This invention relates to indicators for military whist.

In military whist wherein a large number of players are engaged, four being seated at a table and where there are quite a number of tables, it frequently happens that two or more tables are desirous of dropping out of the game after the same has been in progress for a considerable length of time. Also, it is often desirable to add or remove tables to the game after the same has started and has been in progress for from one to two hours.

Hitherto considerable difficulty and confusion has been experienced in the addition or subtraction of new players to the game of military progressive whist, after the same have been played for a considerable length of time and a number of hours have been played. Also, it has hitherto been the common practice to start the game all over when it is desired to add or subtract players to or from the game.

The above difficulties and confusion are overcome by providing a card having suitable indicia thereon to enable each player to determine the table to which he or she may move after an addition or subtraction in the number of players, whereby after such addition or subtraction of players the already engaged in the game may move progressively to the next table by merely moving a slide carrying indicia and associated with the card without causing confusion or otherwise detaining the players engaged in the game.

Certain objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent during the course of the following description taken with the drawing, wherein,

Figure 1 is a plan view of the invention illustrating a single sheet of paper or cardboard having a slide rule thereon for making the predetermined calculations;

Figure 2 is an end elevation view showing the transparent cover overlying the slide and card;

Figure 3 is a rear fragmentary elevation view of the indicator showing the continuous slide device engaged with the card or sheet bearing the indicating data, and

Figure 4 is a longitudinal cross-sectional view taken on line 4-4 of Figure 1.

Referring more in detail to the accompanying drawing, the reference character 10 designates an indicia bearing card having at the top thereof an array of numerals 11, a series of numerals extending transversely of the card from 10 to 24 and which are intended to designate the number of tables being played and directly under the numerals 11 is a series of numerals 12 arranged in parallel lines extending longitudinally of the card and numerically directly under each of the key numerals 11. A series of numerals 12 starts at the top with the numeral 2 and continues in succession until the key numeral is reached whereupon the numerals start in succession with the numeral 2 and again continue numerically until the key numeral is reached.

Slidably mounted upon the card 10 is a card-board slide 13 having a longitudinal slotted opening 14 and reference characters 15 adapted to register with the reference characters 12 on the card 10. The slide 13 is held in place by a rear connecting piece 16 which may be operated by the hand of the player to move the numerals 15 which range from 1 to 20 into aligment with the longitudinal series of numerals 12 which will be headed by the key numeral 11 as is shown in Figure 1. The transparent cover 17 overlies the slide 13 and card 10 and is secured thereto as at 18, the slide being frictionally engaged with the card and transparent cover. The indicia on the slide and card are clearly viewable through the transparent cover and the latter acts to prevent accidental movement of the slide relative to the card should an object be moved transversely of the cover and in contact therewith. When eighteen tables are employed the slide 13 will assume the position shown in Figure 1 and the numeral 15 will align with the vertical series of numerals 12 which will indicate to the player that he shall move from table number 1 to table number 2 until he has played seventeen tables where his last move will be to table number eighteen and from this table he shall start from table eighteen and move back to table 2. Likewise, his next move will be from table 2 to table 3.

I claim:

1. A card game indicator comprising a card having instruction data thereon in transverse and longitudinal formation, a slide mounted on the card for movements transversely thereof, a transparent cover overlying the slide and card with the slide frictionally engaged with the transparent cover and card, and said transparent cover shielding the slide whereby accidental movement of the slide is prevented should an object be moved transversely of the transparent cover and in contact therewith, said slide being longitudinally slotted for selectively exposing the transverse and longitudinal data on the card and having indicia thereon cooperating with the data on the card.

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