

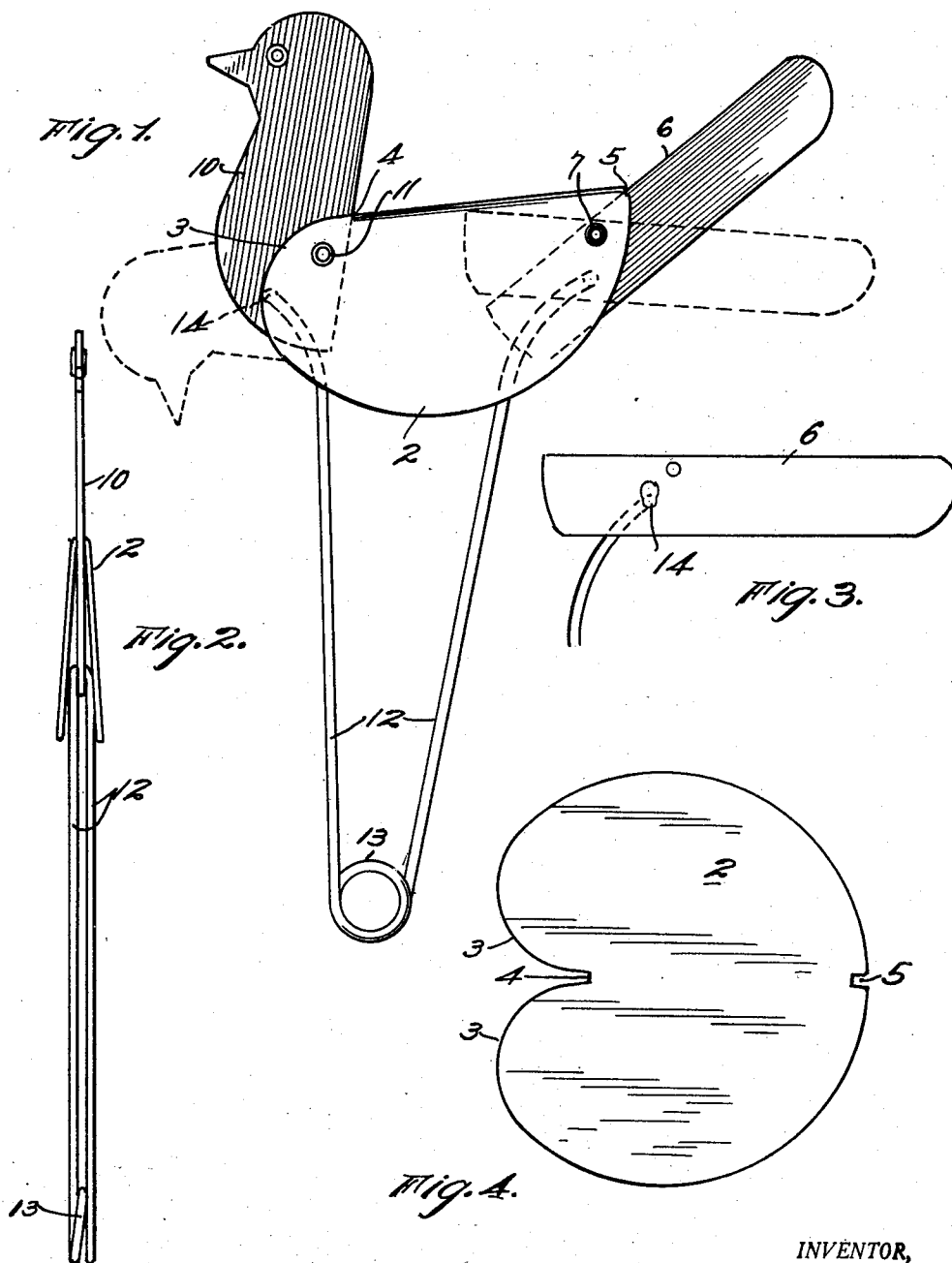
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This invention relates to toys and more especially to mechanical motion toys of hand manipulated action.

An object of the present invention is to provide an extremely simple, substantial toy and one of low cost and selling price.

A further object is to provide an animated, animal toy of inseparable, operative parts of durable construction and material.

Other objects, advantages and features of construction and details of means and combination will be made manifest in the ensuing description of the herewith illustrative embodiment; it being understood that modifications, variations and adaptations may be resorted to within the spirit, scope and principle of the invention as it is hereinafter claimed.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the toy (representative of a bird).

Figure 2 is an edge or front view (looking toward the face of the head).

Figure 3 is a plan of the detached tail.

Figure 4 is a plan of the body blank.

While the toy is here depicted as simulative of a bird it will be obvious that this is but an arbitrary form of incorporation of the invention and that the structural features may be designed more or less in imitation of divers animated creatures.

The toy has a body of bird form made of a disc-like blank 2 having a reentrant-cut side presenting curved edge shoulders 3 merging to a central stop ledge 4 diametrically opposite to which the disc is nicked at 5 to form an abutment for a tail appendage 6.

The body is diametrically folded from the shoulder 4 to the nick 5 to form a narrow chamber in which one end of the tail 6 is pivoted on a pivot 7, which preferably is an eyelet passing through and headed over the downturned sides of the body 2.

A head-and-neck appendage 10 is mounted loosely between the shoulders 3 on an eyelet 11.

Means are provided for separately or collectively actuating the head and the tail appendages in simulation of their natural animations, and preferably includes a single piece of resilient wire bent to a U-shape and

forming a two-shank handle 12, with or without a spring coil 13.

The shanks are pivotally connected at 14 to the pieces 6-10 in such relation as to press each to an uppermost position against respective stop ledges 4-5 at which position the pieces are in natural or normal pose.

It will be seen that contractive pressure on both shanks 12 will cause the appendages 6-10 to swing down on their pivots in a very natural manner; each piece being ultimately stopped by reason of its innermost corner impinging against the ridge or back of the body 2, as indicated by dotted lines, Fig. 1.

Pressure on either of the shanks alone will cause an action of the related appendage at will.

The body, the head and the tail pieces may all be made of sheet metal stampings at a very low cost of production.

It is understood that the exposed faces of the parts will be treated or painted in imitation of the natural character of the subject.

What is claimed is:

1. An animated toy, simulative of a natural creature, including a main body, appendages pivoted on the body, and a spring forming a yoked handle and having a plurality of shanks having ends directly and operatively connected to respective appendages; the appendages and the shanks being pivoted one on the other.

2. A mechanical toy including a body, appendages having pivoted ends in said body, and a spring yoke handle having arms extending into said body and operatively pivoted on said appendages and thereby supporting the body and operating the appendages independently.

3. A mechanical toy including a body, appendages having pivoted ends operative in said body, and a spring yoke handle extending into said body and operatively connected to said appendages and thereby supporting the body, said body comprising a folded sheet between which the connected portions of the appendages and the handle are covered.