

Motocamera

A few words about the Motocamera;

The camera was produced in France in a period: 1927-1939. In that time it was produced 5 models. The first model produced in 1927 was fitted with Lens Hermagis - F 3.5. In the same year was introduced another model fitted with Zeiss Tessar Lens – F 2.7. In 1928?

The model Pathe Motocamera was introduced in 1927. The machine weights kg. 1,450 and its measures are the following: 61x120x120 mm.

The housing is metal and is covered by morocco black leather. Later models were not covered by the leather but painted with black crystalline type of paint.

* The first Pathé cine camera with integral clockwork drive. Somewhat larger than the Baby camera and taking a physically larger film charger known as the 'P' type, still containing around 8.2metres (27ft 6ins) of film stock. The basic model (C.268) had a fixed focus f3.5 lens Hermagis. Models were also offered with Zeiss Tessar f2.7 (C.277), and Zeiss Trianar f2.9 (C.277a).

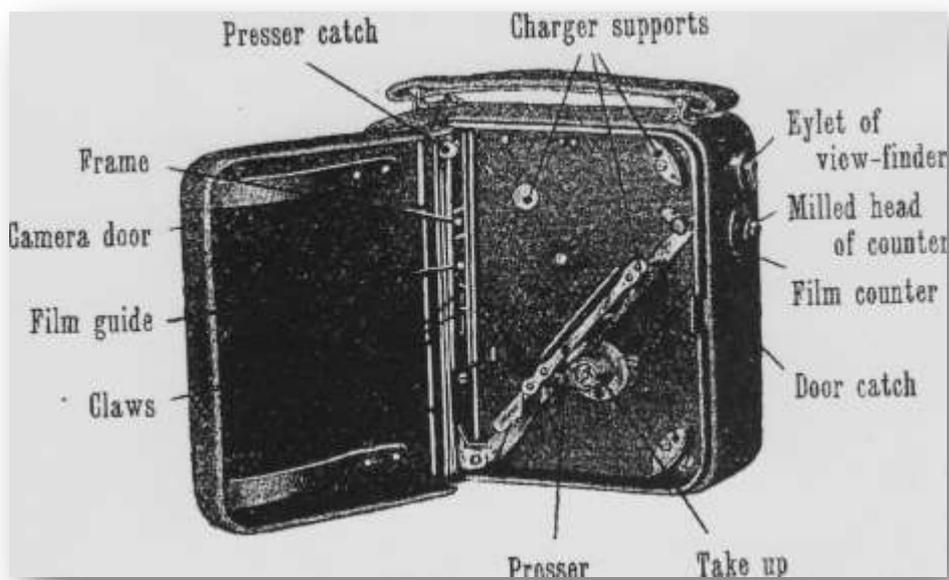
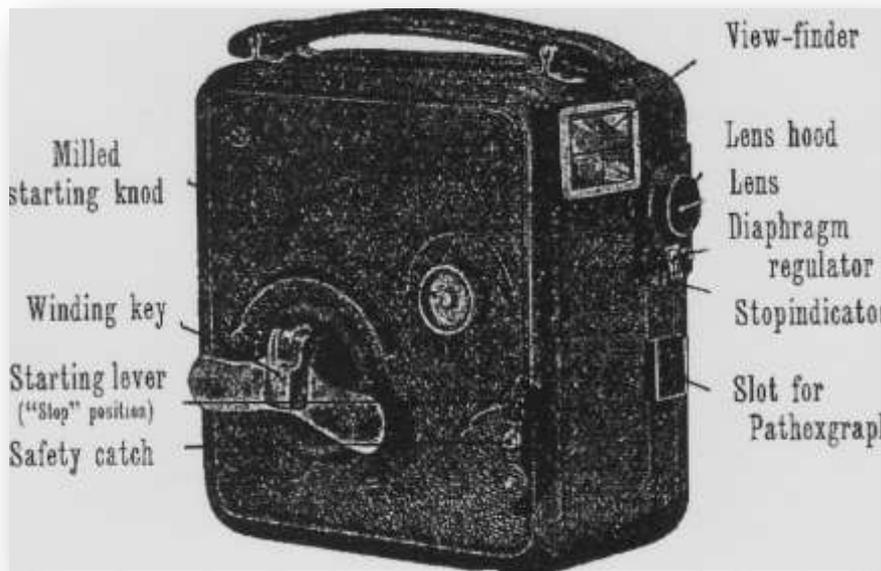
* By 1933 this camera moved a little upmarket and became the 'Luxe' or 'De-Luxe' Motocamera and was also offered with an f2.5 Hermagis focussing lens - this enabled the fitting of a telephoto attachment.

Pathéscope soon ran into trouble trying to offer 'retro-fitting' to earlier models. By 1936 this cine camera was offered with variable filming speeds, waist level & direct viewfinder, including the telephoto attachment.

In the book "Pathe Motocamera C Model 311 – with f2, 5 Hermagis lens, 9, 5 mm" – publisher: Pathe 1931 year we can read:

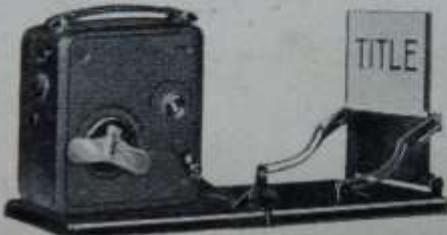
Several models of Motocamera have got Milled starting lever, some has got starting knob. All of them are fitted with Diaphragm regulator underneath of a lens. All of them have Milled head of counter and counter, all together, below the eyelet of viewfinder. Every time a Motocamera is loaded, the zero of the counter must be brought opposite to the white indicator (beneath the counter), turning the graduated disc in a clock-wise direction by means of its milled head.

Motocamera mechanisms:



The Pathe Motocamera weighs 1,450kg, and its dimensions are: 61x120x120 mm.

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