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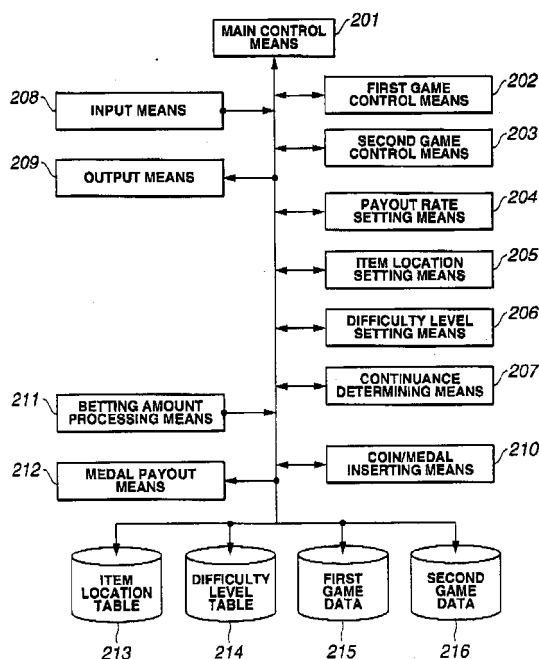
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(54) **Electronic game apparatus**

(57) - It is an object of the present invention to provide an electronic game apparatus that can lure a player by enabling changes in the process of a player raising his/her bets.

This invention comprises: an inserting means for inserting money or game medals; a betting amount processing means for converting the inserted money or game medals to an initial number of medals; a first information processing means which is caused by the insertion of money or game medals to execute a first electronic game program, and which determines the number of medals earned by a player based on the results of a first electronic game; a second information processing means for executing a second electronic game program after the termination of the first electronic game, and then for determining whether or not the number of earned game medals should be paid out, based on the results of a second electronic game; and a retrying means for setting necessary betting amount for playing the second electronic game if the number of earned game medals is not paid and if it is determined to execute again the second electronic game program.

**FIG.2**





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