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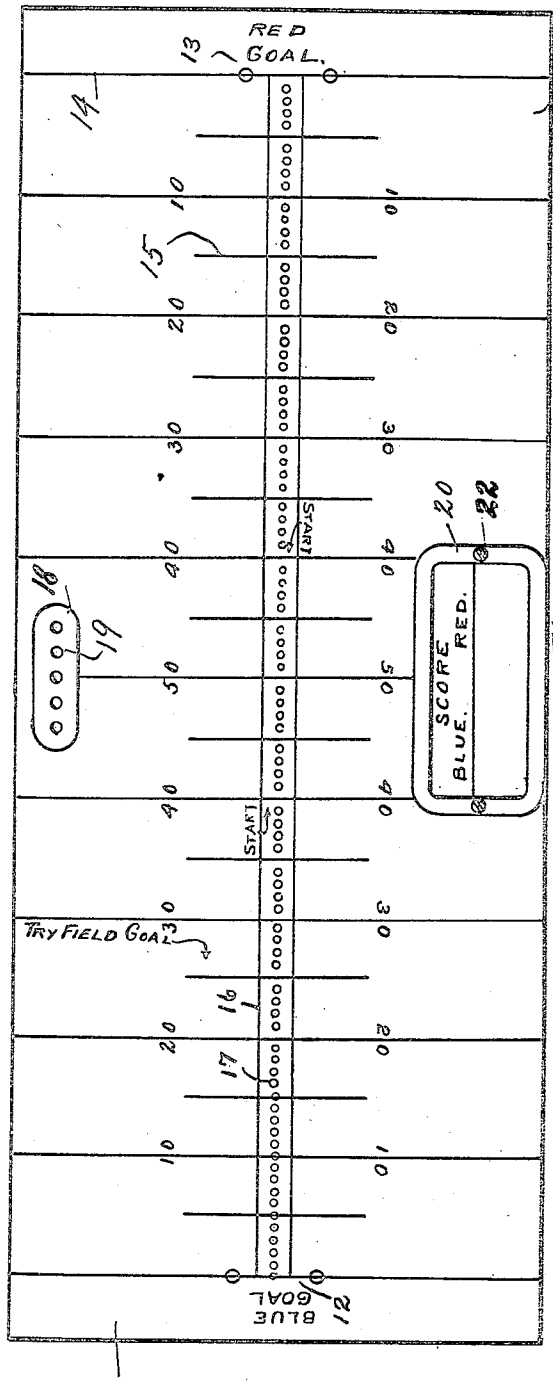


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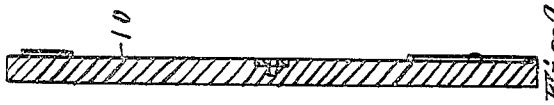


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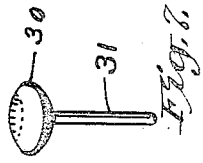


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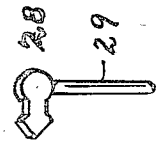


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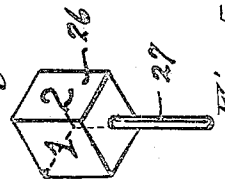


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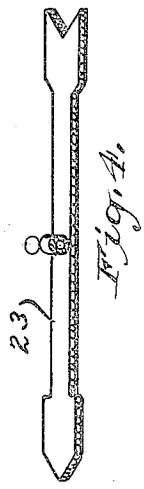


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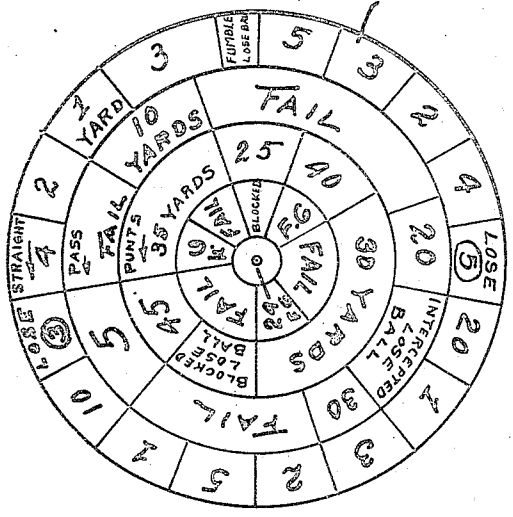


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRED L. MICHAELIAN, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Fresno, in the county of Fresno, State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game Boards, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates primarily to a game board of the type using movable pieces or characters to reach a given objective, in this case an opponent's goal, a dial having shown thereon the specific movements to be made, with a rotatable counter or index finger to be spun by the player being used to determine the particular movement which he is to make.

In the present instance my board is made to resemble the playing field in a foot ball game and the game as played follows generally the rules in effect in playing regular outdoor American foot ball, with the exception that one player only occupies the field at a time and only one man or character is used.

While I have shown and will describe my board as adapted to the playing of a foot ball game I wish it specifically understood that I do not limit myself to any specific type of game but that it is equally adaptable to any game of that general type.

It is the object of my invention to provide a game board of the above character which will be cheap and simple in construction and easy of operation and which will be both interesting and entertaining.

In the drawings accompanying and forming a part hereof:

Fig. 1 is a top plan of my board.

Fig. 2 is a section on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a top plan of the dial or index board used with my game.

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the index finger used with the dial shown in Fig. 3.

Fig. 5 is a bottom perspective of the counter used with my game to indicate the number of turns.

Fig. 6 is a perspective of the objective indicator.

Fig. 7 is a perspective view of the player or character.

Referring to the drawings, my game board comprises the base or body member 10 upon which is indicated the playing field 11 with the goals 12 and 13 at the ends and the ten yard lines 14 and the five yard lines 15 therebetween. Extending longitudinally and centrally of base 10, which may be of any preferred or desired material, in the upper face thereof, is a strip of metal 16 which may be embedded in or otherwise secured thereto, in which is provided a plurality of holes or sockets 17 to indicate the one yard lines.

Provided in the upper side of the playing field is a plate 18 in which are provided a plurality of holes or sockets 19 adapted to have mounted therein the various movable devices when not in play.

Mounted upon the upper face of the playing field at the lower edge of the board is the scoring card 20, which is preferably of slate or the like material, surrounded by a frame, and which is held positioned by screws 22 or otherwise.

In playing the game the objective is to commence at the 40 yard line and move the ball down the field in a series of moves as determined by spinning the index finger until an opponent's goal is reached, the game being won by the player first obtaining a predetermined number of points, these points being determined by the rules of the game.

In commencing the game the index finger 23 will first be mounted upon the pivot 24 extending upwardly from the center of the dial 25. Turn indicator 26 will be mounted, by means of its pintle 27, in the center one of holes 19. The objective indicator 28 will be mounted, by means of pivot 29, in any one of the other holes 19, and the players or characters 30, of which there are two, preferably colored blue and red, respectively, are mounted, by means of their pintles 31 in any of the remaining holes 19. The kickoff is then decided either by spinning the index finger or in any other suitable manner, the player winning the kickoff then placing his man in the hole 17 on the forty yard line at his own goal. He then sets the objective indicator in the fifty yard hole, indicating the distance he must gain in four downs or chances. He then sets the turn indicator with the figure 1 showing toward the playing field, which indicates that he has four turns or downs to go. The index finger is then spun, the third circle from the outside being used to indicate the kickoff, the point at which the finger stops indicating the yardage gained or lost, the man or character and objective

indicator being moved according to the rules of regular American foot ball as nearly as possible, or any other rules which may be adopted. The outer circle on the dial 25 is used in playing straight foot ball, the next adjacent inner circle is used for passing, the next adjacent inner circle is used for punting, and the kickoff, and the innermost circle is used for field goals.

Having described my invention, what I claim is:

1. A game board comprising a base having provided on the upper face thereof the representation of a playing field; a strip of metal embedded in the upper face of said base to extend along the longitudinal center thereof and having a plurality of sockets extending along its longitudinal center adapted to have mounted therein playing characters; a turn indicator revolubly mounted in said base; playing characters adapted to be movably mounted in said sockets; an objective indicator adapted to be mounted in one of said sockets; in combination with a dial having shown thereon the respective plays, said dial having an index finger revolubly mounted thereon adapted to be operated to indicate the play to be made.

2. A game board comprising a base having provided on its upper fact a representation of a playing field; a plurality of sockets provided in said base on the longitudinal center thereof adapted to receive playing characters; in combination with a turn indicator mounted in said base; playing characters adapted to be movably mounted in said sockets; an objective indicator adapted to be movably mounted in any one of said sockets to indicate the objective of the play to be made; and a manually operated indicator to determine the specific play to be made.

3. A game board comprising a base having on the upper face thereof a representation of a foot ball field; a plurality of sockets extending the entire length of said field on the longitudinal center thereof to indicate the unit of division; a metal insert provided in the upper face of said base at one side of said field adapted to have mounted therein playing characters; a score card mounted on the upper face of said field at the opposite side of said inset; in combination with playing characters adapted to be mounted in said sockets to indicate the progress of the game; and a manually operated indicator for determining the plays to be made.

In witness that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 28th day of Feb., 1923.

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