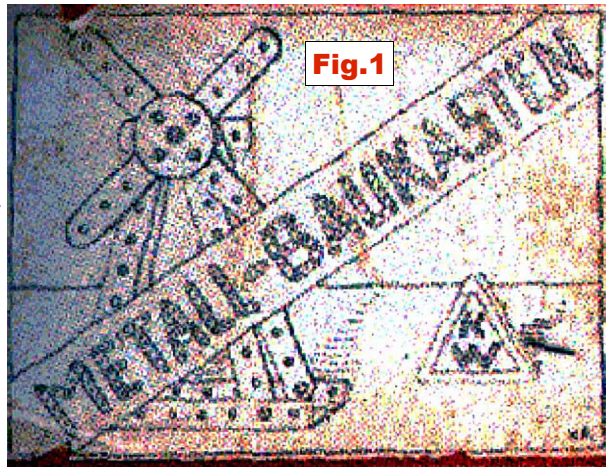


More on KW-Metallbaukasten.

Notes on this 1947-48 system were given in 40/1198 and since then Jürgen Kahlfelt has kindly sent more information via Thomas Morzinck. Two boxes are now known, as well as a manual from February 1947, earlier than the Model Sheets described in OSN 40.

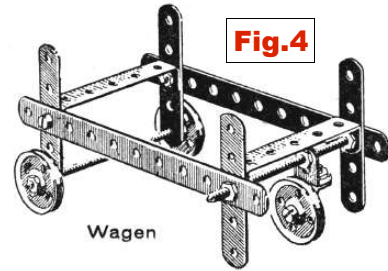
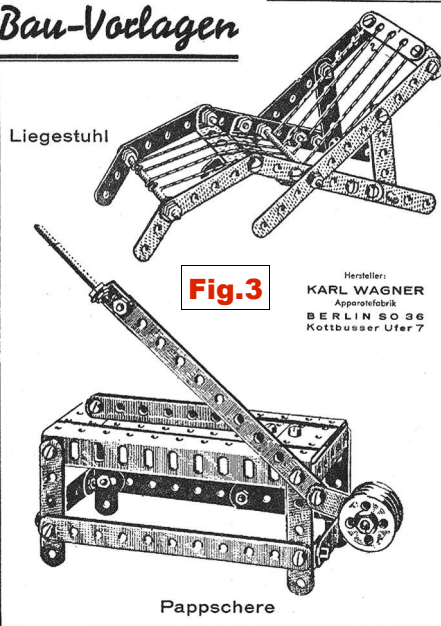
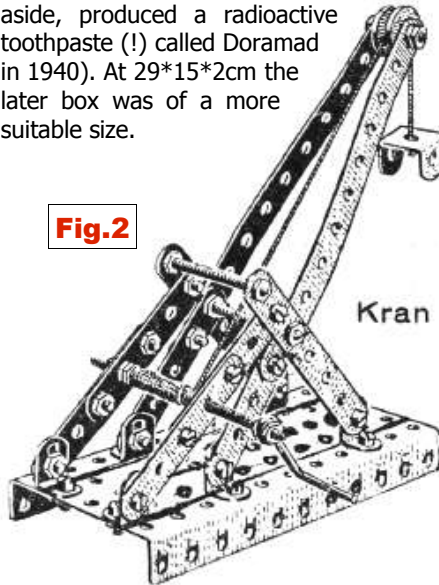
The system's name is on the box lid label right. It can also be seen, on the smaller of the two known boxes, in Eisenzeit, Tafel 60, and in Baukästen, T216 on p219.

The Boxes The earliest measures 29*21*6cm and originally housed a WW2 gas mask made by a firm called Auer (who, Thomas mentioned as an aside, produced a radioactive toothpaste (!) called Doramad in 1940). At 29*15*2cm the later box was of a more suitable size.



The Manual was produced by the same printer as the Model Sheets and had the same page size. Its PR was 117.200. 2.47.4679 and it had 16 pages including covers. The front cover is identical to Fig.2 in OSN 40 (but turned anti-clockwise to give portrait format, as was also the case for the OSN 40 Sheet – in each case the other sides are printed the right way up). There are 15 models, one to a page, from Sägebock (Saw-horse) to the Kran in Fig.2. Of these 8 were carried forward into the 1948 Leaflet and

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the others are quite simple models, a Music Stand for instance. But they do include 3 wheeled models, two 2-wheel Barrows and the Wagen above.

Returning to the OSN 40 piece, in case it wasn't made clear there, the front of the 1948 Model Sheet is shown left.

Finally Kottbusser Ufer, the street in KW's address, is now Paul-Linke-Ufer. It is little more than 1km from Harzer Straße, STABIL's home.

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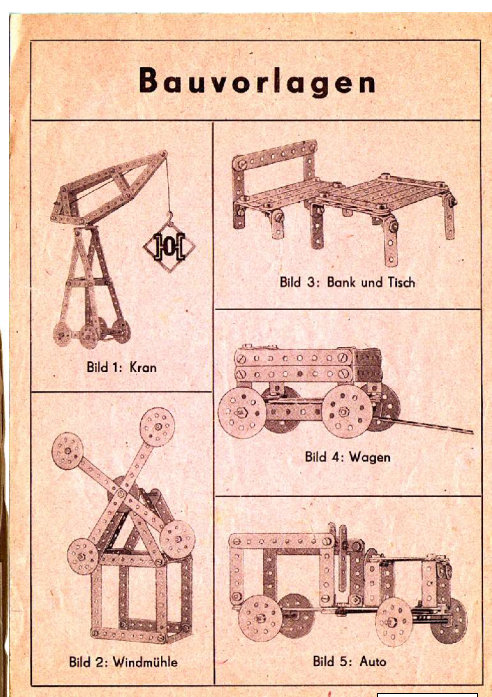
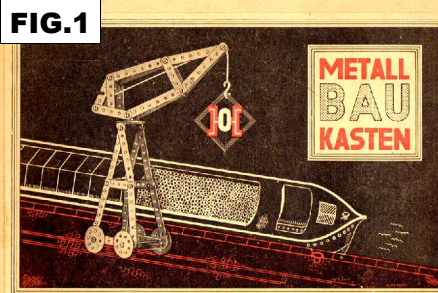
'New' System: METALL BAUKASTEN H O.

Thanks to Urs Flammer and Jürgen Kahlfeldt some details of this small German, system, possibly from the DDR. The box, right & below, measures 227*161*23mm. Perhaps the load on the Crane indicates that the Set is a Nr.0, or more likely it is a logo based on 'H O' – if so does anyone recognise it?

The parts are made of aluminium with 4.5mm holes at 12.0mm pitch, and the thread is M4.

The 11 parts are: Strips 2,3,5, & 8h; an A/B; 1*3*1h & 1*5*1h DAS; an 8-hole Wheel Disc; a Screwed Rod about 7cm long; a large hex Nut; and a long roundheaded Bolt with a reduced diameter smooth end.

The Model Leaflet in Fig.3 is printed on one side only.



The unusual Bolt points to a period soon after WW2 when it was no doubt the best of what was available.

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