

# MECCANO

Real Engineering in Miniature

## MODEL-BUILDING WITH MECCANO

There is no limit to the number of models that can be built with Meccano—Cranes, Clocks, Motor Cars, Aeroplanes, Machine Tools, Locomotives—in fact everything that interests boys. A screwdriver and a spanner, both of which are provided in each Outfit, are the only tools necessary.

When you have built all the models illustrated in the Manuals of Instruction the fun is not over, but is just beginning. Now comes the chance to make use of your own ideas. First of all, re-build some of the models with small changes in construction that may occur to you; then try building models entirely of your own design. In doing this you will feel the real thrill of the engineer and the inventor.

### HOW TO BUILD UP YOUR OUTFIT

Meccano is sold in 11 different Outfits, ranging from No. O to No. 10. Each Outfit from No. 1 upwards can be converted into the one next larger by the purchase of an Accessory Outfit. Thus Meccano No. 1 Outfit can be converted into No. 2 Outfit by adding to it a No. 1a Accessory Outfit. No. 2a Outfit would then convert it into a No. 3, and so on. In this way, no matter with which Outfit you begin, you can build it up by degrees until you have a No. 10 Outfit.

All Meccano parts are of the same high quality and finish, but the larger Outfits contain a greater quantity and variety, making possible the construction of more elaborate models.

Special Note.—The Meccano Plates (Flanged, Flat, Curved, etc.) are shown in the Manuals with diagonal white lines. In the new Meccano Outfits these parts are plain.

Several of the illustrations in this Manual show how miniature figures and various small articles can be introduced to add realism to the models. These are not included in the Outfit. Many of them are Meccano Dinky Toys that can be bought separately from your Meccano dealer.

# THE "MECCANO MAGAZINE"

The "Meccano Magazine" is published specially for Meccano boys. Every month it describes and illustrates new Meccano models for Outfits of all sizes, and deals with suggestions from readers for new Meccano parts and for new methods of using the existing parts.

There are model-building competitions specially

planned to give an equal chance to the owners of small and large Outfits. In addition, there are splendid articles on such subjects as Railways, Famous Engineers and Inventors, Electricity, Chemistry, Bridges, Cranes and Aeroplanes, and special sections dealing with the latest Engineering, Aviation and Shipping News. Other pages deal with Stamp Collecting, and Books of interest to boys; and a feature of outstanding popularity is the section devoted to short articles from readers.

If you are not already a reader write to the Editor for full particulars, or order a copy from your Meccano dealer, or from any newsagent.

### THE MECCANO GUILD

Every owner of a Meccano Outfit should join the Meccano Guild. This is a world-wide organisation, started at the request of Meccano boys. Its primary object is to bring boys together and to make them feel that they are all members of a great brotherhood, each trying to help others to get the very best out of life. Its members are in constant touch with Headquarters, giving news of their activities and being guided in their hobbies and interests. Write for full particulars and an application form to the Secretary, Meccano Guild, Binns Road, Liverpool 13.

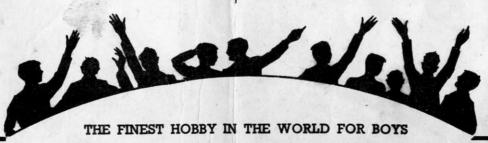
Clubs founded and established under the guidance of the Guild Secretary provide Meccano boys with opportunities of enjoying to the utmost the fun of model-building. Each has its Leader, Secretary, Treasurer and other officials. With the exception of the Leader, all the officials are boys, and as far as possible the proceedings of the clubs are conducted by boys.

# MECCANO SERVICE

The service of Meccano does not end with selling an Outfit and an Instruction Manual. If ever you are in any

difficulty with your models, or if you want advice on anything connected with this great hobby, write to us. We receive hundreds of interesting letters from boys in all parts of the world, and each of these is answered personally by one of our staff of experienced experts.

Whatever your problem may be, write to us about it. Do not hesitate. We shall be delighted to help you in any way possible.

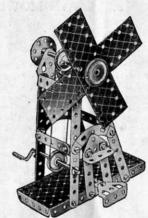


# HOW TO BEGIN THE FUN

### THE MOST FASCINATING OF ALL HOBBIES

Meccano model-building is the most fascinating of all hobbies, because it never becomes dull. There is always something new to be done. First of all there is the fun of building a new model, and watching it take shape as part after part is added. Then, when the model is complete, comes the thrill of setting it to work just like the real structure it represents, by means of a Meccano Motor. This wonderful process can be repeated indefinitely, for there is no end to the number of Meccano models that can be built. Another point is that models built with Meccano are real engineering structures in miniature, and the keen model-builder has wonderful opportunities for learning the working of machines and mechanisms of all kinds. So he acquires practical engineering knowledge without special study.

It is so simple to build Meccano models that operations can be started as soon as the first Outfit is opened. Different boys build in different ways, but in the end they all reach the same splendid results. The following hints are given with the object of showing boys who are just starting the wonderful Meccano hobby how to get the greatest possible fun.



Windmill

## THE IMPORTANCE OF "LOCK-NUTTING"

In building models in which Rods revolve in the holes of other parts it is important to make sure that such holes are exactly in line with one another. This can be done very easily by pushing through the holes a Drift, Part No. 36c, before the Bolts holding the various parts are tightened up.

In some models it is necessary to join certain parts together so that, although they cannot come apart, they are free to pivot or move in relation to one another. To do this the parts are bolted together as usual but the nut is not screwed up tightly, so that the parts are not gripped. Then, to prevent the nut from unscrewing, a second nut is screwed up tightly against it, the first nut being held with a spanner. This method of using a second nut is known as lock-nutting.

During the construction of a model it is best to screw up the nuts with the fingers, followed by just a light turn with the screwdriver, leaving the final tightening with spanner and screwdriver until all the parts are connected up.

### A FEW USEFUL HINTS

It will be noticed that with each model shown in this Manual of Instructions is given a list of the parts required to build it. For the first few models it is a good plan to lay out on the table all the parts required for the one it is proposed to build, and put the remainder of the Outfit on one side. To help you to pick out the correct parts for your model a complete list of Meccano parts is given at the back of this Manual, and all the principal parts are illustrated. In the list the parts are all numbered, and in most cases, their measurements are given. There is no need, however, to measure the parts to find out which is which, as the size is easily found from the number of holes. All Meccano holes are spaced  $\frac{1}{2}$  apart, so that by counting two holes to the inch the size of a part can be found at once. For instance, Part No. 2 is listed as a  $5\frac{1}{2}$  Perforated Strip, so you look in your Outfit for a Strip with eleven holes. Similarly No. 192 is a  $5\frac{1}{2}$  Flexible Plate, so you look for a Flexible Plate eleven holes in length and five holes in width. By the time a few models have been built the names of the parts will have become familiar.

Beginners sometimes wonder which section of a model should be built first. There cannot be any definite rule for this, as it depends on the design of the model. In stationary models the base usually should be built

first. In most of the smaller models a  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate forms an important part of the structure, and often the best plan is to start building by bolting parts to this Plate. For other models a good general rule is that the sections that form supports for a number of other parts should be built first.

### MOTORS AND GEARING

Models can be operated by means of either clockwork or electric motors.

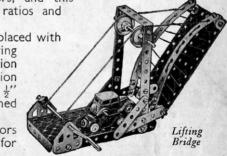
Clockwork motors have the advantage of being self-contained and extremely simple. if only a small amount of power is needed, the model may be driven direct from the driving spindle of the motor or through a belt running over two pulleys of the same size, giving what is described as a 1:1 (one-to-one) ratio. Greater power can be obtained by a reduction in the speed of the drive, which can be produced in a simple manner by connecting a small pulley on the motor to a larger pulley by means of a belt. Thus if a 1" Pulley is made to drive a 3" Pulley, a reduction ratio of approximately 1:3 is obtained. This means that the driven shaft will take about three times the load that the driving shaft would handle, but will rotate at only one-third of the speed. Rubber bands are better than Cord for driving belts for most purposes.

Electric motors have the advantage of giving long continuous runs. Their speed is much higher than that of clockwork motors, and this

makes it possible to employ higher reduction ratios and thus obtain greater power.

With the larger Outfits, belt drive can be replaced with advantage by gearing. To operate a slow moving model demanding great power, such as a traction engine, gears that will provide a considerable reduction must be used. For example, a Worm meshed with a ½" Pinion will give 1:19 reduction; while a Worm meshed with a 57-teeth Gear will give a 1:57 reduction.

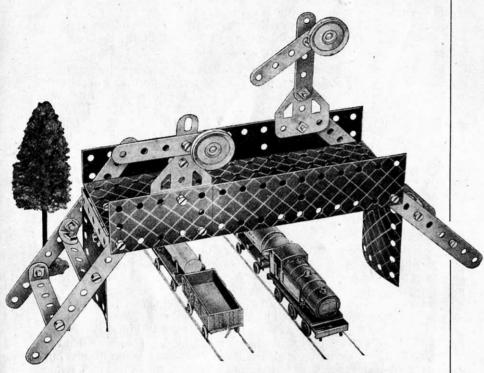
Certain Meccano Clockwork and Electric Motors will be available during 1946. Ask your dealer for particulars.





Crane

# 2.1 RAILWAY FOOTBRIDGE



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The span of the bridge is a  $5\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}'''$  Flanged Plate, extended by a  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}'''$  Flexible Plate. Trunnions are bolted to each end of the span, and have  $1\frac{11}{11}''$  radius Curved Plates fastened to them. The sides of the approach stairways are  $5\frac{1}{2}'''$  Strips They are joined across by  $2\frac{1}{2}''' \times \frac{1}{2}'''$  Double Angle Strips and  $2\frac{1}{2}'''$  Strips fitted with Angle Brackets at each end.

The signals are supported on Flat Trunnions bolted to the sides of the bridge. The smaller of the two signal posts is formed by two Fishplates, and the larger one is a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strip. The signal arms are  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips bolted to the posts in the second holes from one end. They are fitted at their shorter ends with 1" Pulleys, representing the spectacles, which are held in place by  $\frac{3}{6}$ " Bolts passed through the Strips and inserted in their bosses.

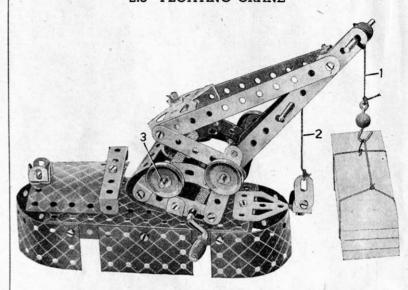
### 2.2 LAWN MOWER

The "cutter" is made by bolting an Angle Bracket at each end of a Reversed Angle Bracket 1 and then sliding an Axle Rod through the free holes of the Brackets. The two Pulleys 2 are fixed to the Rod and pushed tightly against the "cutter" to make it rotate with the Rod as the wheels revolve. The wheels are 1" Pulleys fitted with Rubber Rings.

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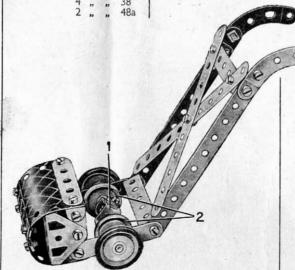


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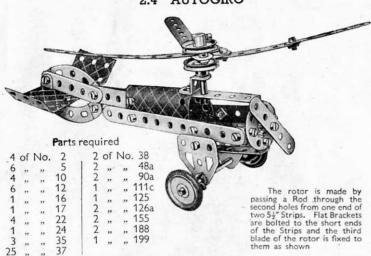
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The jib consists of  $5\frac{1}{2}''$  Strips and  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  Strips. At its upper end these are joined across by Angle Brackets, and at its lower end by Trunnions. Each side of the lower part of the crane consists of  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  Strips and small radius Curved Strips, the two sides being connected by  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times \frac{1}{2}''$  Double Angle Strips. The jib is pivoted to this structure by means of a  $3\frac{1}{2}''$  Rod, which carries at each end a 1" Pulley. The Cord 1 fitted with a Loaded Hook, is passed over a 2" Rod held in place in the jib by means of Spring Clips and is then wound around the Crank Handle.

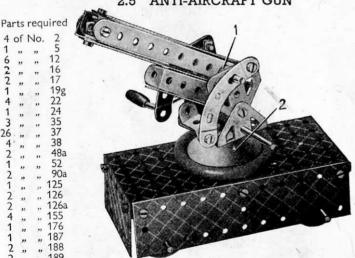
The Cord 2 passes over a Rod held in the jib by a Cord Anchoring Spring, and is then wound around the Rod that forms the pivot for the jib. A third Cord is tied to a Bolt fastened in the two Trunnions at the base of the jib, and is wound round Rod 3. This Cord controls the luffing motion of the crane. A §" Bolt passes through the Flanged Plate and is held by a set screw in the boss of the Bush Wheel to which the jib is fastened. The Bush Wheel is bolted to the Double Angle Strip below the Rod 3. The roof of the cabin is bolted to a ½" Reversed Angle Bracket fixed to the Flanged Plate.



# 2.4 AUTOGIRO



# 2.5 ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN

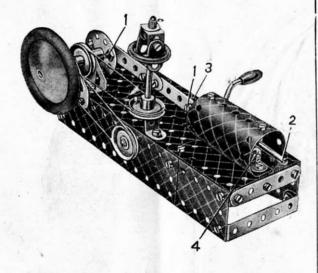


One end of a piece of Cord is fastened to the Crank Handle. It is wound round the Handle a few times and its other end is then fastened to the end of the gun. The two Trunnions are bolted to a Bush Wheel fixed on a 2" Rod that passes through the Road Wheel 2 and the Flanged Plate and is held in place by an Anchoring Spring. The Spring Clips at 1 space the gun barrel from the Flat Trunions. from the Flat Trunnions.

### 2.6 GAS ENGINE

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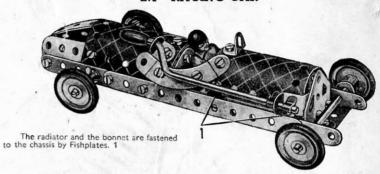
The bearings for the Rod representing the crankshaft are a Flat Trunnion and a Trunnion. The crankshaft carries a Road Wheel and a 1" Pulley at one end, a second 1" Pulley between the bearings, and a Bush Wheel at its other end.

Wheel at its other end.

The connecting rod is fastened to the Bush Wheel and to an Angle Bracket 3 by lock-nutted Bolts 1. The Rod 2 is held in the Angle Bracket 3 by means of Spring Clips, one on each side. An Angle Bracket 4, carrying a Fishplate, is bolted inside the cylinder, and a similar arrangement is fitted at the other end. These form bearings for the Rod 2.

The model is operated by the Crank Handle, which carries also a 1" Pulley connected to one of the 1" Pulleys on the crankshaft by a belt of Cord. A second Cord drives the governor, which is mounted on a 3½" Rod journalled in the 5½" × 2½" Flanged Plate and a Reversed Angle Bracket.

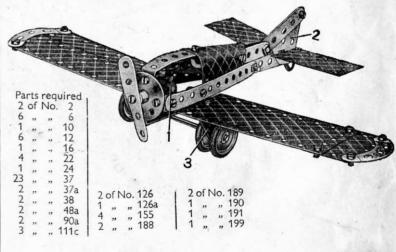
### 2.7 RACING CAR



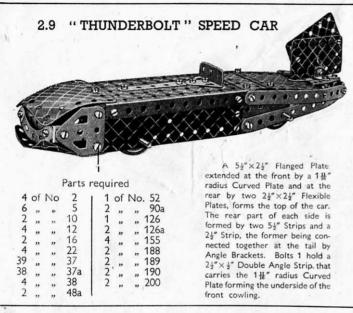
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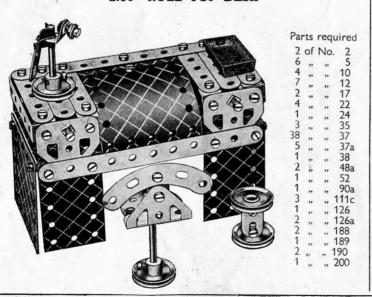
# 2.8 LOW WING MONOPLANE



The fin 2 is a flat Trunnion, and it is clamped between the two  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Strips. The bearings 3 for the axle of the landing wheels are Trunnions, bolted to the wings. The wings are attached to the fuselage by Angle Brackets.



# 2.10 ROLL TOP DESK



# 2.11 TRAVELLING CRANE

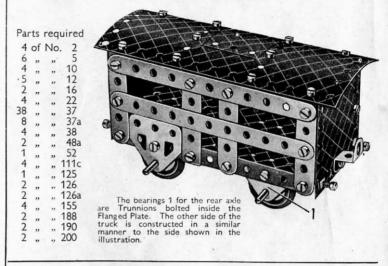


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A 2" Rod is secured in the boss of the Bush Wheel 3. It then passes through the Road Wheel and through the centre of a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip bolted between the two Trunnions 1. A Washer and a Cord Anchoring Spring are pushed on to the Rod to hold it in position. The crane jib is attached to the Bush Wheel by the Angle Brackets 2.

### 2.12 CATTLE TRUCK

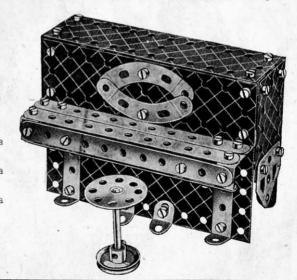


### 2.13 PIANO

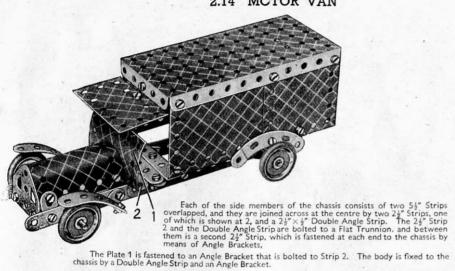
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A  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate is used for the upper part of the back and to each end of this a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strip is bolted to form the rear legs.



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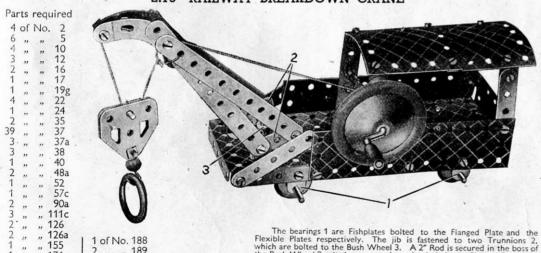
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# 2.16 STEAMSHIP Parts required 4 of No. 2

The deck of the model is a  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate extended by a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flexible Plate. A  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip fitted with an Angle Bracket represents the bridge, and it is supported by two Trunnions bolted to the deck. The funnel consists of a Rod 1 fitted with two 1" fast Pulleys. The Rod passes through the hole in a Reversed Angle Bracket 2 and then through the Flanged Plate.

# 2.15 RAILWAY BREAKDOWN CRANE

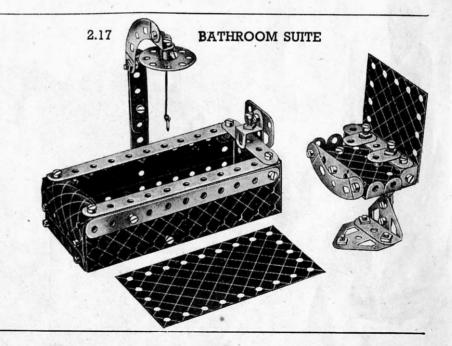


the Bush Wheel 3. It then passes through a hole in the Flanged Plate, and

is held in position by a Spring Clip underneath the Plate.

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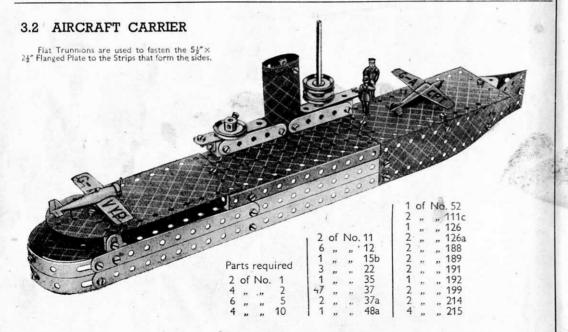
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The 5½"×2½" Flanged Plate is used for the front end of the chassis and the two 5½"×1½" Flexible Plates are bolted on each side in the third hole from the front end of the chassis. The two 5½" Strips forming the rear end of the chassis overlap the 5½"×1½" Flexible Plates one hole

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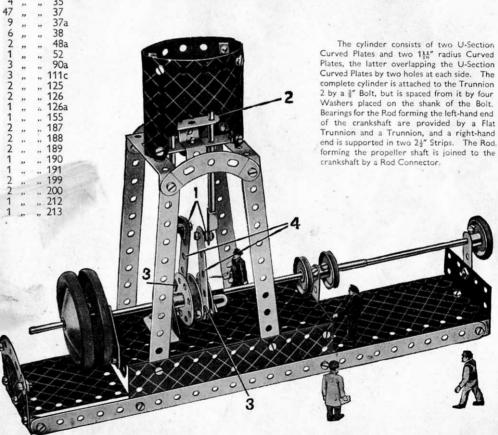


# 3.3 MARINE ENGINE

Bolts 1 are lock-nutted. The Bolts 3 are  $\frac{2}{3}$  long and are lock-nutted twice as shown. The  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Strips 4 must be quite free to move when the crankshaft is rotated.

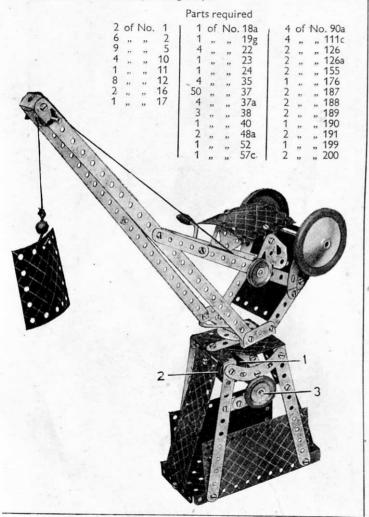
The left-hand piston rod is held by two Spring Clips, one at each side of the Angle Bracket pivotally fastened by the Bolts 1. Inside the cylinder the Rods slide through holes in a 2½° Strip and a Trunnion 2. In order to show the construction clearly part of the cylinder has been cut away in the illustration.

The Rod carrying two 1" Pulleys passes through the centre hole in the outer Wheel Disc. A ½" ×½" Angle Bracket is bolted to the Disc in such a position that when the Disc is turned the Angle Bracket engages with a Spring Clip on the Rod. It is important that all nuts and bolts are made quite secure with the Spanner and Screwdriver

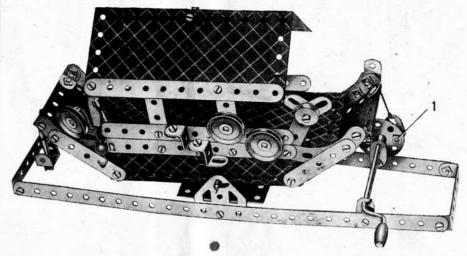


# 3.4 SWIVELLING JIB CRANE

A 1" fast Pulley 1 is fastened to the lower end of a 2" Rod, which passes into an is held in the boss of the Bush Wheel. The Pulley rests on the tyre of Pulley Wheel 2, which is fastened on Rod 3. When the Rod 3 is rotated the jib is caused to swivel. Supports for Rod 3 are formed by Fishplates, which are bolted through their elongated holes to the ½" Strips shown in the illustration. The roof of the cab is fastened by means of Angle Brackets to two Flat Trunnions, and these in turn are bolted to the compound Strips bracing the jib.



# 3.5 NOAH'S ARK



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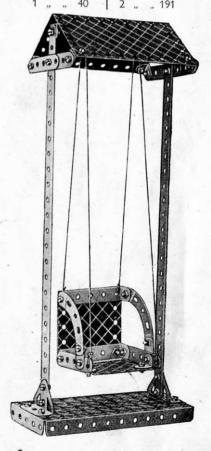
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A  $5\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}'''$  Flanged Plate is used for the bottom of the ark and  $5\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}'''$  Flexible Plates and  $5\frac{1}{2}''$  Strips form the sides. The deck is fastened to the sides by  $\frac{1}{2}'' \times \frac{1}{2}'''$  Angle Brackets.

The ark is pivoted on a  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Rod journalled in Flat Trunnions, the Rod passing through the flanges of the baseplate at the fifth holes from the end near the Crank Handle. The Crank Handle carries a Bush Wheel, and to this a Fishplate is lock-nutted at 1. A length of Cord is attached to the free hole of the Fishplate and is then tied to a Double Bracket bolted to the sides of the ark. When the Crank Handle is rotated, the downward motion of the Fishplate causes one end of the ark to be pulled down, but as the Fishplate rises again, the ark returns to its original position.

# 3,6 SWING

Two  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips overlapped one hole are attached to the tops of the  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips by  $\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ " Angle Brackets.

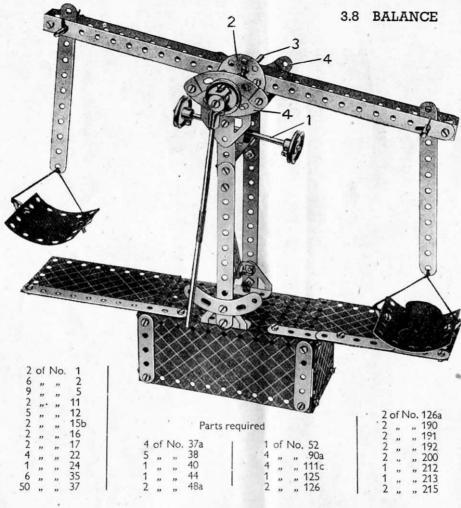


# 3.7 DENTIST'S CHAIR

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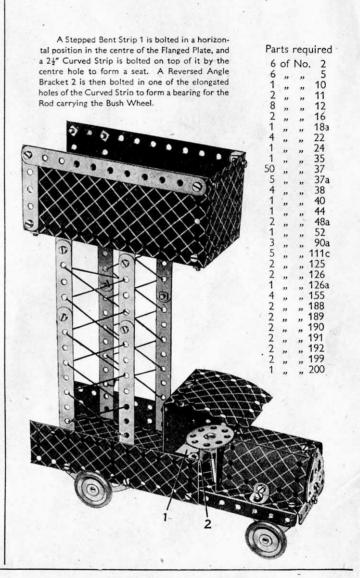


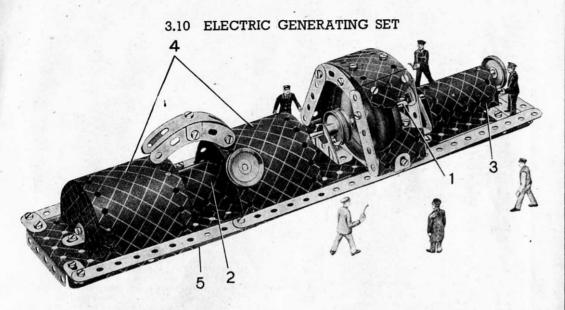


One of the 12½" Strips that form the beam of the balance is bolted across a Bush Wheel 2. The 3½\* Rod 3 that is locked in the boss of the Bush Wheel rests on the two Curved Strips 4.

The Rod 1, by which the balance is adjusted, is pushed through the two holes of a Stepped Bent Strip fastened to the Bush Wheel 2 by a Reversed Angle Bracket. The  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips from which the scale pans are suspended are pivoted at their upper ends on 2" Rods, which are passed through holes in the  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips of the beam.

# 3.9 TOWER WAGON





The base is constructed by bolting two  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips to the flanges of a  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate 5, and joining them at their free ends by a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip. The space between the  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips is then filled in by Flexible Plates and  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips. The Rods that form the shaft of the machine are joined together at 1 by a Rod Connector. The bearings for the shaft are formed by two Trunnions. In the illustration part of the Flexible Plate has been cut away to show the structure of the armature and the commutator. The commutator consists of two 1" Pulleys and the armature of two Road Wheels, the bosses of which are placed in contact with each other.

The connecting pipe is formed from two  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Curved Strips and one 3" Formed Slotted Strip joined together at their centre holes by a Double Bracket, and is fastened to the turbine by means of an Angle Bracket. The U-Section Curved Plate 2 is held by a Spring Clip slipped on the upper end of a 2" Rod. One end of the Rod is passed through the middle hole in the top of the Plate, and its other end is then pushed through the Flexible Plate forming the base. The Rod is held by a Spring Clip underneath the Plate. The U-Section Curved Plate 3 is fixed to the base by an Angle Bracket on the rear side of the model. The two Flexible Plates 4 are bolted to the flanges of the  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " X 2\frac{1}{2}\" Flanged Plate 5. The 1" Pulley representing the steam control is held by a \frac{3}{2}\" Bolt, which passes through a hole in one of the Flexible Plates 4, and is locked in the boss of the Pulley.

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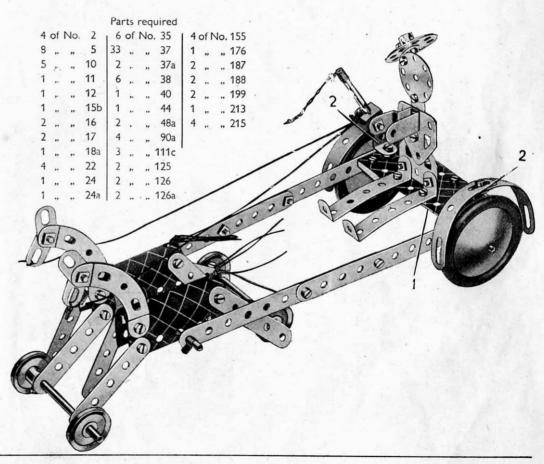
### 3.11 TROTTING CAR

The seat of the car consists of two 2½" x1½" Flexible Plates, overlapped two holes, and it carries at each end a Trunnion. The 3" Formed Slotted Strips that form the mudguards are supported by Reversed Angle Brackets 2, which are spaced from the Flexible Plate by three Washers. The axle consists of two 2" Rods joined by a Rod Connector, and is journalled in the Trunnions.

Each of the horses is built up as follows. Four  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips are bolted to a U-Section Curved Plate in the positions shown to form the legs, and two  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " small radius Curved Strips represent the neck. A Rod is pushed through the centre holes of the U-Section Curved Plates and is supported in the end holes of the shafts. Two  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Rods carrying "Pulleys at each of their ends are journalled in the end holes of two of the forelegs and two of the hind-legs of the horses, as shown.

The driver's body is made with two Flat Trunnions, which are bolted together and then fitted with  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strips to represent legs. The Bolt that fixes the Stepped Bent Strip to the body holds also a Fishplate that supports a Wheel Disc representing the head. An Angle Bracket bolted to the Disc secures a Bush Wheel that has a  $\frac{2}{3}$ " Bolt fixed in its boss by its screw.

The whip is a 2" Rod held by Spring Clips in a Double Bracket, and the lash is attached to it by a Cord Anchoring Spring. The reins are fastened to the Fishplates that form the horses' heads, and also to the Double Bracket to which the whip is fixed. Short lengths of Cord fastened to the U-Section Curved Plates represent the horses' tails



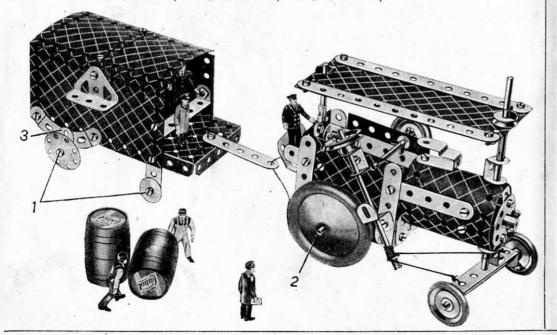
### 3.12 STEAM TRACTOR AND TRAILER

The steering column, a  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Rod, is supported in the holes of a Double Bracket and a Reversed Angle Bracket bolted to the side of the cab. Cord is wound round the lower part of the Rod and its ends are tied to the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times$  4" Double Angle Strip that carries the front axle. Care must be taken that the Cord is wound tightly round the Rod, or it will slip when the steering wheel is rotated. The Rod 2 is supported in holes in the Flexible Plates that form the sides of the cab.

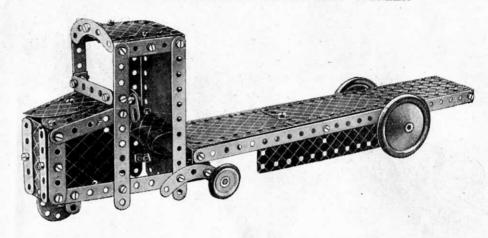
The Bush Wheel that forms the front of the boiler has two Angle Brackets bolted to it and a Rod passes through the free holes of these Brackets to hold the Bush Wheel in position. This Rod is joined by a Rod Connector to a 2" Rod that forms the chimney. The roof of the cab consists of a  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flexible Plate, and is held in position by Spring Clips placed on the two Rods that pass through it. The Fishplates 3 are bolted in the centre holes of the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Curved Strips. The Bolts 1 are lock-nutted in position and the Wheel Discs turn freely on them.

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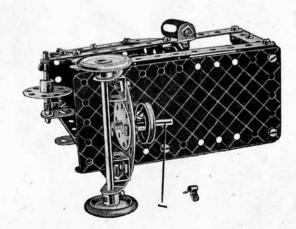
### 3.13 MECHANICAL HORSE AND TRAILER



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The chassis of the mechanical horse is built up on two 5½° Strips extended at the rear by 2½° Curved Strips that provide bearings for the rear axle. The method of building up the bonnet and cab is clear from the illustration. The rear ends of the 5½° Strips are joined by a Curved Strip and two Double Brackets. At the centre of the Curved Strip is bolted a Wheel Disc through which passes a 1½° Rod 1. This Rod engages in the centre hole of the Plate at the front of the trailer, and is retained in place by a Spring Clip and a Cord Anchoring Spring. A 1° Pulley and two Washers space the end of the trailer from the Whee Disc. Bearings for the rear axle are provided by Flat Trunnions.



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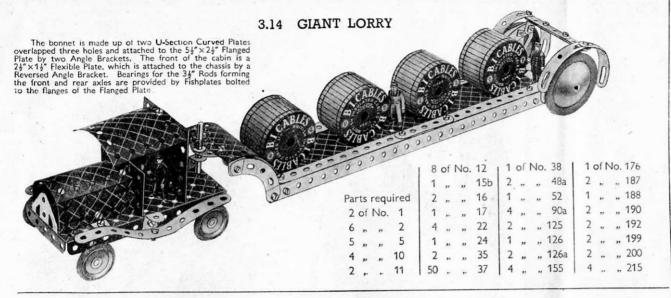
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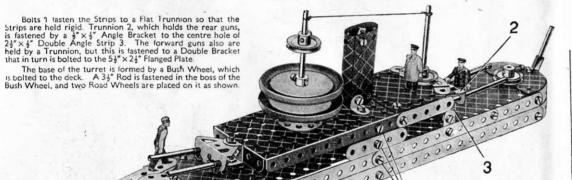
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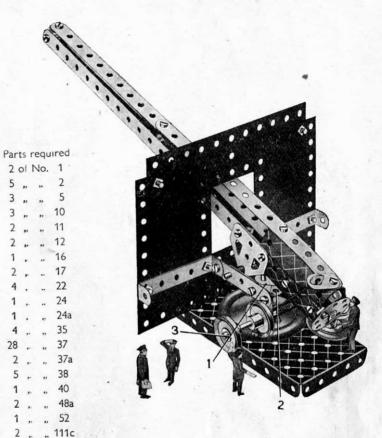


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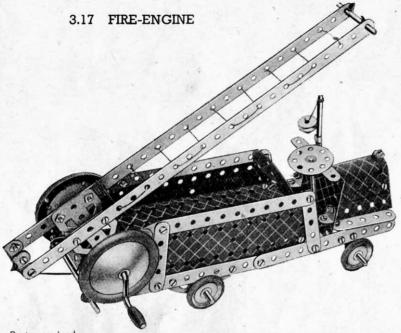
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# 3.16 NAVAL GUN



The Flexible Plates forming the gun shield are tastened by means of Double Angle Strips and 2½" Strips to two Trunnions 1. The Trunnions are bolted to Bush Wheel 2. A 2" Rod held in the boss of the Bush Wheel passes through a Road Wheel and the centre hole of the 5½" x 2½" Flanged Plates. The Rod is fastened underneath the Flanged Plate by a Cord Anchoring Spring so that the gun is free to swivel.

The elevation of the gun is controlled by Rod 3. Cord is wound round the Rod, then passed through the hole of a Fishplate fastened at the rear end of the gun, and knotted to a Washer as shown. The Wheel Disc at the end of the gun is fastened by an Angle Bracket to the U-Section Curved Plates representing the breech.

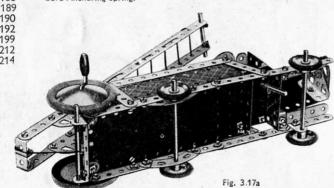


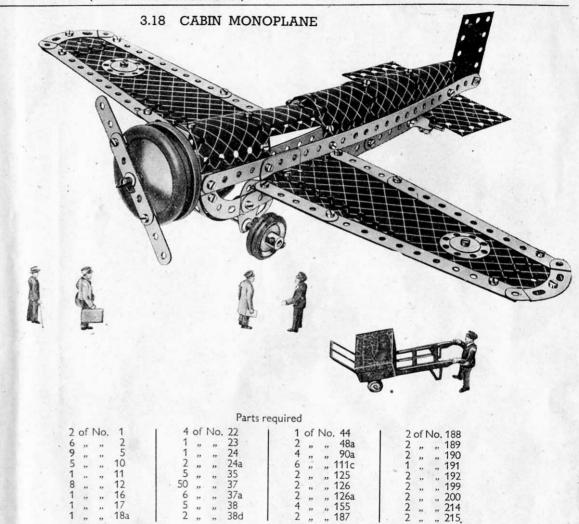
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52 90a Two Flat Trunnions are bolted to the bottom of the ladder, and the shaft of the Crank Handle shown in Fig. 3.17a passes through the holes at their narrow ends. The bonnet, which is formed from a U-Section Curved Plate and two 2½"×1½" Flexible Plates, is fastened to the frame by Reversed Angle Brackets. These latter also support the 2½" Strips at the side of the bonnet.

The  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Rod representing the steering column passes through the free hole of a Fishplate bolted to the dashboard, then through a hole in the Flexible Plate at the bottom of the cab. It is fastened in position by a Cord Anchoring Spring.



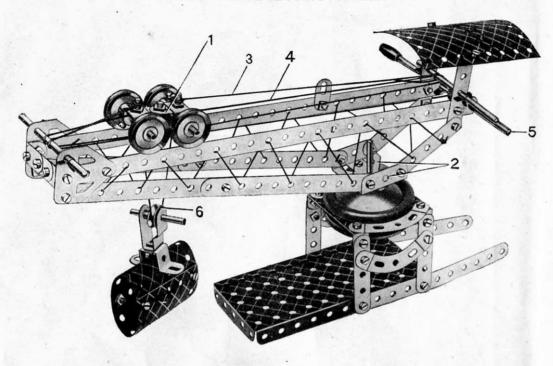


The engine and propeller are attached by fastening a Bush Wheel to the nose of the fuselage by two Angle Brackets. A 2" Rod is locked in the boss of the Bush Wheel and forms the support for the Road Wheels and the compound strip representing the propeller.

The wings are attached to the fuselage by  $\frac{1}{2}'' \times \frac{1}{2}''$  Angle Brackets and Trunnions. The tail wheel is supported on a  $1\frac{1}{2}'''$  Rod journalled in the holes of a Stepped Bent Strip fastened to the fuselage by a Double Bracket.

The Rod on which the double landing wheels are mounted passes through the holes in the narrow ends of two Flat Trunnions bolted to the fuselage.

### 3.19 BLOCK-SETTING CRANE



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The travelling bogie 1 consists of two Fishplates bolted together by their elongated holes, and at each end of it Double Brackets are fastened by  $\frac{3}{4}''$  Bolts. Two 2''' Rods are pushed through the Double Brackets and carry 1''' fast Pulleys spaced so that their grooves fit on the two  $12\frac{1}{2}'''$  Strips that form the top of the jib. The Trunnions 2 at the base of the jib, are secured to a Bush Wheel mounted on a Rod held in the bosses of two Road Wheels. The Road Wheels are placed one above and one below the  $2\frac{1}{2}''' \times 1\frac{1}{2}'''$  Flexible Plates that form the top of the tower.

Cord 3 is first fastened to the 3" Bolt at the rear end of the travelling bogie, and then wound three times around the Crank Handle. It is then led around the Rod journalled in the Flat Trunnion at the front end of the jib, and brought back and tied to another 3" Bolt at the front of the bogie,

Cord 3 is first fastened to Rod 5, which is passed through the end holes of the 12½" Strips, and then over the rear axle of the bogie. It is then passed around the ½" Pulley 6, led over the front axle of the bogie, around the Rod at the front end of the jib, and finally tied to the bogie. The ½" lose Pulley 6 and its Rod are held in the Stepped Bent Strip by a Cord Anchoring Spring.

### 3.20 PITHEAD GEAR

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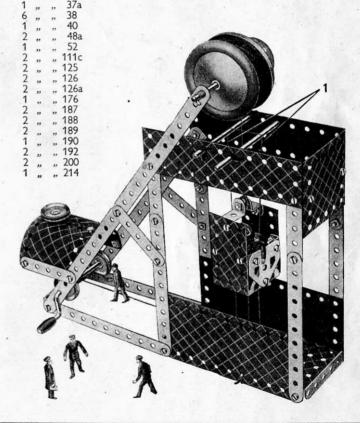
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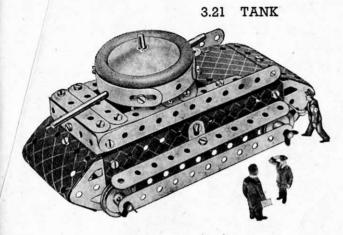
A 3½" Rod is journalled in the top holes of the 12½" Strips. Between the two Road Wheels on this Rod is a 1" fast Pulley, over which the cord controlling the cage passes. A Cord Anchoring Spring is pushed on one end of the Row and a Bush Wheel is fixed to the other end. The cage is built up from Trunnions and Flat Trunnions, and the 2½"×1½" Flexible Plates that form its sides are fastened to the Flat Trunnions by Angle Brackets.

A 8" Bolt is passed through the holes of Reversed Angle Brackets bolted to the top of the cage, and Washers are placed on its shank for spacing purposes.

The guides 1 for the cage consist of a piece of Cord which is passed over two Rods as shown and then led downward and through two holes in the Flanged Plate that forms the base. Washers are tied to each end of the Cord underneath the Plate, to maintain it in tension.



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Construction of the gun turret is commenced by bolting a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strip across a Bush Wheel. Four 3" Formed Slotted Strips are bolted together to form a circle and fastened to the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strip by means of Angle Brackets. Next two Angle Brackets are bolted to the Bush Wheel in the positions shown in Fig. 3.21a. Two Rods are pushed through holes in the Formed Slotted Strips and through the free holes of the Angle Brackets, and are fastened in position by means of Spring Clips. The turret is held in place by a  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Rod that is locked in the boss of the Bush Wheel and then passed through the  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " X2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Rod Anchoring Spring is then screwed on to it to hold it in position. To complete the turret a Road Wheel is fastened on the upper end of the  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Rod. The Reversed Angle Bracket is bolted to the  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " X2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate.

The  ${\it Magic}$  Motor is bolted to the Flanged Plate, and the drive is taken to the back axle by means of a Driving Band.

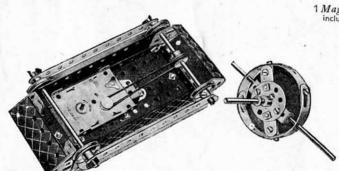
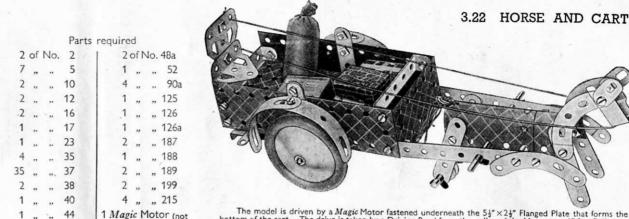


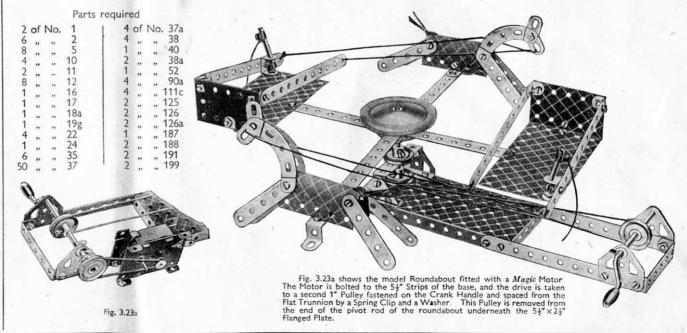
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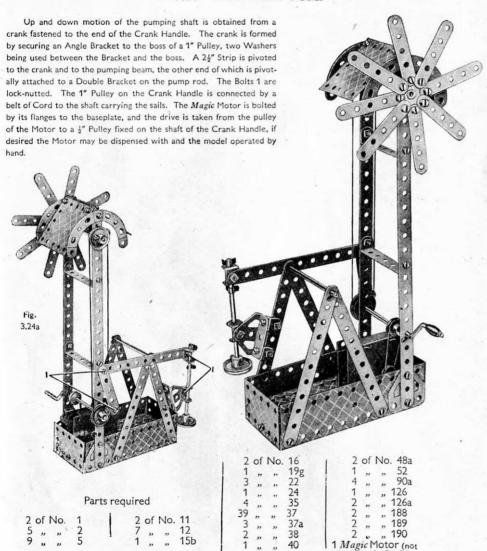
The model is driven by a Magic Motor fastened underneath the  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate that forms the bottom of the cart. The drive is taken by a Driving Band from the pulley of the Motor to a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " fast Pulley on the back axle. A  $\frac{1}{2}$ " loose Pulley is fitted on a 2" Rod journalled in the bottom holes of the Strips forming the hind-legs of the horse, so that the model will travel smoothly along the ground.

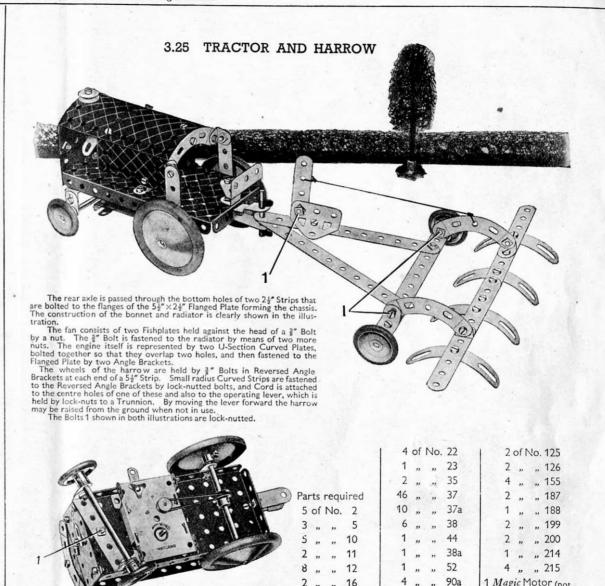
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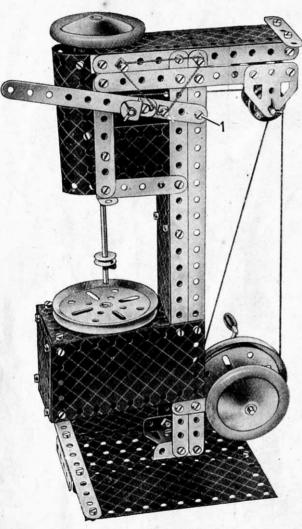


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### 3.24 WINDMILL PUMP





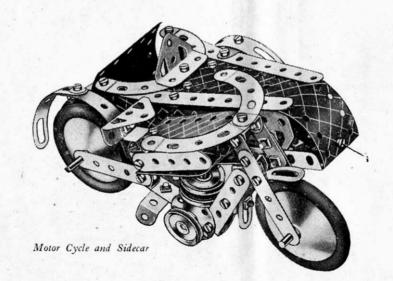


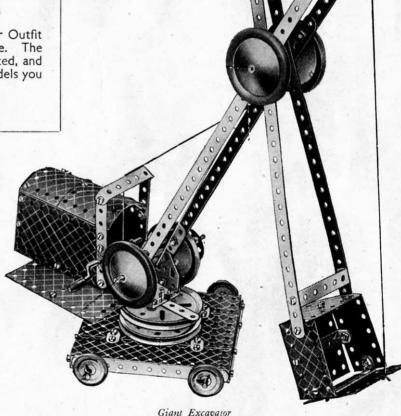
Drilling Machine

### BUILD BIGGER AND BETTER MODELS

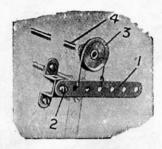
When you have built all the models shown in this Manual you will be keen to build bigger and more elaborate models. Your next step is to purchase a Meccano No. 3a Accessory Outfit containing all the parts required to convert your No. 3 into a No. 4 Outfit. You will thus be able to build the full range of No. 4 Outfit Models, a selection of which is illustrated on this page.

If you prefer to do so, you can build up and develop your Outfit quite easily by adding various parts to it from time to time. The model-building possibilities of the Meccano System are unlimited, and the more Meccano parts you have the bigger and better the models you will be able to build.



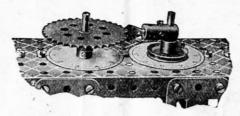


# STRAP AND LEVER BRAKE



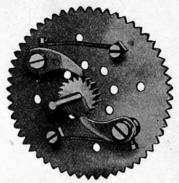
This device will be found very useful as a quick emergency handbrake. Although it is the simplest of such devices, it is also one of the most valuable and can be used in a great variety of models.

## INTERMITTENT ROTARY MOTION



Intermittent rotary motion can be obtained by means of the above device. Such an arrangement is useful in revolution counters, measuring machines, etc. In addition to mechanisms that give true intermittent motion, different types of cams that convert a regular rotary motion into a constant or intermittent reciprocating motion can be constructed.

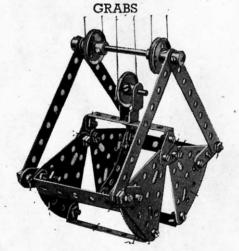
## PAWL AND RATCHET MOVEMENT



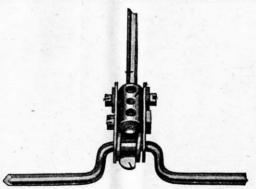
By means of this device it is possible to construct certain types of automatic brakes and free wheels.

The illustration shows the method of building up a free-wheel unit

## BIG END FOR MECCANO CRANKSHAFT

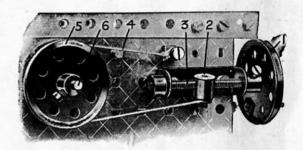


Here is a typical example of the many kinds of grab that can be constructed from Meccano. If the grab is fitted to a model crane ship-coaler, all its movements can be controlled from an operating box built into the frame of the model. The outer sides of the jaws may be filled in with cardboard and the grab can then be used to pick up loads of sand, grain, marbles, etc.



A Spring Clip is first clipped on to the centre of the cranked portion of the Crankshaft, and on each side of this is carried a Washer. On the outside of each of the Washers is placed a  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " Strip, and these are connected together by means of a Coupling. A  $\frac{1}{2}$ " Bolt passes completely through the two  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips at their centre holes and also through the inner transverse tapped hole of the Coupling. The outer tapped holes are fitted with Set-Screws, under the heads of which a Washer is placed.

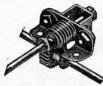
### STRAP AND SCREW BRAKE



The type of brake shown above is used to apply a constant retarding effect to a rotating shaft. It can thus be utilised in a crane to prevent the load from falling back when the winding spindle is released. An advantage of the brake is that the speed of the shaft to which it is applied can be varied as required; the retarding action of the brake cannot vary when once set unless the hand wheel is turned.

# WORM AND PINION BEARING

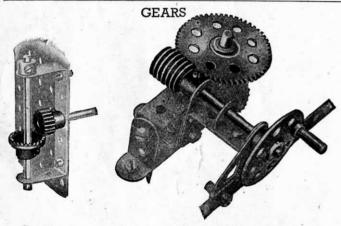
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The compact rear axle drive unit illustrated above is intended chiefly for use in small models of motor cars. Two Corner Angle Brackets are secured by Bolts passing through their elongated holes to a  $1\frac{\pi}{2}$  Strip, to which a Double Bent Strip also is secured. The Rod carrying the Worm is passed through the centre hole of the Strips and held in position by a Collar.

The driven Rod is journalled in the Corner Angle Brackets and carries a Pinion that engages with the Worm.

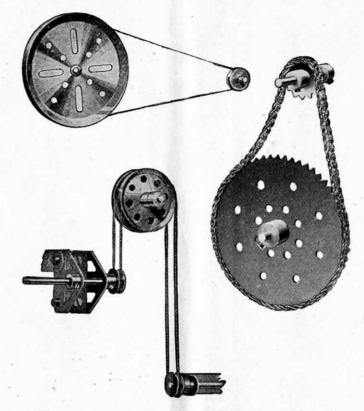
A feature of this bearing that should not be overlooked is that the useful gear ratio of 25:1 is provided by employing a 3" Pinion.



The Meccano system includes a wide range of Gear Wheels, Bevel Gears, Pinions, Contrate Wheels and Worms in various sizes. All manner of interesting movements can be obtained by the use of these gears.

How a drive can be transmitted from a vertical to a horizontal shaft, or vice versa, is shown on the left. On the right the Worm engaged with a Gear Wheel gives a very great reduction in shaft speed.

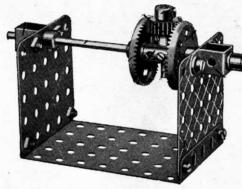
### BELT AND CHAIN DRIVES



Above we show examples of belt and chain drive. The movements illustrated require no explanation excepting, perhaps, the lower belt drive, which shows a simple method for transmitting the drive from one shaft to another when the shafts are not in line.

Cords usually take the place of belts in Meccano models but miniature belting can be made from strips of canvas, indiarubber, etc., in which case Flanged Wheels should be used instead of grooved Pulleys.

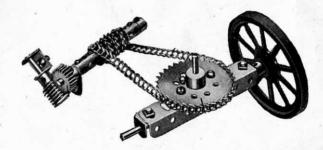
## EPICYCLIC TRANSMISSION GEAR



Practically every type of mechanical power transmission gear can be reproduced with Meccano.

The device illustrated is designed to provide a gear ratio between two shafts mounted in direct line with one another. Its chief merit lies in the compactness of its construction and lack of external bearings.

## STEERING GEARS



The various types of steering mechanism commonly in use on vehicles of all descriptions can readily be reproduced with Meccano.

In the example illustrated, the road wheels are controlled by an endless Sprocket Chain operated by a Worm and Pinion mechanism.

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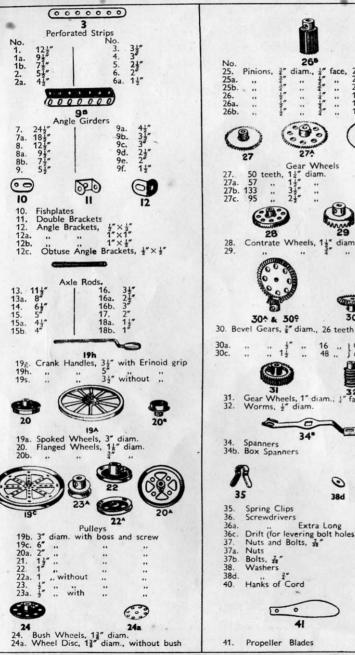
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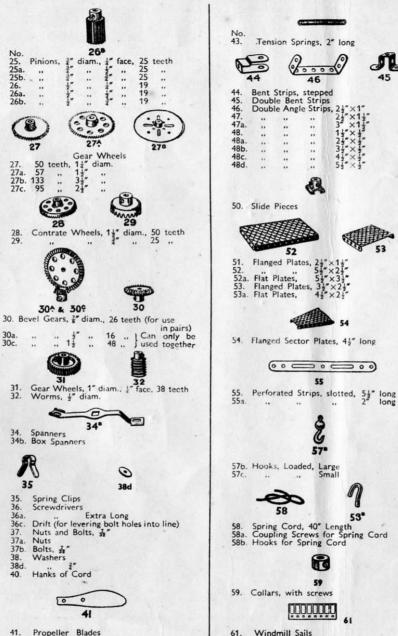
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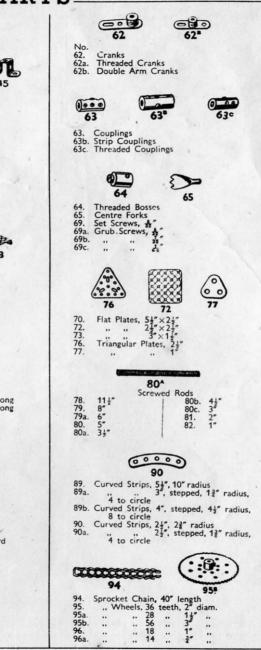
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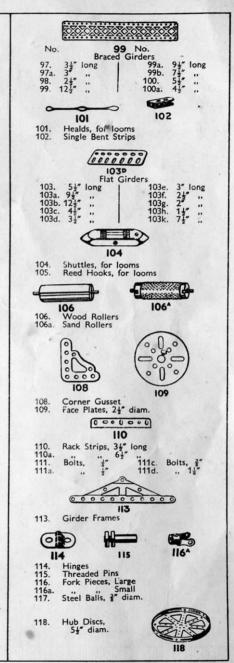
The foregoing list contains all the Meccano parts that are included in Outfits. It shows which parts are required to build up any Outfit into the one next larger. Thus it is helpful to boys who wish to add a few parts from time to time instead of buying an Accessory Outfit. It also enables a boy to check the contents of his Outfit at intervals, so that he can note and replace any missing parts.

There are in addition many Meccano parts that are not included in Outfits. These parts will be found in the illustrated list in the following pages, which includes every part in the Meccano System.









# MECCANO PARTS

1209

120b. Compression Springs, & long



122. Miniature Loaded Sacks



Cone Pulleys, 1‡", 1" and ‡" diam. Reversed Angle Brackets, 1"





126a. Flat Trunnions Trunnions





Bell Cranks Bell Cranks, with Boss



129. Toothed Segments, 14" radius





130. Eccentrics, Triple Throw, ‡", ‡" and ½"
130a Eccentrics, Single Throw, ‡"





Dredger Buckets Flywheels, 22" diam.





Corner Brackets, 14" 133a.



Crank Shafts, 1" stroke





136A

Handrail Supports Handrail Couplings Wheel Flanges



138a. Ships' Funnels



139 Flanged Brackets (right) (left) 139a



Universal Couplings





Rubber Rings (to fit 3" diam. rims) Motor Tyres (to fit 2" diam. rims) .. 3" .. 1". .. 1<u>‡</u>" 1426. 142c. 142d.



143. Circular Girders, 54" diam.



No. 144. Dog Clutches





Circular Strips, 7½" diam. overall Plates, 6"



147. Pawls, with Pivot Bolt and Nuts 147a. Pawls 147b. Pivot Bolts with 2 Nuts 147c. Pawls without boss Ratchet Wheels



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154a. Corner Angle Brackets, 4° (right-hand) Corner Angle Brackets, 1" (left-hand) Rubber Rings (for 1" Pulleys)



157. Fans, 2" diam.





Channel Bearings, 1½"×1"×½" Girder Brackets, 2"×1"×½"









Boilers, complete, 5" long×2法" diam. ... Ends, 2法" diam. × žin. ... without ends, 4½" long×2法" 162a. 162b. diam. Sleeve Pieces, 1½" long × ½" diam. Chimney Adaptors, ¾" diam. × ½"





165. Swivel Bearings 167b. Flanged Ring, 9%" diam



168a. "Races, flanged discs, 3\frac{3}{2}" diam.
168b. ", toothed ", 4" diam.
168c. "Cages, 3\frac{3}{2}" diam., complete with balls.



171. Socket Couplings



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175. Flexible Coupling Units



176 176. Anchoring Springs for Cord



179. Rod Sockets 180. Gear Rings diam. (133 ext. teeth, 95 jox.)





185. 186. 186a. Steering Wheels, 13" diam. Driving Bands, 24" (Light) 186c. 186d. 10" (Heavy) 15" 186e. 187. Road Wheels, 2½" diam. 187a. Conical Disc, 1½" diam.





Flexible Plates. 191. 44"×24" 192. 54"×24" 186. 189. 190. Strip Bates.



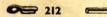




Hinged Flat Plates, 4½"×2½" Curved Plates, U-Section 2½"×2½"×½" radius 2½"×2½", 1∰" radius



211a. Helical Gear # Can only be 211b. " 12" used together



212. Rod and Strip Connectors 213. Rod Connectors



Semi-Circular Plates 24" Formed Slotted Strips 3"



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216. Cylinders, 21" long, 11" diam.