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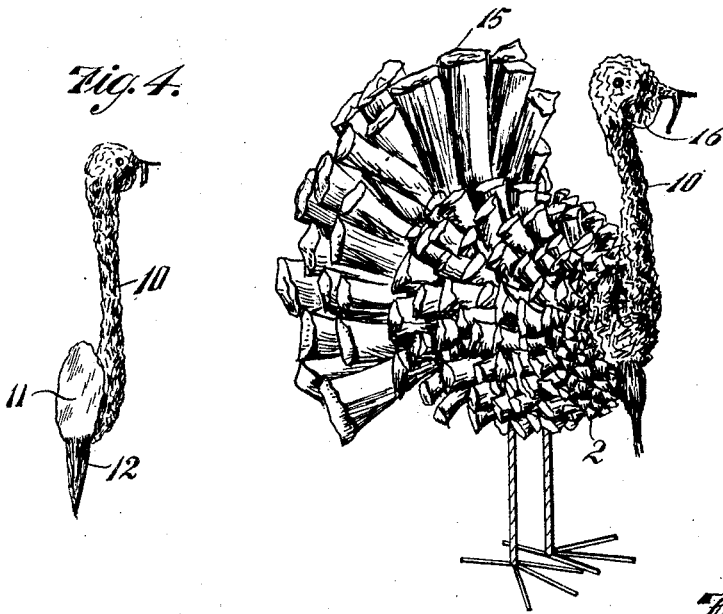


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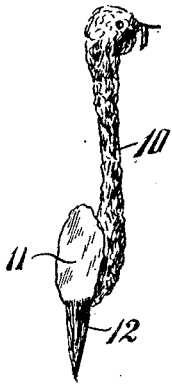


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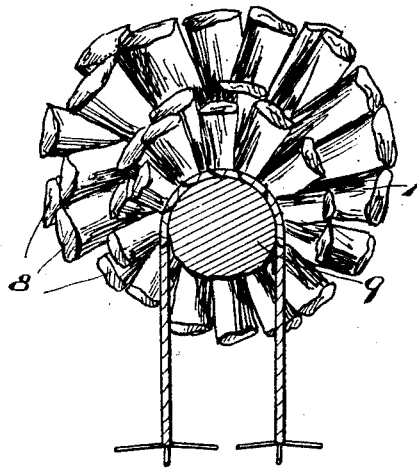
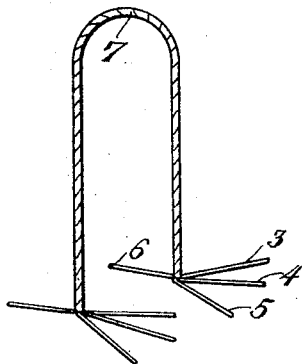


Fig. 2.



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My invention relates to a toy in the form of a turkey gobbler, the toy being made principally from pine burrs.

An object of the invention is to improve upon toys of this character in their appearance and the process of making the toy. With this and other objects in view, I will now describe my invention in connection with the accompanying drawing in which:

Figure 1 represents the completed toy.

Figure 2 represents the shape in which the material for the legs and feet is formed before attachment to the body of the toy.

Figure 3 is a section of the toy showing the manner of attaching the legs.

Figure 4 is a representation of the head and neck of the toy before attachment to the body of the toy.

In making the toy I take an ordinary pine burr which, as is well known, comprises an inner core 1 and a more or less smooth end 2. Without cutting the cone I first take four strands of wire 3, 4, 5 and 6 and having cut them to the proper length I wrap around them two or three layers of narrow tissue paper preferably colored red to represent the legs of the gobbler and near the end of the wrapped portion I spread out the four strands of wire 3, 4, 5 and 6 to represent the feet and to form the base on which the toy stands and is supported thereby. The body portion where the four strands are wrapped is formed in a U shape as shown at 7 around the core 1 of the cone as best shown in Figure 3. The wire being wrapped with paper, I soak the same in glue and pull the paper down into close contact with the core 1 in between the burrs 8 of the cone. When the glue dries, this will be sufficient to attach the leg portion to the cone but I may insert staples into the core as at 9 to more permanently attach the legs to the core 1 as shown best in Figure 3.

I make the head and neck 10 of papier-mâché with a smooth concave portion 11 and to the inner side of this concave portion I attach a tassel 12 made of any suitable material as for instance, black colored wool. This may be glued to the inner side of the portion 11 and the portion 11 is then covered with glue on its interior side and attached to the unbroken end of the core 1.

To form the tail of the gobbler, which is

preferably shown in a strutting position, I detach from another pine cone long burrs 15 and dip their inner ends in glue and push them in between the burrs just beyond the middle of the cone forming the body 2 of the gobbler. When the glue on the inner end of the burrs 15 dries, I find that it is sufficient to hold them in proper position without further support.

The head and neck 10 of papier mâché, I cover with tissue paper dipped in glue which, when dry, will show the usual wrinkles and other attachments to the head and neck of the gobbler and I prefer to color the neck red and the head white and purple. For the eyes I insert in the papier-mâché black beads having the usual hole therethrough and attach them in the papier-mâché by gluing around the edges thereof.

When the neck together with the tassel is held against the end of the cone a short time it will become firmly attached thereto by means of glue extending over a considerable surface and will be sufficiently firmly attached without further support.

A turkey gobbler made in this manner, at a short distance appears a close imitation to the natural bird.

The manner in which I bend the wires and attach them conceals the upper portion from view and the toy as a whole is an excellent representation of a turkey gobbler in its strutting position.

What I claim as new is:

A toy in the form of a miniature turkey gobbler comprising an entire pine cone, legs comprising four strands of wire partly covered with tissue paper the whole being bent at its middle portion unto U-shape and inserted between the burrs of the cone and closely surrounding the core of the cone and glued thereto the ends of the strands being spread out to form the toes, the neck and head of the toy being made of papier-mâché covered with tissue paper and coated with hardening material soaked therewith to hold the parts in shaped position, the head and neck terminating at its lower portion in a concave surface with a tassel attached to its inner surface, and the neck portion glued to the end of the cone.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.
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