

Snippet. 'New' German System:

EXACT The Ebay photos here are from a lot of 2 sets, nominally identical, with the lid right. Under the name top left inside the lid (Fig.3) are building instructions for set 'Nr.1', the only visible indication of set size, and that there might be other sets, actual or envisaged. At the bottom, below a photo of the set, is a name, Jircik, or possibly Jiscik, the maker no doubt, with an address in Einhausen (Hessen), a town 15km east of Worms. It was said in the Ebay ad that this outfit was produced c1950 ad by a company which normally made wooden toys. The words under Jircik start with 'Metall- und Holz' (wood) but the next



FIG.1

word is indecipherable.

The parts are shown in the panel at the top of Fig.3 and most can be seen in the open box (Fig.2). They comprise: 3,4,5,7,9,11,21h Strips; 1*1 & 2*2 A/Bs; 1*2,3,5,7*1h DAS; a 3h deep D/B; a flat Hook; a short & a long Bolt; a Nut; 4h & 2h Ø Pulley Discs; 2 Tyres; a Spanner, Screwdriver, & Hank of Cord (red, to the left of the righthand small box). Other possibly parts are a 2h Strip & a D/B. The item under the Spanner in the box might be a pair of pliers.



FIG.2

inside the lid there look to be 4 & 6 pairs of 4h & 2h Ø Pulley Discs, with 4 Tyres of each size, but both sets have many extra Tyres in them. The parts between the small parts boxes in Fig.2 should be just the Screwdriver below, and the Cord above, the Spanner.

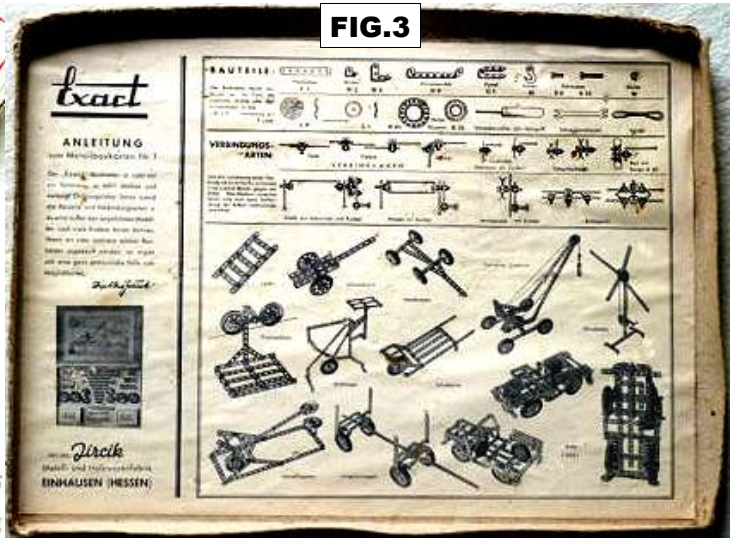


FIG.3

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Snippet. 'New' System: WESO 2 identical sets were offered on Marktplaats. The photos show one of them & the small pieces from the other. Also parts of a large model leaflet – its depth is about twice that of the lid. The name of the company is across the top of one side: Weso K.G. of Köln. A foundry company of that name, which dates from pre-WW2, still exists, but if it did produce WESO its address has changed, and is now in Gladenbach, a town some 125km east of Köln. Judging by the blatant misuse of the 'MECCANO' name on the lid, WESO was produced soon after WW2. The rubber stamp on the bottom of Fig.4 would be that of the Rotterdam shop which sold the set.



FIG.1

are some Wheels, or more likely Pulleys, & the small parts. Some at least of the the Connectors in Fig.3 have KLIPTIKO style spring ends, and no doubt the parts simply clipped/pushed together. The distribution of

Apart from the Tubes the only other parts that can be seen

FIG.2

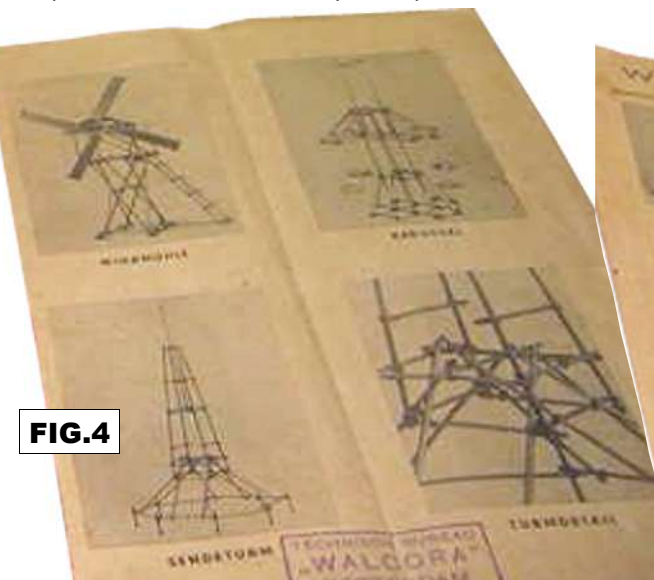


FIG.4

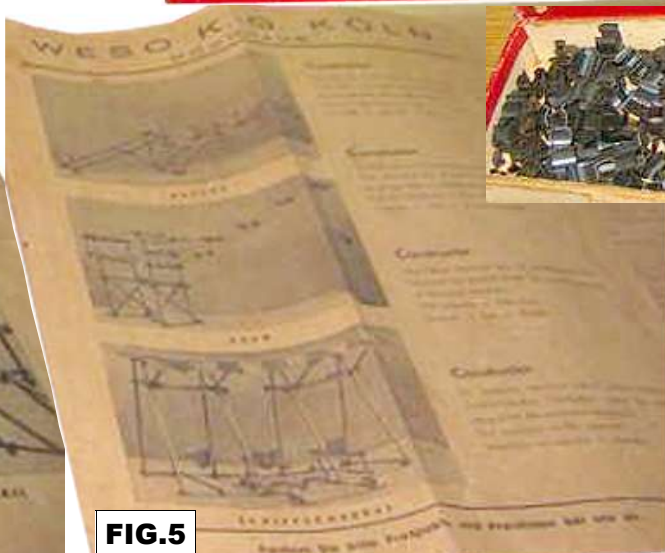


FIG.5



FIG.3

the Tubes between the two sets is uneven with appreciably fewer of the longer parts in the set shown here but no Wheels in the other.

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