

CORVERS ASSOCIATION STEEL-SHEATHED GRAIN ELEVATOR **HO Structure Kit**

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Thanks for purchasing this Cornerstone Series® kit. Please read all instructions and study the drawings before starting. All parts are molded in styrene plastic, so use glues and paints which are compatible.

As supplies of suitable lumber became scarcer after World War I, prices went up and the cost of building a new wood elevator or residing an existing one increased dramatically. At the same time, the auto industry was booming which increased demand for sheet steel, lowering its cost. Corrugated, galvanized steel sheets (Iron sheets had been in use since the 1850s as a building material. But were heavy and expensive, limiting their use) were introduced that were light, strong and cheap enough that large industrial buildings could be entirely covered, Elevator operators found the metal siding an ideal choice. It was easily nailed in place over the existing wooden structure, virtually weatherproof and greatly reduced the danger of fire from passing trains. Since it was galvanized, it could be left in its natural metal color, although many owners opted to keep the building painted. As the steel lasted a long time and protected the wooden interior of the structure, many of these small elevators are still standing. While many serve farm communities, others are now on the edges of suburbs and offer pet foods, birdseed, lawn & garden supplies and more, to both rural and urban populations.

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