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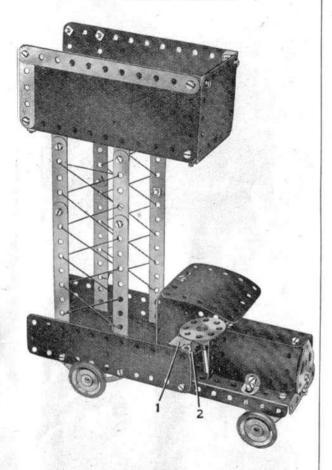
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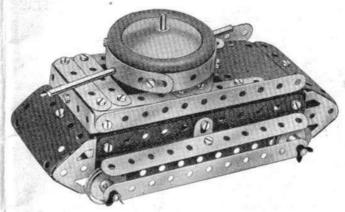
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3.1 TOWER WAGON



A Stepped Bent Strip 1 is bolted in a horizontal position in the centre of the Flanged Plate, and a 24" Curved Strip is boited on top of it by the centre hole, to form a seat. A Reversed Angle Bracket 2 is then bolted in one of the elongated holes of the Curved Strip to form a bearing for the Rod carrying the Bush Wheel.

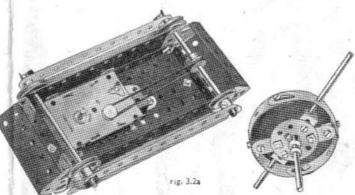
3.2 TANK



Construction of the gun turret is commenced by bolting a 21" Strip across a Bush Wheel. Four 3" Formed Slotted Strips are bolted together to form a circle and fastened to the 21" Strip by means of Angle Brackets. Next two Angle Brackets are bolted to the Bush Wheel in the positions shown in Fig. 3.2a. 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 31" Rod that is locked in the boss of the Bush Wheel and then passed through the 54" x 24" Flanged Plate and through a hole in a Reversed Angle Bracket. A Cord 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 34" Rod. The Reversed Angle Bracket is bolted to the 54" x 24" Flanged Plate.

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

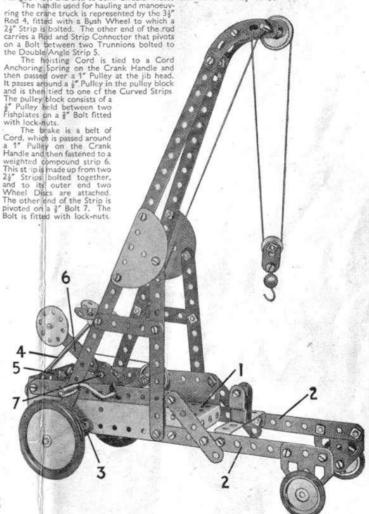
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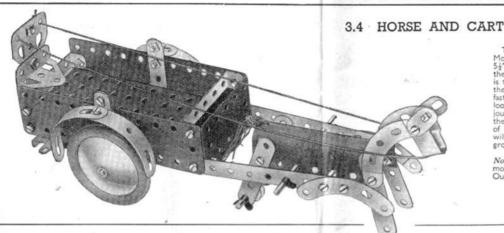
3.3 PORTABLE GARAGE CRANE

A Flanged Plate 1 is extended on each side by 5½" Strips 2. The Road Wheels are locked on a 3½" Rod supported in 2½" Curved Strips 3 on each side of the model. The 1" Pulleys rotate on 2" Bolts passed through Flat Trunnions.

The jib is built up from two 12½" Strips bolted to the sides of the Flanged Plate and extended at their upper ends by Curved Strips. It is held rigid by 5½" Strips fixed to the Flanged Plate and also to Semi-Circular Plates fastened to the 12½" Strips.



These Models can be built with MECCANO No. 3 Outfit (or No. 2 and No. 2a Outfits)



The model is driven by a Magic Motor fastened underneath the 5½"×2½" 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 ½ fast Pulley on the back axle. A ½ 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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3.5 **BLOCK-SETTING** CRANE

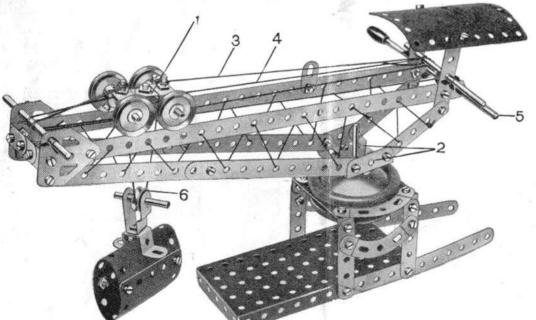
The travelling bogie 1 consists of two Fishplates bolted together by their elongated holes, and at each end of it Double Brackets are fastened by 3" Bolts. Two 2" Rods are pushed through the Double Brackets and carry 1" fast Pulleys spaced so that their grooves fit on the two 124" Strips that form the 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,

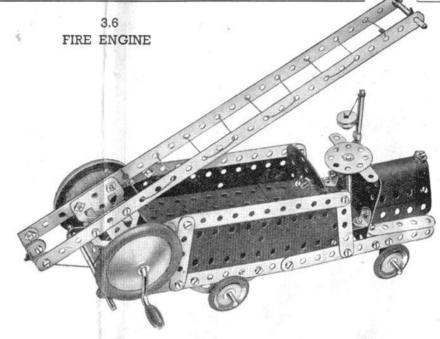
The Road Wheels are placed one above and one below the 2½" × 1½" Flexible Plates that form the

top of the tower. Cord 3 is first fastened to the 2" Bolt at the rear end of the travelling bogie, and then wound three times around the Crank Handle 5. It is then led around the Rod journalled in the Flat Trunnions at the front end of the jib and brought back and tied to another g" Bolt at the front of the bogie.

Cord 4 is first

fastened to a Rod, passed through the vertical Strips at the rear of the jib and is then led 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 # loose Pulley 6 and its Rod are held in the Stepped Bent Strip by a Cord Anchoring Spring.

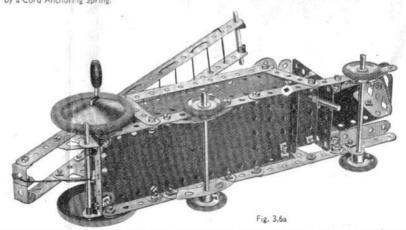


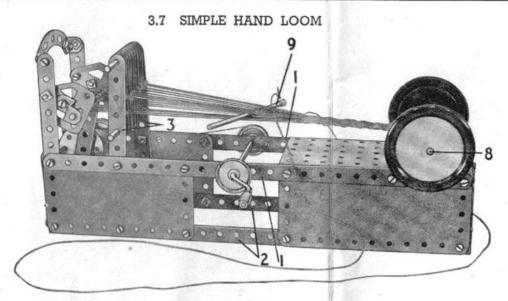


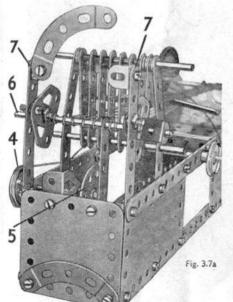
Two Flat Trunnions are bolted to the bottom of the ladder, and the shalt of the Crank Handle shown in Fig. 3.6a passes through the holes at their narrow ends. The bonnet, which is formed from a U-Section Curved Plate and two 2½" x14" Flexible Plates, is fastened to the frame by Reversed Angle Brackets. These latter also support the 2½" Strips at the sides of the bonnet.

The 3½" 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.







This interesting model is designed to demonstrate the principles of hand weaving. The base is formed by two 12½" Strips 1 bolted to a Flanged Plate at one end and joined by a 24" × 4" Double Angle Strip at the other. Two 52" × 24" and two 44" × 24" Flexible Plates are bolted to the Strips and joined at their lower edges by

the 5½" Strips 2.

The 5½" Strips 3 form a support for the heald frame, which consists of eight 2½" Strips held by two 3½" Rods. The Strips are separated by Spring Glips and Washers as shown, these parts being placed between the Strips on the upper Rod.

The warp separating movement is operated from a Crank Handle, A 1" Pulley on this is connected by a belt of Cord to a similar Pulley 4, which is locked on a 2" Rod that carries also the Bush Wheel 5. A 25" Strip lock-nutted to the Bush Wheel links it with the Rod 6. This Rod is mounted in two Flat Trunnions, each fitted with a Reversed Angle Bracket. The Trunnions are free to turn on the shanks of \$\frac{1}{8}\$" Bolts fastened in the Strips 7.

A 4" Rod 8 fitted with two Road Wheels passes through two

Semi-Circular Plates bolted to the sides of the Flanged Plate.

A length of Cord taken from each of the 2½" Strips forming the healds is tied to the Rod 8. A second set of similar Cords is taken from the Rod 8, passed between the healds and fastened to Rod 6.

To operate the model the two sets of warp threads are separated by turning the Crank Handle slightly. A length of Cord is then passed between the layers by means of the 31" Rod 9. The Crank Handle is then again turned slightly, thus changing the positions of the warp layers, and the Rod 9 is again passed through. Cord is used in the illustrations to show the positions of the

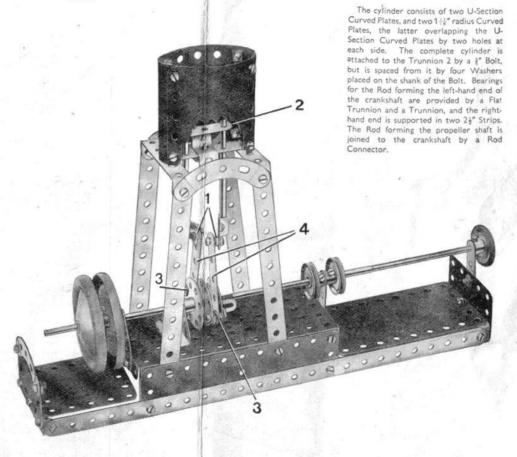
threads more clearly, but in actual operation it is better to use wool as this will give a closer and finer texture to the woven

3.8 MARINE ENGINE

Bolts 1 are lock-nutted. The Bolts 3 are & long and are lock-nutted twice as shown. The 24" Strips 4 must be quite free to move when the crankshaft is rotated.

The piston rod is held by two Spring Clips, one at each side of the Angle Bracket pivotally fastened by one o the Bolts 1. Inside the cylinder the Rods slide through holes in a 24" Strip and a Trunnion 2. In order to show the construction clearly, part of the cylinder has been cut away in the illustration.

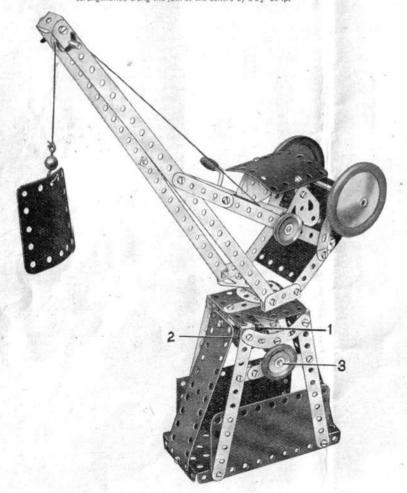
The Rod carrying two 1" Pulleys passes through the centre hole in the outer Wheel Disc. A 1"x1" Angle. Bracket is bolted to the Disc in such a position that when the Disc is turned the Angle Bracket engages with a Spring Clip on the Rod. It is important that all nuts and bolts are made quite secure with the spanner and screw-

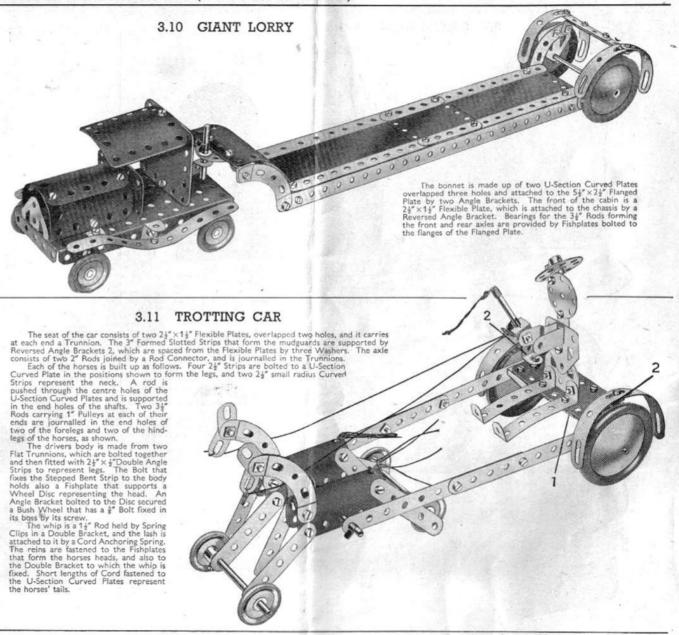


3.9 SWIVELLING IIB CRANE

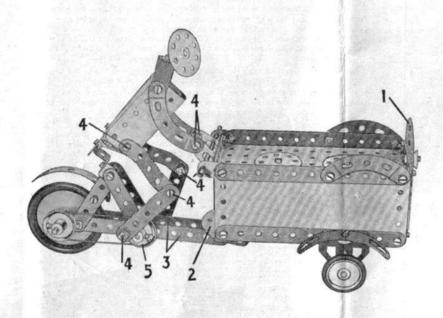
A 1" fast Pulley 1 is fastened to the lower end of a 2" Rod, which passes into and is held in the boss of the Bush Wheel. The Pulley rests on the tyre of Pulley 2, which is fastened on Rod 3. When the Rod 3 on the tyre of Pulley 2, which is fastened on Rod 3. When the Rod 3 is rotated the jib is caused to swivel. Supports for Rod 3 are formed by Fishplates, which are bolted through their elongated holes to the 2½" 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.

The top of the tower consists of two 2½" x1½" Flexible Plates, strengthened along the join at the centre by a 2½" Strip.





3.12 ICE CREAM VENDOR AND VAN

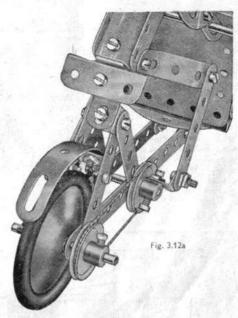


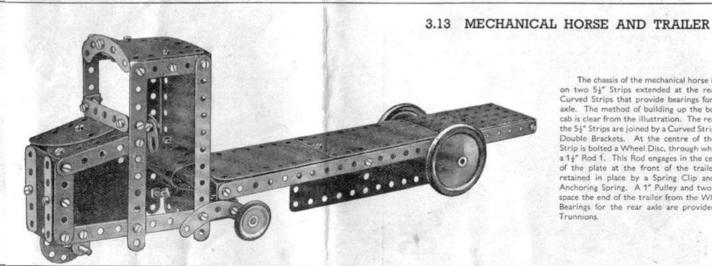
The carrier box of the tricycle is made by bolting two 54" x 24" and two 24" x 2½" Flexible Plates to a Flanged Plate. The wheels are made fast to a 3½" Rod that rotates in Flat Trunnions. A Semi-Circular Plate 1 is attached to the front of the carrier, and a similar part 2 is bolted to a Double Angle Strip that spans the sides of the carrier.

The 54" Strips 3 are secured to a Double Bracket pivotally attached to the Semi-Circular Plate 2. The supports for the saddle consist of four 21 Strips, and a Trunnion is attached to these by a Reversed Angle Bracket and an Angle Bracket.

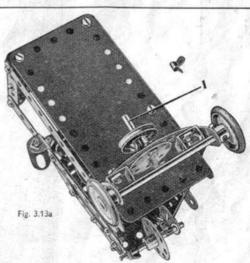
The body of the rider is formed by two U-Section Curved Plates, and is attached to the Trunnion by an Angle Bracket. His legs are made from four 21" Strips. It is important to note that all the Bolts numbered 4 are lock-nutted so that the parts they hold are free to pivot.

The rear wheel is fixed on a 2" Rod fitted with a 1" Pulley. This Pulley is connected by a belt of Cord to a second Pulley 5 on a 14" Rod. An Angle Bracket is bolted to the boss of Pulley 5 and attached to one of the rider's legs, see Fig. 3.12a. The other leg is attached to a Reversed Angle Bracket. The slotted hole of the Bracket is fitted with a nut and bolt, and is then pushed on to the 14" Rod. The effect of this is that the nut presses against the Rod and locks the Bracket firmly so that it rotates with the Rod.



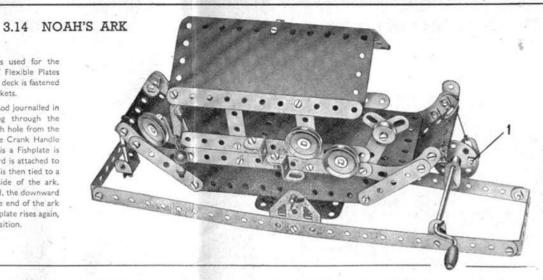


The chassis of the mechanical horse is built up on two 51" Strips extended at the rear by 21" Curved Strips that provide bearings for the rear axle. The method of building up the bonnet and cab is clear from the illustration. The rear ends of the 54" Strips are joined by a Curved Strip and two Double Brackets. At the centre of the Curved Strip is bolted a Wheel Disc, through which passes a 14" 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 Wheel Disc. Bearings for the rear axle are provided by Flat Trunnions.

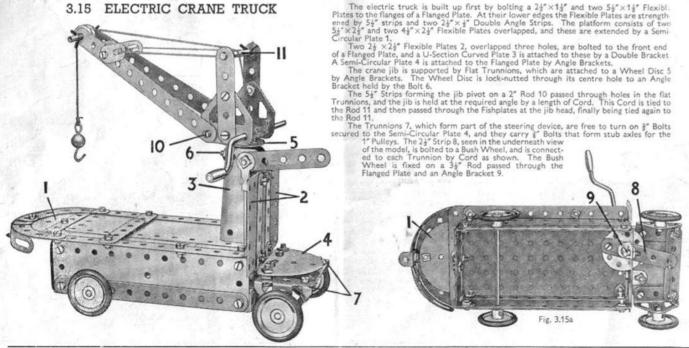


A 54"×24" Flanged Plate is used for the bottom of the ark and 54" x14" Flexible Plates and 54" Strips form the sides. The deck is fastened to the sides by \$" x \$" Angle Brackets.

The ark is pivoted on a 34" Rod journalled in Flat Trunnions, the Rod passing through the flanges of the baseplate at the fifth hole 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 side of the ark. When the Caank 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.



3.15 ELECTRIC CRANE TRUCK



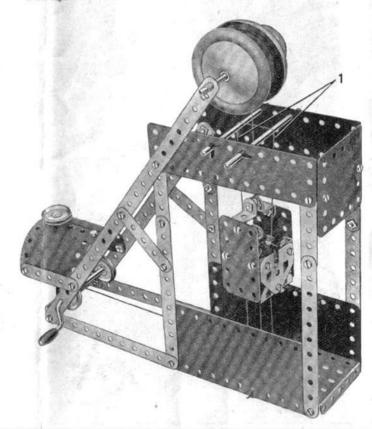
3.16 PITHEAD GEAR

A 34" Rod is journalled in the top holes of the 124" 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 rod, and a Bush Wheel is fixed to the other end. The cage is built up from Trunnions and Flat Trunnions. and the 24" ×14" Flexible Plates that form its sides are fastened to the Flat Trunnions by Angle Brackets.

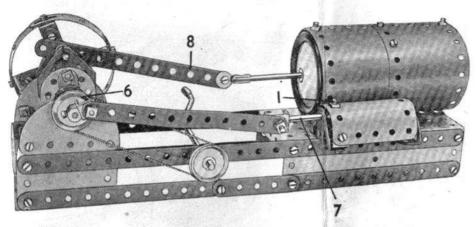
A #" Bolt is passed through the holes of Reversed Angle Brackets bolted to the top of the cage, and Washers are placed on its shank for spacing purposes.

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

The Cord used for elevating the cage is wound round the Crank Handle, and one end is passed over the 34" Rod and tied to the top of the cage. The other end of the Cord is passed through a hole in the Flanged Plate and tied to the underneath of the cage.



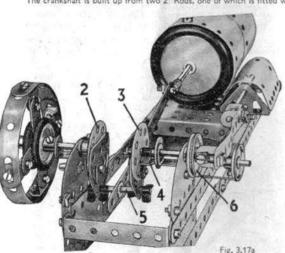
3.17 MILL ENGINE



The bed of the engine is built first. For this two $12\frac{1}{4}$ " Strips are bolted one to each side of a Flanged Plate. A $5\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 1½" Flexible Plate also is attached to each side of the Flanged Plate, and to the lower edges of the Flexible Plates are bolted built-up strips, each consisting of two $5\frac{1}{2}$ " and one $2\frac{1}{4}$ " Strip. At the front end of the model the $12\frac{1}{4}$ " Strips are connected by a $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times 4" Double Angle Strip, and a similar part is used to connect the ends of the built-up strips. At the front end of the bed a $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times 1½" Flexible Plate is bolted to each side. A Semi-Circular Plate is attached to each Flexible Plate by a Fishplate. The Semi-Circular Plates provide the bearings for the crankshaft.

The cylinder is made from two $5\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " and two $4\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flexible Plates bolted together and curved around the rims of two Road Wheels. The cylinder is bolted to the Flanged Plate.

The valve chamber is represented by a U-Section Curved Plate and two Trunnipns. The Curved Plate is attached to one of the Trunnions by an Angle Bracket, and a second Angle Bracket held by the Bolt 1 provides a guide for the valve roo. The crankshaft is built up from two 2". Rods, one of which is fitted with a Bush Wheel 2 and two 1º Pulleys. These



Pulleys grip the flywheel, which is built up from four Formed Slotted Strips attached to 2½° Strips by Angle Brackets. A Fiat Trunnion is bolted to the Bush Wheel as shown. The other 2° Rod carries a Wheel Disc 3, similarly fitted with a Flat Trunnion and also an Angle Bracket 4 held by the same bolt. A Spring Clip is placed on the Rod so that its lugs press against the Angle Bracket 4, thus locking the Wheel Disc to the Rod.

The connecting rod is a 5½" Strip which is free to turn on a 1½" Rod 5 held by Spring Clips in the Flat Trunnions.

The valve gear is operated by an Angle Bracket bolted to the boss of a 1" Pulley 6. A 5½" Strip is attached loosely by a lock-nutted bolt to this Angle Bracket, and also to a Double Bracket on the Rod 7. A Cord Anchoring Spring is placed on this Rod inside the Double Bracket.

The connecting rod 8 is lock-nutted to a Rod and Strip Connector on a 4" Rod representing the piston rod.

The engine is set in motion by a belt of Cord running around a 1" Pulley on the Crank Handle and the Pulley 6.

3.18 SHOVEL EXCAVATOR

The tractor unit is made by bolting two $5\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 1\frac{1}{2}$ " and two $2\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 1\frac{1}{2}$ " Flaxible Plates to the sides of a $5\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate. It is fitted with wheels consisting of 1" Pulleys fixed on $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Rods, and a belt of cord is passed around each pair of these to represent creeper tracks.

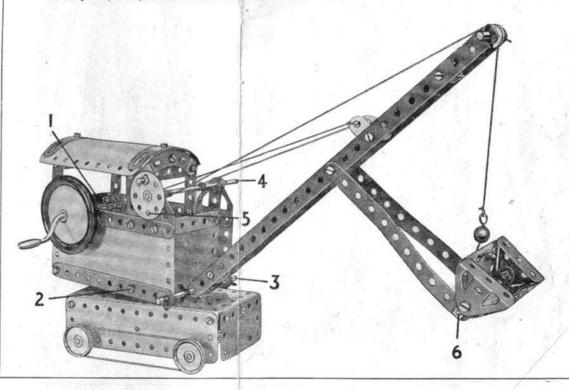
The cab sides consist of two $5\frac{4}{3}$ Flexible Plates edged with $5\frac{4}{3}$ Strips. These are joined by a Double Angle Strip 1 and a similar Double Angle Strip held by a Bolt 2 on each side of the cab. A $\frac{4}{3}$ Bolt passed through this Double Angle Strip is used to attach the cab to the tractor unit, two Wheel Discs being used for spacing purposes. The $\frac{3}{3}$ Bolt is lock-nutted. The back of the cab is a $2\frac{1}{3}$ $\times 2\frac{1}{3}$ Flexible Plate belted to the Double Angle Strip 1.

The roof is made from two 4½" × 2½" Flexible Plates, and is attached at each end to a Curved Strip by an Angle Bracket. The Curved Strips are connected by Angle Brackets to four 2½" Strips that support the roof.

The jib consists of two 12½" Strips joined by Double Brackets. It pivots about a 3½" Rod 3, and is luffed by two Cords extending from a Rod 4 to the Fishplates bolted to the 12½" Strips. This Rod is fitted with a Bush Wheel and can be prevented from rotating by engaging a 3" Bolt 5 in one of the holes in the Bush Wheel. By this means it is possible to maintain the jib at any desired angle.

Two $5\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips lock-nutted to the jib form the arm that carries the shovel. The shovel consists of a U-Section Curved Plate, and the $5\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips are attached to it by two Reversed Angle Brackets, one of which can be seen at 6. The sides of the shovel are formed by two Trunnions.

The shovel arm is raised or lowered by a length of Cord, which extends from the Loaded Hook attached to the shovel, over a §" Pulley at the jib and is then fastened to the Crank Handle.

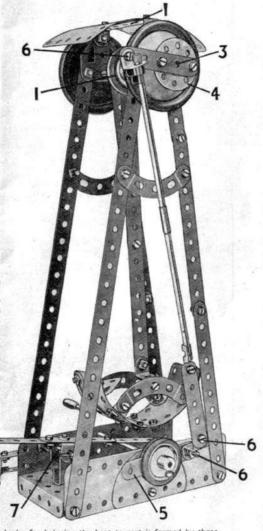


3.19 SWING BOAT

The base of the model is formed by a Flanged Plate, and the upright supports are bolted to it. Two of the uprights are 12½" Strips, and the others are each built up from two 5½" and one 2½" Strip. Each pair of supports is joined at the top to a Flat Trunnion. The two Trunnions are then connected by Double Angle Strip 1.

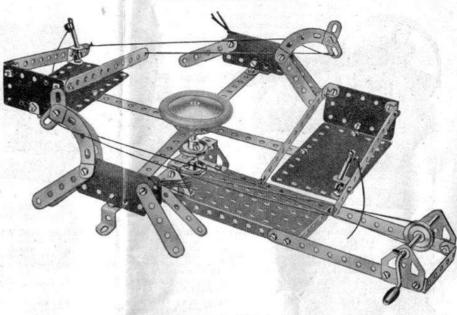
The swing boat is made from two 2½"×1½" Flexible Plates, strengthened by Formed Slotted Strips. The seats are represented by Trunnions, and the Curved Strips are attached by Angle Brackets.

The swing is suspended from a compound strip consisting of two 54" Strips overlapped four holes. The upper end of this strip is clamped firmly between two 1" Pulleys 2 fitted with Rubber Rings and a Wheel Disc. The Pulleys are locked on a 4" Rod 3. A 24" Strip is bolted to a Bush Wheel 4 also locked on this Rod, and is connected to the Crank Handle by a lever made from a 34" and a 4" Rod joined by a Rod Connector. The 24" Strip 5 is clamped between two 1" Pulleys on the Crank Handle and is attached to the lever by a Reversed Angle Bracket. All Bolts numbered 6 are lock-nutted.



The brake for bringing the boat to rest is formed by three 2½" Strips joined together, and is bolted to a Double Bracket held by the Rod 7.

3.20 ROUNDABOUT

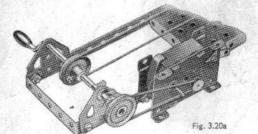


The two horses and the two cars are each fixed to $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips bolted at right angles to each other to a Bush Wheel that is fixed on a vertical $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Rod. The Rod is passed through a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Z Double Angle Strip and a hole in the Flanged Plate forming the base.

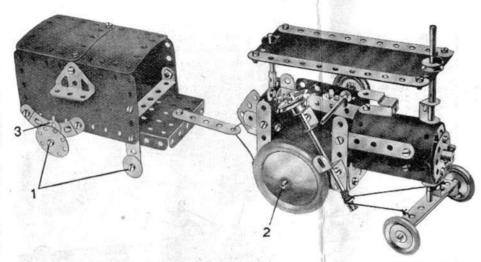
The model is driven by a belt of Cord passed around a 1" Pulley fixed on a Crank Handle supported in two Flat Trunnions bolted to the base and also around a further 1" Pulley fixed on the centre Rod of the roundabout.

Fig. 3.20a shows how the model roundabout can be fitted with a Magle Motor if this is available. The Motor is bolted to the $5\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips of the base, and the drive is taken to a second 1" Pulley fastened on the Crank Handle and spaced from the Flat Trunnion by a Spring Clip and a Washer. This Pulley is removed from the end of the pivot rod of the roundabout underneath the $5\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate.

Note: The Motor used in this model is not included in the Outfit.



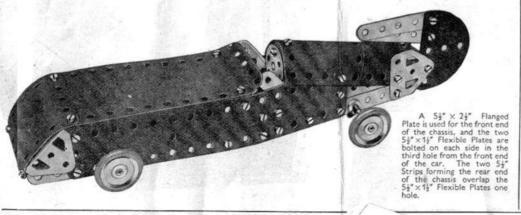
3.21 STEAM TRACTOR AND TRAILER



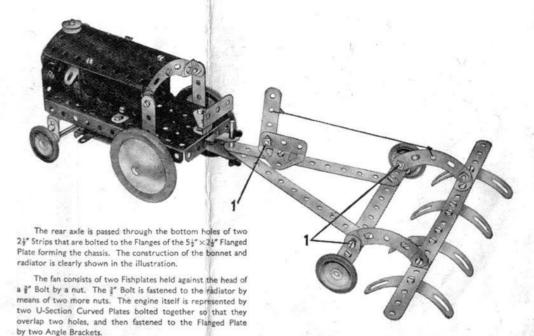
The steering column, a $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Rod, is supported in the holes of a Double Bracket and a Reversed Angle Bracket bolted to the side of the cab. Cord is wound round the lower part of the Rod and its ends are tied to the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $\frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip that carries the 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 rod of the cab consists of a $5\frac{1}{8}$ " $\times 2\frac{1}{8}$ " 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 $2\frac{1}{8}$ " Curved Strips on each side of the model. The Bolts 1 are lock-nutted in position and the Wheel Discs and $\frac{3}{8}$ " Washers turn freely on them.





3.23 TRACTOR AND HARROW



The wheels of the harrow are held by §" Bolts in Reversed Angle Brackets at each end of a 5½" Strip. Small radius Curved Strips are fastened to the Reversed Angle Brackets by lock-nutted bolts, and Cord is attached to the centre holes of one of these and also to the operating lever, which sheld by lock-nuts to a Trunnion. By moving the lever forward the harrow may be raised from the ground when not in use.

The Bolts 1 shown in both illustrations are lock-nutted.

Note: The Motor used in this model is not included in the Outfit.

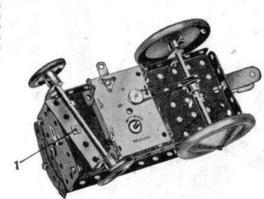


Fig. 3.23a

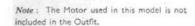
3.24 WINDMILL PUMP

Up and down motion of the pumping shaft is obtained from a crank fastened to the end of the Crank Handle. The crank is formed by securing an Angle Bracket to the boss of a 1" Pulley, two Washers being used between the Bracket and the boss. A 21" Strip is pivoted to the Crank and the pumping beam, the other end of which is pivotally attached to a Double Bracket on the pump rod. The Bolts 1 are lock-nutted.

> The 1" Pulley on the Crank Handle is connected by a belt of Cord to the shaft carrying the sails. The Magic Motor is bolted by its flanges to the baseplate, and the drive is taken from the pulley of the Motor to a # Pulley fixed on the shaft of the Crank If a Motor is not available the model

may be operated by hand.

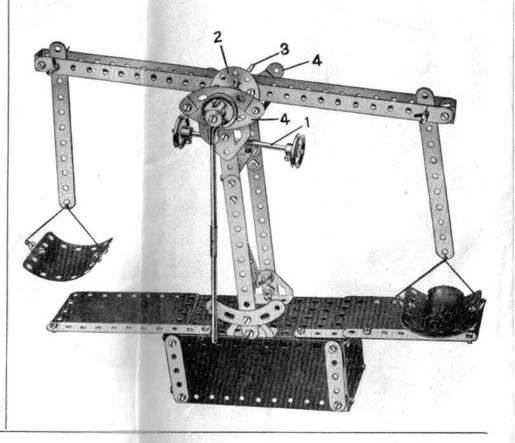
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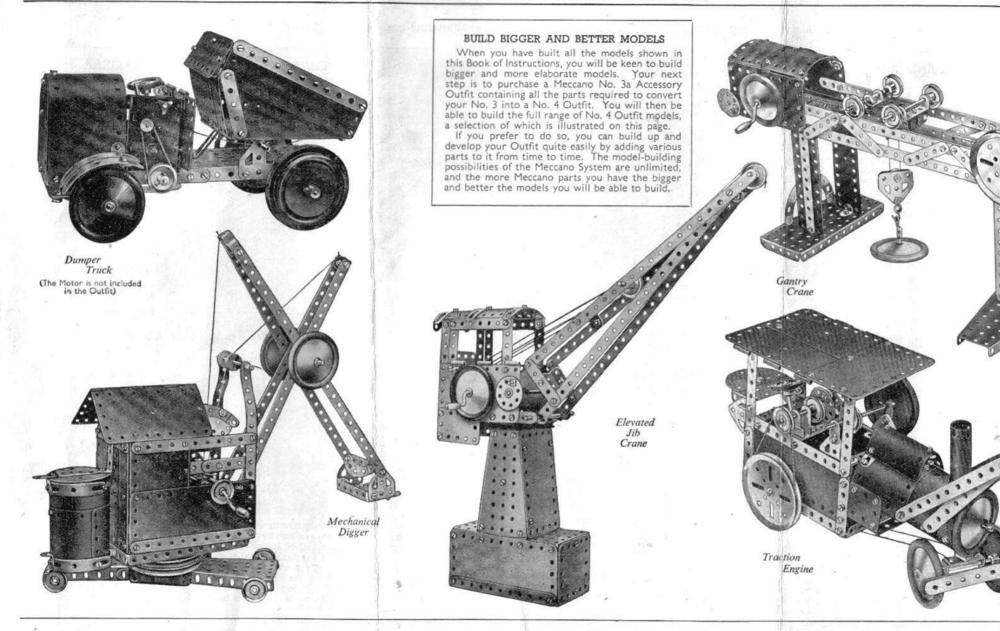


3.25 BALANCE

One of the 12 " Strips that form the beam of the balance is bolted across a Bush Wheel 2. The 34" Rod 3 that is locked in the boss of the Bush Wheel rests on the two Curved Strips 4.

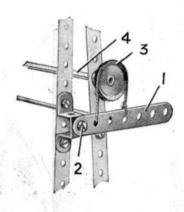
The Rod 1, by which the balance is adjusted, is pushed through the two holes of a Stepped Bent. Strip fastened to the Bush Wheel 2 by a Reversed Angle Bracket. The 55" Strips from which the scale pans are suspended are pivoted at their upper ends on 2" Rods, which are passed through holes in the 124" Strips of the beam.





Here are a few simple and interesting movements showing how easily real mechanisms can be reproduced with Meccano.

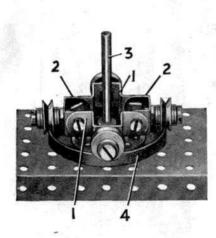
USEFUL BAND BRAKE



S,M.111. The brake lever consists of a 3½" Strip 1, pivotally attached at a suitable point on the frame of the model, to be fitted, by means of a lock-nutted ½" Bolt 2. The driven shaft 4 is fitted at one end with a 1" fast Pulley 3 round which a short length of cord is passed. The two ends of this Cord are secured to the brake lever at the points shown in the illustration.

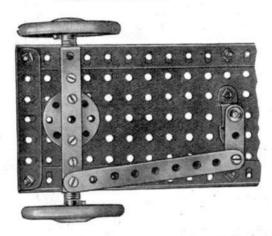
If increased braking effect is desired a larger Pulley may be used in place of the 1" fast Pulley 3, the brake lever 1 being attached in a lower position if necessary. Alternatively a weight can be hung from the end of the brake lever.

BUILT UP ROLLER BEARING



S.M.136. spider frame is built up Double Bent Strips 1 connected together by two Double Brackets 2. The four wheels used are represented by ½" loose Pulleys journalled on Pivot Bolts secured to the outer ends of the four arms of the frame. Four Washers, two on each side of the Pulleys are passed on to the shank of each of the Pivot Bolts that are attached to the Double Brackets 2. In the case of the other two Pivot Bolts, two Washers are placed against the external side only of the Pulley.

SIMPLE STEERING GEAR



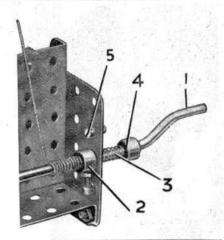
S.M.162. The simple steering gear will be found suitable for most small model vehicles.

In this example the two front wheels are mounted on separate stub axles that are secured to each end of a rigid front axle. The base of the chassis consists of two long Angle Girders connected together at the front end by a $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Angle Girder and filled in along their length by means of $5\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 3\frac{1}{2}$ " Flat Plates.

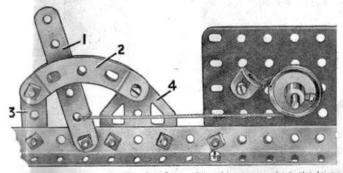
The front axle, a $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times \frac{1}{2}''$ Double Angle Strip, is pivotally mounted at its centre on a Bush Wheel and short Rod. It is fitted, $\frac{1}{2}''$ from each end, with a $\frac{1}{2}'' \times \frac{1}{2}''$ Angle Bracket, this forming the inner bearing for its respective stub axle. The outer bearing for the axle consists of the upturned lug of the Double Angle Strip. One end of this latter part is fitted with a pivotally attached $4\frac{1}{2}''$ Strip, by means of which the front axle is linked up to a Crank fixed to the steering column.

SAFETY CATCH FOR CRANE WINDING GEAR

S.M.125. The Compression Spring 3 is mounted on the Crank Handle 1 between the Collar 4 and a Washer, and normally holds the Collar 2 against the inner side of the plate. The Collar 2 is fitted with a 3" Bolt, and if the Crank Handle commences to rotate, the head of this Bolt strikes against the stop 5 and prevents further movement.



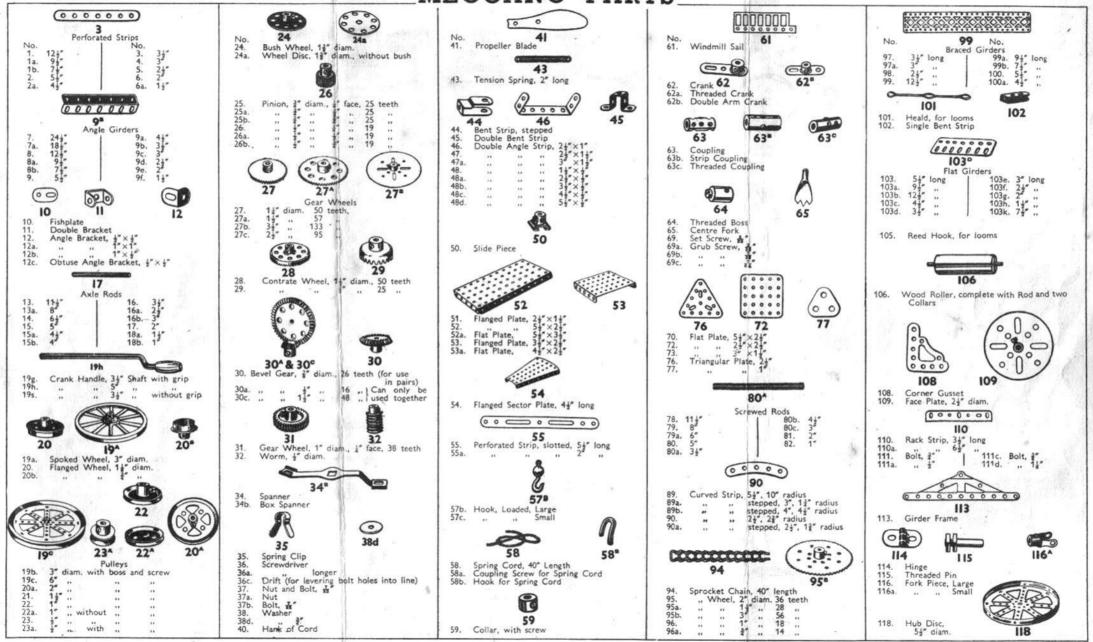
BRAKE LEVER and QUADRANT



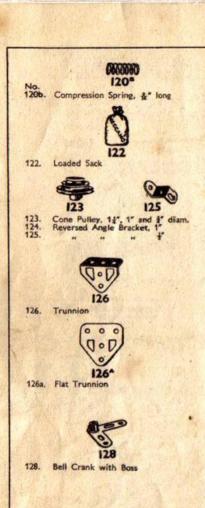
S.M.112. This mechanism is a form of band brake in which the lever 1 can be held in any position by means of the quadrant 2. In this way varying pressures can be applied to the Pulley forming the brake drum.

One end of the brake Cord is attached to a ½"×½" Angle Bracket bolted in a suitable position on the model. After passing round the 1" fast Pulley forming the brake drum the Cord is secured at the next to bottom hole of a 3" Strip 1. This Strip forms the brake lever, and it is secured to the frame of the model by a lock-nutted Bolt.

MECCANO PARTS



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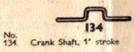




130. Eccentric, Triple Throw, # a* and # 130a. Eccentric, Single Throw, #



Corner Bracket, 11



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136. Handrail Support 136a. Handrail Coupling 137. Wheel Flange



138a, Ship's Funnel



139. Flanged Bracket (right)



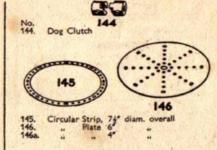
140. Universal Coupling



142a. Motor Tyre (to fit 2" diam. rim) 142b. (... 3" ...) 142c. (... 1" ...) 142d. (... 1½" ...)



143. Circular Gifder, 54" diam.





147. Pawl, with Pivot Bolt and Nuts 147a. Pawl 147b. Pivot Bolts with 2 Nuts 147c. Pawl without boss 148. Ratchet Wheel



151. Single Pulley Block 153. Triple Pulley Block



154a. Corner Angle Bracket, † (right-hand) 154b. Corner Angle Bracket, † (left-hand) 155. Rubber Ring (for 1" Pulleys)



157. Fan, 2" diam.



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60. Channel Bearing, 1½"×1"×½"
61. Girder Bracket, 2"×1"×½"

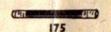




168. Ball Thrust Bearing, 4* diam.
168a. ". Race, flanged disc, 3}* diam.
168b. ". ". toothed ". 4* diam.
168c. ". Cage, 3}* diam., complete with
balls.
168d. Ball, 3* diam.



171. Socket Coupling



175. Flexible Coupling Unit



176. Anchoring Spring for Cord



79. Rod Socket 80. Gear Ring, 3½" diam. (133 ext. teeth, 95 int.)

