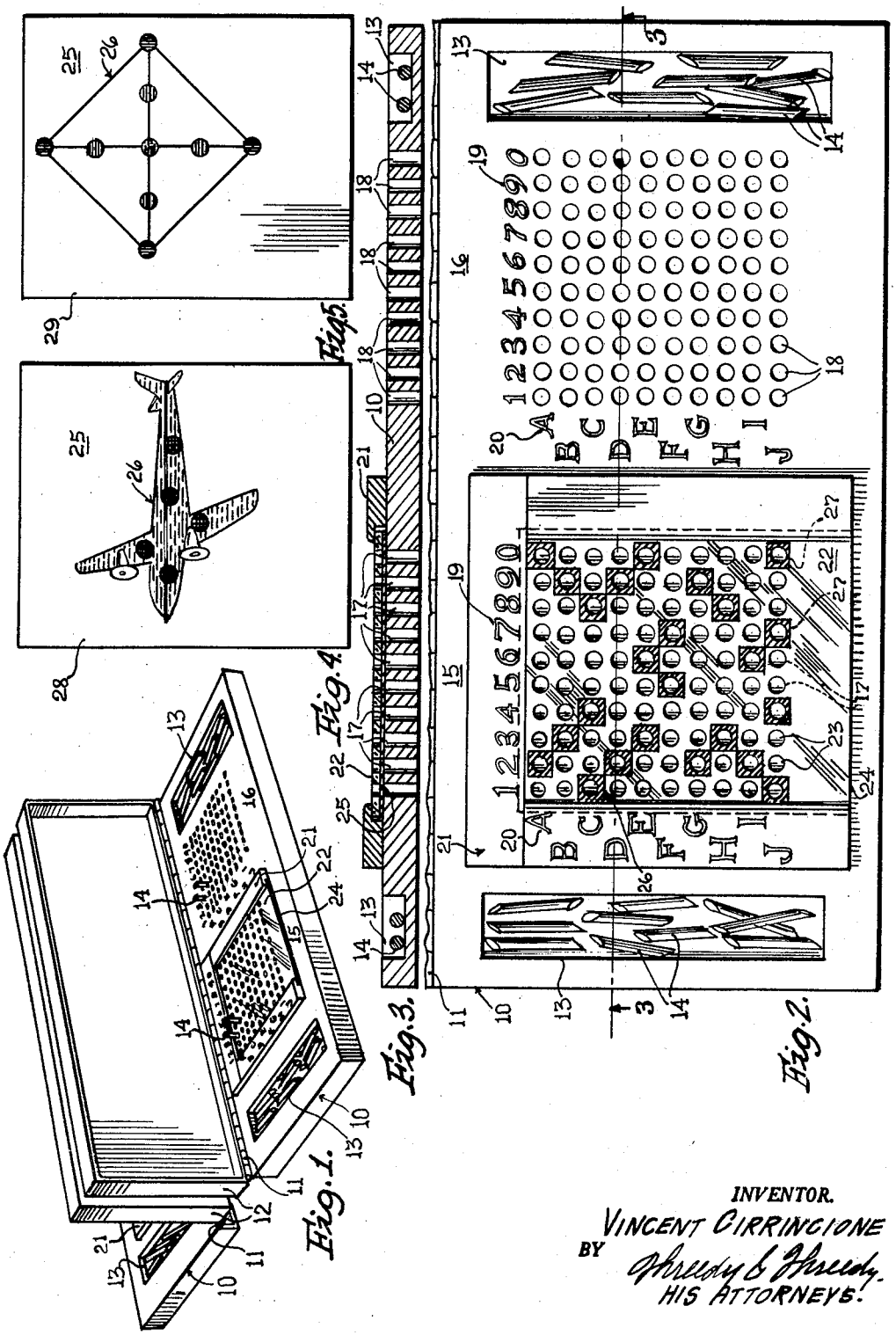
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My invention relates to game boards especially adapted for amusement purposes.

A principal object of this invention is to provide a game for two players or opposing teams of players in which each player, or team, is provided with corresponding game boards with a game piece or pattern bearing member disposed over the board and beneath a transparent cover or sheet, the sheet and board having parallel rows of openings with each row horizontally and vertically identified by indicia, the openings being adapted to have passed therethrough pegs which penetrate through the game piece or pattern.

The ultimate result of playing the game is to determine as the winner the player who first completes the pattern of his adversary's game board by calling the row indicia to identify the particular openings that the pegs are positioned in.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

The invention consists in the novel combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter described and claimed.

The invention will be best understood by reference to the accompanying drawings showing the preferred form of construction, and in which:

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of identical game boards showing the same arranged in position for play by opposing players or teams of players.

FIG. 2 is a top plan view of one of the game boards.

FIG. 3 is a sectional detailed view taken substantially on line 3—3 of FIG. 2, and

FIGS. 4 and 5 are suggested game pieces or patterns embodied in the game.

The several objects of my invention are accomplished by the preferred form of construction shown in the accompanying drawings. As the game boards are of identical construction, the description with respect to one will be applicable to the other unless otherwise indicated.

The preferred form of construction of each game board includes a panel 10 of any suitable material which will best serve the purpose. Along one edge thereof is hinged as at 11 a combination cover 12 and shield. When the cover 12 is in closed position it serves to provide, together with the panel 10, an enclosure for the game board. When in open position, as shown in FIG. 1, it prevents opposing players from seeing the board of his adversary.

Formed in the panel 10 adjacent opposite side edges thereof are pockets 13 in which is stored and held during play a plurality of pegs 14. These pegs 14 may be of any material and are preferably formed with tapered ends for reasons hereinafter made apparent.

The panel 10 has its surface divided into two adjacent areas 15 and 16. Each area is defined by parallel rows of openings 17 and 18. These rows of openings as shown in each area extend transversely of the panel 10 as well as vertically.

The vertical rows of openings are designated by numerals 19 whereas the transversely extending rows of openings are designated by letters 20 of the alphabet. Surrounding the area 15 on three sides thereof is a frame 21 on which appears the numerals 19 and the letters 20 identifying the rows of openings within that area. The frame 21 receives a transparent plate 22, the plate 22 being inserted in the frame 21 from the direction of its open edge 24. The transparent plate 22 is provided with

openings 23 which when the plate 22 is mounted within the frame 21 register with the openings 17. Between the plate 22 and the panel 10 and within the frame 21 is a sheet 25 which has on its surface adjacent the plate 22 a pattern 26.

In the form shown in FIG. 2 the pattern comprises a plurality of colored squares 27 staggered as shown in FIG. 2. Various forms of pattern bearing sheets may be used, two of such forms being shown at 28 FIG. 4 and 29 FIG. 5.

In use the game boards are arranged in the manner shown in FIG. 1 with their respective covers open to provide a shield for the purpose hereinbefore stated. Each player employs in the playing of the game the pegs 14. The first player, say, for example, the one using the right hand board shown in FIG. 1 calls a number and letter to identify a particular opening in which he is going to place a peg within the area 16. For example, he may call A–1, which indicates opening A–1. He will place a peg in opening A–1 in the right hand area 16. His adversary using the left hand game board as shown in FIG. 1 will likewise place a peg in the opening designated A–1 in the area 15. Say, for example, the first player calls for opening A–2, he will place a peg in the opening A–2 within the area 16. His adversary will likewise place a peg in the opening A–2, within the area 15. As this opening A–2 of area 15 is in line with a part of the pattern 26, the second player will use a different color peg such, for example, gold tinted to designate that that peg has penetrated a part of the pattern.

The call of the openings by number and letter is alternately between the players, that is, the player number one makes the first call and then player number two makes the second call. This continues until one of the two players has completed the pattern by placing pegs therethrough. The first to complete the pattern is classified as the winner of the game. There may be different ways of playing and rules for governing the game, but the ultimate result is to win the game by being the first to complete the pattern. The game sheet or pattern 25, 28, and 29 is formed of such material as will allow the same to be pierced when the pegs are inserted into the openings of the cover sheet 22 and the panel 10. It is intended that there be as many pegs as there are openings. The pegs may be of such length as facilitates convenient grasping between the fingers.

From the foregoing, it will be apparent that I provide a game which will be highly amusing and one which may be played by adults as well as by children. The game comprises relatively few parts and may be manufactured at an economical cost and of such material as will best serve the purpose.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

1. A game board comprising
   (*a*) a one-piece panel having two separate game areas on one side thereof each defined by a plurality of vertical and horizontal rows of openings,
   (*b*) each row of openings having identifying indicia,
   (*c*) a pattern-bearing member of pierceable material and of a size covering the openings of one of said game areas,
   (*d*) a transparent plate positioned over said pattern-bearing member and having vertical and horizontal rows of openings registering with the openings of said one game area,
   (*e*) a plurality of pegs for insertion selectively through the openings of said transparent plate and through said pattern-bearing member and into the openings of said one game area, or insertable selectively into the openings defining the other game area.

2. A game board comprising

(*a*) a one-piece panel having on one side thereof two separate game areas each defined by a plurality of vertical and horizontal rows of openings,

(*b*) each row of openings having identifying indicia,

(*c*) a frame having an open side surrounding one of said game areas,

(*d*) a transparent plate removably insertable in said frame through said open side thereof and having vertical and horizontal rows of openings registering with the openings of said one game area,

(*e*) a pattern-bearing member of pierceable material removably insertable between said plate and said panel through said open side of said frame,

(*f*) and a plurality of pegs for insertion selectively through the openings of said transparent plate and through said pattern-bearing member and into the openings of said one game area, or insertable selectively into the openings defining the other game area.

3. A game board comprising

(*a*) a one-piece panel having two separate game areas on one side thereof each defined by a plurality of vertical and horizontal rows of openings,

(*b*) each row of openings having identifying indicia,

(*c*) a pattern-bearing member of pierceable material and of a size covering the openings of one of said game areas,

(*d*) a transparent plate positioned over said pattern-bearing member and having vertical and horizontal rows of openings registering with the openings of said one game area,

(*e*) a plurality of pegs for insertion selectively through the openings of said transparent plate and through said pattern-bearing member and into the openings of said one game area, or insertable selectively into the openings defining the other game area,

(*f*) said panel adjacent the opposite side edge portions

thereof having pockets formed therein for the storage of said pegs.

4. A game board comprising

(*a*) a one-piece panel having on one side thereof two separate game areas each defined by a plurality of vertical and horizontal rows of openings,

(*b*) each row of openings having identifying indicia,

(*c*) a frame having an open side surrounding one of said game areas,

(*d*) a transparent plate removably insertable in said frame through said open side thereof and having vertical and horizontal rows of openings registering with the openings of said one game area,

(*e*) a pattern-bearing member of pierceable material removably insertable between said plate and said panel through said open side of said frame,

(*f*) and a plurality of pegs for insertion selectively through the openings of said transparent plate and through said pattern-bearing member and into the openings of said one game area, or insertable selectively into the openings defining the other game area,

(*g*) said panel adjacent the opposite side edge portions thereof having pockets formed therein for the storage of said pegs.

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