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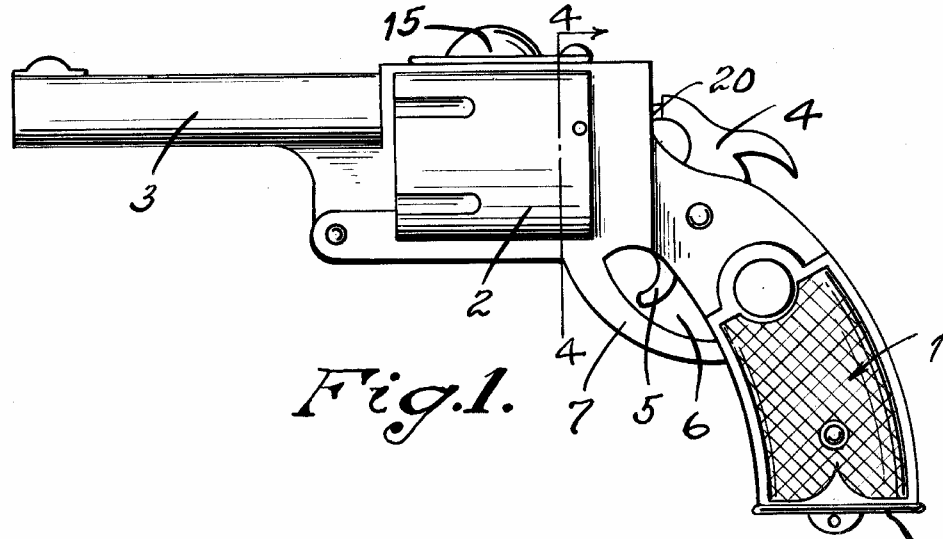


Fig. 1.

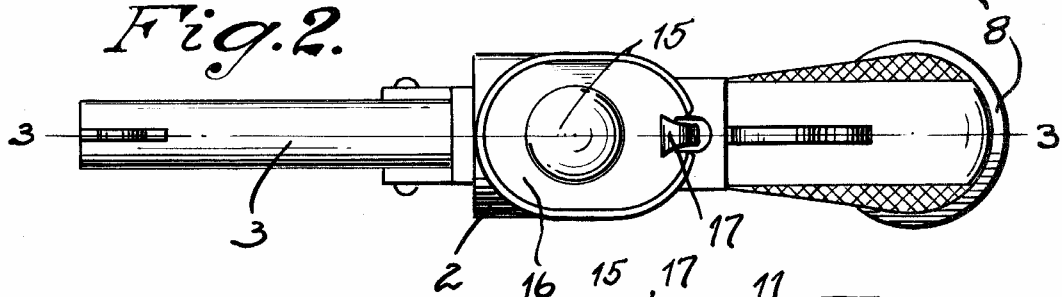


Fig. 2.

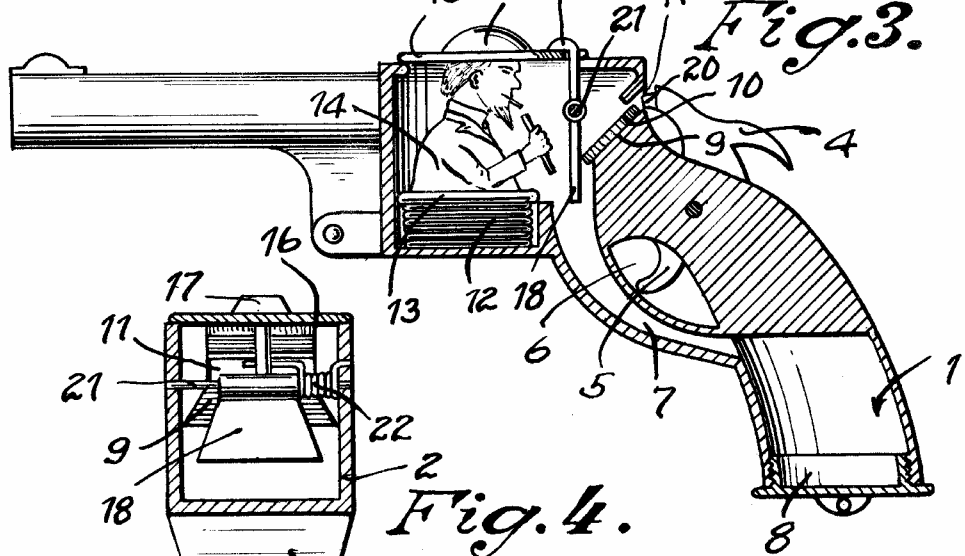


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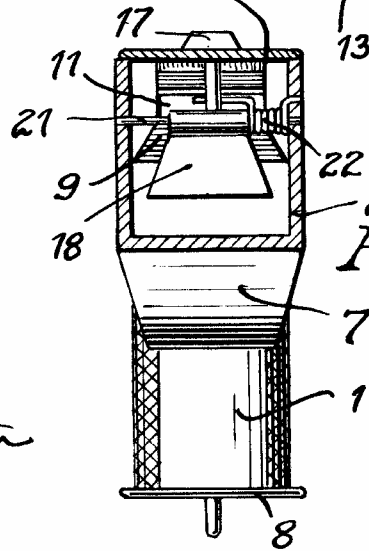


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN H. BEHNKEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Somerset Center, in the county of Hillsdale, State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Toy Banks; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

The present invention is directed to improvements in toy banks, and has for its object to provide a device so constructed that it will resemble a revolver.

A further object of the invention is to provide a bank of this nature so constructed that when a coin is placed in the coin receiving slot and the hammer strikes thereagainst a figure will be displayed thus affording amusement.

With these and other objects in view, this invention resides in the novel features of construction, formation, combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter more fully described, claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the device. Figure 2 is a top plan view. Figure 3 is a sectional view on line 3—3 of Figure 2. Figure 4 is a similar view on line 4—4 of Figure 1.

The bank is formed to represent a revolver, and comprises a hollow stock 1, the forward end of which is provided with a casing 2, said casing having its forward side terminating in a barrel 3. Mounted upon the upper end of the stock 1 is a hammer 4, the trigger 5 of which occupies the space 6 formed between the stock and chute 7, said chute having its upper end connected to the lower end of the casing 2 and its lower end connected to the stock 1 so that coins may pass from the casing, through the chute to the stock. The lower end of the stock 1 is provided with a closure 8, which can be readily removed to remove the coins from the stock. The casing 2 has mounted there-

in an inclined plate 9, and upon which the coin 10 rests after the same has been inserted in the slot 11 formed in the casing 1. A coil spring 12 is placed in the casing and has engaged upon its upper terminal a disk 13 upon which is fixed the figure 14, said figure being provided with a hat 15, the rim 16 of which normally closes the top of the casing, said rim being engaged by a finger 17, pivotally supported on a shaft 21 which is horizontally mounted in bearings in the vertical sides of the casing 2, which serves to hold the spring 12 compressed and the figure retained in the casing. Pivotally mounted in the casing is a plate 18, the upper end of which when engaging the finger 17 retains the figure within the casing, and upon rocking of the plate the finger 17 disengages the rim of the hat, thus allowing the figure to move upwardly and is exposed.

When a coin is placed through the slot 11 and rests upon the inclined plate 9 the lower edge of the coin engages the plate 18 while the upper edge thereof engages the projection 20. The supporting shaft 21 for the plate 18 is connected thereto by a coil spring 22, which serves to properly hold the finger 17 normally in engagement with the rim 16.

The hammer 4 is provided with a projection 20 which engages the upper edge of the coin 10 when the hammer is released through the medium of the trigger, thus moving the coin downwardly to rock the plate 18, thereby shifting the finger 17 so that the figure 14 will rise from the casing into view. After the plate 18 has been rocked, the coin will pass through the chute 7 to the stock.

What is claimed is:—

In a bank of the class described comprising a hollow stock, a casing carried by the stock, a figure mounted in the casing, a spring interposed between the figure and bottom of the casing, a hammer carried by the stock, a plate pivotally mounted in the casing, a finger pivotally supported by the casing and normally engaging the figure to

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hold the same within the casing, a coin supporting plate mounted in the casing, said casing having a slot formed therein for the entrance of a coin, to said plate, whereby one edge of the coin engages the pivotally supported plate, and means carried by the hammer for forcing the coin downwardly upon the supporting plate to rock the pivoted plate, thereby shifting the finger to

release the figure, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature, in the presence of two witnesses.

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