

# 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.

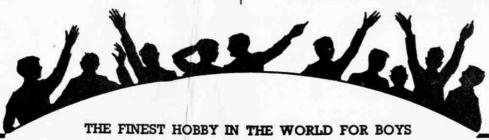
Clubs founded and established under the guidance of the Guild Secretary provide Meccano boys with opportunities of enjoying to the utmost the fun of model-building. Each has its Leader, Secretary, Treasurer and other officials. With the exception of the Leader, all the officials are boys, and as far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

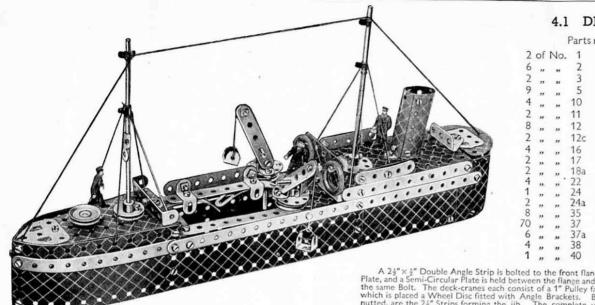
#### MECCANO SERVICE

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.





#### 4.1 DREDGER

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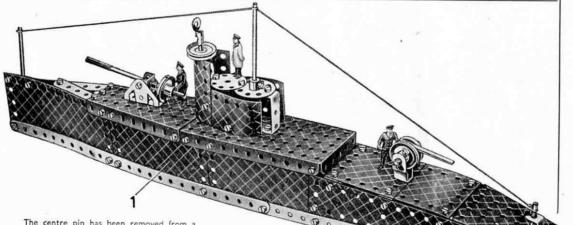
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A  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip is bolted to the front flange of the  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate, and a Semi-Circular Plate is held between the flange and the Double Angle Strip by the same Bolt. The deck-cranes each consist of a 1" Pulley fastened to a 2" Rod, above which is placed a Wheel Disc fitted with Angle Brackets. Bolted to these, and lock-nutted, are the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips forming the jib. The complete units are held in place by Spring Clips. The rear Formed Slotted Strip of the hopper bridge is fastened to the front of the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times 1\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate by an Obtuse Angle Bracket.

#### 4.2 SUBMARINE

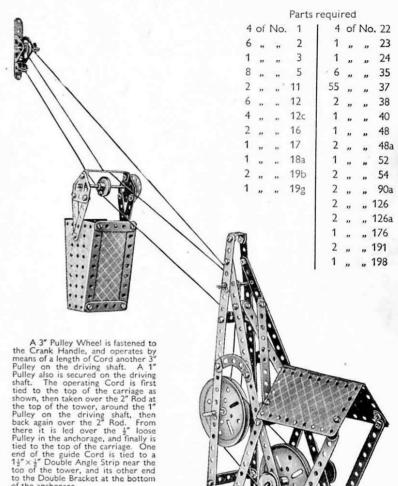
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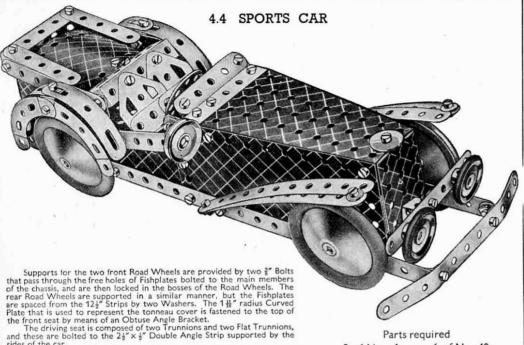


The centre pin has been removed from a Hinged Flat Plate, and the halves used as at 1 to form part of each side of the hull. The third Bolt from the stern in the  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Strip holds a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times$   $\frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip that spaces the sides of the model. Flat Trunnions are used to fill in the space between the flange of the rear Flanged Sector Plate and the  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips. The Rod forming the periscope passes through a Reversed Angle Bracket bolted to the Wheel Disc, then through the  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times$   $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate, and is held in position by a Spring Clip. held in position by a Spring Clip.

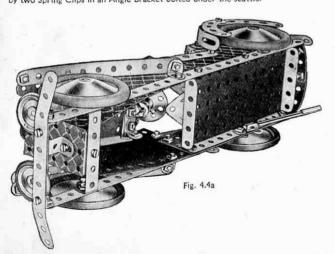
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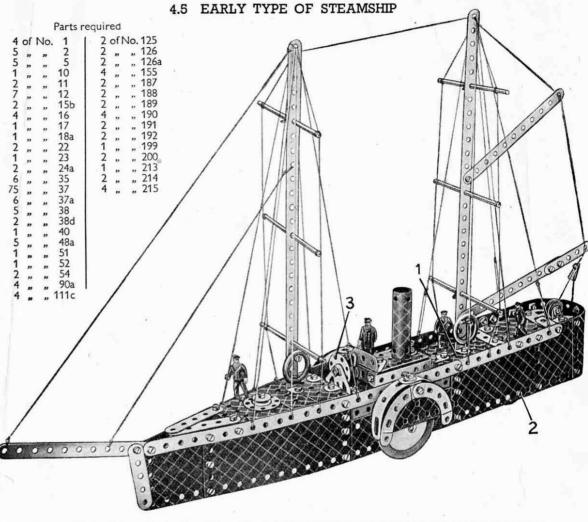


The steering wheel is a Bush Wheel lastened to a 1" Rod that is secured by two Spring Clips in an Angle Bracket bolted under the scuttle.



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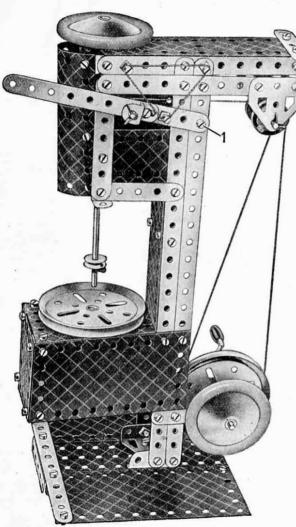
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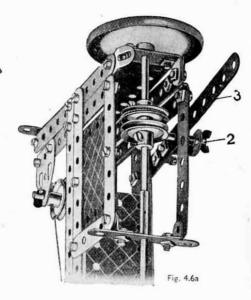


The foredeck consists of a Flanged Sector Plate boited to the 12½" Strips that are placed along the sides of the deck. A 5½" x 2½" Flanged Plate is used for the central portion of the deck and to the rear end of this a Flanged Sector Plate 1 is fastened by a Fishplate. A 2½" x ½" Double Angle Strip is bolted across the Flanged Sector Plate and to the sides of the vessel. Two 2½" x 1½" Flexible Plates, overlapped one hole, are bolted to the rear end of the Flanged Sector Plate.

The vessel runs on Road Wheels mounted on a compound rod consisting of a 1½" and a 2" Rod joined by a Rod Connector, which is journalled in the sides of the hull as shown, and also on 1" Pulleys fitted with Rubber Rings supported inside the hull on ½" Bolts, one of which is shown at 2. The Bolts 2 pass through holes in the Flexible Plates forming the sides of the ship and are locked in the bosses of the Pulleys. A Wheel Disc 3 is lock-nutted to a Trunnion to form the wheel.

#### 4.6 DRILLING MACHINE



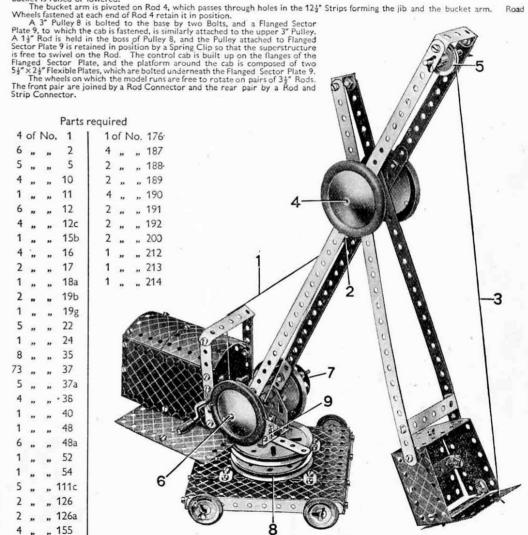


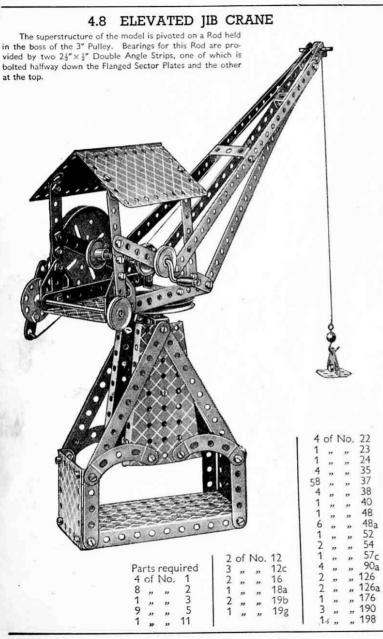
The height of the drill is controlled by the lever 3 (Fig. 4.6a). A 2" Rod 2, passed through a hole in the Strip 3 and through a hole in a Reversed Angle Bracket bolted to the Strip, engages between two 1" fast Pulleys on the shaft of the drill. A Driving Band, which is arranged as shown, holds the lever at its maximum height. The Bolt 1 is lock-nutted. The drill table is held in position by a #" Bolt, that passes through the Flanged Sector Plate and is then locked in the boss of the

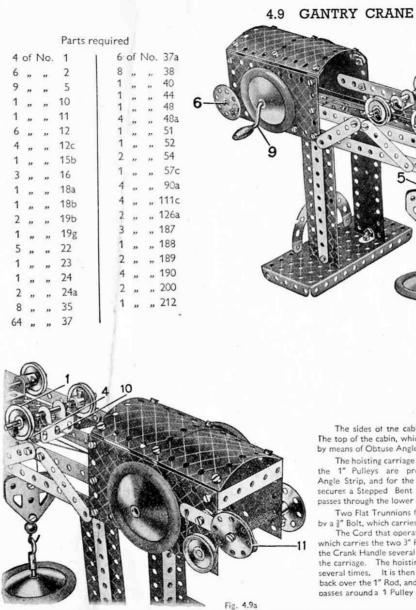
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#### 4.7 GIANT EXCAVATOR

The Cord 1 is fastened to a Crank Handle journalled in holes in the sides of the cab, and after passing round the  $2\frac{1}{2}^{\alpha} \times \frac{1}{2}^{\alpha}$  Double Angle Strip above the cabin is tied to the jib at 2. This Cord controls the luffing movement of the jib. The Cord 3 is tied to the bucket and is passed over the 1" Pulley 5 and then wound round Rod 6. By turning the handle on the Bush Wheel 7 the bucket is raised or lowered.







The sides of the cabin each consist of two  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flexible Plates overlapped one hole. The top of the cabin, which consists of two  $1\frac{1}{4}$ " radius Curved Plates 1, is attached to the sides by means of Obtuse Angle Brackets at each corner as shown.

The hoisting carriage is a  $2\frac{1}{2}^m \times 1\frac{1}{2}^m$  Flanged Plate 7. Bearings for one of the  $3\frac{1}{2}^m$  Rods carrying the 1" Pulleys are provided by the holes in the turned up ends of a  $1\frac{1}{2}^m \times \frac{1}{2}^m$  Double Angle Strip, and for the other Rod by the holes in a Double Bracket. The Bolt 1 (Fig. 4.9a) secures a Stepped Bent Strip 4 vertically to the underside of the Flanged Plate 7. A 1" Rod passes through the lower holes of the Stepped Bent Strip and is held in position by Spring Clips-

Two Flat Trunnions form the pulley block. They are fastened together at their wide ends by a 3" Bolt, which carries a 3" loose Pulley 5 on its shank between the two Flat Trunnions.

The Cord that operates the hoisting carriage 7 is tied at 10. It is then passed round Rod 3, which carries the two 3" Pulleys, and is taken to the Crank Handle 9. The Cord is wound round the Crank Handle several times to enable it to grip the shaft, and finally is tied to the rear end of the carriage. The hoisting cord is tied to Rod 6 fitted with a Bush Wheel, and wound round it several times. It is then taken over the 1" Rod held in the Stepped Bent Strip 4, round Pulley 5, back over the 1" Rod, and tied at 2. Strip 11 is "he lever of a band brake, the cord of which passes around a 1 Pulley on Rod 6.

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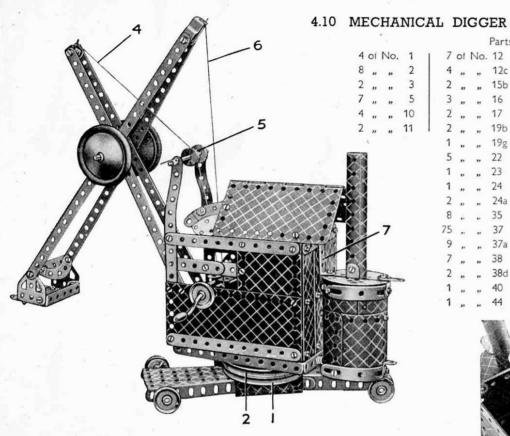
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The bogie is constructed from two Flanged Sector Plates, the flanges of which are connected by two  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips. A gap of  $\frac{1}{2}$ " is left between the ends of the Plates. A 3" Pulley 1 is then bolted boss downwards, to the Flanged Sector Plates by two  $\frac{1}{4}$ " Bolts.

A 2" Rod is locked in the boss of Pulley 1, and on it is placed Pulley 2, boss upward. The base of the cab (Fig. 4.10a) is a  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " ×  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate, which rests on Pulley 2 and is retained on the 2" Rod

by a Road Wheel 3.

The construction of the cab is clear from the illustrations. The boiler comprises a cylinder built up from two  $1\frac{1}{8}$ " radius Curved Plates, a  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " ×  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flexible Plate, and two  $5\frac{1}{3}$ "×  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " Flexible Plates. The edges of the cylinder are strengthened with Formed Slotted Strips. Semi-Circular Plates are attached to the top of the boiler by a  $2\frac{1}{2}$  " $\times$   $\frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip. The chimney is a  $4\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times$   $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flexible Plate rolled into a tube and fixed in place by a Double Bracket. The boiler is fastened to the back of the cab by a 1½" x ½" Double Angle Strip 7 at the top, and by a 2 Bolt at the bottom, where it is spaced from the

13" × 3" Double Angle Strip / at the top, and by a 3" Bolt at the bottom, where it is spaced from the cab by three Washers.

The Cord 4 is taken over the 3" Pulley 5 and tied to the Double Bracket at the top of the jib, and the other end is wound around a 34" Rod, journalled in the side of the cab and a Reversed Angle Bracket.

A Bush Wheel is attached to the end of the 3½" Rod. The ½" Pulley 5 is clamped loosely between the two 3" Washers by two Spring Clips to form a deep-grooved pulley.

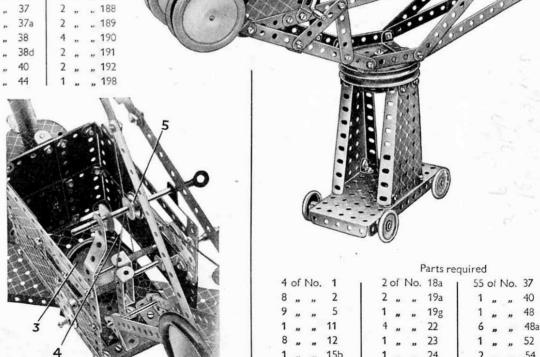
The Cord 6 is wound around the Crank Handle and is tied to the Stepped Bent Strip at the top of

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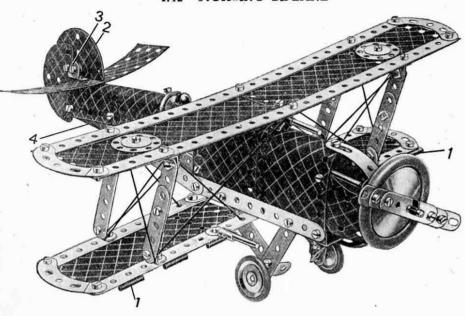
#### 4.11 HAMMERHEAD CRANE

The jib of the crane is bolted to the upper 3" Pulley, and the lower 3" Pulley is bolted to two  $2\sharp''\times \frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strips fastened to the narrow ends of the Flanged Sector Plates. A  $1\sharp''$  Rod is secured in the boss of the upper Pulley, but is free to rotate in the boss of the lower Pulley. A Bush Wheel fastened to the lower end of the Rod retains the jib in place.

The four Road Wheels are fastened to a 4" Rod that passes through the holes of two Flat Trunnions bolted to the 2½" small radius Curved Strips.

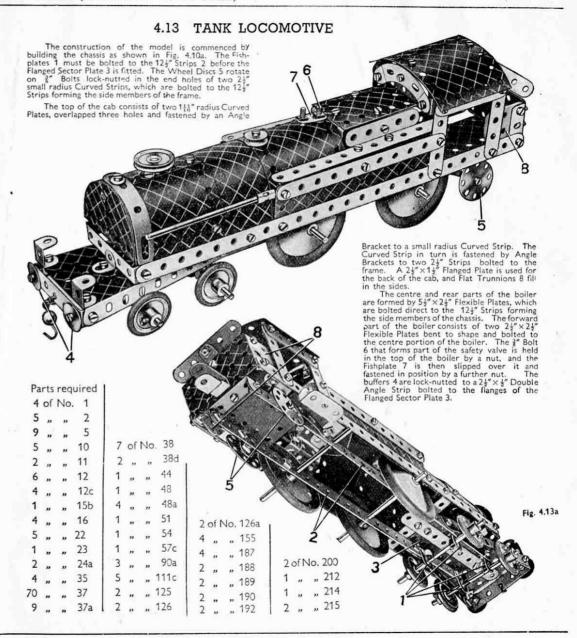


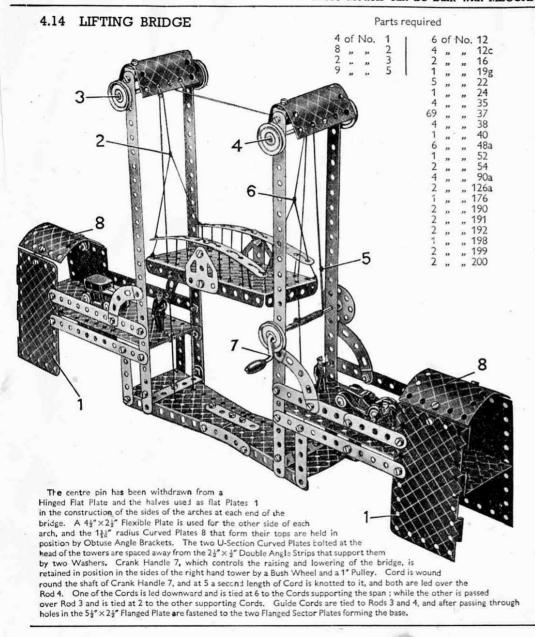
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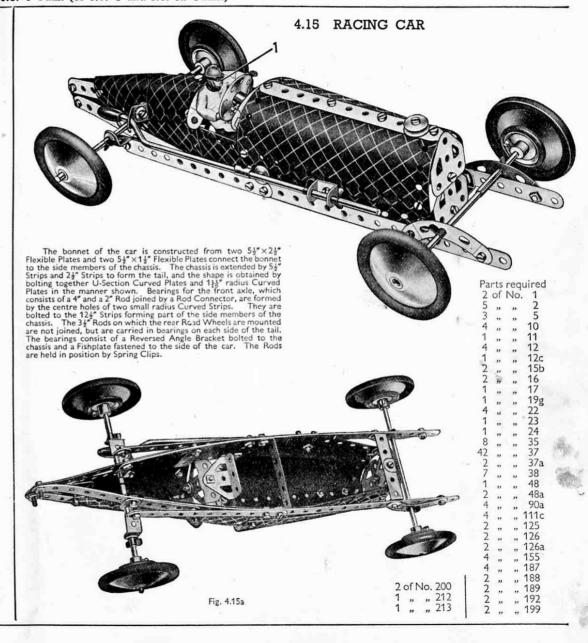


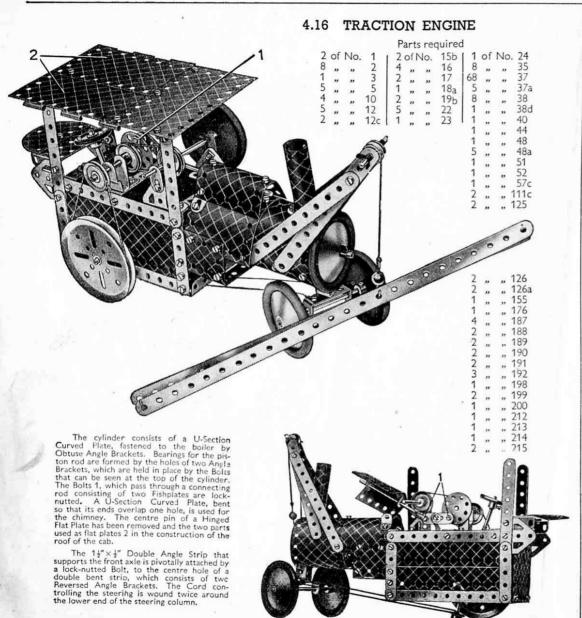
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The two 3" Formed Slotted Strips that can be seen in the illustration, one forming the top and one the underside of the nose of the plane, are joined end to end by a Bolt through their slotted holes. The Bolt holds also a Reversed Angle Bracket inside the nose, and an Obtuse Angle Bracket, which is outside the nose. The 3½" Rod that forms the propeller shaft passes through the free hole of the Obtuse Angle Bracket, through the unoccupied part of the slots in the 3" Formed Slotted Strips, and through the hole of the Reversed Angle Bracket. The Rod is held in position by Spring Clips. The Centre pin of a Hinged Flat Plate has been withdrawn, and the two parts used as flat plates 1, to form part of the lower wing. The Semi-Circular Plate 2 is fastened to the fuselage by means of a Double Bracket 3, and is spaced from the inside of the Bracket by three Washers. Flat Trunnions are used for the sides of the cockpit. The 1" fast Pulleys forming the front and the back of the cockpit are each fastened by a Bolt passing through the top of the U-Section Curved Plates and into the tapped hole of the boss.

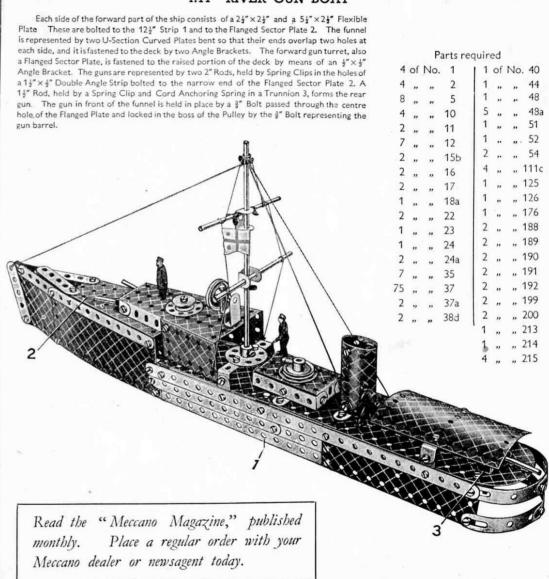


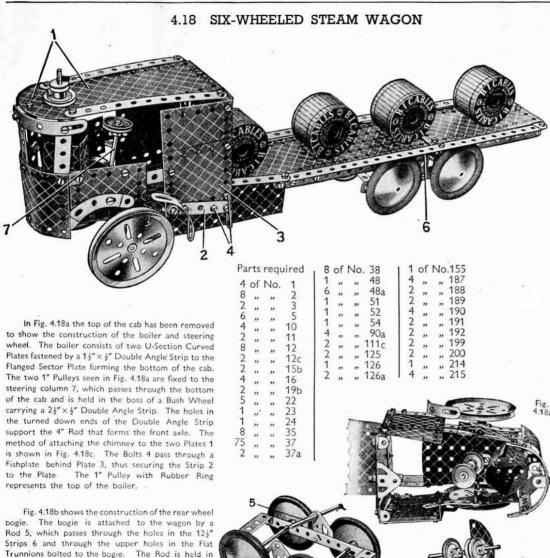




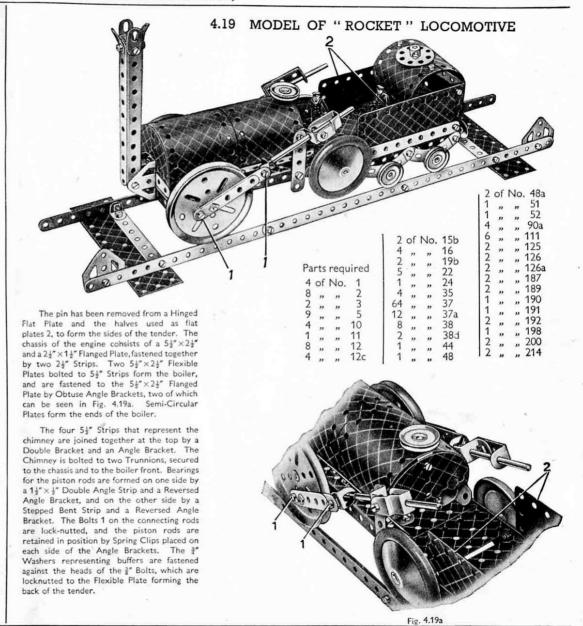


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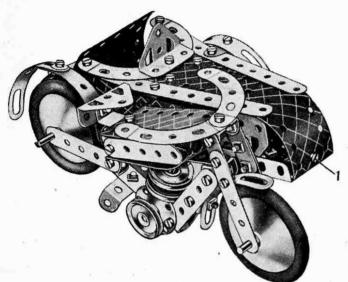




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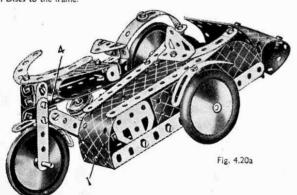


#### 4.20 MOTOR CYCLE AND SIDECAR



The  $5\frac{1}{2}^n \times 1\frac{1}{2}^n$  Flexible Plate that forms the front of the sidecar is bolted at 1 to a  $2\frac{1}{2}^n \times \frac{1}{2}^n$  Double Angle Strip, which is fastened by Bolt 2 to the  $4\frac{1}{2}^n$  Flanged Sector Plate forming the bottom of the sidecar. The Bolts 3 pass through the Flexible Plates and also through a  $2\frac{1}{2}^n \times \frac{1}{2}^n$  Double Angle Strip.

The engine cylinder consists of two 1" Pulleys mounted on a 2" Rod, one end of which is journalled in the Strip 4 that forms the top of the frame. The other end of the Rod is held between the two Bolts that fasten the Wheel Discs to the frame.



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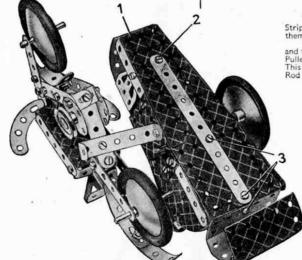
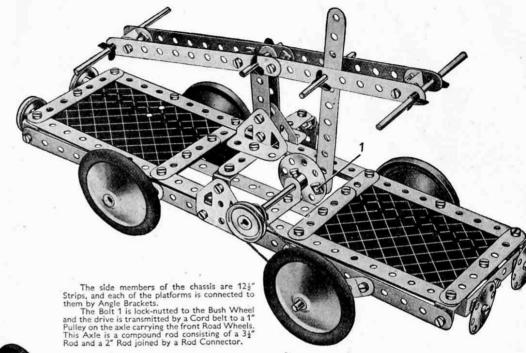
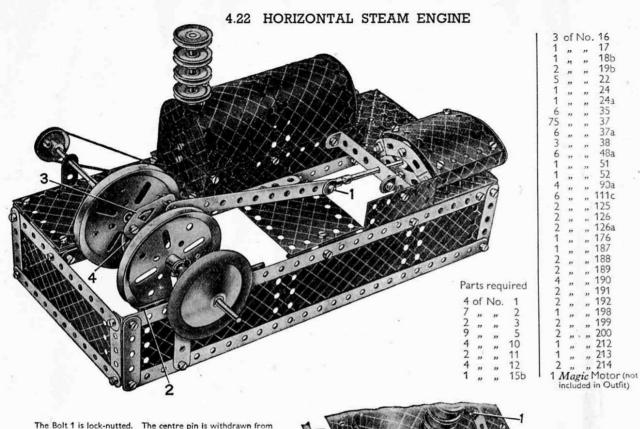


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#### 4.21 HAND TROLLEY CAR

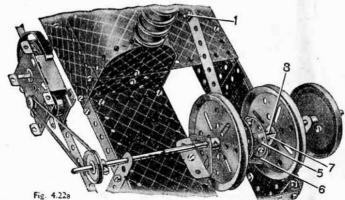


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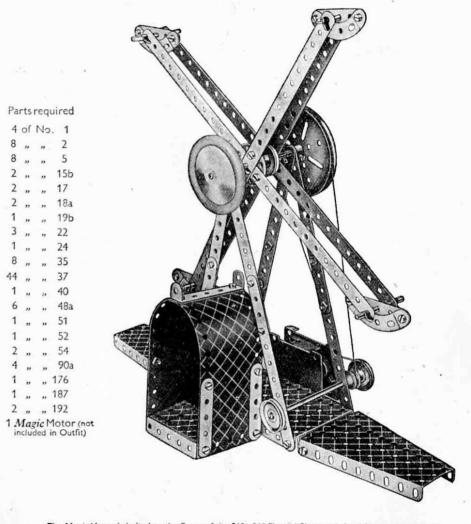


The Bolt 1 is lock-nutted. The centre pin is withdrawn from a Hinged Flat Plate and the two halves used as flat plates at 2. The Flat Trunnion 3 is bolted to Bush Wheel 4 and forms one web of the crank. The Bush Wheel is fastened to a 2" Rod, which carries also a 3" Pulley, and a Rod Connector joins this Rod to a 3½" Rod that transmits the drive from the Magic Motor. The other web of the crank is made by bolting a Wheel Disc 5 to a Flat Trunnion 6, one of the bolts holding also a Reversed Angle Bracket 7. A Spring Clip 8 is fixed in position so that when the crankshaft is rotated the Rod on which the 3" Pulley and the Road Wheel are fastened is rotated by the Reversed Angle Bracket 7. The cylinder is composed of two 1½" radius Curved Plates and two U-Section Curved Plates bolted together as shown, and the complete unit is fastened in position to the 5½" × 2½" Flanged Plate that forms the base.

The boiler consists of two 5½" × 2½" Flexible Plates bolted to 5½" × 1½" Flexible Plates, and its ends are closed by Semi-circular Plates and 2½" × 1½" Flexible Plates. The fire-box door is represented by a Trunnion. The chimney is a 4" Rod fitted with 1" Pulleys, and is held in place by a Cord Anchoring Spring. Fig. 4.22a shows the arrangement for driving the model with a Magic Motor.



#### 4.23 FLYBOATS



The Magic Motor is bolted to the flange of the 5!"  $\times 2$ !" Flanged Plate, and the drive is taken from the pulley of the Motor to a 1" Pulley fastened on a Rod journalled in the 12!" Strips that support the main shaft. A  $\frac{1}{2}$ " fast Pulley also is secured on this Rod, and drives through a belt of Cord a 3" Pulley on the main shaft. The arms that support the boats are bolted to a Bush Wheel fastened on the main shaft. Each of the boats consists of a 21" Strip and a 21" small radius Curved Strip bolted together.

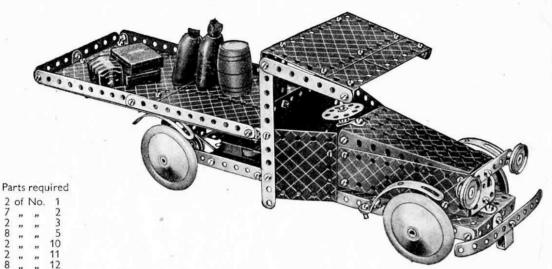
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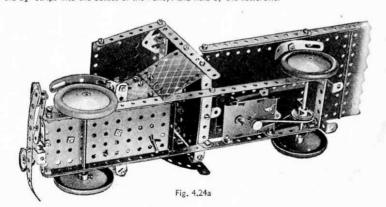
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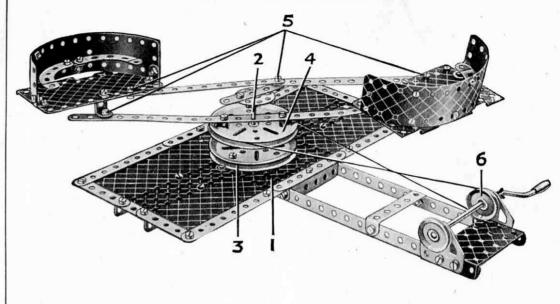
#### 4.24 MOTOR LORRY



The chassis of the model consists of two 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips bolted to a  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate and secured at their free ends by a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip. Both the front and rear axles are journalled directly in the chassis. The Magic Motor is attached by its flanges to one of the  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips, and the drive is taken through a Driving Band from the pulley of the Motor to a 1" fast Pulley fastened on the back axle of the lorry. The platform is fixed to the end of the chassis by two  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strips, the ends of which can be seen in Fig. 4.24, and also to the back of the cab by a  $1\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip. The front bumper consists of a  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " Strip curved to shape and fastened by a Stepped Bent Strip to the  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate forming the front of the chassis. The head-lamps, which are 1" Pulleys, are fixed in place by  $\frac{3}{8}$ " Bolts pushed through the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips into the bosses of the Pulleys and held by the setscrews.



#### " WHIP" ROUNDABOUT



#### Parts required

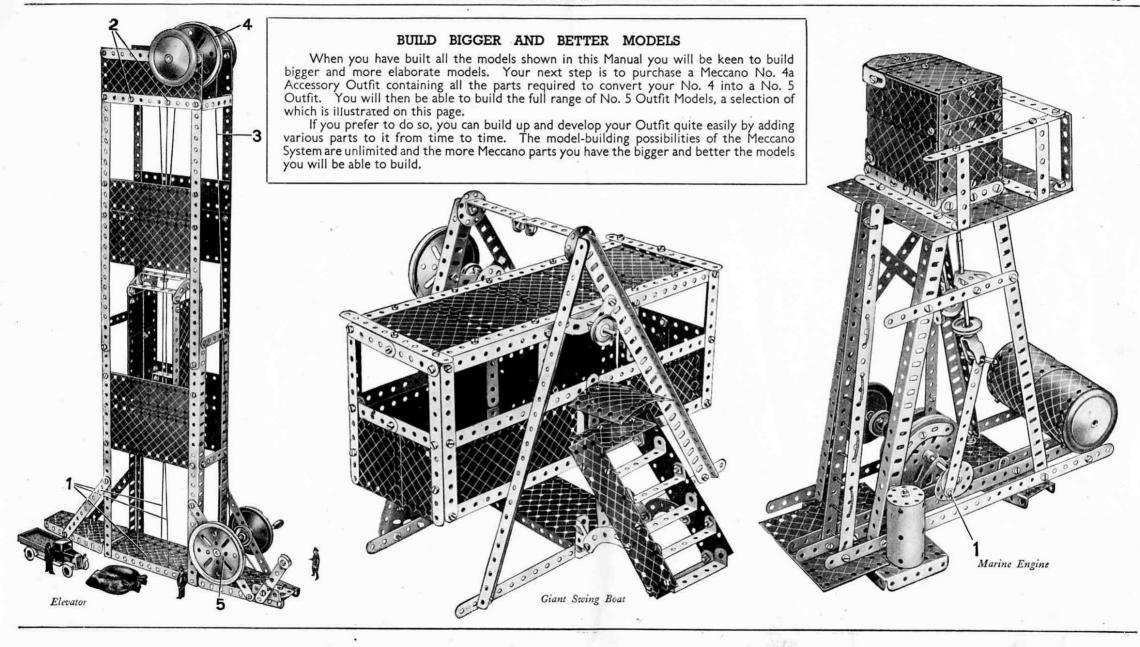
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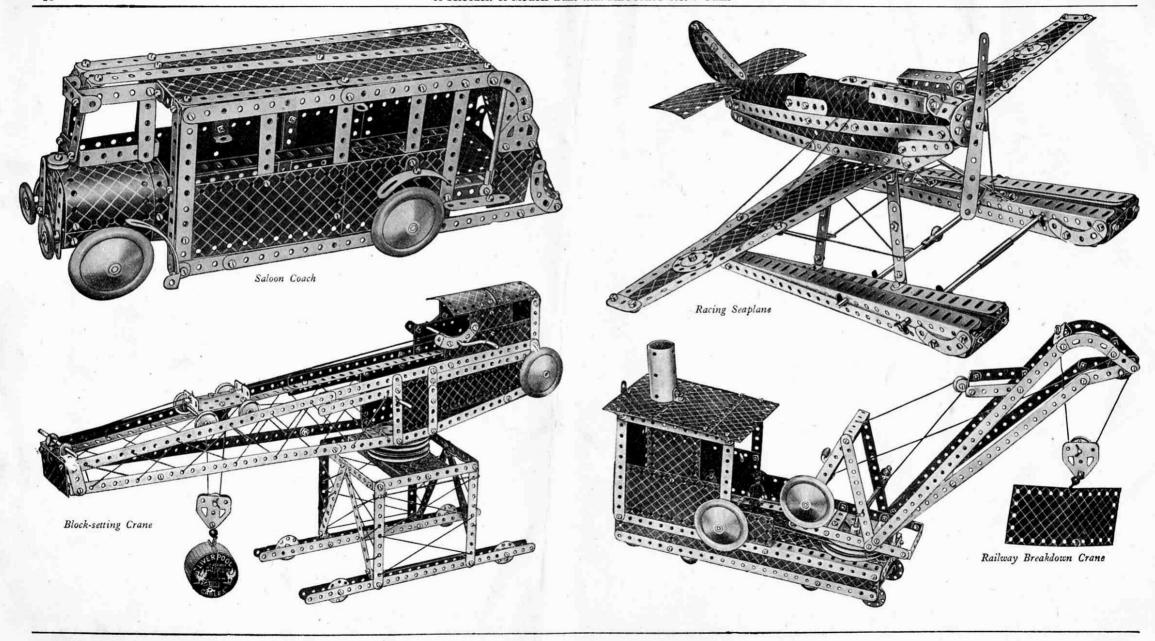
The base of the model is formed by a 5½" × 2½" Flanged Plate 1 extended on each side by a Flanged Sector Plate, a 5½" x 2½" and a 4½" x 2½" Flexible Plate. The edges of the base are strengthened with Strips. Two 121" Strips are bolted to the flanges of Plate 1 and their ends are connected by a 24"×14" Flanged Plate. Two Flat Trunnions provide bearings for a small Crank Handle.

A 3" Pulley 3 is bolted to Flanged Plate 1 and in its boss is fixed a 2" Rod 2. A second 3" Pulley 4 is spaced from Pulley 3 by a Spring Clip and is free to turn on Rod 2. Across its face is bolted a 121 Strip, the Strip being spaced from the Pulley by a Spring Clip and two Washers placed on the shank of each securing Bolt.

A Bush Wheel fitted with a 21 Strip is secured on Rod 2 in the position shown, the end of the Strip being connected to the cars by 51" Strips. All the Bolts 5 are lock-nutted.

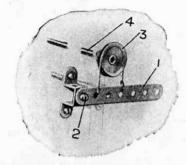
The 1" Pulley 6 mounted on the Crank Handle, drives Pulley 4 through a belt of Cord.





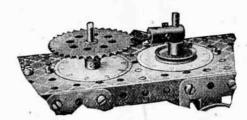
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#### STRAP AND LEVER BRAKE



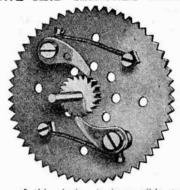
This device will be found very useful as a quick emergency handbrake. Although it is the simplest of such devices, it is also one of the most valuable and can be used in a great variety of models.

#### 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.

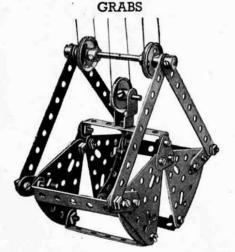
#### PAWL AND RATCHET MOVEMENT



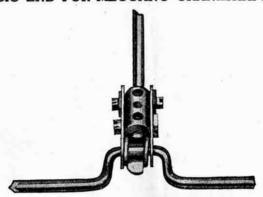
By means of this device it is possible to construct certain types of automatic brakes and free wheels.

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

#### BIG END FOR MECCANO CRANKSHAFT

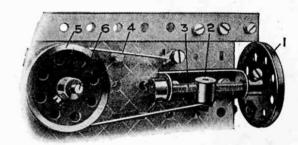


Here is a typical example of the many kinds of grab that can be constructed from Meccano. If the grab is fitted to a model crane ship-coaler, all its movements can be controlled from an operating box built into the frame of the model. The outer sides of the jaws may be filled in with cardboard and the 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  $1\frac{\pi}{2}$  Strip, and these are connected together by means of a Coupling. A  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  Bolt passes completely through the two  $1\frac{\pi}{2}$  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.

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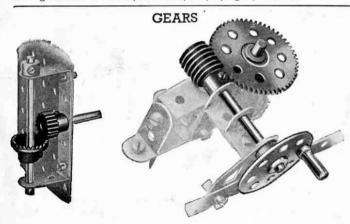
#### WORM AND PINION BEARING



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  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " 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.

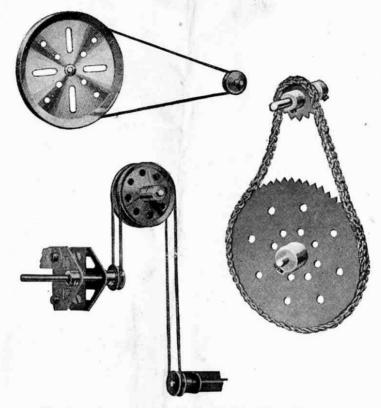
A feature of this bearing that should not be overlooked is that the useful gear ratio of 25:1 is provided by employing a  $\frac{3}{4}$  Pinion.



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.

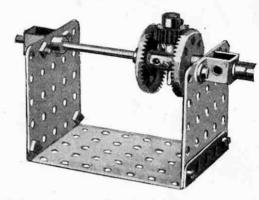
#### BELT AND CHAIN DRIVES



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.

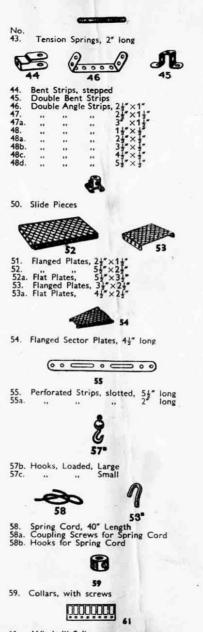
The device illustrated is designed to provide a gear ratio between two shafts mounted in direct line with one another. Its chief merit lies in the compactness of its construction and lack of external bearings.

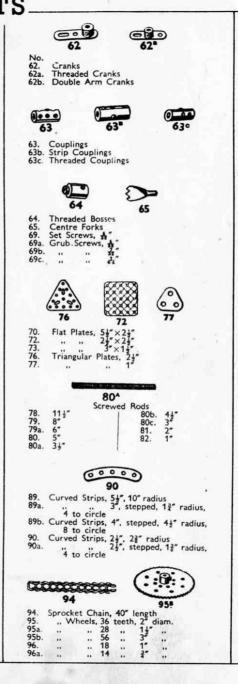
#### STEERING GEARS

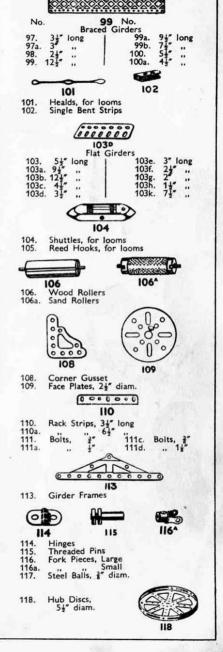


The various types of steering mechanism commonly in use on vehicles of all descriptions can readily be reproduced with Meccano.

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







## MECCANO PARTS

120°

No. 120b. Compression Springs, &" long



122

122. Miniature Loaded Sacks



125

123. Cone Pulleys, 1½", 1" and ¾" diam.
124. Reversed Angle Brackets, 1"
125.



126

26. Trunnions

126a. Flat Trunnions



128

127. Bell Cranks 128. Bell Cranks, with Boss



129. Toothed Segments, 1½" radius





130a

130. Eccentrics, Triple Throw, ‡", \$" and ±" 130a Eccentrics, Single Throw, ‡"





131. Dredger Buckets 132. Flywheels, 2‡" diam.



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33. Corner Brackets, 14"



...No. 134. Crank Shafts, 1" stroke





136A

136. Handrail Supports
136a. Handrail Couplings
137. Wheel Flanges



138a. Ships' Funnels



139. Flanged Brackets (right) 139a ... (left)



140. Universal Couplings





142. Rubber Rings (to fit 3" diam. rims)
142a. Motor Tyres (to fit 2" diam. rims)
142b. " " 3" "
142c. " " 1" "



143. Circular Girders, 54" diam.



No. 144. Dog Clutches





145. Circular Strips, 7‡" diam. overall 146. "Plates, 6" ...



147. Pawls, with Pivot Bolt and Nuts 147a. Pawls

147b. Pivot Bolts with 2 Nuts 147c. Pawls without boss 148. Ratchet Wheels



151. Pulley Blocks, Single Sheave 152. Two "Three "



154a. Corner Angle Brackets, ½\*
(right-hand)
154b. Corner Angle Brackets, ½\*
(left-hand)
155. Rubber Rings (for 1\* Pulleys)



157. Fans, 2" diam.





60. Channel Bearings, 1½"×1"×1
61. Girder Brackets, 2"×1"×½"



No.
162. Boilers, complete, 5" long × 2 ½" diam.
162a. ... Ends, 2 ½" diam. × ½in.
162b. ... without ends, 4½" long × 2 ½"
diam.
163. Sleeve Pieces, 1½" long × ½" diam.
164. Chimney Adaptors, ½" diam. × ½"





165. Swivel Bearings 166. End " 167b. Flanged Ring, 9%" diam



168. Ball Bearings, 4" diam.
168a. "Races, flanged discs, 3\frac{1}{2}" diam.
168b. ", toothed , 4" diam.
168c. "Cages, 3\frac{1}{2}" diam., complete with



171. Socket Couplings



175. Flexible Coupling Units



176. Anchoring Springs for Cord



179. Rod Sockets
180. Gear Rings, 3½" diam. (133 ext. teeth, 95 int.)





No. 185

Steering Wheels, 12" diam.

186. Driving Bands, 24" (Light)

1866. " 10" (Heavy)

1866. " 15" "

1866. " 25" "

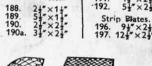
187. Road Wheels, 24" diam.

187. Conical Disc, 14" diam.



Flexible Plates.

197 191. 44"×24" 192. 54"×24" Strip Blaces







198 Hinged Flat Plates, 4½" × 2½"
199. Curved Plates, U-Section
2½" × 2½" × ½" gadius
200. 2½" × 2½" × ½" radius



211a. Helical Gear 1" (Can only be 211b. " 11 used together



212. Rod and Strip Connectors 213. Rod Connectors



214. Semi-Circular Plates 2½" 215 Formed Slotted Strips 3"



216

216 Cylinders, 24" long, 14" diam.