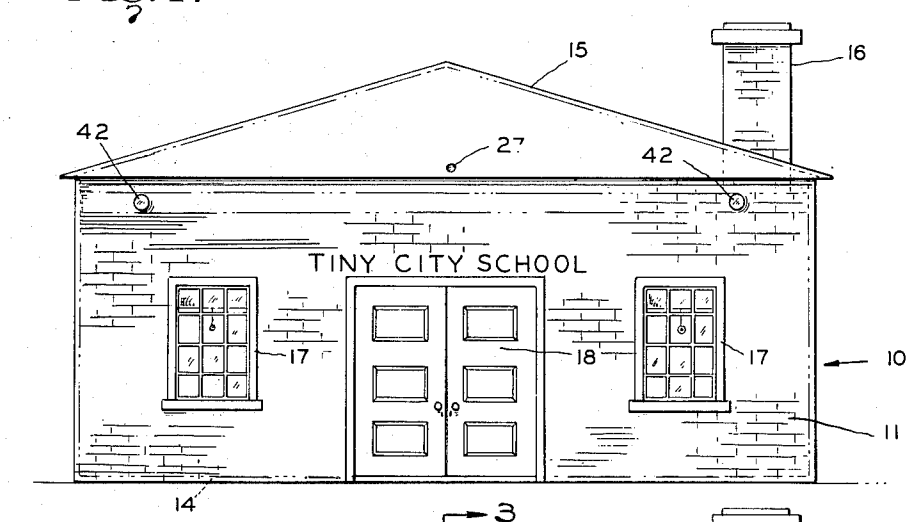
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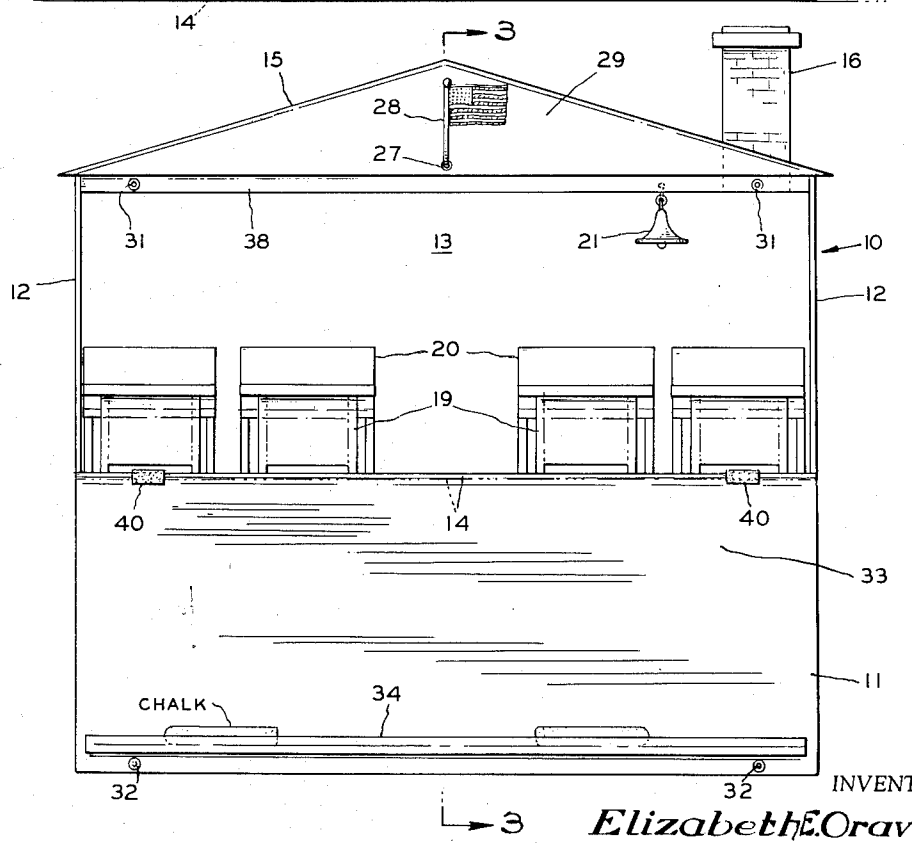


FIG. 2.

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Fig. 3.

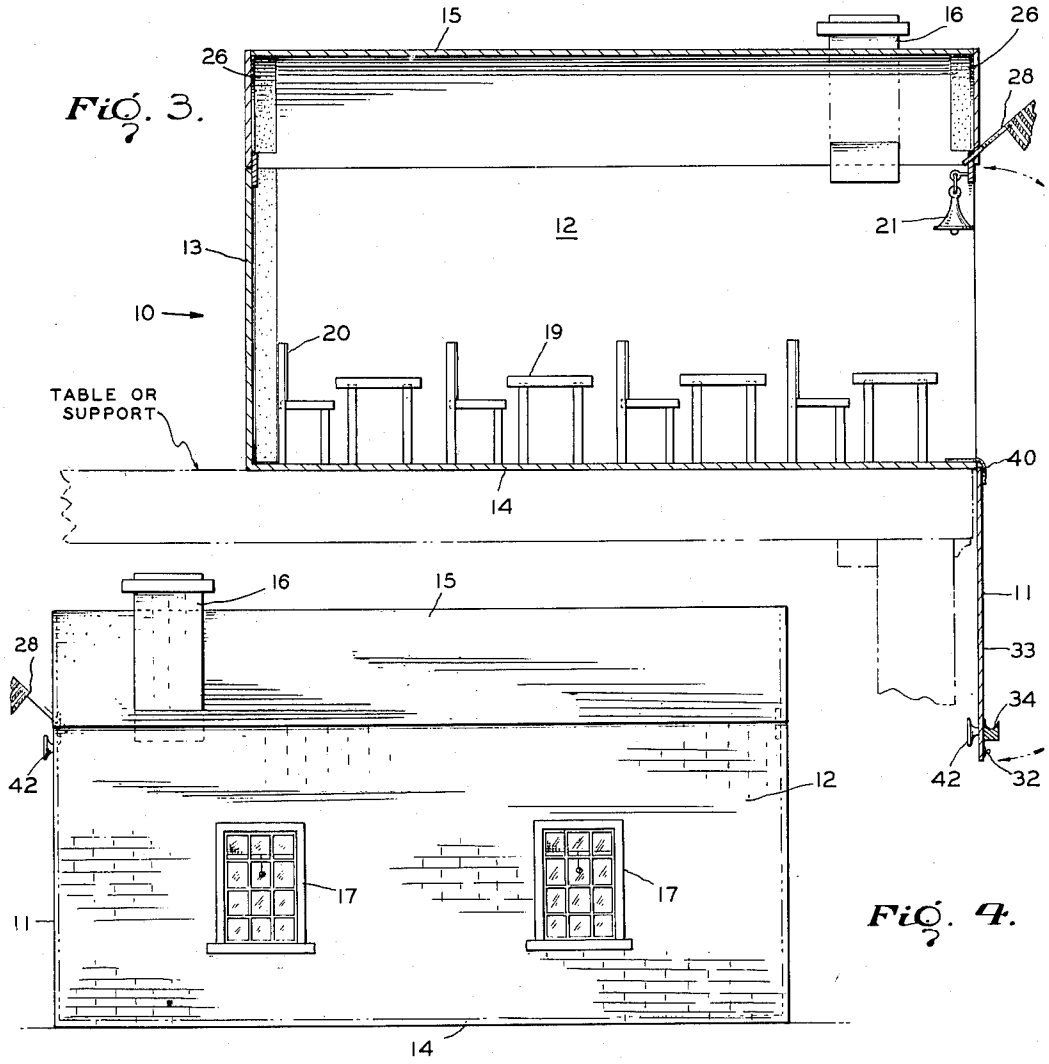


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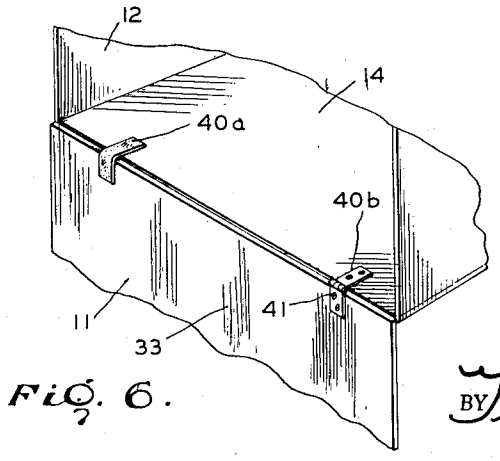
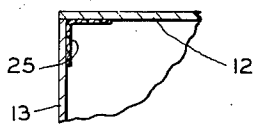


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This invention relates to a toy school, and has as its primary object the provision of a toy school provided with interior furnishings and adapted to afford a relatively high degree of amusement and play value to small children.

An additional object of the invention is the provision of such a school having one wall which is hingedly connected to the floor of the school at its base, the inner surface of which wall provides a blackboard.

Still another object of the invention is a device of this character which may be readily assembled and disassembled, the walls and roof being secured in related assembly as by means of adhesive strips or the like.

A further object of this invention recites in the provision of a toy of this nature which will be readily constructed from relatively inexpensive materials such as thin wood strips, cardboard or the like.

A further object of this invention is a provision of a device of this character which is sturdy and durable in construction, relatively simple and inexpensive to manufacture and assemble, and which affords a relatively high degree of entertainment and play value.

Still other objects reside in the combinations of elements, arrangements of parts, and features of construction, all as will be more fully pointed out hereinafter, and disclosed in the accompanying drawings wherein there is shown one embodiment of this inventive concept.

In the drawings:

Fig. 1 is a front elevational view of one form of toy school embodying this invention with the front wall thereof in closed position.

Fig. 2 is a view similar to Fig. 1 but showing the front wall in open position.

Fig. 3 is a sectional view taken substantially along the line 3—3 of Fig. 2 as viewed in the direction indicated by the arrows.

Fig. 4 is a side elevational view of the device as shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 5 is a fragmentary sectional view disclosing a structural detail and

Fig. 6 is a fragmentary perspective view disclosing the hinge construction for the front wall, alternate type hinges for different types of material being shown.

Similar reference characters refer to similar parts throughout the several views of the drawings.

Having reference now to the drawings in detail the toy school comprises a roughly rectangular building, generally indicated at **10**, including a front wall **11**, opposite side walls **12**, a rear wall **13**, a base or floor **14** and a roof **15**, the latter being of the peaked variety. A simulated chimney **16** is secured to the roof in any desired manner.

Simulated windows **17** and doors **18** are positioned about the walls at appropriate intervals.

Interiorly of the school house and either secured to or merely placed upon the floor **14** are a plurality of desks **19** and chairs or benches **20**, the number of these being suitably varied in accordance with the size of the building.

If desired a simulated school bell **21** may be suitably secured at any desired position within the building.

The toy school may be shipped in disassembled relation if desired, and in the assembly thereof adhesive fabric hinges **25** (see Fig. 5) or joining strips **26** (see Fig. 3) may be employed for assembling the component parts of the device. In the event that the device is made of wood or the like the parts may be secured as by gluing or by the use of fine nails or brads.

If desired a simulated flagpole socket **27** containing a flagpole **28** may be suitably positioned on the roof portion **15** adjacent the front wall **11**.

Extending across the front of the simulated building and below the closure portion **29** for the peaked roof **15** is a strip of wood or the like **38** provided with portions **31** of separable fasteners. The portions **31** are adapted to engage corresponding portions **32** carried by the upper edge of front wall **11** when the front wall is in the position of Fig. 1 for retaining the same in closed position. The inner surface of front wall **11** comprises a blackboard surface **33** provided with a chalk rack **34**, and the lower portion of front wall **11** is connected to floor **14** as by means of suitable hinges **40**. When the structure of the building is cardboard or the like, fabric adhesive hinges **40*a*** may be employed or alternatively when the structure is made of wood, metallic hinges **40*b*** secured by brads **41** may be utilized (see Fig. 6).

Suitable knobs **42** may be positioned on the outer face of front wall **11** to facilitate the opening of the front wall when desired.

From the foregoing the operation of the device should now be readily understandable. Obviously when it is desired to utilize the toy in simulation of a school, front **11** is in closed position. However when it is desired to view the interior of the school the front is moved to the position as shown in Fig. 2 whereupon in "playing school" the children may employ the inner surface **33** of front wall **11** as a blackboard and write thereon if desired.

From the foregoing it will now be seen that there is herein provided a toy school which accomplishes all of the objects of this invention and others, including the provision of a novel toy having a relatively high entertainment value.

As many embodiments may be made of this inventive concept and as many modifications may be made in the embodiment hereinafter shown and set forth, it is to be understood that all matter herein is to be interpreted merely as illustrative and not in a limiting sense.

Having thus set forth and disclosed the nature of this invention, what is claimed is:

In a toy school, a simulated building having a front wall, a floor, side walls, a rear wall and a roof, furniture in simulation of school desks and chairs in said building, means, comprising fabric adhesive hinges, foldingly connecting said front wall to said floor for folding outwardly and downwardly with respect thereto, the inner surface of said front wall comprising a blackboard, a chalk rack secured to one edge of said wall, snap means for holding said wall in closed position, said snap means being positioned at the upper edge of said front wall, a strip depending from said roof having corresponding snap means thereon, an interiorly positioned bell secured to said strip, means in simulation of doors and windows in said front, side and rear walls, a simulated chimney ascending from said roof, and adhesive flexible means securing all said walls said roof and said floor in related assembly.

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