Instruction Material for Recognition Fans

The latest and perhaps the most interesting aid to recognition students and hobbyists is a series of fifty different three-dimensional silhouette models pressed in black cardboard and giving the appearance, before assembly, of jig saw puzzles. These models, used officially by the Army Air Forces, may be assembled by individuals or by recognition clubs and study groups. Copies of Recognition Manuals shown at the bottom of the page are also great aids to spotters who wish to become perfect in their fascinating, wartime hobby. In addition, large silhouette posters showing aircraft of all nations in orthographic projections, may be secured. All recognition material described here is available through the respective Wing and Region offices.

Many happy and useful hours are spent in the fascinating hobby—aircraft recognition. An outstanding aid to spotters in helping to perfect their ability to spot planes is the assembling of three dimensional silhouette models shown in the photograph above.

Enhanced value of working with three dimensional cardboard silhouette models is illustrated in this series of photographs showing five of the fifty models from various angles. Made exactly to scale, the assembled models may be suspended in various positions to give accurate views of aircraft as if in flight.

RECOGNITION MANUALS

Top of photograph: A copy of the new Recognition Pictorial Manual, published for official use by the War Department and the Navy Department, is being forwarded to each individual observation post. Shown underneath: An extra supply of a previous edition of the official manual entitled Identification of Aircraft is now available from Wing and Region offices for the use of spotters in cutting out pictures and silhouettes for recognition scrap books.

Appearance and construction of the assembled cardboard silhouette models is shown in the two sketches above.