

Tin Train Accessories

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2 Introduction

My train collection consists mostly of rolling stock (locomotives, coaches and wagons). I found occasionally in a tin train set I bought some accessories such as a tunnel or a semaphore. I also found long ago some Kibri and Marklin stations which were a real bargain. On closer inspection, I seem to have a reasonable number of train accessories, most tin, but also some in other materials. This "catalog" presents that part of my collection in an eclectic classification. Much information about these accessories, I could find on the informative but messy website: http://www.historytoy.com/.

Most accessories, not only from my collection, come from Germany. The accessories that I describe are the things that you find around the track. The rails and turnouts, rail itself, are not included here, but things like semaphores, turntables and buffers are.

Dimensions in this catalog are length x width x height in centimeters. The mentioned track widths are 00 / H0 (16.5 mm), 0 (32 mm), S (22.5 mm) and 1 (45 mm). For this type of accessories scale in relation to track is however not that important.

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3 Stations and stops

Tin stations for toy trains are made since the end of the nineteenth century. The stations from the early days were hand painted and looked like palaces. The stations from my collection are not as old, generally from the period 1930 to 1960, and are also not so costly. These stations sometimes have fine details in lithography.

3.1 German stations

3.1.1 Bing stations

The German firm GBN, Gebrüder Bing Nurnberg or simply Bing has made many stations in the period up to around 1933. This station with dimensions 27 * 13 * 15 is from about 1915 and probably made for the English market.



The platform side is slightly less boring than the streetside; This station is however more faithfully than nice.



Clearly visible the GBN marking.



The station has no name and no advertising or other indications.

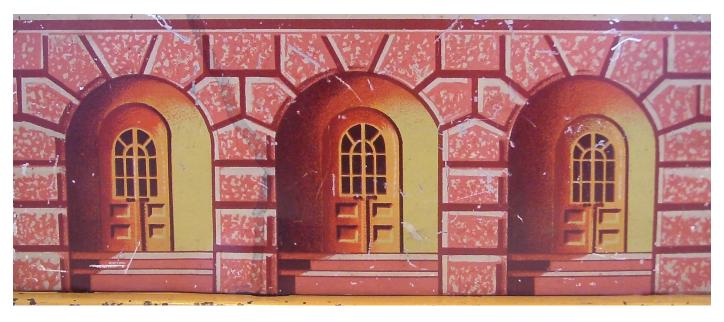
The next station is one of the oldest train accessories from my collection. The station is from around 1905.



This is the platform side, the sign says Bahnhof so it must be a station.



Lithography has nice depth, here we see the street side.



This is reminiscent of the Place des Vosges (Paris).

This small station is part of the Bing Tisch Bahn. Tisch Bahn (Table trainset) was released by Bing in the twenties and was based on the track that later became known as H0.



The platform is very high!



The street-side is not very accessible



Although the accompanying train has a US appearance this station has English billboards



3.1.2 BUB station

The next BUB station is from the fifties and is available as an accessory for BUB S gauge (1: 64, gauge 22,5 mm).



On the platform side a (slightly crooked) canopy and stations attributes like departure state, bench, scales



On the street side a mailbox and beer advertising; without a clock, it may be a house with store.



The marking is evident through a billboard of BUB.

3.1.3 Distler station

This station is from Distler from about 1938. Why this station is not called Bahnhof I do not know; Advertising and sign are further German. The telegraph pole on the roof gives it a distinctive look. The dimensions are 36 * 12 * 18, Distler made both track in 0 and 00 gauge; This station would suit both.



On the platform side two non-original doors are pasted; the original opening doors are gone.



The lithographed entrance shows true perspective; the type of locomotive I do not recognize



In the base are two holes where lampposts or semaphores have been.

3.1.4 Fischer station

This station has an advertisement printed on the side with a fish (trademark Fischer) and underneath the text "Toys are the best". Modesty Fischer did not have; Firma Heinrich Fischer & Co., Nürnberg existed from 1908 until sometime in the thirties and made all kinds of tin toys including not much train stuff. This small station with semaphore (24 * 6 * 10 (without semaphore)) might have been made for the English market.





3.1.5 HWN stations

A Heinrich Wimmer Nurnberg (HWN) station labeled "Made in Western Germany" with catalog number: 0/52/61 (33 110). Station with terrace and "Trink-Halle" (bar). The dimensions are 45 * 12 * 10.5.



platform side



street side



terrace



Trink-Halle

Another HWN station, almost the same size (3 cm shorter) in a slightly different style, perhaps intended for HO gauge.



platform side, left a terrace, right a newsstand.



Street side



The posters on the side of the kiosk advertise for far traveling.

The third HWN station is a station for a large city, though it is not so large (35 * 14 * 19). It is marked Made in US Zone Germany and is from the fifties.



Platform side



Street side



The color of the base plate is very remarkable, but still original.



The HWN marking is evident. The same station model also comes in a simpler lithography in shades of green and beige.

3.1.6 Kibri stations

The German company Kibri made many stations; Most postwar Kibri in typical style with red roofs and beige stucco walls.

Station Baden Baden has markings Kibri Made in US Zone Germany and is therefore made shortly after the war. It's not that big but is apparently still intended for gauge 0.



The platform side is given attention including Ladies and Gents toilets.



The street side is fairly boring



This Kibri station with dimensions (26 * 11 * 16) is marked as Made in West Germany and from the fifties; it is designed for H0; The matching platform can be found in section 4.1



The platform side has a clock that can be adjusted; Also at this station the street side is a bit boring;



The next station is almost the same size (28 * 14 * 11.5), but without the tower, but is 0 Gauge.

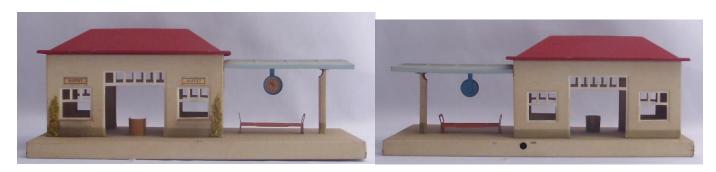


The door shows that this is intended for gauge 0. Kibri stations often have dull back- or side street.



Hanging flower box is a nice touch

The next small station (25 * 10.5 * 10) with platform is could be used for track 0, but is, according to the catalog for Kibri track H0.





No flower pots but ivy on the wall.

One of the larger Kibri stations (a58 * 18 * 22), the largest Kibri station looks the same, but additionally has a bell tower at the right side. This station is for gauge 0. The roof of the tower was missing and I made a replacement of cardboard.



The floral decoration is exuberant; flower pots in the windows of the first floor, hanging flower pots under the awning and flower stands at the entrance platform.



The street side is (again) boring.



The circular buffet is a remarkable detail



The newspapers are not sold out.

Kibri also made a number of stations with a working clock. These had to be wind up. This station is for H0.



Missing one of the doors of the goods shed; also the markings are gone



Left the back of the movement with the wind up and set button



3.1.7 Kraus Fandor station

This station has no markings and was probably made by Kraus Fandor or perhaps in America by the related firm Dorfan (Dorfan # 425 "Montclair" station). There is also a lithographed earlier version of this station. My version have the doors and windows open and behind the window openings are translucent celluloid windows.



At the centre of the façade has probably been a clock. I suppose this is the platform side.



And this would be the street side. On the roof is the holder of a flagpole; this would be a typical detail for the American market.



The electrical connection is for indoor lighting.

3.1.8 Marklin station

This Marklin station, Bahnhof Friedrichshafen Hafen (35 * 12 * 13), is from 1938 and is for gauge H0. Because it is Marklin, it is probably the most expensive item on this list. Friedrichshafen station nowadays houses the Zeppelin museum.







3.1.9 Schuhmann station

This station is by Adolph Schuhmann from Nuremberg and from the thirties. It no longer looks so beautiful and has lost the roof of the middle part.



Front and back are not very different, but on the street side is an extra railing.





From the street side you can see the steam locomotive on the platform while from the platform through the doorway you see the village or city with mountains in the background. The trademark of Schuhmann is an A and S intertwined and can be seen here.

3.1.10 Unknown station

This station is made in Germany; it has no marking to conclude who created it. It seems to me to come from the fifties.







3.2 English stations

3.2.1 Brimtoy stations

This is a Brimtoy station from the fifties. It has a Brimtoy trademark and marking MADE IN GT BRITAIN.

The lithograph of passengers is strikingly stylish. For such a small station it has many features.



Ticket sales left and right waiting room



Left luggage delivery and refreshments right.



Newsstand left and right information.

The next Brimtoy station is about the same size and layout, but is still less interesting:



Refreshments left; tickets and reservations right.





3.2.2 Brimtoy trainstop

This stop is marked "Made in England" but has no tag; it is assumed that it is a Brimtoy product (see http://www.binnsroad.co.uk/). Hornby made similar stops, but they were always provided with the Hornby marking.



Track side



The back is not intended to be seen!





The right side has a personal scale; left a plate of illegible text.

3.2.3 Hornby stations

This is one of the larger Hornby stations (42 * 15 * 15 cm) that is made in several versions. This is the No station 3 version of circa 1937 with "ramps" (L = 84 cm) on both sides. Marking "Made in England by Hornby Meccano Ltd."



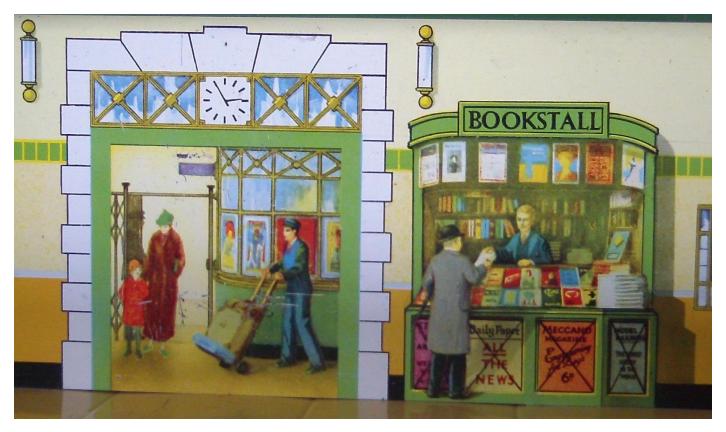
The platform side with bookstore and waiting room.



The street side; Dogs are not allowed inside.



On the side fire extinguishing material and a Meccano ad.





Lithography is beautifully detailed!

Hornby also made stations for gauge 00 (scale 1:76). These Hornby Dublo stations were made of cast aluminum. See the signal boxes chapter for matching a signal box.

The main station is named Crawford.



The platform side with the name Crawford and left and right "ramps"; The station has no further imprint.



Street side



Thirties cinema style.



Below the Hornby Dublo island station; also with two "ramps" and no inscription. Front and back are the same.







3.2.4 Trix station

English Trix, also known as TTR for Trix Twin Railways, introduced at the end of the thirties, the concept of Many Ways Station. This consisted of all kinds of parts, cast parts and include parts of tin plate, with which you could build stations in different configurations.



The street; the canopy and the stairs are loose parts.



The platform side; the platform portion and the ramps are again separate parts; The station has a flat roof made of wood.





The posters on the platforms were added as decal provided by Trix. The barely visible benches on the platform were created by the English toy manufacturer Britains for Trix.



3.3 French stations

3.3.1 CR station

This tiny station with a length of only 16 cm and a height of 9 cm was made by Charles Rossignol.





Nice detail is the mailbox on the side; below the mark CR 6, Rossignol gave many of his products a CR number, a system does not seem to exist in this numbering.

3.3.2 Hornby station and stop

This little French Hornby station and stop of the Series M were made from 1936 to 1962; in England Hornby made similar stations.



Posters for the French tourist towns Bourges and Pau and the inscription Meccano Paris show that this is the French version.



The posters at the station are unreadable.



3.3.3 JdeP station

This station with semaphore is labeled "STATION J. P. de France" and is made by Jouets de Paris (later JEP) in France around 1925/30. Today, the French use the word "Gare" for station, but in the thirties was also used the word "Station".



The platform side has waiting rooms, 1st / 2nd and 3rd class waiting room.



On the street side, the ticket sales and the office of the stationmaster.



Left luggage department; the right seems to be a house (with curtains).

3.3.4 JEP station

This JEP station for track 0 is probably postwar; it was made by JEP up from 1936 to 1964. It is equipped with lights. The style is reminiscent of Alsace.



The platform side has three departments, in the middle of the stationmaster, left luggage and left luggage office.



On the street side entrance right, exit left and in the centre ticket sales.



On the right, a fountain and

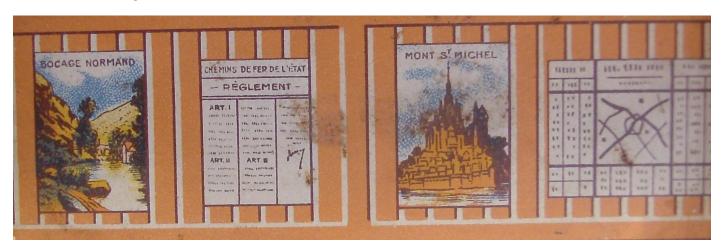
left the restaurant.

3.3.5 JEP trainstop

This trainstop was made by JEP 1930. It has no further markings.



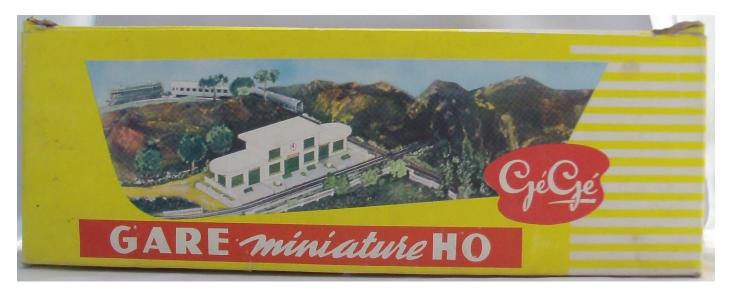
The bench at the front provides a cutout at the back



Holiday poster for Bocage Normand and Mont St Michel

3.3.6 Plastic stations

Both Jouef as GeGe made in the sixties plastic stations which, unusually, were not sold in kit form but ready made. The GeGe station also has a decorative box, the inside contains a sunny scene reminiscent of holidays.





In exception to most stations is the street side, as seen here, more colourful and with more detail than the platform side



The platform side has a clock which is rotated by 90 degrees!



A flowery whole.

The Jouef station consists of a main building with two identical construction parts.



The platform has two side stairs that go to a railway underpass.





The streetside has flower boxes and stairs to the station level.

3.4 Wooden stations

I have two wooden stations / platforms that are both not made by an amateur DIY, but bear a unreadable trademark. When and by which company these stations are made I do not know.

The first station, but there is more of a platform then a station, has no front and back. The size of the bench suggests that it is intended for more than Gauge 1.



The second station / platform also has no front and back; one of the two sides are two plastic figures (station master and porter). The decoration seems from the sixties.



4 Platforms and Accessories

4.1 Kibri Platform

This platform is part of the station in section 3.1.6. I find it a bit dull.





4.2 Kibri newsstand

This kiosk from the German brand Kibri has already sold its newspapers. The catalog number is 0/63 of 1950/52.





4.3 Bing direction indicator

This tinplate direction indicator has no marking of land or manufacturer; although the city names are Dutch (The Hague, Groningen and Arnhem) I assume this is a Bing product.



4.4 German direction indicator

This tinplate clock with direction indicator has no marking of land or manufacturer; based on the spelling of place names, I assume that it is a German product.



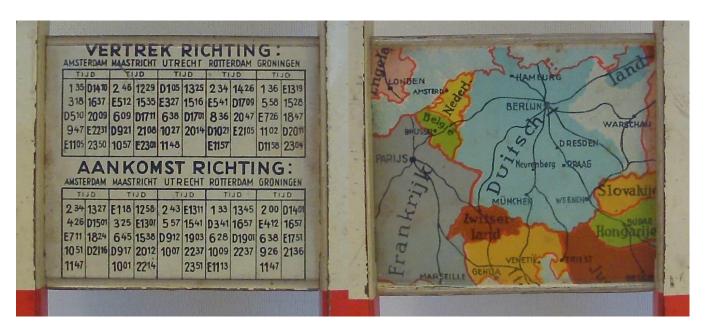
The sixth place names are left Zurich, Paris and Rome and Amsterdam, London and Berlin right.

4.5 Kibri direction indicator

This direction pointer has no marking but is known to be from Kibri. It is made for the Dutch market.



Trains in the direction of Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Maastricht, Utrecht, Groningen and Oldenzaal leave here, it should be in The Hague?



The departure and arrival times can be read well; The map gives a distinct European division, this seems to reflect the period of 1939 to 1942.

5 Goods station and warehouses

5.1 Bing goods station

This Bing freight station with the dimensions 27 * 8 * 9 also exists in a different version (different lithography). It is from around 1930.



The front has a sliding door with a handle which can be opened and a two-dimensional crane with shadow.



On the back the Bing marking is visible.



5.2 CR goods crane

This small goods crane is made by Rossignol.

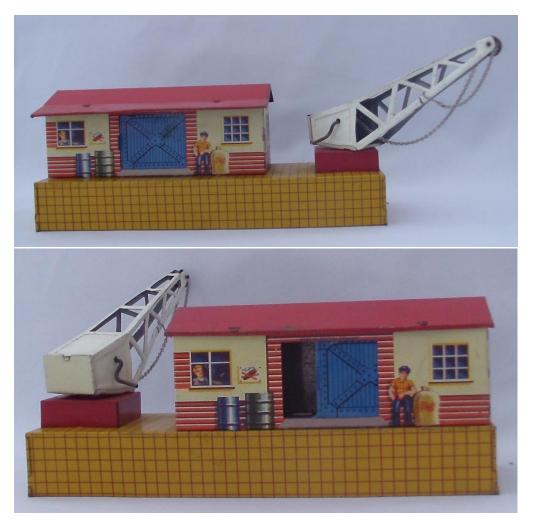


As mentioned before; Rossignol gave many of his products a CR number, a system does not exist in these numbers, this crane is CR 24.



5.3 HWN warehouse

These small goods shed with crane is marked HWN (Heinrich Wimmer Nurnberg) and therefore from Germany; it is intended for gauge H0.



The sliding doors can be opened. The bag state the trade mark HWN.



On the cabinet it says "Careful Glass".

5.4 Kibri warehouses

The goods shed with crane has a marking Kibri Germany and is before WW2. The dimensions are 22 * 9 * 12.



Voor en achterkant zijn gelijk.



This Kibri goods shed is H0 gauge. He's in the postwar Kibri style.





6 Signal towers, semaphores and transformer houses

6.1 Brimtoy signal tower

This small English signal box with semaphore was created by Brimtoy in the fifties.



6.2 Fischer signal tower

This signal box from Fischer with the barely legible inscription Victoriabox was made in Germany for the English market. This copy is in a rather bad state.



6.3 Hornby signal towers

This large and high English railway signal box for 0 gauge (18 * 9 * 19) is made by Hornby. This is the No 2 Signal Cabin in postwar version of 1949-1954.



Although otherwise in good condition faded colors appear on the back



Hornby Dublo cast aluminum signal box for 00 railway from the fifties. See also the Hornby Dublo stations in the same modern style.





6.4 Hornby France signal tower

Hornby France had a large number of wooden stations that were delivered as simple kit of hardboard. Also this signal box Poste No 2 has this construction.





The back is boring, but

if you look from the front to the inside it shows a track plan on the back wall!

6.5 JEP signal tower

This large and high signal box (18 * 9 * 19) is made by JEP.



I always thought that Paris was the other way, not so



The entrance states: Defense d'entrée, Danger de Mort. For a transformer house normal but strange for a signal box.

6.6 Lone Star signal tower

This small signal box belongs to the Lone Star "floor Train" (with a scale of 2 mm on the foot which is approximately 1: 150 is). By comparison, a Trix track 00 signal box, see 6.8, in addition to the Lone Star signal box.



The Lone Star signal box consists of one molded part.



6.7 Mettoy signal tower

A small signal box from the English firm Mettoy.



The front and rear and the two sides are equal. The staircase is only lithography.

6.8 Trix signal tower

The English Trix (see 3.2.4) enclosed signal box with whistle; the bottom of the signal box is a tiny electrical device (it does not sound like a whistle). The signal box is of tinplate but has a nylon roof that is somewhat distorted by the age.





Under the stairs is the connection for the whistle.

6.9 JEP transformer houses

The French company JEP has made two versions of transformers in transformer houses; the largest (ref 551) was 40 watts, the smaller (ref 548) 25 Watt



The front with control knob; The large version has an indicator light.



At the back the fixed wiring to the mains on the one hand and on the other the railroad.

This is a small housing for Hornby France transformer 110 volts with the dimensions 9 * 6 * 11 cm. It is composed of two small Hornby M signal boxes On the door: Defense d'entrée, Danger de Mort (no entry, danger of death). And yet it was childrens toys.

6.10 Hornby transformer house

Dit is een klein Hornby France trafohuis voor 110 Volt met de maten 9*6*11 cm. Het is samengesteld uit 2 kleine Hornby M seinhuisjes.







6.11 All sorts of semaphores

First of all, a JEP pole which indicates the maximum speed (in this case 30 kilometers per hour). The ladder suggests that it should suggest a pole with oil lamp.



The pole is attached to the rail, and when there is current on the rail, the light is on.

Lionel semaphore with lights; This semaphore is electro-mechanically and can be controlled remotely.



Below double semaphore of the English brand Chad Valley; The pole is only 18 cm high, but is nevertheless intended for gauge 0. The Chad Valley 0 trains are fairly small. This pole is catalogue number 10 129 and is made from 1952 to 1954 (before then Chad Valley made the same pole with wood).



Hornby has a great number of different semaphores; Here there are three, left in red (unsafe) and right in green (safe).



The left post with open grid is pre-war, the two right poles are post-war, the right pole is fixed on a non-Hornby foot.

Below semaphores are, as far as I can tell, mostly German makes. They have no mark; on some it states Germany and one of the poles it states Foreign which means that it was made in Germany for the British market.



The left pole is marked Foreign; The right pole is probably postwar.



The left semaphore is Made in England; the center post was a posh specimen with lighting and a ladder.



The center pole is not complete but seems very old; I suspect that an oil lamp here is missing.

Below a pole for a level crossing with St. Andrew's cross and flashing of the Fulgurex brand; the pole is for H0 and is still in its



original packaging.

7 Crossings, walkways and signal bridges

7.1 BLZ crossing

BLZ is a little known French brand that made a small selection trains and accessories for both 0 if H0 in the fifties. The level crossing is made of wood and tin and does not look factory-made and not really nice.

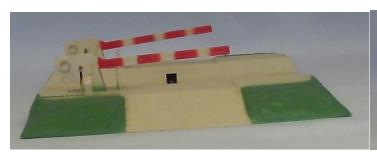


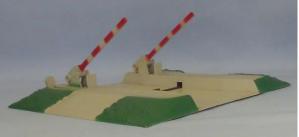


The house contains the level crossing electromechanics for the movement of the barriers.

7.2 Fobbi crossing

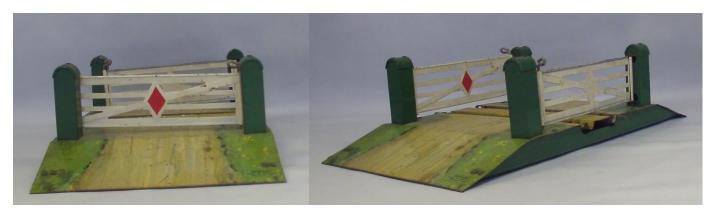
This simple plastic Fobbi level crossing is for H0 and accommodates two parallel tracks. The weight of the train ensures that the barriers move back and forth (up and down they will not really go).



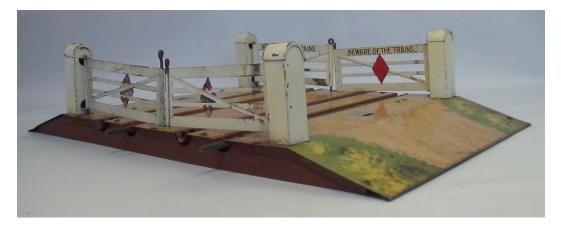


7.3 Hornby crossings

Two tin Hornby railway 0 gauge level crossings for clockwork trains; the first for single track and the second for double track. The gates will open for road and then shut the railroad.







7.4 Hornby Dublo crossing

This crossing is for gauge 00 and as much Hornby Dublo accessories made of cast aluminum.



Left road traffic cannot pass and on the right the train cannot.

7.5 Franse Hornby crossings

Considering the Hornby France crossings, they have no fences but movable barriers. The first crossing is a simple level crossing belonging to the M Series (cheap and simple series of Hornby trains and accessories). The level crossing consists of two separate parts which are each other's mirror.



The next crossing is in the same style, but is larger and has a level crossing guard house

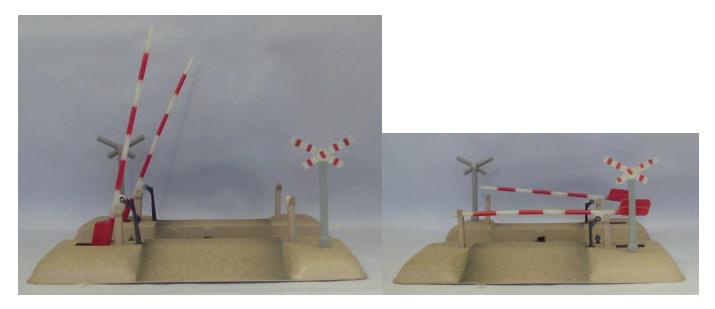




The barriers must be opened manually; also the fences for the footpath can be opened.

7.6 JEP crossings

This postwar JEP crossing is made and by Kibri and marked Kibri Licence. The level crossing seems to me gauge 0 but according to the JEP book for 00. The weight of the train causes the barriers go down.



The following JEP level crossing is electro-mechanically, and can be operated by a passing train. Associated circuit tracks were included. The JEP level crossing seems to be made in large numbers; He is widely available.





The level crossing-house closely resembles the JEP station, see 3.3.4.

7.7 Marx crossing

This level crossing barrier and Andrew's cross are made by the American firm Marx.



7.8 Signal bridges by Ottmar Beckh

These two red signal bridges are made by Ottmar Beckh, Nurnberg, in the fifties. Both have markings Made in Germany; the bridge with three steps also carries the trademark Ottmar Beckh.







7.9 Hornby walkways and signal bridges

This simple Hornby walkway from the M series is an English manufactured goods.



This walkway with signaling is Hornby No one Footbridge made from 1925.



This bridge looks not very pretty because of among other things some rust,



For gauge 00 there is a Hornby Dublo walkway.



The footbridge is based on a standard British Railway design of a concrete walkway.

7.10 Unmarked signal bridges

Many signal bridges have no mark indicating the maker or the country of production. See a few







7.11 Unmarked walkways

Also, many footbridges have no mark indicating the maker or the country of production. See a few different here:



The following unmarked walkway is "foldable".



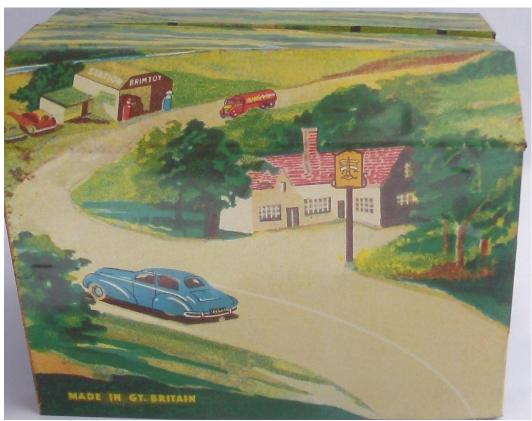
8 Tunnels, bridges, turntables and bufferstops

8.1 Tunnels

8.1.1 Brimtoy tunnel

This tunnel of the English brand Brimtoy is appropriate for smaller o gauge trains.

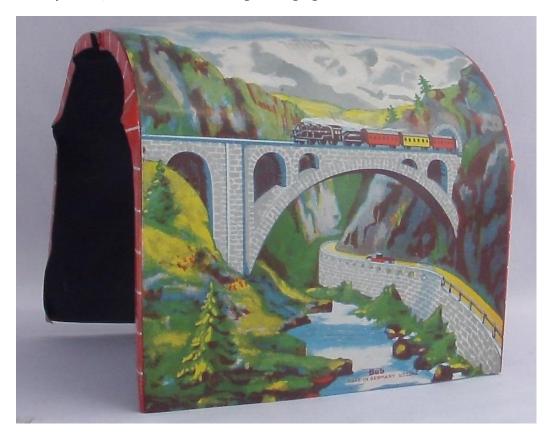


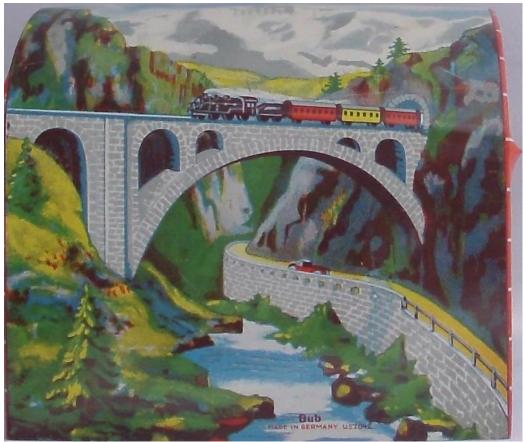


The Brimtoy brand is on the garage; that this is an English landscape can be seen by the beautiful blue sedan that goes left on the road. The country pub looks very cozy.

8.1.2 BUB tunnel

This tunnel of the German brand Bub is a simple folded tin plate the edges "frayed". I assume that this tunnel, which comes from the early fifties (Made in US Zone), is designed for gauge S.



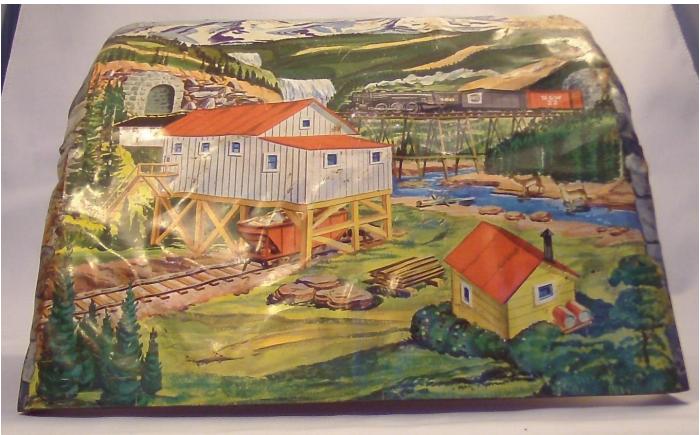


A Swiss or Austrian landscape; who is going along on vacation?

8.1.3 Marx tunnel

This tunnel of the American brand Marx is clearly larger than other Euro tin tunnels from the fifties.





Both sides of the tunnel have the same panorama. The train is typical Marx in my view.

8.2 Bridges

8.2.1 American Flyer bridge

This American Flyer Lines bridge is catalogue number # 750; the roof of the house on the bridge is not original; on the original there is a chimney.



The "bridge keeper's house" on top of the bridge is lit.



An American Flyer S gauge PRR K5 312 Pacific with a caboose go over the bridge.

8.2.2 Bing bridge

This bridge for gauge 0 clockwork trains is made by Bing; on the cross beam is marked Patent G.B. (Gebruder Bing).





8.2.3 Bub bridge

This bridge is also for 0 Gauge clockwork trains and bears no mark. The bridge was built by Bub in Nurnberg at the end of the thirties





That Bub products often were duller is highlighted by this bridge.

8.2.4 Hornby bridge

This bridge is 0 Gauge three-rail electric. On the side is the maker, i.e. Hornby. This bridge (overpass according to Hornby) was also made for wind-up (two rail tracks). The middle bridge portion was also supplied separately. This version is by the period between 1924 and 1927.





8.2.5 Marklin bridge

This bridge is for three-rail Gauge 1 electric trains. He wears no marking but in my opinion made by Marklin.





8.2.6 Mettoy bridge

This bridge with solid gauge 0 clockwork rails is made by Mettoy.





The bridge seems to run on a flowerbed.

8.3 Turntables

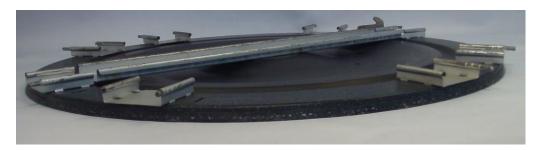
8.3.1 Hornby turntables

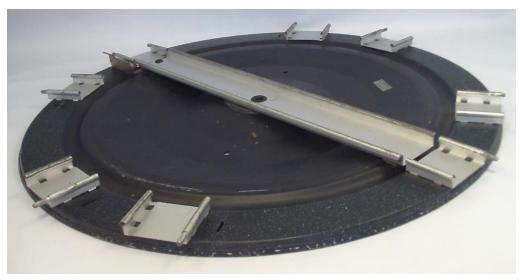
These small Hornby turntable is for the smaller Hornby gauge 0 train (M Series). He is in a rather rusty condition.



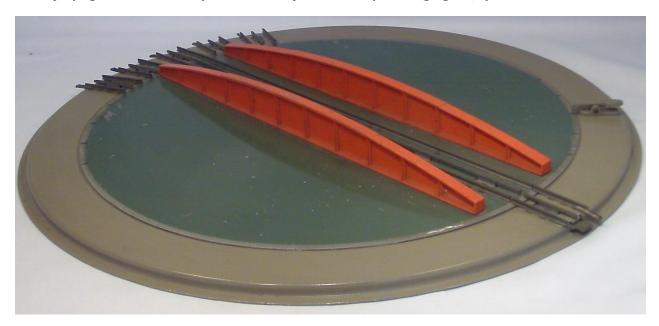


For larger gauge 0 clockwork trains see this turntable.





Accompanying turntable is made by Meccano Liverpool for Hornby Dublo (gauge 00) system.





8.4 Marklin turntable

For smaller Marklin wind up trains this turntable is designed.





8.5 Bufferstops

Most toy train makers also made buffers. First, two of JEP.



The left buffer for H0, right for 0. The gauge 0 version lacks the H Stop which is supposed to sit for the lamp.

Two H0 buffers; Hornby Dublo left and right Marklin.

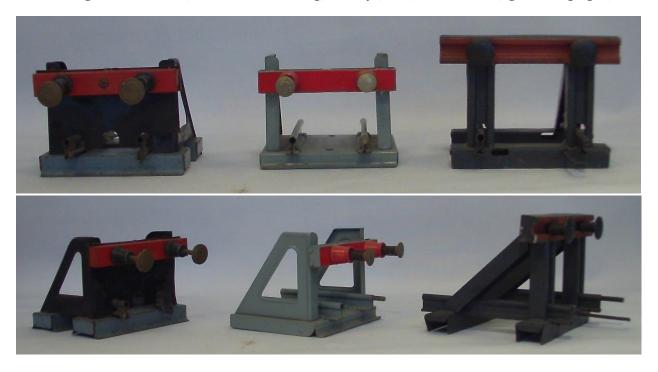


Two large gauge 0 buffers; these two are very similar, the blue of Hornby, the brown-gray Bassett-Lowke.





The following three are of JEP (left, but without marking), Hornby (center) and unknown (right; this is gauge 1).



The last three are a bit messy; the left is marked Germany and looks as though he can have no shock. The middle is a Bing buffer. The right is applicable for multiple gauges; also the buffer width and height can be adjusted on a rickety way.





9 Additional items

9.1 GILS signal and crossing

Quite unique Gils accessories. Here a light signal with ladder and a single crossing barrier for gauge 0. Gils gauge 0 was made between 1945 and 1965.



9.2 JEP everything 1

This is not so much additional but more of everything. This train accessories all came with a JEP trainset.



From left to right: Light Semaphore, semaphore, warning sign (forbidden to cross the rail) bridge, water cock, station, station staff, lamppost, tunnel, telegraph pole.



9.3 JEP everything 2

This is even more of everything. This train accessories all belong to a larger and slightly older JEP train set.



From left to right: Bridge, water cock semaphore, guard house, level crossing bell, station, station staff, lamppost, warning signs (end security), stop, bridge telegraph pole, tunnel.



From left to right: Water Tap, station, station staff, lamppost, guard house telegraph pole.

9.4 Dressler signalman houses

Accompanying signalman houses are made by Konrad Dreßler OHG, Fürth. The same house was made with and without mechanical bell.



without bell



with bell

9.5 Water towers

This is an American Flyer Lines watertowerm I suspect it was created by Bing or otherwise is a faithful copy of the Bing towers; also the American firm Ives made an almost equal water tower.



The water pipe is movable and is kept in place by the counterweight. The water tower is about three quarters full.

The next water tower is Hornby.



By pulling on the chain, a valve is opened and the water flows out.

9.6 Water supply and advertising signs by Hornby Dublo

This water tap and billboards (hoardings) are of Hornby Dublo, so for gauge 00.



The Capstan cigarettes commercials and Bird's custard advertisements are combined in a "hoarding" of which I have thus two.



9.7 Lead railway characters

The German Firma Georg Spenkuch, Nürnberg made all kinds of tin figures, including railroad characters; these were probably made around 1910.



From left to right: traveller, conductor, waiter, porter, stationmaster, shunter, porter with pushcart



9.8 Hornby railway characters

This box is for gauge 0 characters by the French branch Hornby.





9.9 Hornby milkcans

As an accessory to gauge 0 Hornby made milk cans, they were packaged by six with a milk cart. Here they are loaded into a refrigerator car.



The cans seem to me quite large.

9.10 Plasticville shop

Plasticville is from the fifties made as an accessory to American S and 0 trains such as Lionel and American Flyer. As the name says, these things are made of plastic. The Five and Dime store (a kind Hema so) is made from a "kit": 5 parts that you put together.

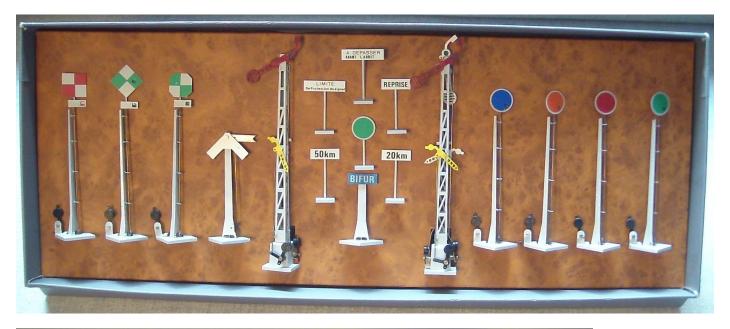






9.11 Fulgurex Marescot accessories

French train manufacturer Marescot is known for making real scale models already in the thirties. The production of Marescot was later acquired by Fournereau. The firm Fulgurex as a reminder of Marescot have issued a set of train accessories in a presentation box made by Alpha Models. This set is a limited edition.





Typical French semaphores.



Bifur means diversion; for which the center pole is I do not know.



9.12 Road signs

Whether this are train accessories, I do not know; these wood poles were sitting in the box with a tinplate train set.

