



USBC Supplement: Can Sets – Esslinger

Esslinger Parti Quiz cans are found in eleven sets. Nine sets were flats (pictured at right), produced by Esslinger's Inc., Philadelphia, PA. The tenth set was zip tops and the eleventh was a partial reissue of the tenth by Jacob Ruppert, New York.

The specialist on the Esslinger work is Larry Handy #947, who drafted this document and has allowed BCCA to place his work on the USBC Supplement. This has been his specialty for many years (see *Larry's collection photo below*). Jeff Lebo #15105 and Martin Otto #6683 have provided some assistance in this venture.

A detailed description of Esslinger cans can be found in the *USBC Supplement* from either the dropdown menu at the top center of the opening page [1] or by clicking on the Can Sets image on the lower center of the page [2]. Clicking either takes you to a page where you can select the Esslinger image [3]. This next page [4] will provide some very interesting reading covering this set, explaining the many differences between the nine flat sets. It may help if you are on the Supplement itself while reading this.

A Set List, as well as Set Details, can be selected just to the right of the word "Esslinger" in the dropdown or under the photo of the Esslinger can displayed in the writeup [5]. The unique differences between Sets 1 through 9 are presented in the Set List. Set Details are focused on the FACTS FOR FUN as listed on the cans. Cans are listed by the top left statement of "fact," beginning at the seam.

Set 1 is complete and lengthy, listing 95 facts. Sets 2 through 9 require more input work, equivalent to converting a pdf to a doc manually, which I am committed to completing. The Set Selector is at the top of the Set Detail page, just under the dropdown menu. This provides access to Sets 2 through 9.

Databases need uniformity of inputs over the range of data. In the Esslinger series, set 9 has many additional parameters relating to can company variations, and we need to develop a layout that makes this information compatible with sets 1 through 8. That's on our to do list.

A second task is to look at the Esslinger input in the *USBC Volume 2 Book* covering the zip tops. The question here is...can we (or should we) expand this section focused on flats to include the zip tabs?



SET SELECTOR
 1: 1953 : Esslinger's Inc. : Philadelphia : PARTI QUIZ does not appear

SetNumber: 1
 Year: 1953
 Brewery: Esslinger's Inc.
 City: Philadelphia
 RelativeSizeOf ESSLINGERvsPARTIQUIZ: PARTI QUIZ does not appear
 RelativeSizeOf PREMIUMvsBEER: BEER larger than PREMIUM
 Faces: 1
 Notes: All cans have FACTS FOR FUN and trim around the oval in black. Research indicates that this was the initial set produced. Subsequent sets added the "Parti Quiz" designation. The cans are made by American (A), Continental (C), and Crown (T). It is known that some cans were printed in silver with BOKK over-painted in black. The two known examples are identical cans. Six cans listed in this set have no color/can company identified; they may be listed here in error.
 KnowBooks: 1
 NumInSet: 95
 KnownColors: 215
 ProjectedTotal: 1,2

SetNumber	ItemNumber	ItemDescription
1	1	103,250,000 radios in U.S.
1	2	1st transatlantic radio mess. sent 1902.
1	3	13 stars form a circle on the 1st U.S. flag.
1	4	13th Pres. Millar Filmore. [sic]
1	5	18th Pres. Grant
1	6	20th Pres. Chester A. Arthur.
1	7	22nd Pres. McKinley.
1	8	25th Pres. William H. Taft.
1	9	29th Pres. Herbert Hoover.
1	10	A's 1st in division in '52 -2nd time since 1933
1	11	About 2,378,000,000 people in the world.
1	12	Academy award winner for 1947 film was Loretta Young.

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