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Well another election year has come and gone. If your candidate won or lost one thing I heard a lot during the election and all the polls and surveys were how the Baby Boomer generation tended to be more pessimistic and cynical. Yeah, yeah, yeah, not the words they used but the sentiment seemed to be there. If the Generation X, Y or Z think that of us so be it. So we tend to be a bit more critical, distrustful, and cynical. If you grew up in the 50's 60's or 70's maybe you would be too. (Beware RANT on the way - This will get to modeling trust me.)

Besides the wars no one wanted, our older siblings telling us not to trust anyone and be free (do our own thing) and the Cold War, We had people trying to sell us everything under the sun. We were kids! How many of us grew up and were lured by those enticing ads in comic books. Come on now, admit it. Everyone one of us read and traded Comic Books. We loved them. Didn't make a difference if it was Super Hero's, Archie's or Sgt. Slaughter we read them all. Every one of those comics had advertisements in them targeted directly at us.

That's why as kids, every now and then, we'd come across an ad in a comic for something we probably really knew was too good to be true but still thought, "What the heck" and sent off money and waited four to six weeks to get something amazing that would make the rest of our lives whole lot easier. What did we get? Disappointment!

The promise of X-Ray vision, the power to hypnotize or even Kryptonite never seemed to

materialize. Some even went for those fun crown-wearing sea monkeys or massive toy soldiers sets. But you always came away disappointed. We ended up with a pair of glasses with feathers in them, some brine shrimp or crappy two dimensional plastic 1-2 inch soldiers.

But MY all-time favorite had to be the Polaris Sub or Army Tank. We could be the commander of "The most powerful weapon in the world!" That's right! We could command a nuclear threat capable of killing millions of people! The ad stated "Comes with real firing missiles and torpedoes, a real periscope, an electrically lit control panel and is seven feet long!"

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Imagine having all that fun submerging and surfacing and exploring the ocean floor! While becoming one of the world's nuclear powers! All for less than seven bucks! My best friend and neighbor at the time, Kurt, got one. (Kurt's family always let him get everything) What did he get? A cardboard cut-out you put together, rubber band rockets



and torpedoes a cardboard periscope (which did have 2 mirrors), and sunlight reflected panels. Now, we did play in that thing for what seemed all summer and, to two 7-year-olds, it was kind of cool. But boy, was I glad I didn't spend my money. Maybe I tended to be a bit more warped but I didn't expect a submarine play set not meant to be taken out to sea. Screw that. This thing offers "working" Rockets & Torpedoes. With that one statement all bets are off. I couldn't care how it was powered. I fully expected it to submerge and fire freakin' torpedoes. Is that too much to ask? We should be able to fill the thing with food and go on a six-week voyage out to international waters to sink a Russian cruiser.

As for the Tank, I never saw one. But what I expected was a TANK! It said, "Revolving turret with elevating 75mm gun that fires missiles!" They claimed, "You can bet you are using your tremendous firepower to devastate every imaginary enemy in your path" I could image, from what I read, getting a real mobile tank. I fully expected to be crushing the neighborhood bully under my metal machine of death. But, alas, it was more cardboard.

So you think we're cynical? Now you get a glimpse of our youth. Maybe some of this is why we build what we build. I can get that chance I always wanted, to have a TANK and now, in miniature, I can make it the way I would want; the detail I need and camouflage I want. I can build that Tank, Airplane, Nuclear sub, ship, or that high flying rocket or spaceship and remember the dreams of my youth mixed in with the skills I have developed in modeling and just relax and enjoy our hobby.

 **Jeff D**



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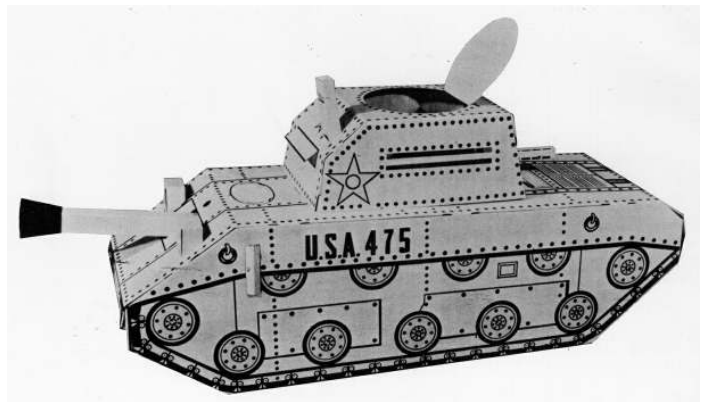
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"Don't mess with a Tanker"
1/35 Academy M1 Abrams & Meng Toyota
by Jim Burton

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1/144 Minicraft SC-54B
by Herb Arnold



1/144 A model C-123K
by Herb Arnold



1/25 AMT White Tractor w Peerless Logger
by John Wilch



1/8 Pili Pili - Female Samurai
by John Thirion



1/12 Solarwind Vampirella
by Randy Hall

meeting models



1/25 '49 Mercury
by John Wilch



1/25 1969 Dodge Charger "General Lee"
by Bob Olson



1/24 Revell 1966 El Camino
by Bob Olson



1/72 Hasegawa P2V-7 Neptune
by Bob Olson



1/72 Minicraft B-17
by Bob Olson

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1/72 Frog Ju88 Testors Fw190 Mistel
by Bob Olson



18 Mule Train in progress
by Terry Falk



Star Trek The Next Generation craft in progress
by Paul Erlendson



1/35 Tamiya StuG III G hybrid in progress
by Brian Geiger



1/35 Dragon Neubau-fahrzeug
by Brian Geiger



1/35 Tamiya M3 Stuart
by Brian Geiger

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1/76 Resicast Flakpanzer I
by Brian Geiger



1/48 AMT/ERTL AD-4W Skyraider
by Brian Geiger



Fujimi 1/24 '85 Porsche 911 Cabriolet
by Brian Geiger



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