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FIG. 1

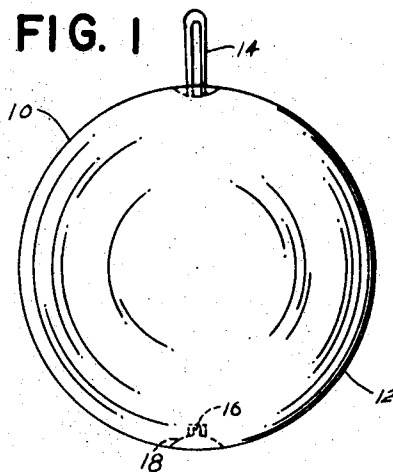


FIG. 8

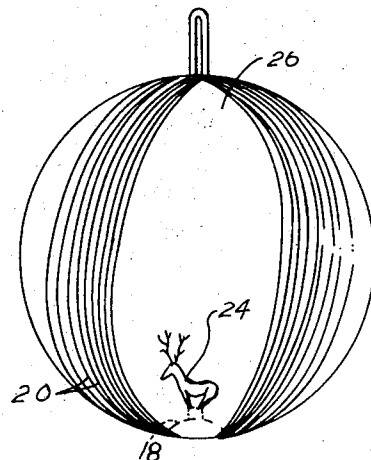


FIG. 2

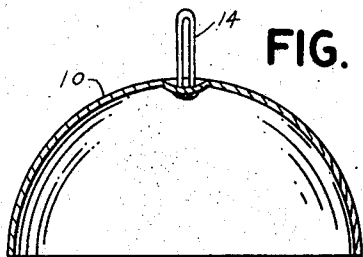


FIG. 4

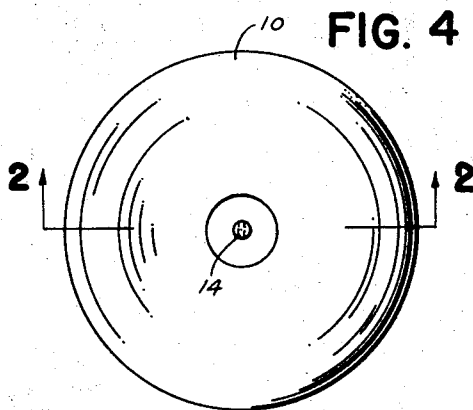


FIG. 3

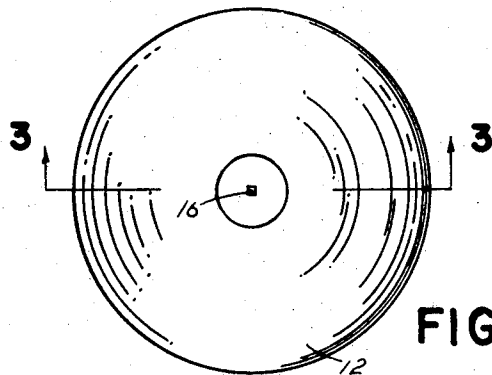
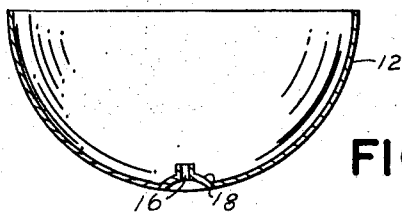


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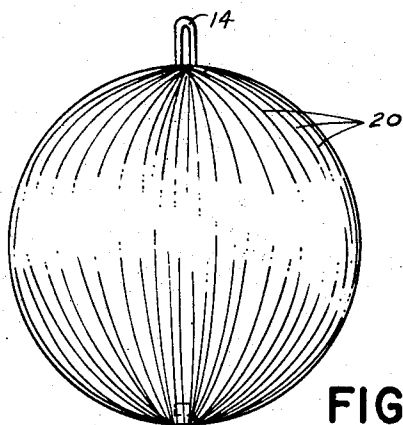


FIG. 6



FIG. 7

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An ornament is formed in two halves, one having an integral attaching member and the other half having a rectangularly-shaped hole to receive a shaft that serves as a holder for a shaft during rotation of the ornament when winding decorative strands or threads on its exterior.

The principal object of my invention is to provide a Christmas ornament that has a minimum number of parts, yet can readily be wholly covered by winding decorative strands over it.

The foregoing and other objects which will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, may be accomplished by a combination and arrangement such as is disclosed by the drawing. The nature of the invention is such as to render it susceptible to various changes and modifications, and therefore, I am not to be limited to the construction disclosed by the drawing, nor to the particular parts described in the specification; but am entitled to all such changes therefrom as fall within the scope of my invention.

In the drawing:

FIG. 1 is a front elevational view of my ornament.

FIG. 2 is a sectional view taken on the line 2—2 of FIG. 4.

FIG. 3 is a sectional view take on the line 3—3 of FIG. 5.

FIG. 4 is a top plan view of my ornament.

FIG. 5 is a bottom plan view of my ornament.

FIG. 6 is a front elevational view of my ornament with strand windings covering its exterior.

FIG. 7 is a fragmentary, front elevational view to show a modification of the ornament shown in FIG. 6.

FIG. 8 is a front elevational view of another modification of my ornament.

As illustrated, my ornament is preferably formed of two hollow sections or halves 10 and 12 which may be made of polystyrene and which are united, as by an adhesive, to form the complete body of an ornament in the shape of a ball, pear or the like. Said section 10 has an attaching member 14 shown as a loop that is formed integral with the main body thereof and extends beyond the top of the ornament in position of use. Said loop provides space to receive a hook, for instance, to hang it on a Christmas tree.

Said section 12 has a rectangular hole 16 extending substantially straight and centrally located formed in the bottom of the ornament that is preferably slightly tapered inwardly. This hole 16 extends through a small projecting portion 18 of material that enlarges said section 12 at this point to thereby surround and reinforce the hole. This hole 16 is preferably square in cross section; but could be of some other non-circular shape to receive a shaft or insert similarly shaped, not shown, to hold my ornament. Thus it can be rotated to wind strands around it by means of a well-known machine at high speed. Well-known strand windings 20, as shown in said FIG. 6, are wound around the exterior surface of my ornament during this operation. The windings 20 adjacent said hole 16 are under some tension at this point

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from being pushed together during the spiral winding operation, so when the hole is cleared the windings move laterally to substantially cover it. These windings 20 have a high sheen to impart an attractive luster to the ornament. A rayon acetate yarn for this purpose has been found suitable.

In said FIG. 7 a modified form of ornament section 12 shows a flattened portion 22 surrounding said hole 16. This helps to lay the windings evenly during the winding operation at this point.

To anchor the windings a small bit of adhesive may be applied to the last few windings at the top and bottom of the ornament to prevent unwinding thereof.

In said FIG. 8 a modified form of my invention is shown in which said projecting portion 18 also serves as a support or pedestal for a toy or other smaller figure 24. In this modification the hollow sections 10 and 12 would preferably be transparent and colorless or of any color through which a said toy 20 would be visible. Also said winding 20 would be spaced apart as at 26 so that the said toy would be visible through the spaces. The number of said spaces could vary; but should be large enough so that said toy figure would be visible there-through.

What I claim is:

1. An ornament having only two hollow sections united together to form a completely-shaped ornament, the first of said sections having an integral attaching member extending outwardly therefrom, and the other said section having a hole therethrough of non-circular shape in cross section substantially directly below said attaching member.

2. An ornament as set forth in claim 1, said hole being rectangular in cross-section.

3. An ornament as set forth in claim 1, said hole being square in cross-section.

4. An ornament as of claim 1, said attaching member being located intermediate opposite side extremities of said section and surrounded by solid material.

5. An ornament as set forth in claim 1, and strands around and covering the exterior of said ornament.

6. An ornament as set forth in claim 1, said hole tapering from the outer surface of said other section inwardly.

7. An ornament as set forth in claim 1, said other section having an enlarged portion surrounding said hole.

8. An ornament as set forth in claim 5, said hole tapering from the outer surface of said other section inwardly, said strands substantially covering said hole, said other section having a thickened portion surrounding said hole, and both of said sections being hollow.

9. An ornament as set forth in claim 1, and strands extending around a portion only of the exterior of the ornament thereby providing an uncovered portion, one of said sections being transparent and having an enlarged portion surrounding said hole, and a toy figure supported by said enlarged portion and extending into the interior of said ornament.

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