



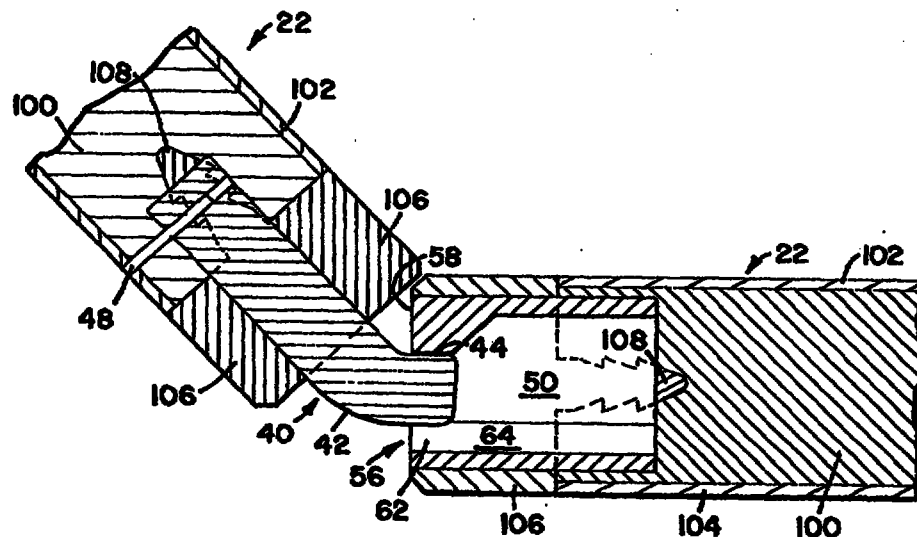
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(57) Abstract

A portable floor system (20) including individual floor sections (22, 24) joined by interlocking tongue elements (40) and receiver elements (50, 70). Each floor section (22, 24) is substantially planar and rectangular, and includes tongue elements on two sides and receiver elements on two sides. The tongue elements (40) have an upwardly-turned portion (44) which engages a downwardly projecting inner member (58, 78) of the receiver elements (50, 70). The receiver elements include a first embodiment (50) having an opening (56) which can be entered by a tongue element from the side of the panel, and a second embodiment (70) having an opening (76) which can be entered by a tongue element from either the side or the bottom of the panel. The portable floor system further includes edge sections (26, 28) which create a smooth transition from the portable floor sections to the permanent floor surface.