



Fig.11

against 29cm. The instructions, for 8 models, in black & red, are inside the lid. The box size is 35\*21½cm.

**Set 000** has no Small Wings and no Floats. The instructions, again inside the lid, are for 3 model (the Centre Wing Struts are included in the Set so a parasol wing model is possible). Jacques has one of these sets and its box is 30.7\*17.8\*3.7cm.

**Set 0** It would be strange if there was not a Set 0 at the time and it ought logically to be the 00 with a Motor, though no indication has been found that there was a Motor in the Type 2 era. Or possibly the old No.0 was simply continued alongside the new sets.

**TYPE 2 LETTERED SETS** With the change to lettered sets the 000 became Set A and the 00, Set B. And as Set C was a Classic set there were presumably only two Baby outfits. The only box seen, a Set A, is light brown and was said to measure 37½\*21½cm.

**TYPE 2 DOUBLE-DIGIT NUMBERED SETS** When numbered sets were reintroduced A & B became 10 & 11 respectively with the same parts, instructions, and colour scheme, except that the nose of the Fuselage was painted red, as in the Fig.9 model. The No.10 box measures 34½\*21½cm.

### The MULTI-ENGINED OUTFIT

The Set was called Pilote d'Essais (Test Pilot) and it has a single layer of parts in a red box about 51\*35cm. The featured model (right) is: Avion type Boeing 'La Forteresse Volante' (The Flying Fortress). The label, below, has photos of 3 of the stars (Clark Gable, Myrna Loy, Spencer Tracy) who appeared in the MGM film Test Pilot. Said film was released in America in April 1938 and was probably shown in France in the summer of that year. But the name Flying Fortress was first used for the B-17 during WW2 and so it is unlikely that the Set was prewar. Perhaps the film was rereleased after the war. There is '1 Jan 1957' written in the top left corner of the inside of the lid (Fig.17). The '15' in the bottom right corner of the lid is thought to be the set number – it isn't on all the lids seen but



Fig.12

NOMENCLATURE DES PIÈCES			
401 d	Aile droite.	410	Tige entretoise.
401 g	— gauche.	411	Capot moteur supérieur.
402	Flasque droite.	412	— inférieur.
402 b	— gauche.	413	— Avant.
403 d	Stabilisateur droite.	414	Hélice.
403 g	— gauche.	415	Atterrisseur.
404	Dérive.	416	Bec-entretoise.
405	Nez de Fuselage.	417	Ressort.
406	Capot Fuselage Supérieur.	418	Roue.
406 b	— inférieur.	419	Béquille.
407	Cabine avant.	420	Mât d'antenne.
408	Pare-brise.	421	Colerette.
409	Cabine arrière.		

Fig.13



Fig.14

it looks to be a label and so may have been prone to fall off.

Fig.13 is a list of the parts in the Set as given in the Instructions and the major ones can be seen in the open box above (one Wheel is missing), and in the model below. Assembly of the models is mostly as would be expected but unusual or unexplained points are noted in the following list of the parts (as in Fig.13 but with my English names). **#401d,g Wings**, handed and flanged to bolt to the fuselage; **#402,b Fuselage Sides**, handed; **#403d,g Tailplanes**, handed and flanged at each end to bolt to the fuselage & to the Fins; **#404 Fin** (handed in the sets and models seen by virtue of



Fig.15

the flashes on their outside faces); **#405 Fuselage Nose**, in Fig.14 it is the transparent part (yellow in other sets) between the lower pair of Engine Cowlings. I think it pushes onto the front of the fuselage and is held under the head of the Bolt on either side of the front of the fuselage; **#406,b Forward Fuselage, Top & Bottom**; **#407 Mid Fuselage Top**; **#408 Windscreen**, is between the inner Propellers in Fig.14, and is probably held by the Bolt each side under the first side window; **#409 Rear Fuselage Top**; (The Fuselage parts are in the top row in Fig.14

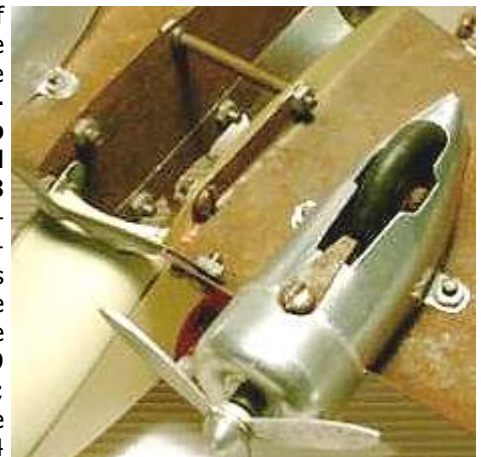


Fig.16