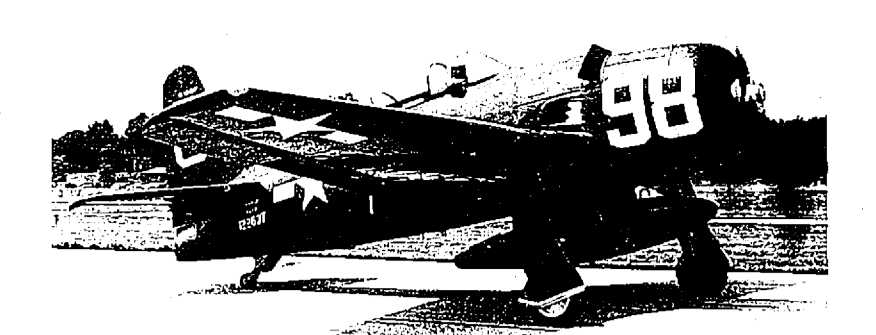
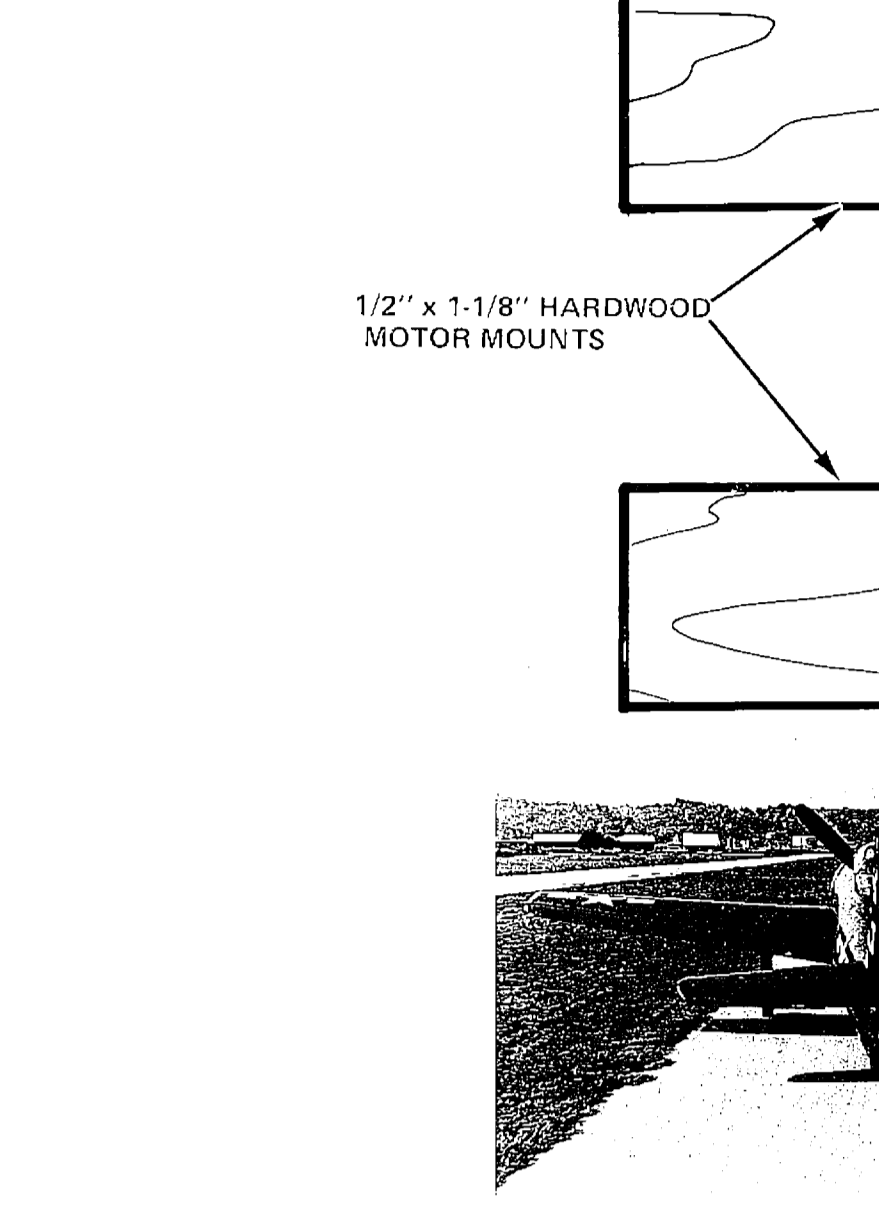


John Gury's F8F-2 Bearcat. Credit is covered by Sea Blue color, Fed. Std. 595 no. 15042. Exterior markings are Glossy Insignia White color, Fed. Std. 595 no. 17875.

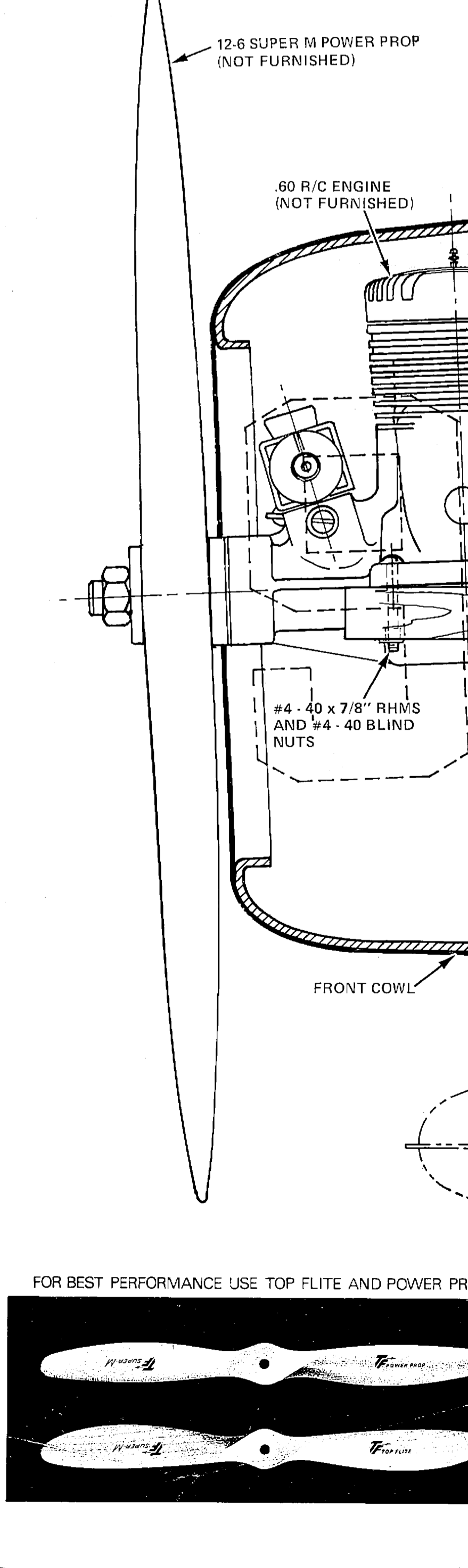


John Gury's F8F-2 Bearcat. The National Insignia on No. 122637 represented the June 1946-Jan. 1947 era.

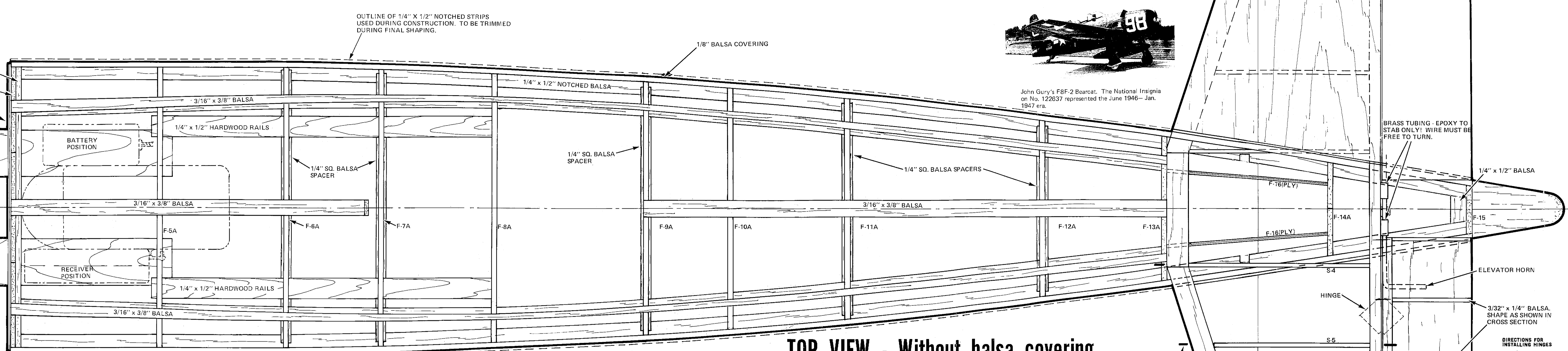


INSTRUCTION AND WARNING SHEET
READ TO SEE PROBLEMS BEFORE THEY HAPPEN!
The failure to read and follow instructions, above or below, may result in serious damage to your model.
1. For correct propeller size and pitch, follow the chart of engine manufacturers or the chart available from dealer of your choice.
2. Install prop with correct pitch and you. Be sure prop is tight and secure. Do not over-tighten for this purpose.
3. When starting engine, hold motor away 100 feet or more and pull on the starting cord. Do not use hands or feet to pull on cord or use "kick-start" device or electric starter. Follow instructions supplied with motor.
4. Keep face and body away from prop as you start and fly engine.
5. Make all adjustments from behind when the prop is in place.
6. To stop engine, cut off fuel supply or follow engine manufacturer's directions. DO NOT use fuel, ether or any part of body. DO NOT throw anything into a running engine.
7. Dislodge any pieces with sticks, scratches, splinters or cracks on any sign of wear or damage. Repair, repair, repair, or send a prop. Normal engine vibration can loosen a prop. Inspect and retighten if necessary.
ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONS
A. Use safety glasses when starting or running engine.
B. Do not run engine in area of loose gravel or sand. Prop may throw such material in face or eye.
C. KEEP AWAY FROM PROPS. Loose clothing, loose hair, or loose objects may fall into or near propeller and cause injury.
D. Make certain glow plug clip or connector is secure so that it will not slip out or otherwise affect the running prop.
E. If a connector is used, be certain its edges do not catch on anything.
ADDITIONAL SPECIAL WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR NYLON PROPELLERS
When props are affected by moisture in the air and will become brittle and break if too dry. Store propeller in moisture bag very carefully from time of manufacture, do as follows:
1. Soak each propeller in water for 30 minutes before first use. Water should cover the entire prop. Do not cover prop. Let prop dry in water until cool.
2. You can add glycerol (GOL) in the water to help retain moisture as prop dries.
3. After use of prop, remove from engine, wrap in moist cloth, paper towel or rag and store in a water tight plastic bag.

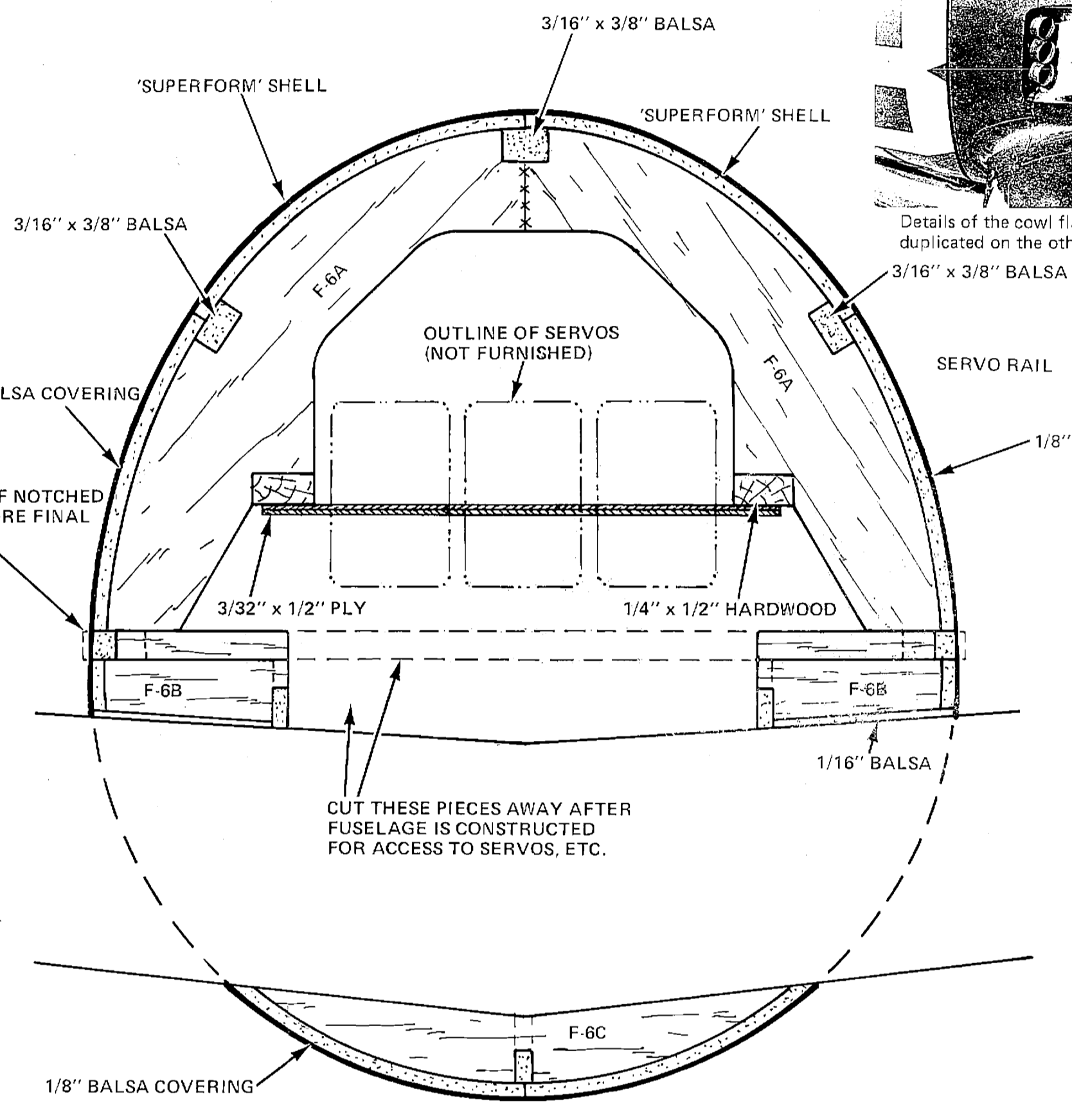
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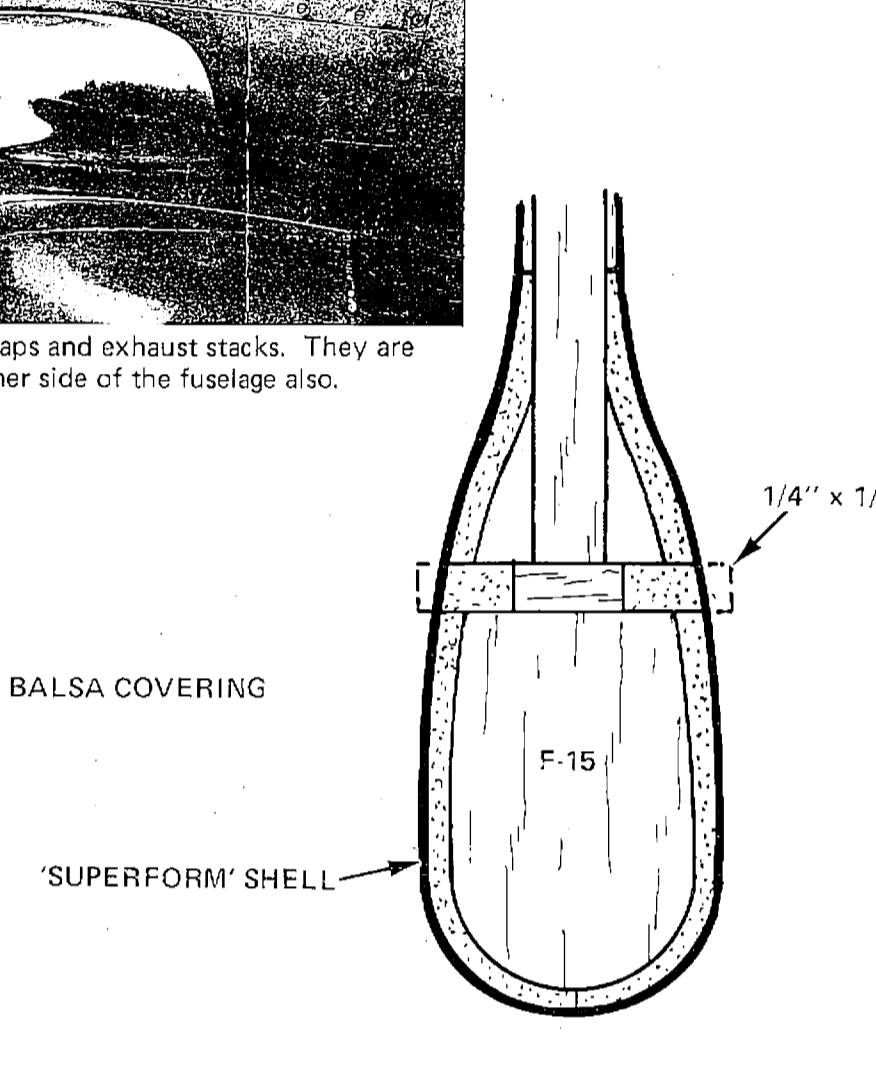
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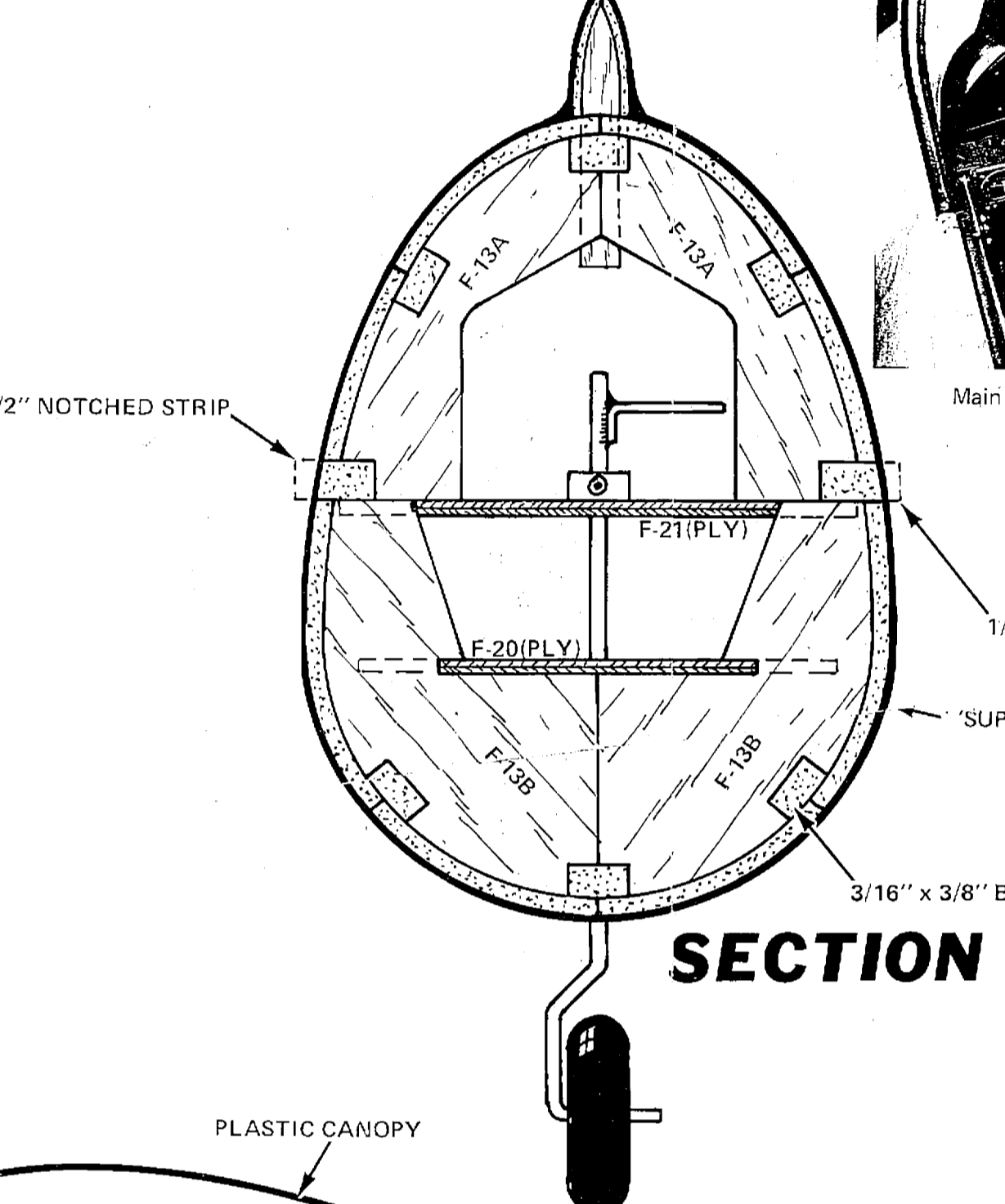
**TOP VIEW - Without balsa covering
START CONSTRUCTION ON THIS VIEW**



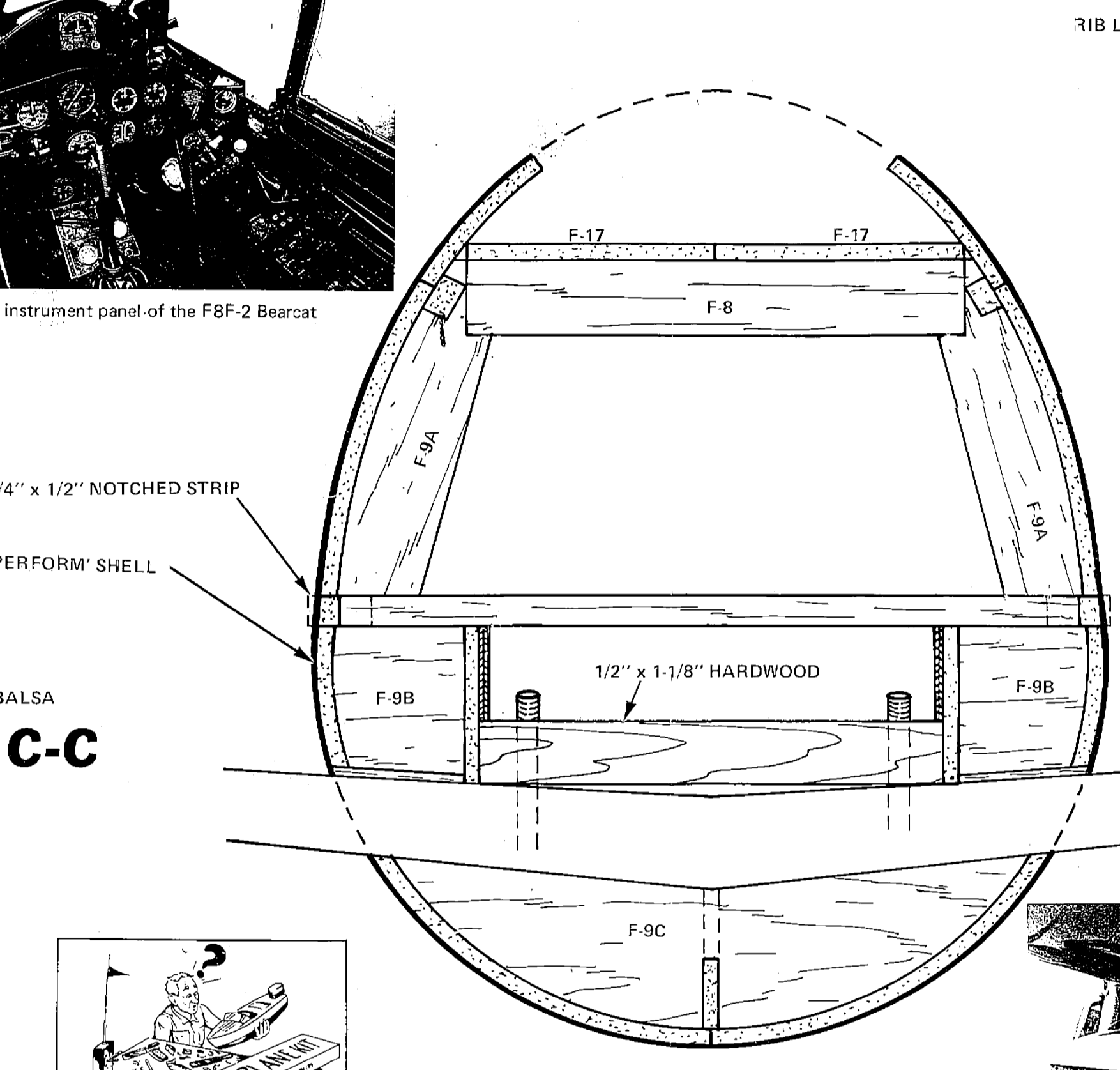
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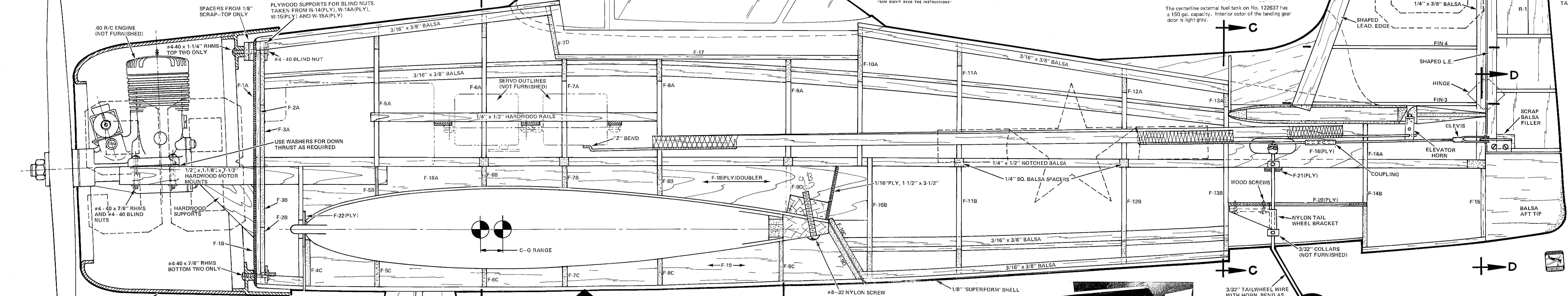
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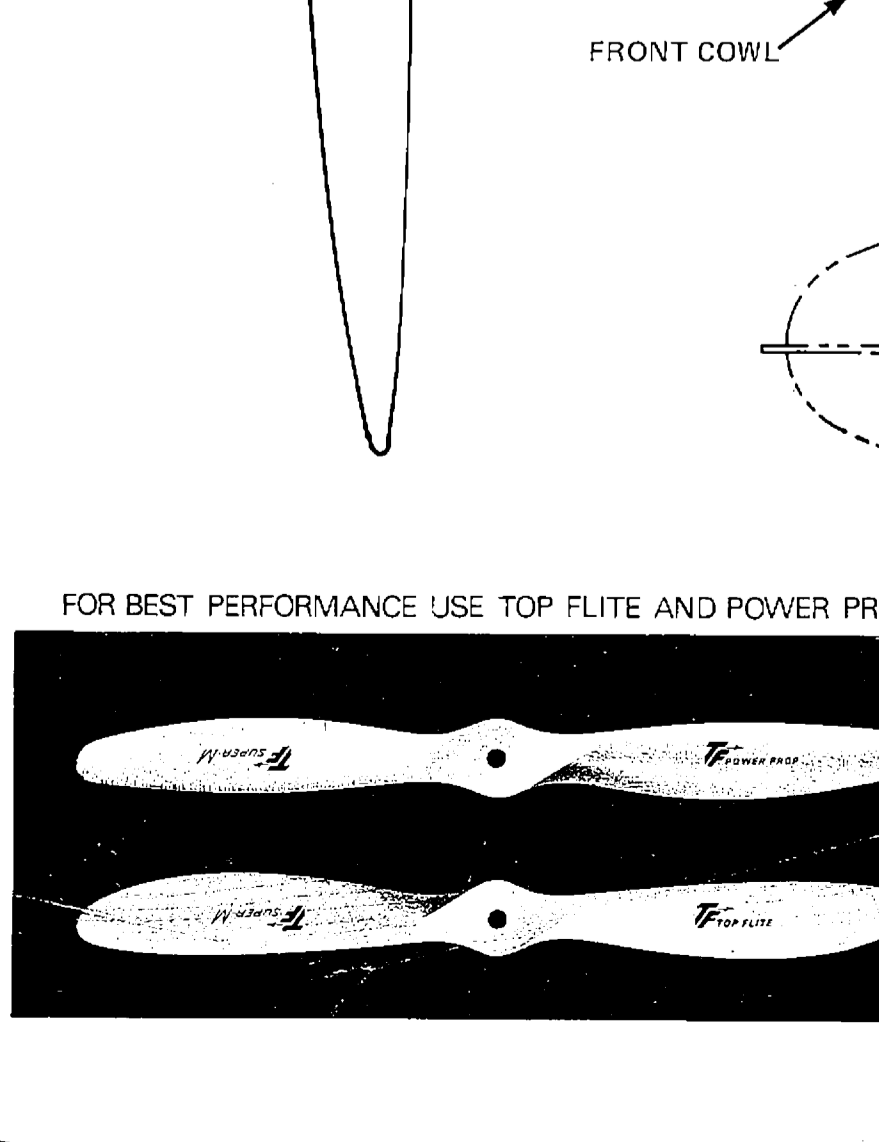
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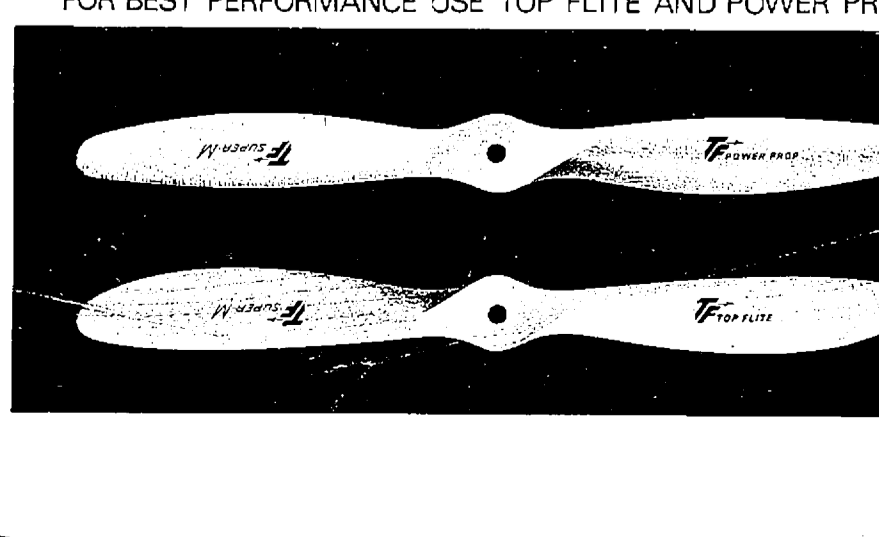
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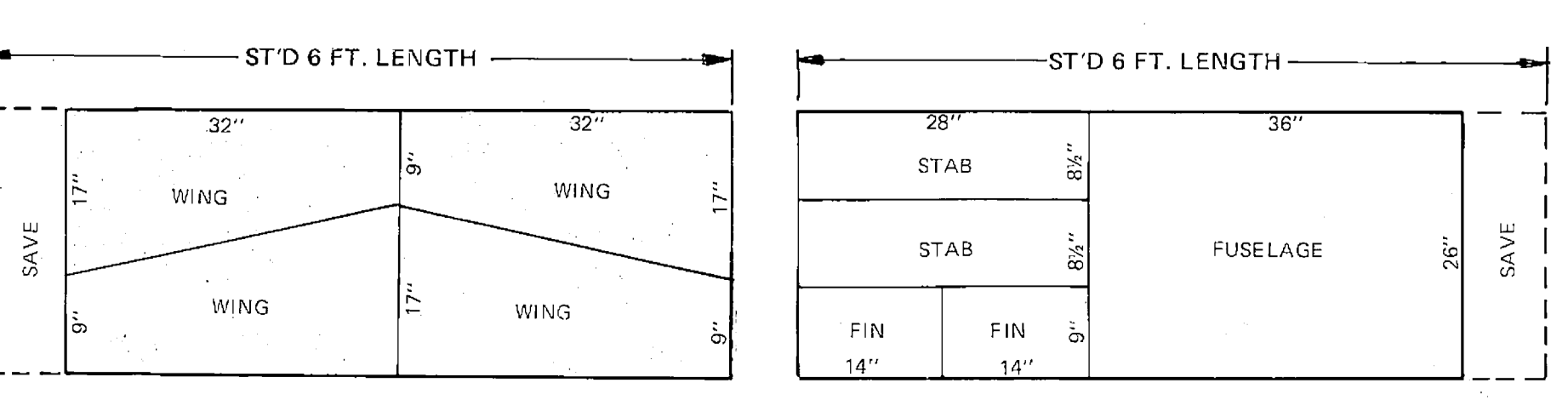


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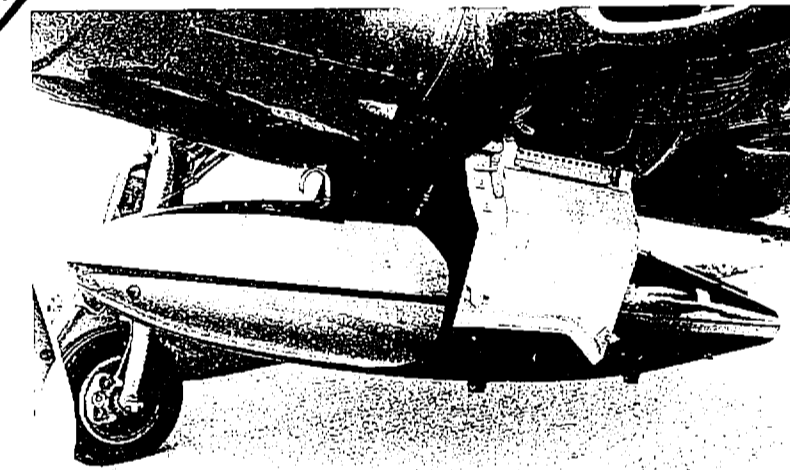
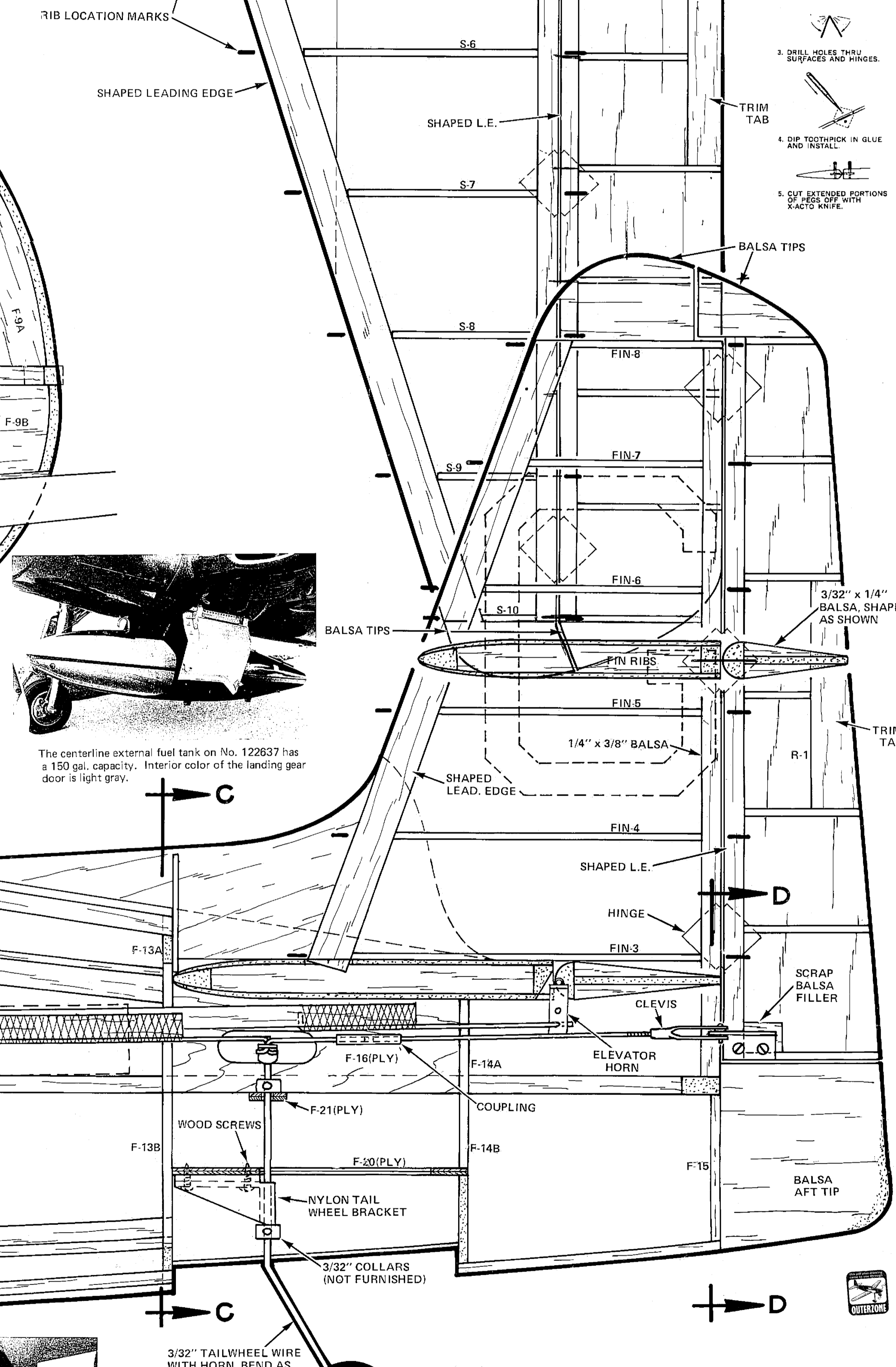


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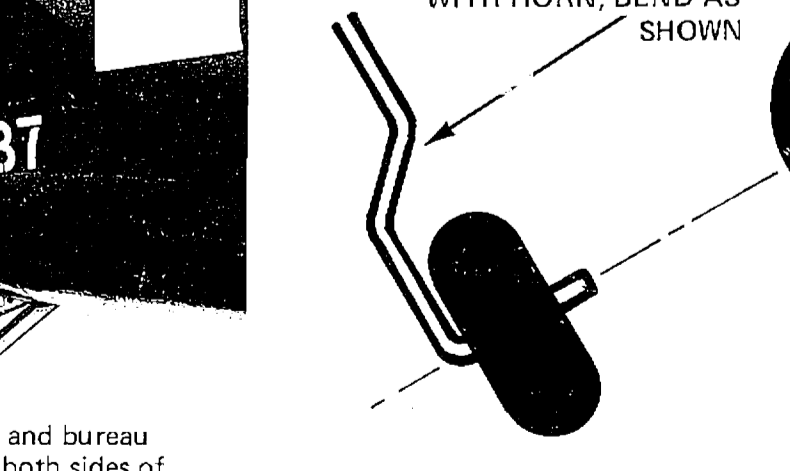
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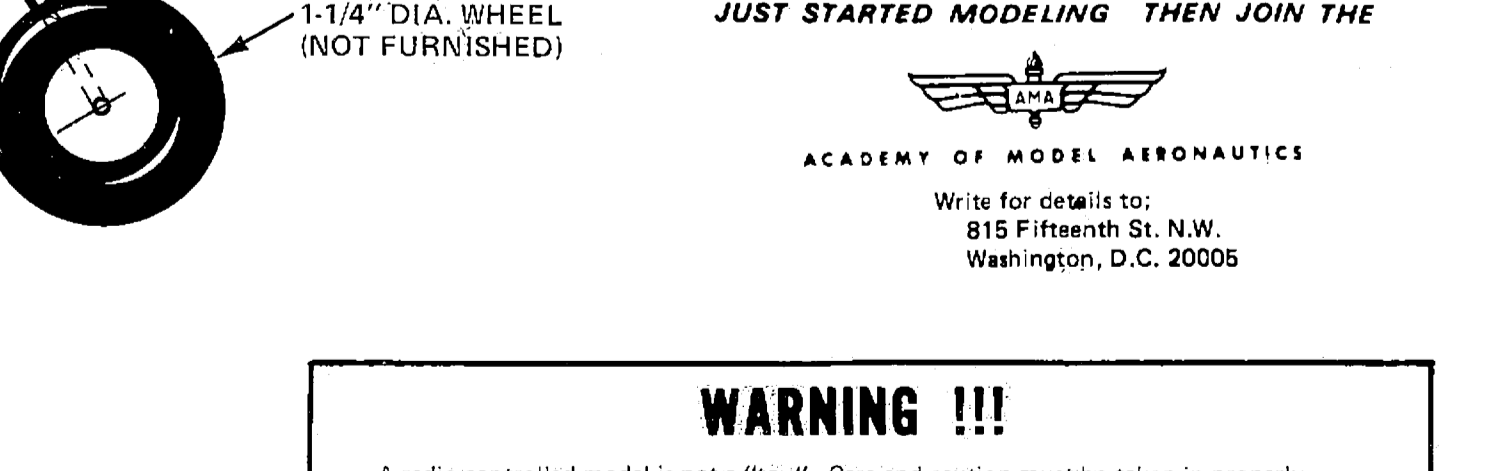
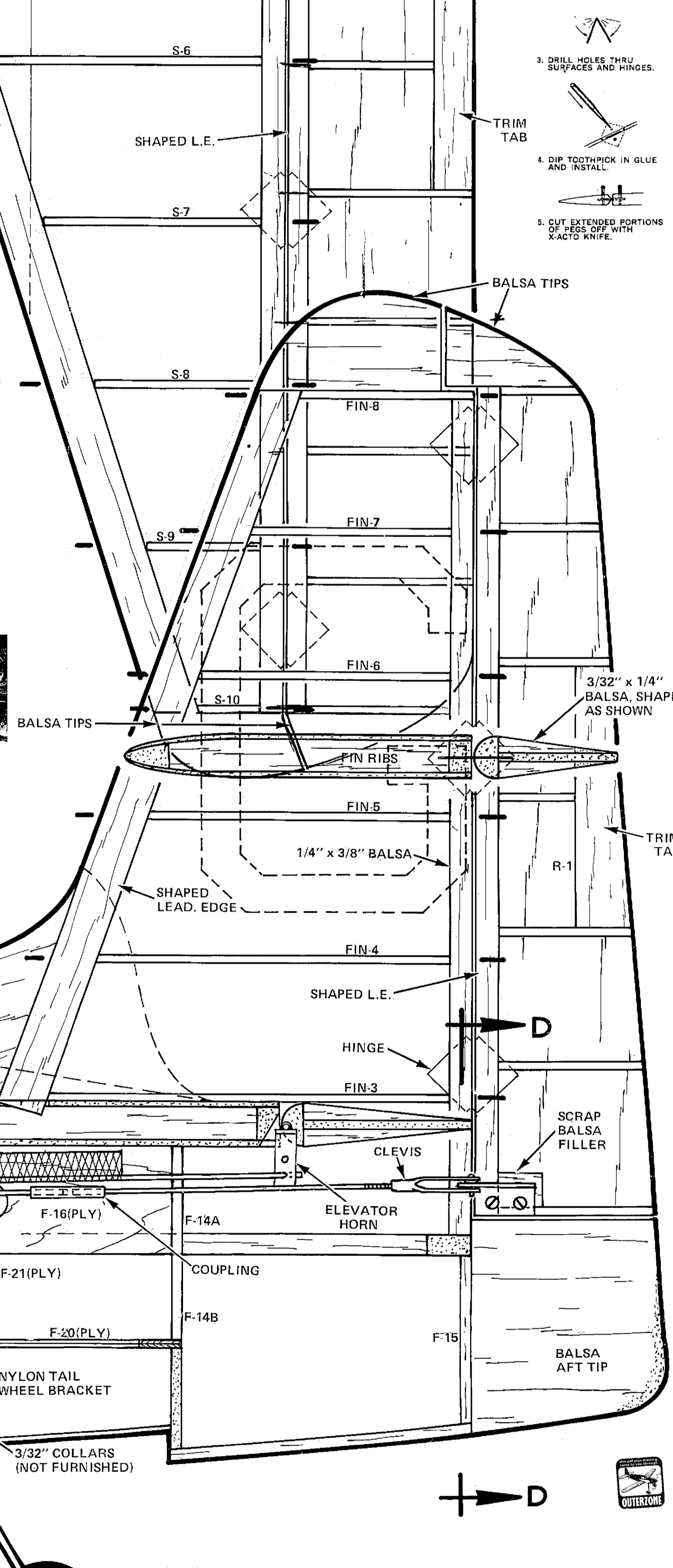
USE THIS CUTTING LAYOUT WHEN COVERING WITH MONOKOTE



The centerline external fuel tank on No. 122637 has a 150 gal. capacity. Interior color of the landing gear door is light grey.

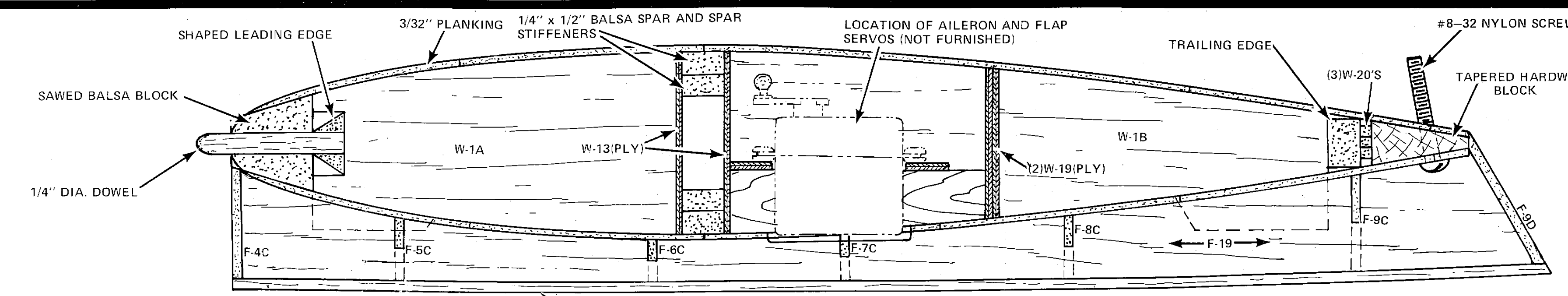
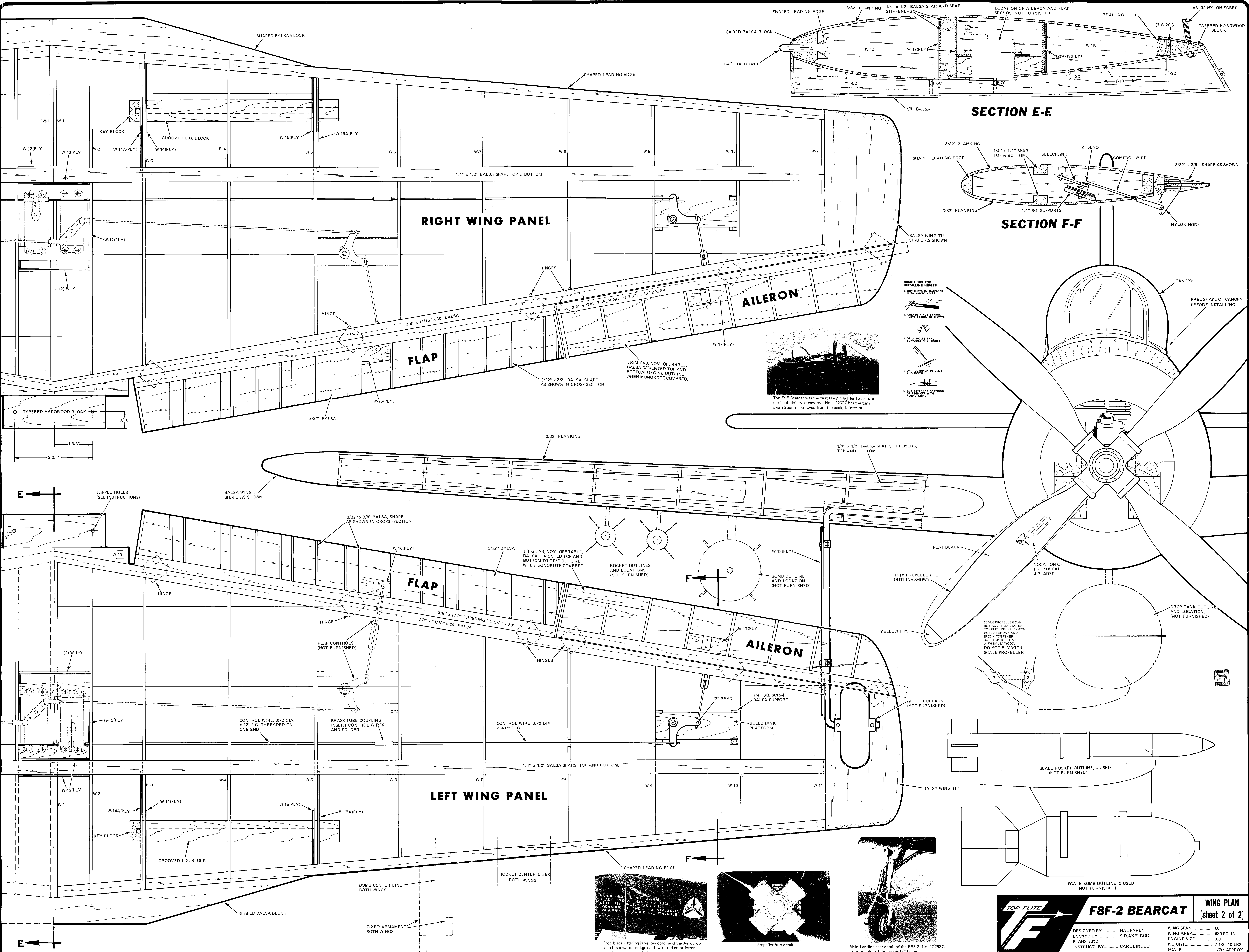


3/32" TAIL WHEEL WIRE WITH HORN, BEND AS SHOWN

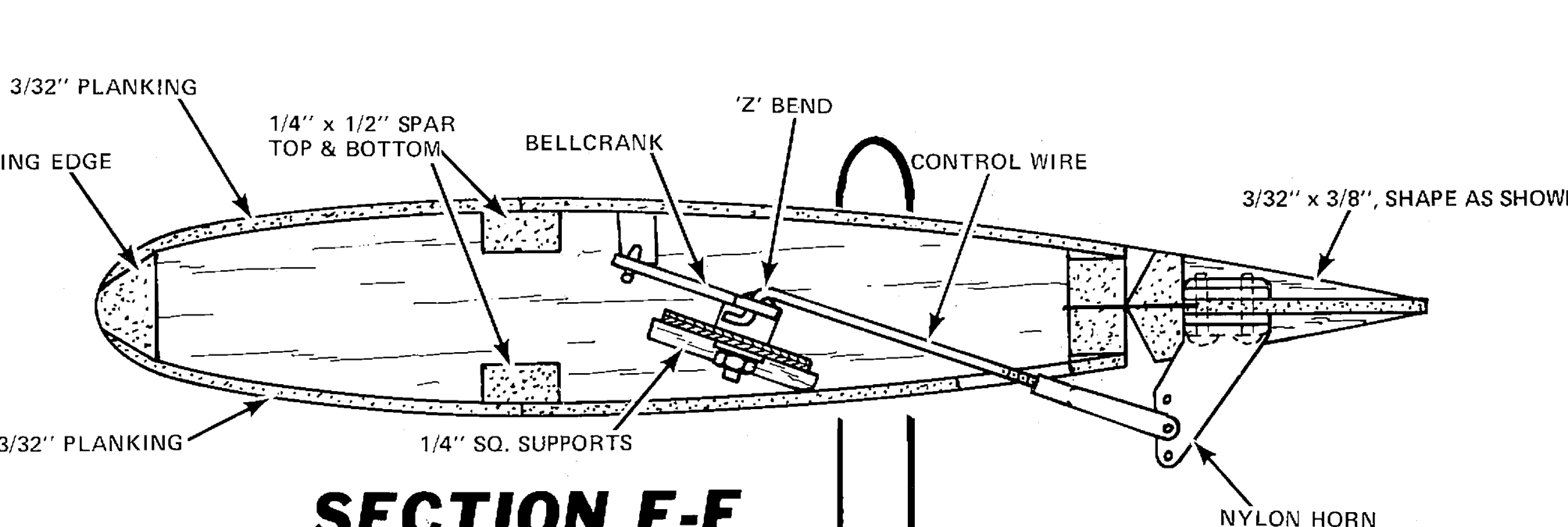


WARNING !!!
A radio controlled model is not a "toy". Care and caution must be taken in properly building the model, as well as in the installation and use of the radio control device. It is important to follow all directions to the construction of this kit as well as installation and use of the engine and radio gear. The advice and assistance of a well experienced builder and pilot is highly recommended. Don't take chances! Improper building, operation, or flying of this model could result in serious bodily injury to others, yourself, or property damage.

TOP FLITE
F8F-2 BEARCAT
FUSELAGE PLAN (sheet 1 of 2)
DESIGNED BY.....HAL PARENTI
ENG'D BY.....SID AXELROD
PLANS AND INSTRUCT. BY.....CARL LINDEE
WING SPAN.....60"
WING AREA.....630 SQ. IN.
ENGINE SIZE.....60
WEIGHT.....7-12-10 LBS
SCALE.....1/16" APPROX.
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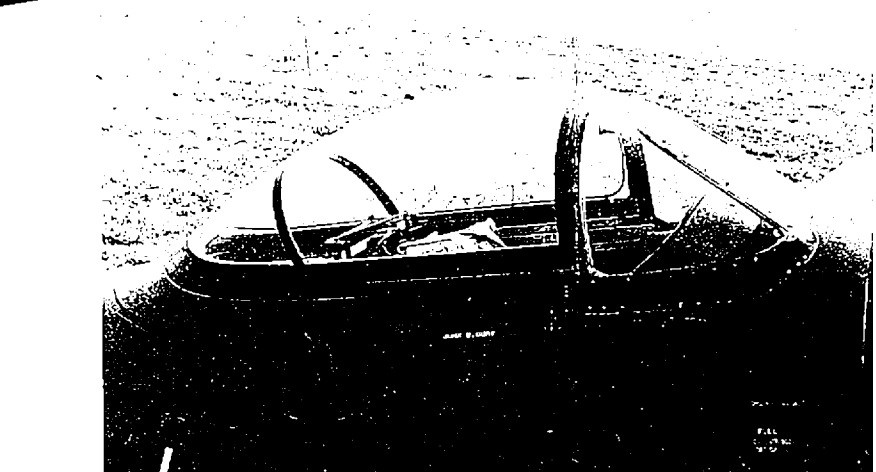


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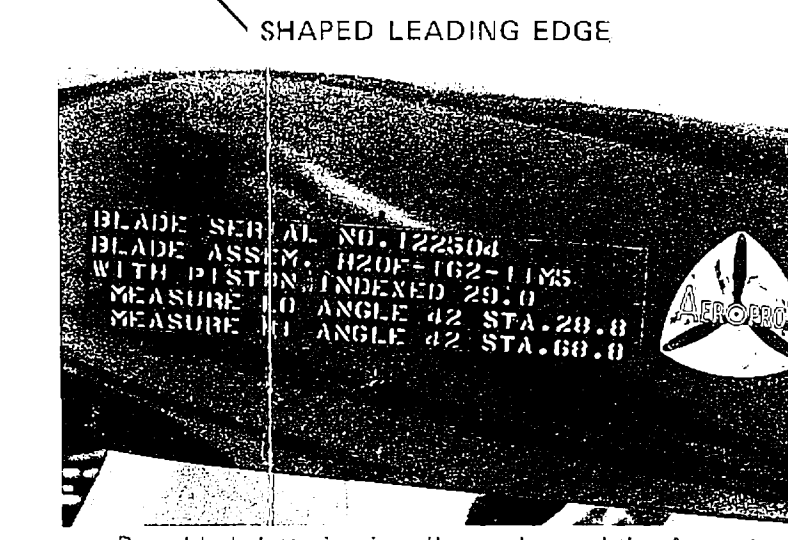
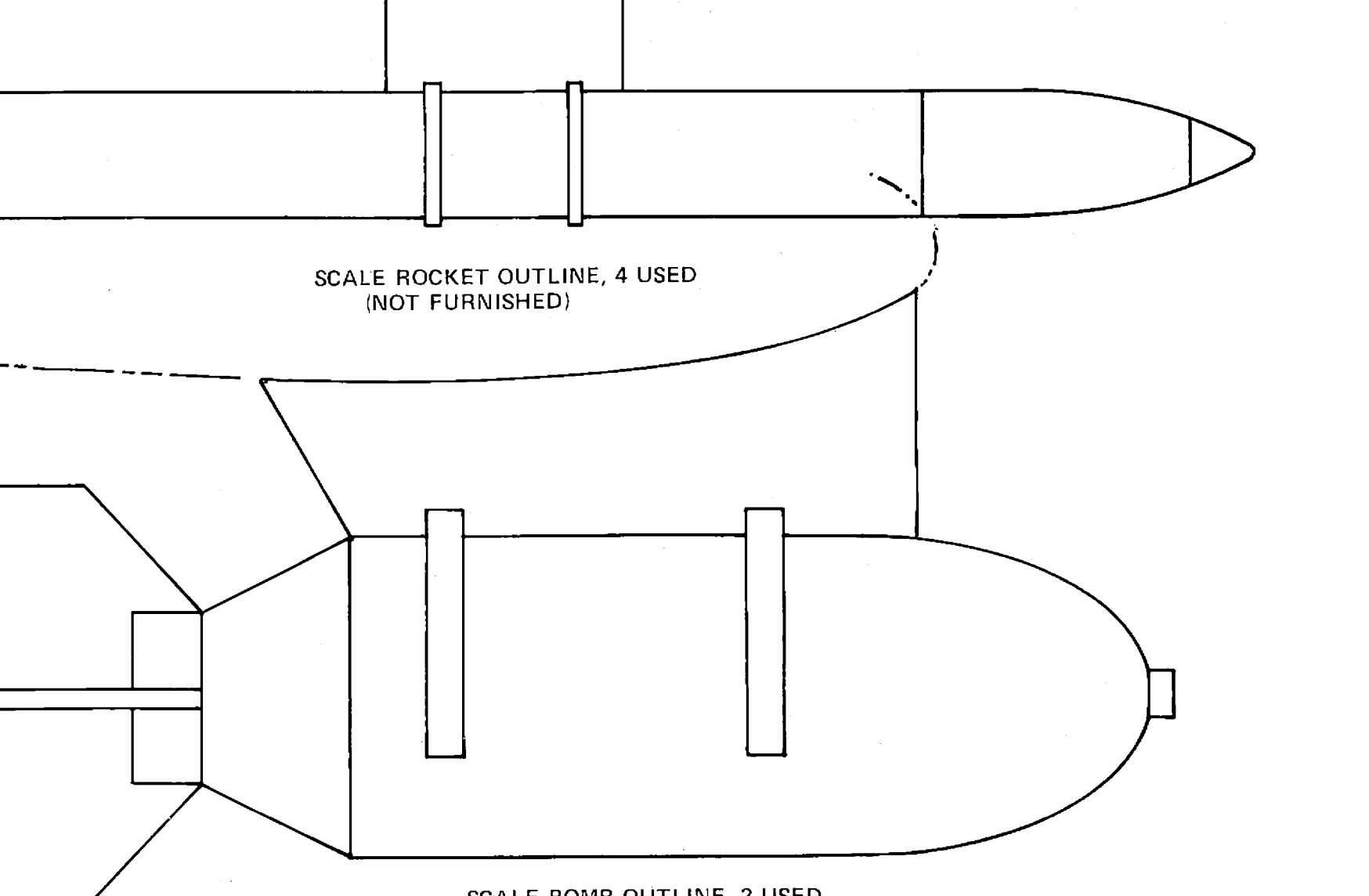
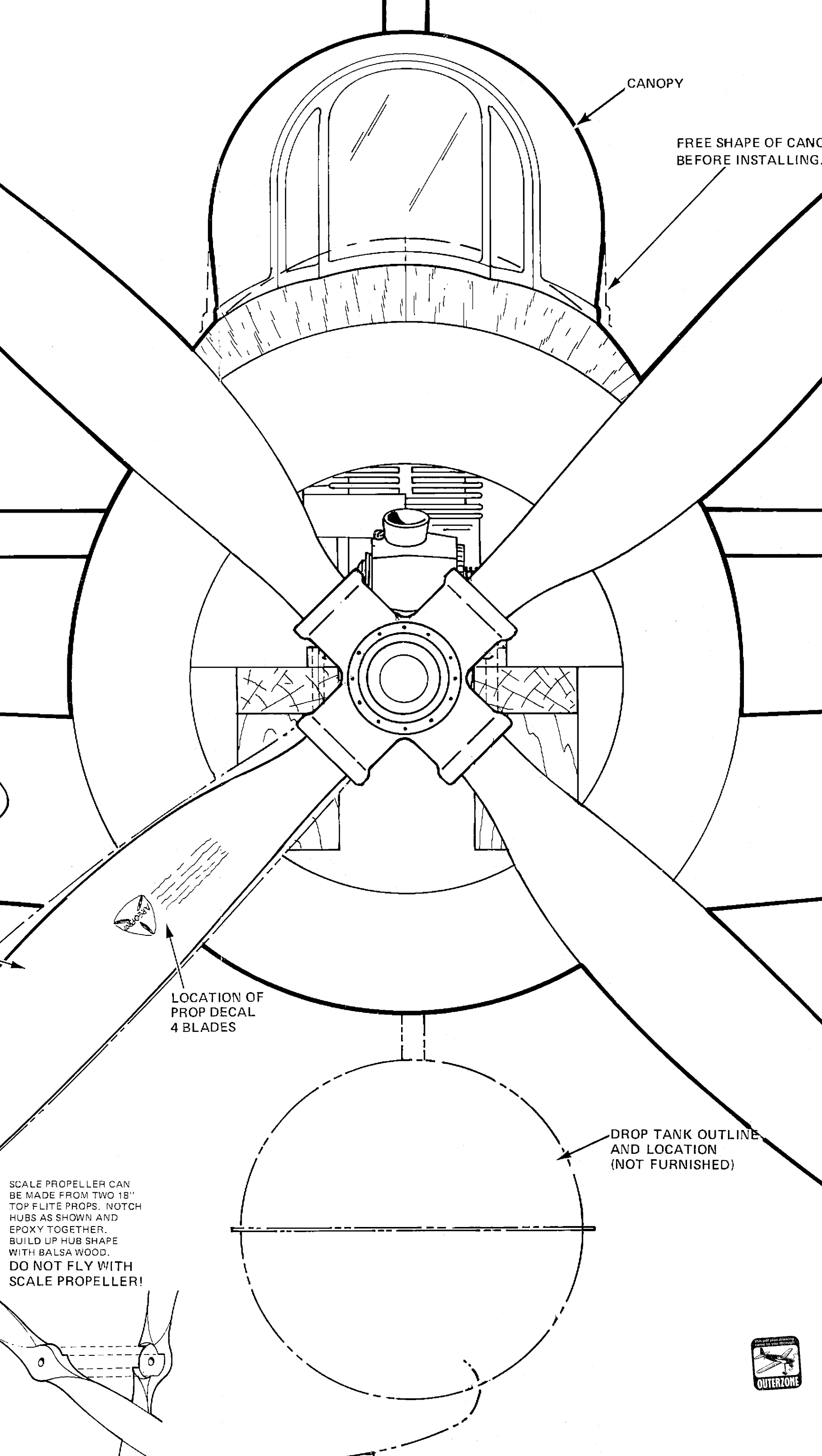


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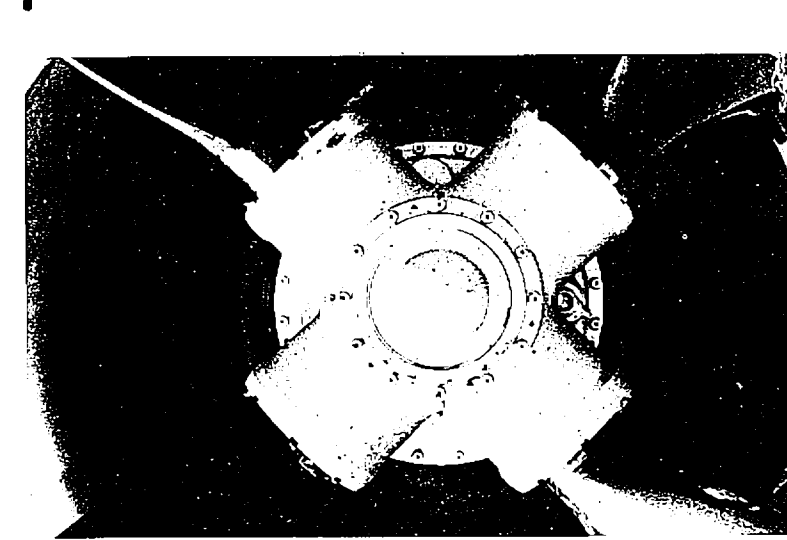
- DIRECTIONS FOR INSTALLING HINGES**
- CUT NOTCH IN SURFACES WITH XACTO KNIFE.
 - GLUE HINGE BEFORE INSTALLATION AS SHOWN.
 - ON ALL HINGES, USE 1/4" SQ. Balsa FOR HINGE.
 - DO NOT CHECK IN BLUE AND INSTALL.
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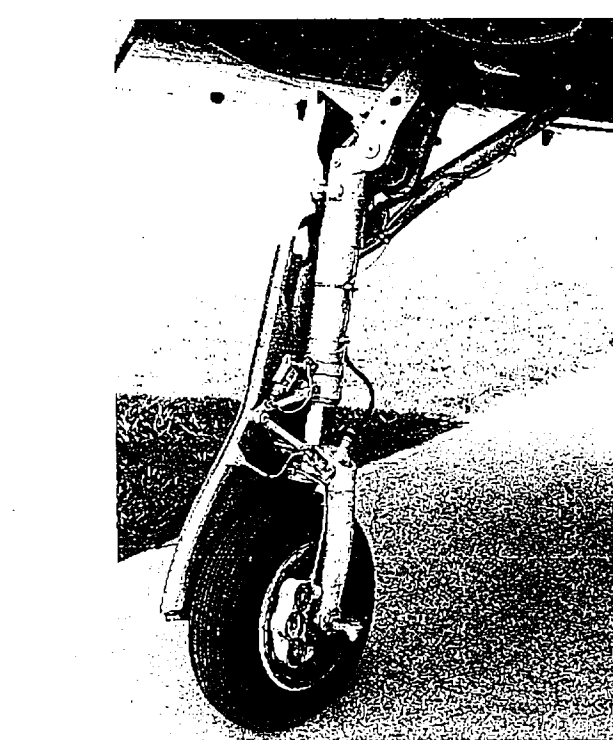
The F8F Bearcat was the first NAVY fighter to feature the "bubble" type canopy. No. 122637 has the turn over structure removed from the cockpit interior.



Prop blade lettering is yellow color and the AeroStop logo has a white background with red color lettering. Prop in logo is black color.



Propeller hub detail.



Main Landing gear detail of the F8F-2, No. 122637. Interior color of the gear is light gray.

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F8F-2 BEARCAT **WING PLAN**
 (sheet 2 of 2)

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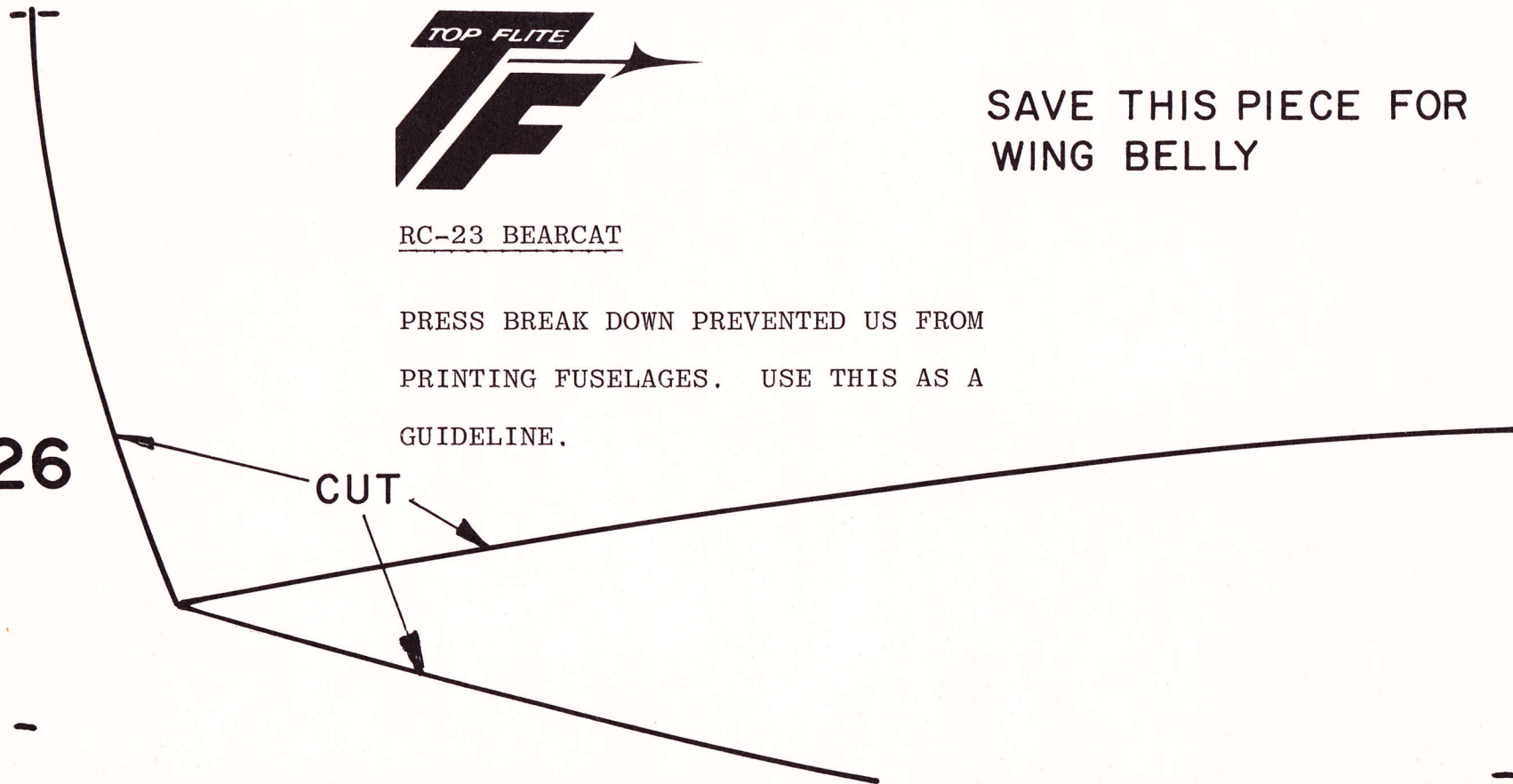
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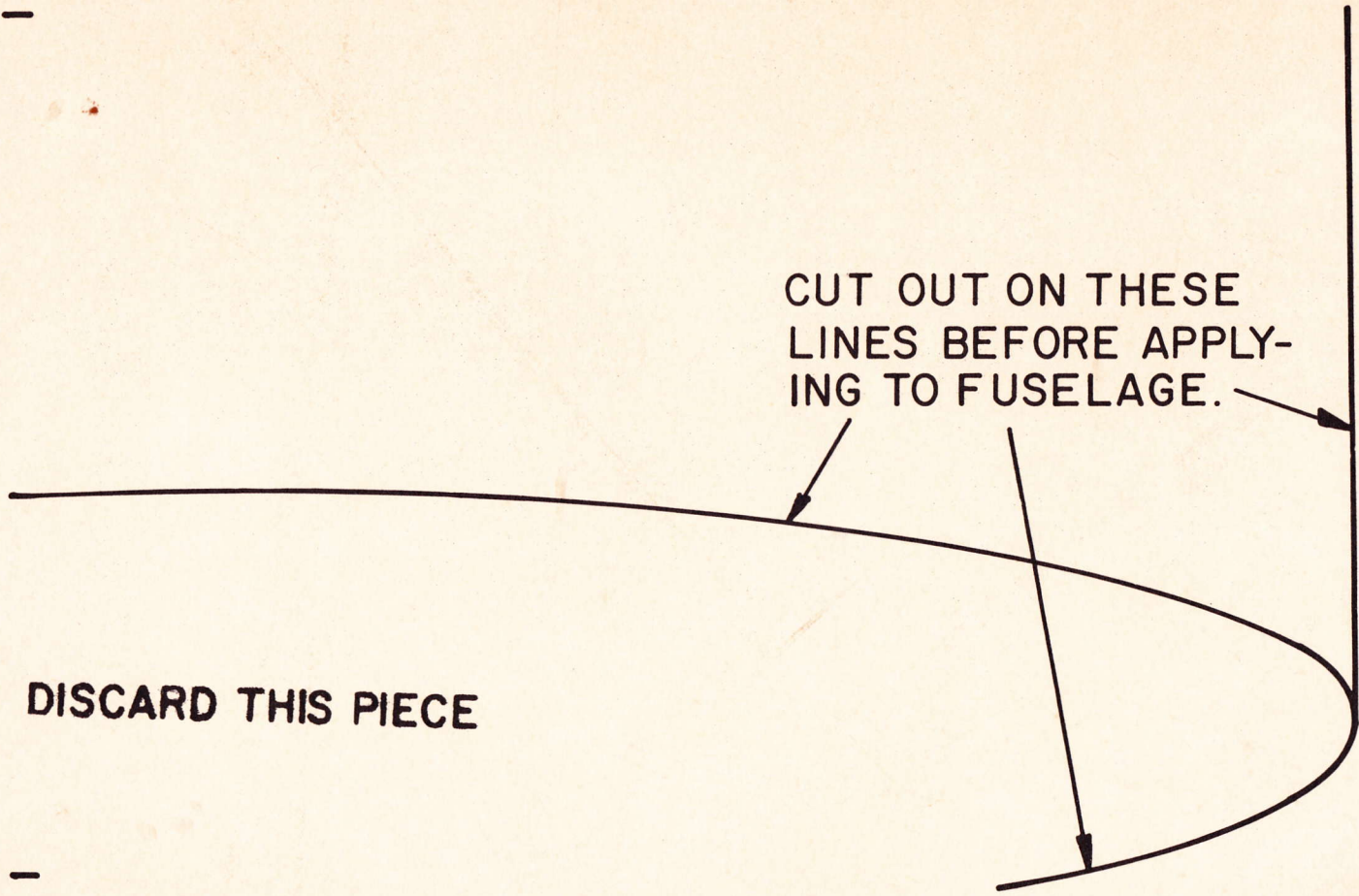
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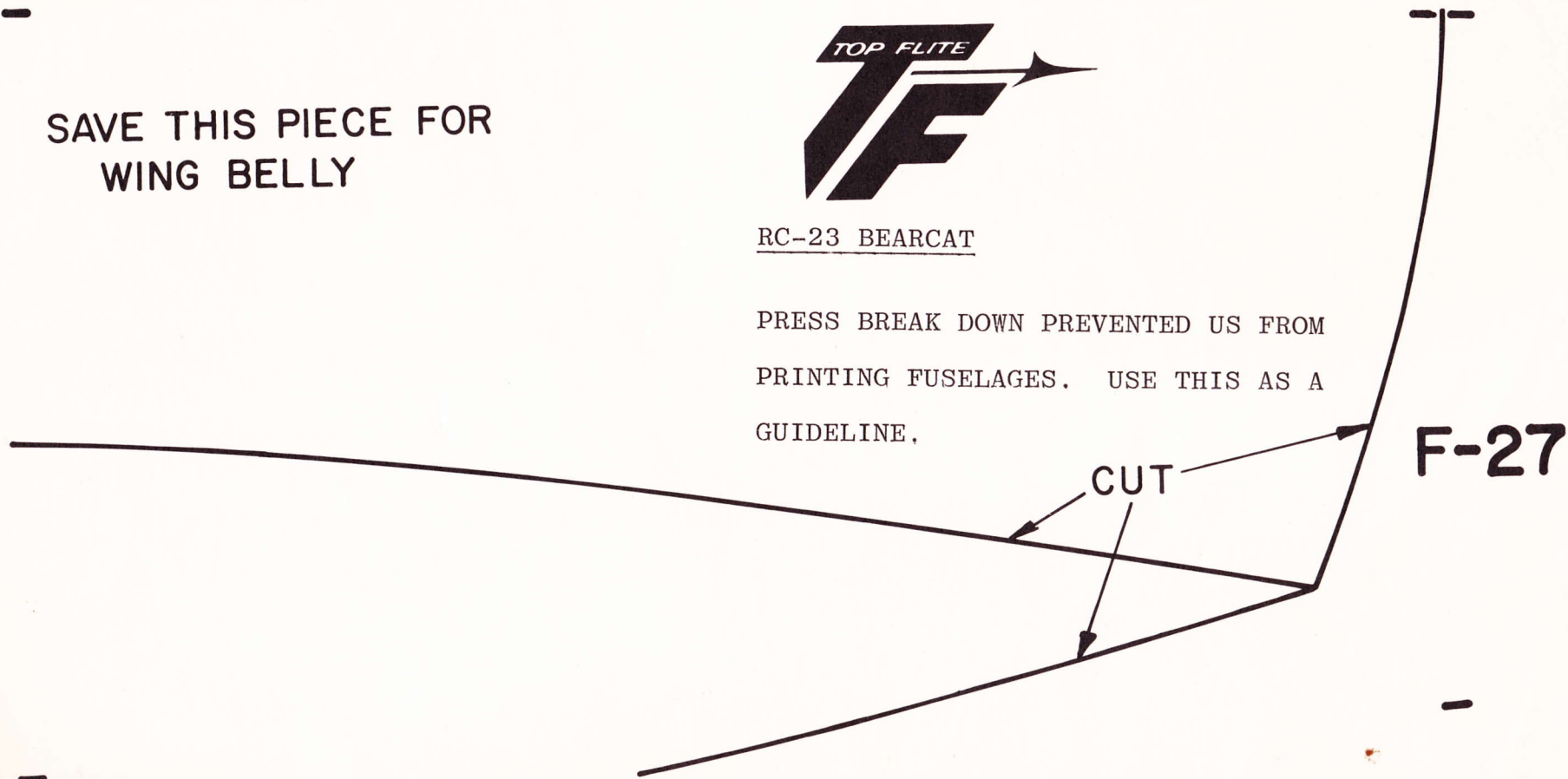


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