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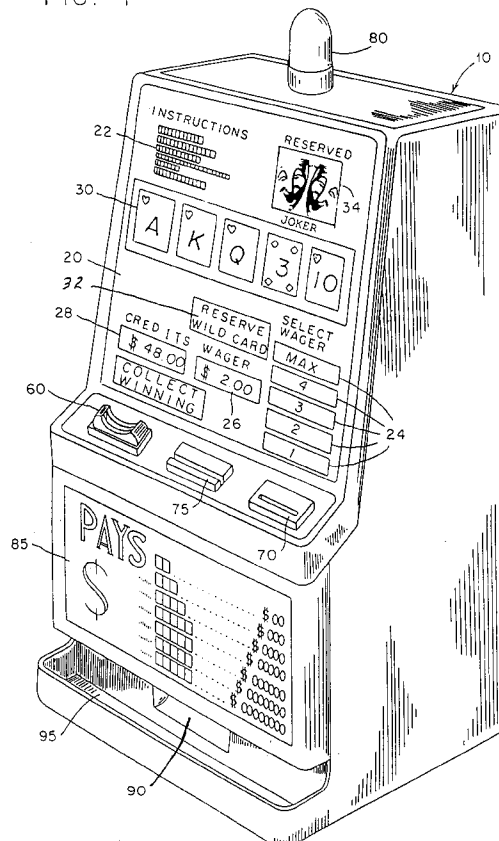
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(54) **Game-playing apparatus**

(57) Games of skill or chance which provide a player, who has received a wild indicia during one game,

with the opportunity to reserve that wild indicia for use in a subsequent game.

FIG. 1





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