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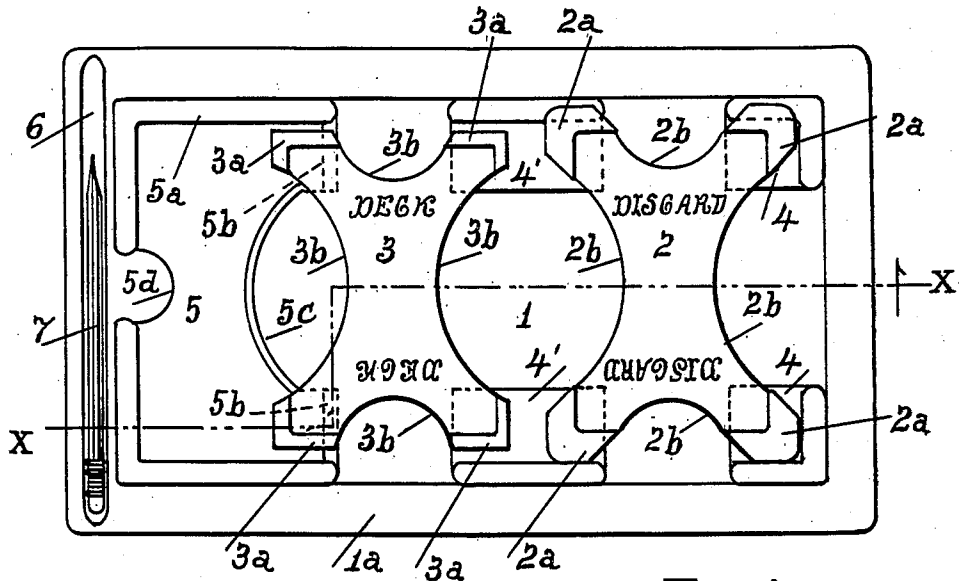


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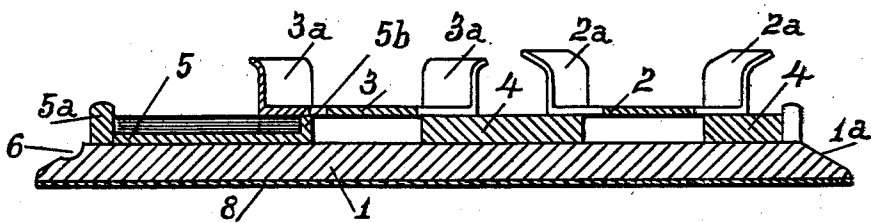


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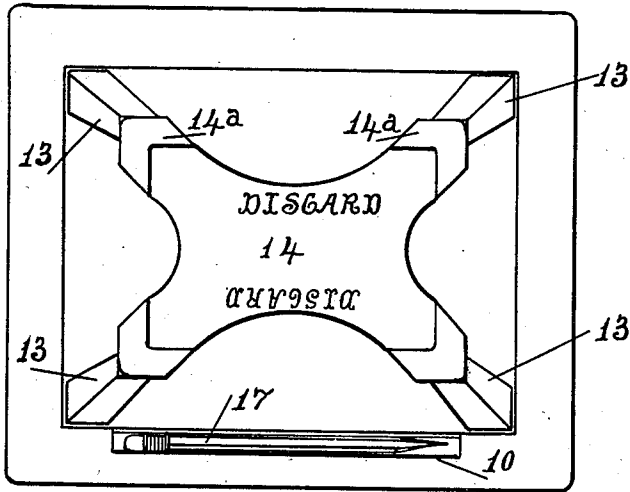


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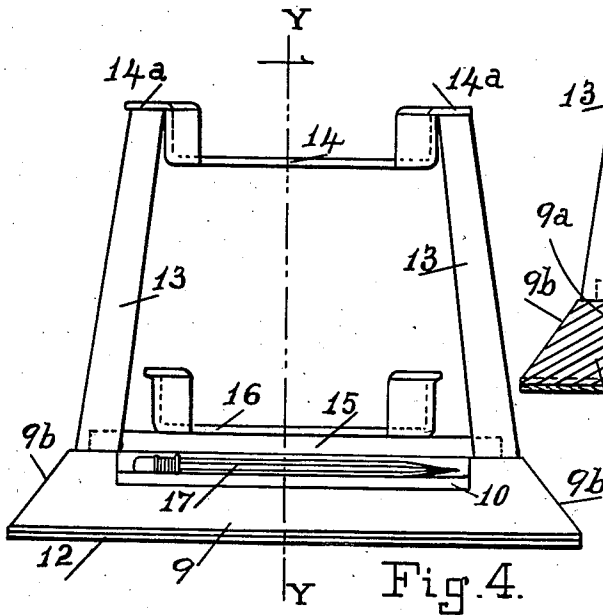


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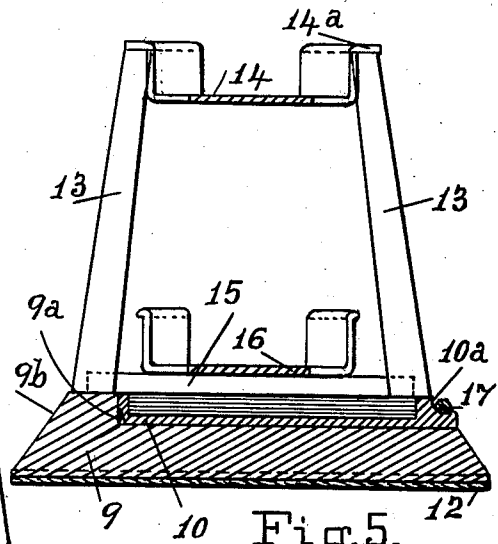


Fig. 5.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE C. ANDERSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Springfield, in the county of Sangamon and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Game Apparatus, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to apparatuses to be used in playing games with cards.

The purposes of the invention are: to provide an apparatus comprising a deck holder, a discard holder, a pencil holder, and a tally-sheet holder in convenient relation to each other and so constructed and arranged as to facilitate the placing of cards in the deck holder or the discard holder or the removal of cards therefrom and to facilitate the placing of tally-sheets in the tally-sheet holder or their removal therefrom; to provide an apparatus neat and attractive in appearance and having a shape advantageous for a display of advertising matter.

With these ends in view the invention consists in the novel features of construction and combinations of parts shown in the annexed drawings to which reference is hereby made and hereinafter particularly described and finally recited in the claims.

Figure 1 is a top plan of the apparatus of preferred construction. Fig. 2 is a vertical section on the line X.X. of Fig. 1. Figs. 3 and 4 are respectively a top plan and a side elevation of an apparatus of modified construction; and Fig. 5 is a vertical section on the line Y.Y. of Fig. 4.

Similar reference characters designate like parts in the different views.

The apparatus is primarily intended to be used in playing the game of cards known as "rum" but may be used in playing any other game with cards, in which it is desirable to have a receptacle for the deck, a receptacle for the discard cards, and a receptacle for the tally-sheets.

The base 1 is preferably a wooden block of suitable dimensions. The sides and ends of the base are beveled as at 1^a to form inclined surfaces for the display of advertising matter.

The discard holder 2 is a rectangular structure of thin sheet metal and has at each corner an upwardly extending member 2^a flared outwardly at the top as shown. The flared upper parts of the corner members 2^a serve to guide the cards being

placed in the holder so that no special care is necessary to properly place the cards in the holder. The edges of the bottom of the discard holder are cut away as shown at 2^b in order that the fingers of the player may not strike against the edges of the bottom of the holder when placing cards in or removing them from the holder.

The deck holder 3 is a rectangular structure of thin sheet metal having vertical angular corner members 3^a having their upper ends rounded as shown so that cards will not stick on the upper end of the holder. The edges of the bottom of the deck holder are cut away as at 3^b so that the fingers of the player will not strike against the edges of the bottom of the deck holder in placing the deck in or removing the deck from the holder.

The rectangular tally-sheet holder 5 has at its ends and at one side a raised wall 5^a. It also has at its inner side upwardly extending short walls 5^b fitting under the bottom of the deck holder 3. The bottom of the deck holder projecting over the tally-sheet holder serves to prevent accidental displacement of the tally-sheets. The sides of the tally-sheet holder are cut away as shown at 5^c and 5^d to afford room to accommodate the fingers in placing the tally-sheets in or removing them from the holder. The space adjacent to the part 5^c accommodates the fingers when placing the deck in or removing it from the deck holder.

Corner blocks 4 and intermediate blocks 4' are secured on top of the base 1. The discard holder 2 is supported on the blocks 4 and 4' at such height above the base that the fingers may be conveniently inserted under the bottom card in the holder. The deck holder 3 is supported on the blocks 4' and the walls 5^b at such height above the base that the fingers may be conveniently inserted under the bottom card of the deck in the deck holder.

A trough 6 accommodates a pencil 7 to be used in keeping tally.

A felt pad 8 on the underside of the base 1 protects the surface of the furniture on which the game is being played.

Having described the apparatus of preferred construction comprising a discard holder, a deck holder, and a tally-sheet holder all on substantially one level, I will now describe an apparatus of modified form

embodying a discard holder, a deck holder, and a tally-sheet holder all on different levels.

The base 9 has a central depression 9^a accommodating the tally-sheet holder 10 and has upwardly inclined surfaces 9^b available for advertising purposes. A felt pad 12 on the bottom of the base 9 protects the furniture. Upwardly converged posts 13 are stationary on the base 9. The discard holder 14 has flanges 14^a fixed on the upper ends of the posts 13 respectively. Blocks 15 on top of the base 9 support the deck holder 16 at such height above the base that the fingers may be inserted under the lowest card in the deck when inserting or removing the deck. The tally-sheet holder 10 is adapted to slide in the depression 9^a and has a trough 10^a accommodating a pencil 17 for keeping the tally. The trough and the pencil therein are so situated that by taking the pencil and the projecting edge of the tally-sheet holder between the thumb and finger of one hand, the tally-sheet holder may be pulled outward in position for marking the tally.

Having fully described my invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A game apparatus comprising a base, and a deck holder and a discard holder, stationary above the base and spaced apart therefrom a distance sufficient for inserting the fingers under the lowest card in either holder.
2. A game apparatus comprising a base, blocks fixed on the base and a deck holder and a discard holder supported on said blocks at a height above the base to admit the fingers under the lowest card in either holder.
3. A game apparatus comprising a base, a tally-sheet holder on the base, a stationary deck holder above the base and the tally-sheet holder and a stationary discard holder above the base.
4. A discard holder having a bottom cut away to accommodate the fingers of the

player and having angular corner members with flared upper ends.

5. A game apparatus comprising a base, and a deck holder and a discard holder above the base and spaced apart therefrom a distance sufficient for inserting the fingers under the lowest card in either holder.

6. In an apparatus of the class described, the combination of a base, a deck holder stationary on the base, and a tally-sheet holder having a wall under the deck holder and adapted to accommodate tally-sheets situated in the tally-sheet holder and extending under the deck holder.

7. In an apparatus of the class described, the combination of a base, a deck holder stationary on the base, a tally-sheet holder on the base and having a wall under the deck holder, also having parts cut away to accommodate the fingers of the user.

8. A game apparatus comprising a base, a stationary discard holder spaced above the base, at a height sufficient to insert the fingers below the lowest card in the holder and having its edges cut away to accommodate the fingers, a stationary deck holder spaced above the base at a height sufficient to permit the insertion of the fingers under the lowest card in the holder and having its edges cut away to accommodate the fingers and a stationary tally-sheet holder adapted to support tally-sheets extending under the deck holder and also having its edges cut away to accommodate the fingers of the user.

9. In a game apparatus, the combination of a deck holder, a discard holder and means for supporting the deck holder and discard holder in position for inserting the fingers under the lowest card in either holder.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto signed my name at Springfield, Illinois, this 16th day of May, 1912.

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