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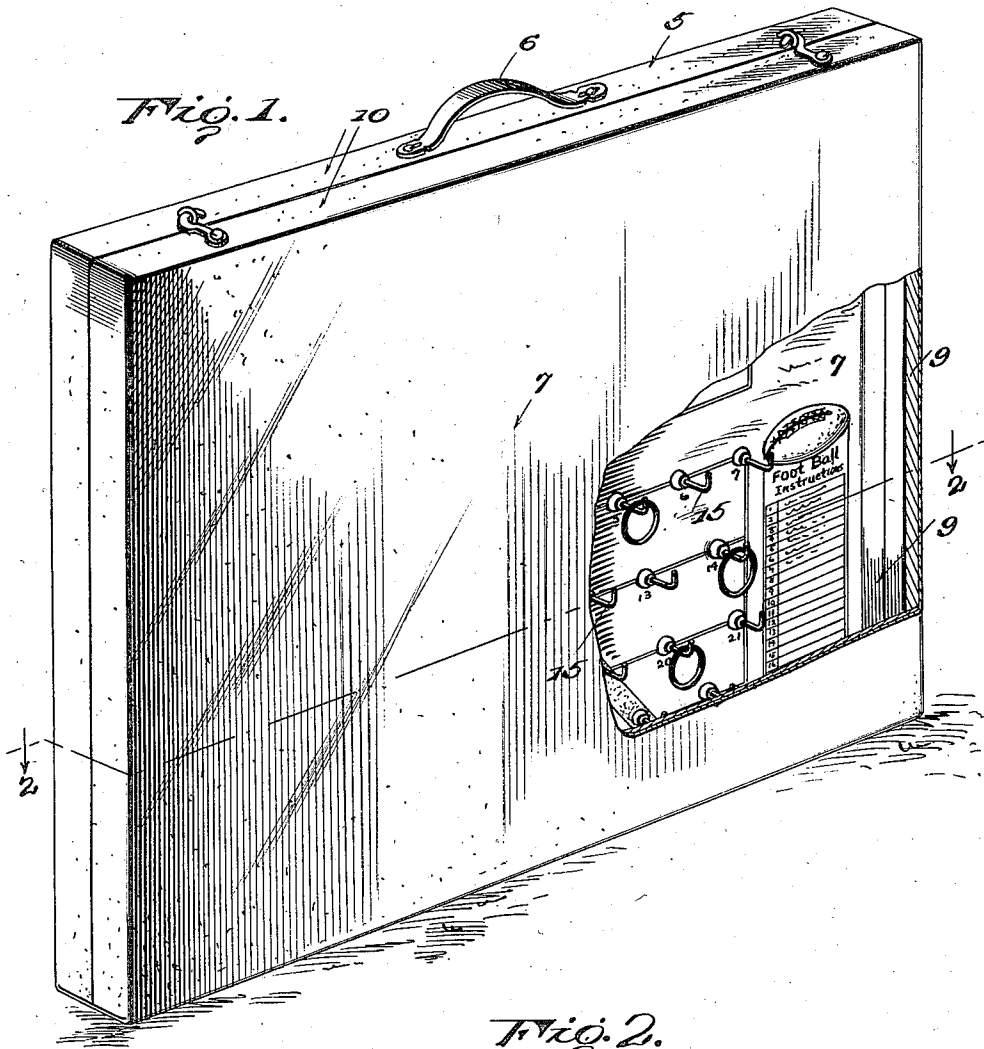
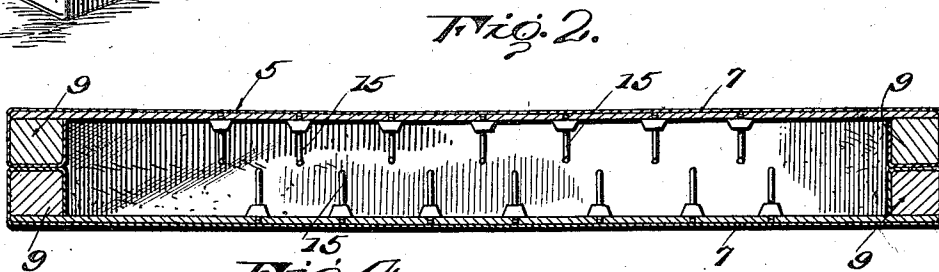
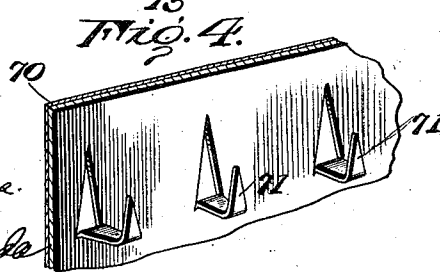
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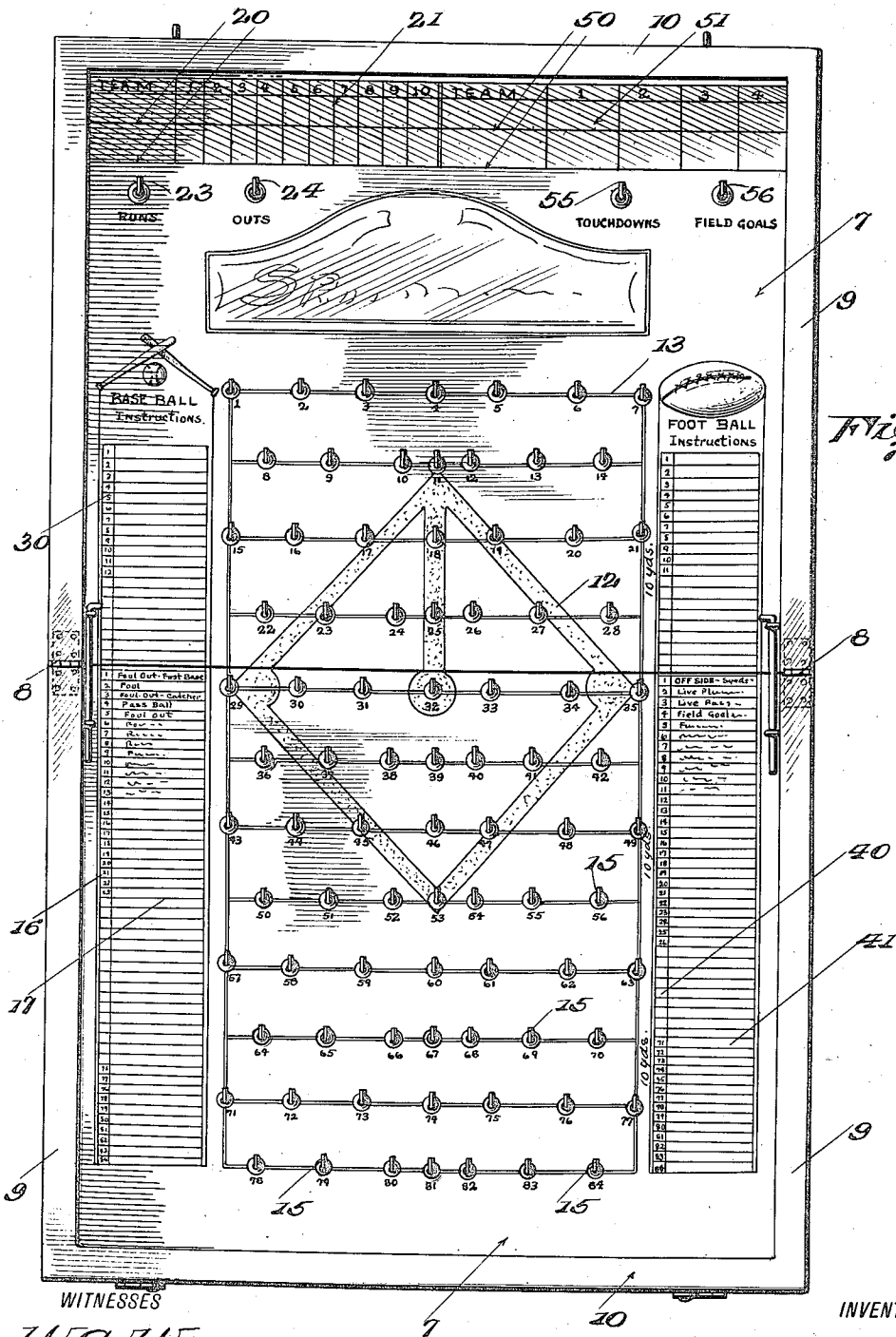
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM G. BISHOP, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Oklahoma City, in the county of Oklahoma and State of Oklahoma, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Games, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to games and toys and more particularly to a combined baseball and foot ball game.

Briefly stated an important object of this invention is to provide a toy for games having simple means whereby a mock game of baseball or foot ball may be played, or both of the games may be played simultaneously, by one or more people.

Further the invention forming the subject matter of this application aims to provide a toy or game of the character specified which is instructive and teaches the participants the various plays of baseball and football, in a pleasing and an unembarrassing manner.

Also the improved game may be played without previous knowledge of either baseball or football and may be enjoyed not only by the participants but by the spectators.

A further aim of the invention is to provide a game of the character specified which will stimulate interest in baseball and football as actually played.

A further object of the invention is to provide a game of the character specified which may be conveniently carried from place to place as the main portion of the same consists of two hingedly connected sections which when folded together and fastened resemble a small suit case or the like.

A further object is to provide a game of the character specified which is of highly simplified construction, durable in use and cheap to manufacture.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent during the course of the following description.

In the accompanying drawing forming a part of this application and in which like numerals are employed to designate like parts throughout the same,

Figure 1 is a perspective of the improved game parts being broken away,

Figure 2 is a horizontal sectional view taken on line 2—2 of Figure 1, and

Figure 3 is a plan view of the game in its open position.

Figure 4 is a fragmentary perspective of a modified form of the invention.

In the drawing wherein for the purpose of illustration is shown a preferred embodiment of the invention, the numeral 5 generally designates the improved game which when positioned as illustrated in Figure 1 resembles a suit case or a sample carrying case and the upper side of the case is provided with a handle 6, by means of which the same may be conveniently carried.

In carrying out the invention the game is formed from a board consisting of sections 7 hingedly connected as indicated at 8 and the sections 7, of which there are two, are provided with side and end walls 9 and 10 respectively, the said side and end walls forming a means to hold or confine the rings or annuli within the case when the game is folded. Also the side and end walls prevent the annuli or rings from sliding off the board while the game is being played, in case a poor throw is made.

The sections 7 may be lined with cardboard or other suitable material and the baseball diamond 12 is printed on or otherwise applied to the board, the said diamond consisting of the home plate, first, second and third bases, and the pitcher's box as in the usual and well known baseball diamond.

The said board is also provided with a plurality of spaced parallel transversely extending lines 13 representing the ten yard lines on a foot ball field. It is thus seen that the improved board is not only adapted for use when playing a mock game of baseball but also is adapted for use when playing a mock game of football.

In playing the improved game several rings are thrown at the hooks 15 by the participants of the game, each player of course taking his or her turn. Each hook 15 bears a number and when playing baseball a corresponding number will be found in the longitudinally extending column 16 at the left of the diamond. It will be observed that this column is indicated "Baseball" and at the right of the column is a series of lines 17 into which is written the play corresponding to each number.

For example, if the player throws the ring or more specifically one of the rings onto the hook 36, the play indicates that

the batter hit a "fly" and was put out. If on the next play the player should happen to engage the hook 37 or more specifically that hook which bears the number 37, the player which may happen to be on base will steal a base so to speak.

This continues until the participant has three players put out, at which time the other player has the opportunity to throw rings at the various hooks. The other player continues to play until three players are put out. In the use of the invention any desired number of players may participate in the game.

The upper portion of the board is provided with transverse lines 20 into which may be written the names of the opposing sides and at the right of the names of the opposing sides the score made by the several teams or participants is written into the squares or divisions 21. Each time a run is scored a ring may be suspended from the hook 23 and each time an "out" is made a ring is suspended from the hook 24. In this manner the "runs" and "outs" may be recorded.

In carrying out the invention the board may be provided immediately above the schedule column 17 with a plurality of lines into which instructions may be written, the said lines being designated by the numerals 30.

The improved board may also be used to play a mock game of football and in this connection it will be seen that the right hand side of the board is provided with a vertical column 40 into which numbers corresponding to the numbers of the hooks 15 is written. Opposite the column 40 a second column 41 is provided and in this column is written the plays for the various numbers. For example, in playing the game a participant throws a ring in the direction of the board and one of the hooks is engaged. Assuming the participant rings the hook 6 reference will be had to the number 6 in the column 40 and it will be seen that this indicates a "line plunge with no gain" and another play will then take place by the same participant. On the next play if the participant rings the hook 11 a "touch down" will be made, as the words "touch down" is written opposite the word 11 in the column 40.

Of course figures are placed on the board to represent the opposing sides.

The names of the opposing players may be written on the line 50 and the scores made in the various quarters are recorded in the squares 51. The "touch downs" in the various quarters may be recorded by hanging rings on the hook 55 and the "field goals" may be recorded by hanging rings on the hook 56, one ring being hung on the hook for each score made.

In playing baseball or football any desired schedule may be observed and for the purpose of illustration reference may be had to the following schedule:

Baseball.	Football.	
Foul out.....	(1).....	Offside 5 yds. penalty.
Foul.....	(2).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Foul out.....	(3).....	Line plunge, 5 yd. gain.
Passed ball, runner advances.....	(4).....	Field goal.
Foul out.....	(5).....	Line plunge, 10 yd. gain.
Foul.....	(6).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Foul out.....	(7).....	Offside 10 yards penalty.
Foul.....	(8).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Ball.....	(9).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Strike.....	(10).....	Fumble, lost ball 5 yds. loss.
Home run.....	(11).....	Touchdown.
Strike.....	(12).....	Fumble, lost ball 10 yds. gain.
Ball.....	(13).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Foul.....	(14).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Foul out.....	(15).....	Intercepted forward pass. Start play on own 40 yd. line.
Foul.....	(16).....	Forward pass, 20 yd. gain.
Bunt safe.....	(17).....	Intercepted for. pass. Own 40 yard line.
Bunt out.....	(18).....	Punt 40 yds. or incomplete drop kick.
Bunt safe.....	(19).....	Intercepted for. pass. Own 30 yard line.
Foul.....	(20).....	For. pass, 15 yard gain.
Foul out.....	(21).....	Intercepted for. pass. Own 40 yard line.
Foul out.....	(22).....	Line plunge, 5 yard gain.
Error, runners advance.....	(23).....	End run, 10 yards gain.
Ball.....	(24).....	Line plunge, 5 yards loss.
Strike out.....	(25).....	End run, 30 yards.
Ball.....	(26).....	End run, 10 yards loss.
Error, safe on first.....	(27).....	End run, 5 yard gain.
Foul out.....	(28).....	End run, no gain.
Single.....	(29).....	Off side.
Out at first.....	(30).....	Line plunge, 10 yd. gain.
Balk.....	(31).....	Line plunge, 5 yard loss.
Hit by pitcher.....	(32).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Walk.....	(33).....	Line plunge, 5 yard loss.
Out at first.....	(34).....	Line plunge, 10 yard gain.
Triple.....	(35).....	Off side.
Fly out.....	(36).....	Through center, 10 yds. gain.
Stolen base.....	(37).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Error, runners advance.....	(38).....	Ball lost on downs.
Infield fly, batter out.....	(39).....	Forward pass, 15 yard gain.
Error.....	(40).....	Ball lost on downs.
Stolen base.....	(41).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Fly out.....	(42).....	Through center, 5 yd. gain.
Fly out.....	(43).....	Off side 10 yd. penalty.
Fly out.....	(44).....	End run, 5 yard loss.
Out stealing.....	(45).....	Line plunge, 5 yd. gain.
Foremost runner out.....	(46).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Out stealing.....	(47).....	Line plunge, 10 yards gain.
Caught napping.....	(48).....	End run, 10 yard loss.
Fly out.....	(49).....	Off side 15 yards penalty.
Single.....	(50).....	End run, 50 yards.
Foremost runner out.....	(51).....	Inter. for. pass, own 20 yd. line.
Double play.....	(52).....	Penalized 5 yards.
Double.....	(53).....	End run, 10 yard gain.
Double play.....	(54).....	Penalized 10 yards.
Foremost runner out.....	(55).....	Line plunge, 5 yard gain.
Single.....	(56).....	End run, 20 yard gain.
Fly out.....	(57).....	Forward pass, 15 yards gain.
Out at home plate.....	(58).....	Inter. for. pass, own 40 yds. line.
Fly out.....	(59).....	End run, 10 yd. gain.
Fly out.....	(60).....	Penalized 20 yards.
Fly out.....	(61).....	End run, 20 yards gain.
Out at home plate.....	(62).....	Int. for. pass, own 30 yards line.
Fly out.....	(63).....	For. pass, 10 yard gain.
Sacrifice fly.....	(64).....	Punt 30 yards.
Error.....	(65).....	Fumble, lost ball.
Fly out.....	(66).....	Line plunge, 10 yard gain.
Double.....	(67).....	Punt 35 yards.
Fly out.....	(68).....	Line plunge, 5 yds. gain.
Error.....	(69).....	Ball lost on downs.
Sacrifice fly.....	(70).....	Punt 35 yards.
Fly out.....	(71).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Fly out.....	(72).....	Offside, penalty 5 yards.
Fly out.....	(73).....	Int. for. pass, own 30 yd. line.
Fly out.....	(74).....	Forward pass, 20 yard gain.
Fly out.....	(75).....	Inte. for. pass, own 20 yard line.
Triple.....	(76).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Fly out.....	(77).....	Off side, penalty 10 yards.
Double.....	(78).....	End run, 10 yards gain.
Fly out—R. F.....	(79).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Sacrifice fly, foremost runner advance one box.....	(80).....	Line plunge, 5 yards loss.
Fly out, C. F.....	(81).....	Line plunge, no gain.
Fly out.....	(82).....	Line plunge, 10 yards loss.
Sacrifice fly, no advance.....	(84).....	End run, 15 yards gain.

In use both football and baseball may be played simultaneously and if desired as many as nine may play on each baseball team and as many as 11 on each football team and in this case the players will take

turns. It might be stated that when playing football in accordance with this game each participant is allowed to play so long or the extent of one quarter, be it 10, 12 or 15 minutes as agreed on in advance.

The foregoing illustrates that the improved game is instructive since it acquaints the participants with the various plays and moves in baseball and football and the game requires no previous knowledge of either baseball or football.

If desired the game may be manufactured as illustrated in Figure 4 wherein the board 70 is formed from sheet metal having a plurality of struck out hooks 71, which correspond to the hooks 15.

In the schedule of plays, it will be noted that the complete play is shown, as for example, the player rings hook number 27, the schedule of play shows an error on the part of the 3rd baseman and the batter is safe on first. This schedule enables complete scoring of plays and games.

It is to be understood that the forms of the invention herewith shown and described are to be taken as preferred examples of the same and that such minor changes in

arrangement and construction of parts may be made as will remain within the spirit of the invention and the scope of what is claimed.

Having thus described the invention, what I claim is:—

In a game device for playing mimic baseball and football simultaneously which comprises a board having overlying baseball and football fields within the same area, numbered hooks connected to the board within the fields of play and adapted for use both during the playing of baseball and football, said board having base-ball and foot ball columns on opposite sides of the field of play, and bearing numbered baseball and football plays corresponding to the numbered hooks, said board also being provided with separate baseball and football score divisions into which is written the scores during simultaneous playing of both games, and hooks carried by the board outside the fields of play for supporting tally elements, said board consisting of a pair of hingedly connected sections.

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