principal object is to produce a game of this kind which shall closely simulate the general features of an outdoor game of golf having hazards, tees, greens and the various other features of an ordinary golf course and provided with staffs for following the various plays, such staffs being provided with a substantially spherical point indicating the golf ball of the player.

Another object is to provide a game of this nature in which the number of shots between tee and hole and not the number of yards or feet, shall be indicated. This brings the game into closer similarity to a game of outdoor golf, for in the latter, the number of strokes and not the number of yards of each stroke, constitutes the score.

Another object is to provide various lines of play, and means for determining which of these lines must be followed by a player.

With these and other objects in view, the invention resides in certain novel construction and combination and arrangement of parts, the essential features of which are hereinafter fully described, are particularly pointed out in the appended claims, and are illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a view of a course over which the game may be played.

Figure 2 is a view of the spinning indicator.

Figure 3 is a view of the staffs or pointers.

Like characters of reference refer to like parts in all views.

Referring to the drawings in detail, as certain parts are shown very small and cannot be cross-hatched to show the color, the letters *a*, *b*, *c* and *d* will be used to indicate that the part referred to is red, blue, white or yellow, respectively. The numerals will be used to indicate the parts. Thus 1 represents the lines between the tee and hole and by adding the letter I indicate its color 1^a being a red line 1^b a blue one, etc.

As above stated 1^a, 1^b, 1^c and 1^d represent the lines which connected each of the tees 2 with the respective green 3, the entire course being mapped out on a card or board 4, and including hedges 5, bunkers 6, and such other obstructions and landscape features as may be desired. The course is not necessarily the one shown in the drawing, but may be laid out to represent any desired course or any purely imaginary course. It it, however, necessary that each hole and its tee be connected by the variously colored lines 1^a, 1^b, 1^c, and 1^d, although more than four colors may be used if desired.

Each of the lines 1^a, 1^b, 1^c and 1^d is provided at various positions with white circles 7^c which indicate the lie of the ball at each succeeding shot. Thus between #1 tee and #1 green following the white line 1^c we have four of these circles 7^c indicating that four strokes were necessary to make this hole, and a player on this line will place four on his score card. Between the same tee and green on the yellow line 1^d it will be seen that there are five circles 7^c but at one of these is a cross 8^d, a cross on any line indicating an obstruction or hazard so that this circle must be counted as two strokes. Thus the score for this line would be six instead of five.

The board may be of wood, fiber, paper, metal, glass or any other suitable substance upon which the course may be printed, painted, stamped, stained, embossed or otherwise indicated. At the edge of the board 4 is provided an indicating chart having outer segments 9 in each of which is placed a numeral, and inner colored segments 10^a, 10^b, 10^c and 10^d, there being preferably two of each color. A pivoted arrow 11 traverses the chart. There are also provided four staffs 12 which have colored bands 13^a, 13^b, 13^c and 13^d, respectively and each of which has a spherical white tip 14^c indicating a golf ball.

In playing the game, the players each spin the arrow 11, each player taking the number indicated in his segment 9. In case of a tie, the two spin over. When all have received numbers, the person having the lowest number (in golf low score wins), takes first play. He plays by taking up the staff having the colored band corresponding with the colored segment indicated by the pointer or arrow when he spun for "place," and traversing the correspondingly colored line from the #1 tee to the #1 hole, using the miniature ball 14^c of the staff to pass along the line, and counting the number of circles

7c, and marking the score card accordingly. The remaining players take up their position at hole number 1 in the same manner as the first player, the player having the next lowest score following the first player and so on until all the players have finished this hole. When all have played #1 hole, the indicator is again spun, the man having low score taking first spin. The color of the lines for hole #2 are thus determined, and so on. When the course has been completed, the scores are added, and the low man wins. In case of a tie another hole may be played or the entire course may be gone over as desired.

What is claimed as new is:—

1. An indoor golf game comprising a chart having sets of differently colored play indicating lines thereon, each set separate from the others and representing plays from a respective tee to its corresponding hole, an indicator for indicating the order of play and the color of the line to be traversed, and staffs colored to correspond with said lines and formed with a traversing point in simulation of a golf ball, as and for the purpose set forth.

2. In a device of the class described, a chart representing a golf course and having the tees and holes connected by a plurality of differently colored lines each having a plurality of circles representing the "lie" of the ball at each stroke, and certain of said circles having crosses indicating hazards.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature.

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