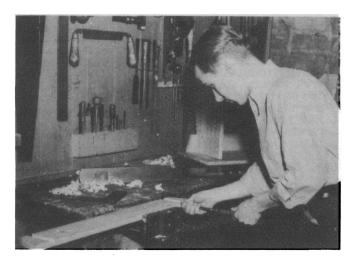
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FARM HANDICRAFT II - WOOD WORK*

INTRODUCTION

Nearly every day the farmer has occasion to use common tools in making some needed appliance or in making repairs or adjustments to his machinery, buildings or other equipment. A few good tools, kept sharp and in good condition, enable a farmer to do such jobs quickly and efficiently, and thus contribute much to the orderly operation of his farm.

If a boy develops the habit of properly using and caring for tools, he probably will use tools with profit and satisfaction to himself when he is older.

In presenting the handicraft wood work project, two major objectives have been kept in mind. One is that the boys and girls shall make appliances or articles which are valuable and which can be used about the farm or the home. The other and more important objective is that the members in making these articles shall acquire knowledge, skill and habits in the proper and efficient use of common tools. This may be contrasted with costly delays, bungled jobs, minor accidents and habits of "tinkering", too often developed by young people who have no systematic guidance in farm shop work. Acquiring knowledge and skill in the use of needed tools tends to give one an interest in making the needed repairs, which results in increased efficiency from properly kept farm equipment and machinery. To avoid the "bungled jobs" also means more pleasure in living on the farm, a more cheerful attitude, which is itself a boost to character building and an economic and social step forward for the farm family.

THE FARM SHOP

Organization of the Shop.

1. Location.-The shop may be located where a dry protected room, or part of a room, can be set aside for this purpose. The location and type of room will vary greatly on different farms. One end or side of a garage or a machine shed usually makes a good shop if it is well lighted. Sometimes a part of an old house or granary can be used. The main requirement is a place in which a work bench can be located and tools kept in an orderly fashion. In addition to good lighting, it is desirable to have an old stove in good repair to provide heat in cold weather.

2. <u>Arrangement</u>.-If possible, a work bench should be built. The tools can be arranged in a cabinet or a box, or simply hung on a board over the bench or at some other convenient place in the shop. It is a good plan to paint black outlines behind the tools so they can be easily returned to

*Prepared by Mack M. Jones, Professor of Agricultural Engineering, and Marion W. Clark, Extension Specialist in Agricultural Engineering, in collaboration with T. T. Martin and E. T. Itschner, State Club Agents. their proper places after use.

The main points to be considered in shop arrangement are: (a) Safety, (b) Lighting, (c) Care of tools, (d) Convenience and (e) Cleanliness.

General Care of Tools.-Tools should be kept clean З. and dry, and where they may be readily found when needed. Α light coat of oil should be kept on all tools that are not used frequently enough to prevent rusting. Rust may be removed from the tool by rubbing with oil, a soft brick or pumice stone. All cutting tools should be kept sharp. Sharp tools increase the speed and improve the quality of work done. Wood working tools are difficult to keep sharp 1f used on gritty surfaces. Such surfaces should therefore be brushed or cleaned well before working. A plane should not be used on sand-papered surfaces without first thoroughly cleaning the surface of grit. Planes should be placed on their sides when not in use, or the cutting edge be otherwise protected. One common error among shop students is to set planes up in the same position as they are held when working. This frequently dulls and nicks the blade as they are often set upon nails, metal objects and dirty surfaces. Care should be taken to keep sharp cutting edges from coming in contact with metal objects.

Tools should be used for the purpose for which they are designed. For example, a wrench should not be used instead of a hammer for pounding, nor a wood chisel instead of a "crow" or pinch-bar for prying.

4. Tools.-While it is desirable to have a complete set of tools, certain tools which are used frequently may be too expensive to be practical for a small shop. Workers are frequently handicapped, however, by too few and poorly kept tools. The following are the more common and useful woodworking tools: Hammer, Rip Saw, Cross Cut Saw, Coping Saw, Screw Driver, Wood Chisel, Jack Plane, Brace and Bits, Hand Drill with Drill Bits and Square.

Important points to be observed and definite directions for the proper use of each of these tools are given in the back of this circular. Directions for the use of any one tool should be studied by the member before he attempts the use of that tool in this project.

High quality tools should be purchased. This does not necessarily mean, however, that the highest priced tools need be bought.

TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

The club member will need to become familiar with some of the more common terms used in the project which are described below.

1. Working Drawing.-A working drawing is a drawing

which shows dimensions and gives all information necessary to guide one in the correct construction of an article.

2. Board Measure.-The size of a board is designated by its thickness, width and length, for example a $1 \times 4 - 10$. Such a board is 1 inch thick, 4 inches wide and 10 feet long. If one called for this board at a lumber yard he would usually be sold a board that had been mill finished and is, therefore, somewhat thinner and narrower than the nominal dimensions. The board would be about 13/16 inch thick, about 3 and 13/16 inches wide, and would very likely be slightly over 10 feet long.

Lumber is sold by the board foot, which is the amount of lumber in a piece l inch thick, l foot wide and l foot long. The board feet in a piece of lumber may be found by multiplying the thickness in inches (for all lumber l inch or more) by width in feet, and by length in feet. A l x 4 ten feet long would be equal to $1 \times 1/3 \times 10$, or 3 1/3 board feet (4 inches equals 1/3 foot). At 6c per board foot it will cost 20q. Lumber under l inch thickness is commonly sold by the square foot. (Lumber prices are often stated in terms of 1,000 board or square feet, such as \$60.00 per M.)

Lumber is graded and sold as "common" or "select". The coarser and more defective part of the lumber is called common lumber and is classed as No. 1, 2, 3 or 4. The better pieces of lumber are from the best trees and the better part of the tree. This lumber is graded as A, B, C and D. Thus, one may buy a select B piece of yellow pine, or if not such good lumber is needed, a piece of common No. 2. The member should learn to work with soft wood before attempting any of the more complicated or expensive articles of hardwood. Common hardwoods are black walnut, oak and hard maple.

3. <u>Bill of Material.</u>-A bill of material should be complete enough to guide the buyer in purchasing all materials. It should show the number of pieces of lumber required, kind of lumber and dimensions. It should list all needed hardware, paint, glue, etc.

SUGGESTED ARTICLES TO MAKE

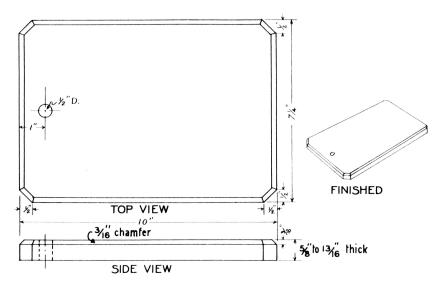
Plans for making the following articles are included in this circular:

A-Type Hog House Barn Medicine Case Bench Vise and Stop Blue Bird House Book Rack Book Shelves Bread Board Broom Holder Dog House Foot Stool Milk Stool Nail and Tool Box Saw Horse Tool Rack Two Horse Evener Work Bench

Bread Board

Lumber required: l pc. non-resinous lumber l" x 8" - 10" (A larger board may be used if desired.

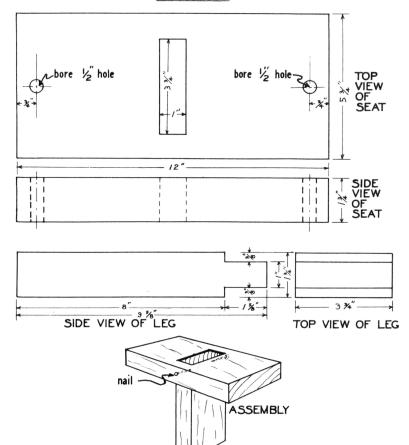
This is a useful article in the household and an excellent project to develop fundamental skills. Time should be taken to study the charts on proper use of each tool before that tool is used on this project, even if the member has used the tool on other work before.



Secure a piece of non-resinous lumber, such as soft pine or hard maple, $1" \times 8" - 12"$. Square up the stock. This is done by selecting the best face and planing (study page 27 before using plane) it to a smooth, true surface. Plane with the grain. Use the try square as directed on page 32 to determine when the face is true. Select the best edge and plane it straight and square to the working face. Mark an end square by use of the square, drawing a line across the working face. Saw slightly outside the line (study page 38 on proper use of saw) and plane to the line. This gives a working face, an edge, and an end that are straight, squared and properly smoothed. Reduce the board to finished dimensions as shown in the drawing ($7\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide, 10 inches long and between 5/8 and 13/16 inches thick). Mark off the proper width $7\frac{1}{4}$ inches across the face from the working edge, turn the board over and mark off the unplaned side in like manner. If the mark is made with a pencil outside a straight edge, plane out the mark to give proper dimensions, but if the mark is made with a marking gauge, leave half the mark. Check to see that the edge is squared. To reduce to the proper thickness (between 5/8 and 13/16) mark all four edges, measuring from the working face. Plane to the lines. Reduce the board to the proper length (10") by measuring from the working end and drawing a line across both faces by aid of the square. Saw just outside the mark and use a sharp plane to reduce to the proper length and smooth the end. Make a mark on the edge of the board 12" back from the corner, and another mark on the end 1/2" back from the corner. Draw a line on the face connecting the two

points, then from the points draw a line across the edges with the aid of the square. Saw the corner off and dress down with the plane. Treat all four corners in like manner. Make a mark on the working face 3/16 inch from the edge completely around the board. Make another such mark (on the edges and ends) 3/16 inch from the face. Make the chamfer by planing carefully to the lines. Bore a 1/2 inch hole in the board (study page 33 proper use of brace and bit) the center of the hole to be 1 inch from the end and midway between the sides.

Sandpaper the board (study page 24) and apply a light coat of linseed oil to prevent absorption of moisture. The edges, or both the edges and chamfer may be enameled or lacquered if desired. (Finishing, reference, page 23).



Milk Stool

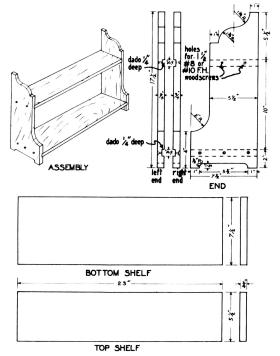
Lumber required: 1 pc. 2" x 6" - 1'. 1 pc. 2" x 4" - 1'.

Make out complete bill of materials for the job before starting. Square up one end of the 2" x 4" piece. For a distance of 1 3/4 inches from one end, reduce the stock to 1 inch thick x 3 3/4 inches forming a tenon or tongue. This is done by first carefully marking out the tenon and working it to size with a saw, or saw and chisel. Use care not to oversaw or cut too deep. (See pages 35 and 36 on use of wood chisel). Be careful not to split any part of the working stock.

Square up the 2" x 6" making it 12 inches long. In the center of this piece form a mortise (or square cornered hole, $1" \times 3 3/4"$. Mark off the place for the mortise on both faces of the stock. Use a large auger bit to bore out the center of the hole, and a chisel or chisel and file to finish it. Care should be taken not to make the mortise too large. Work carefully when mortise and tenon are about the proper size in order that a snug fit be obtained. Drive one nail through each edge of the seat and into the tenon to make it secure. (See page 37 on use of the nail hammer). Paint white or other suitable color. (Reference, page 23 on finishing).

Book Shelves

Lumber required: 1 pc. 1"x8"-5'. 1 pc. 1"x6"-2'.



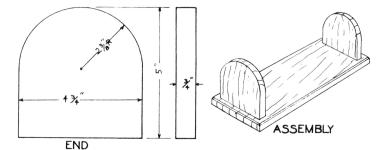
Make out complete bill of materials for job before starting.

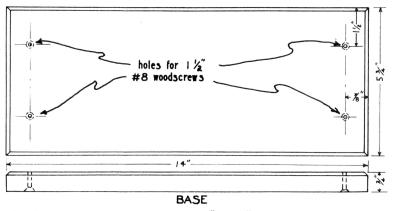
A set of book shelves is needed by most members to provide an orderly method of keeping school books, and the shelves add a neat, attractive piece of furniture to the home.

Make the shelves of oak, walnut or other suitable wood. Carefully square up the stock and plane all surfaces smooth.

In sawing the curved ends, use a coping or compass saw. Saw close to the lay-out line and leave only a little smoothing to be done with a half-round file. Filing should be done with <u>full-length</u>, moderately slow strokes. Pressure should be <u>released</u> or the file lifted slightly on the back stroke. Short, rapid, jerky strokes are the mark of a poor workman. Splintering while sawing may be prevented by clamping a piece of thin scrap lumber behind the work, and sawing through both pieces at once. Square up and dress the pieces for the shelves, then cut the dadoes in the end pieces to fit snugly. Sandpaper smooth before assembling. Fasten together with l_2 -inch No. 8 or 10 flat head wood screws, countersunk flush with the surface. (Study chart, page 39 on use of screws and screw driver). Finish by staining or olling and then waxing. (See "Finishing" reference, page 23 for other finishing suggestions).





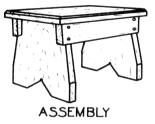


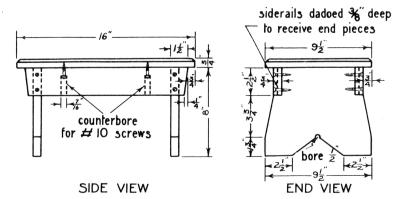
Lumber required: 1 piece 1" x 6" - 2'

Make complete bill of material before starting the $\ensuremath{ \mbox{ex-}}$ ercise.

The book rack may be made of oak or walnut. Make to the dimensions shown on the working drawing. The thickness of the parts may vary slightly if the stock does not dress conveniently to the exact dimensions. After dressing the stock, mark out the ends carefully on both sides, and saw with the coping or compass saw. (Alternate method--saw to line as closely as possible, using straight cuts; round with plane). (Reference, page 38). Put together with No. 8 flat head screws, countersunk slightly below the surface (reference, page 39). The finish may be made by staining or oiling, and then waxing (reference, page 23).

Foot Stool





Lumber required:

l piece l" x 10" -3' l piece l' x 4" - 2½'

Make complete bill of materials before starting the exercise.

The foot stool should be made of oak, walnut or other suitable hard wood to the dimensions shown in the drawing. The thickness of the parts may vary slightly if the stock does not dress conveniently to the exact dimensions. Study the working drawing. Dress the two pieces of stock to appropriate dimensions. Make the cuts carefully and accurately after marking. Dado the side rails to fit the end pieces. Plane and sandpaper all outside surfaces smooth before assembling. (Reference, page 24). Fasten the side rails to the ends with No. 8 or 10 flat head screws, countersunk flush with the surface, or with round or oval head ornamental screws. (Reference, page 39). Finish by staining or oiling, then waxing; or by applying other standard finishes. (Reference, page 23).

> SIDE 2% -5%-+ +1% END BLOCK ″₀ SQUARE SETTING FOR END BLOCK SQUARE SETTING 5 1/2" TOP ASSEMBLY FOR LEG SQUARE SETTING FOR AFTER BEVELING BEVELING SIDES SIDE VIEW OF LEG 23% 2,1 EDGE VIEW OF LEG 10% 3 END PIECE 23 ASSEMBLY SQUARE SETTING FOR END PIECE

Saw Horse

Lumber required: l pc. l" x 6" - 6' l pc. 2" x 6" - 1' l pc. l' x 4" - 10'

Make complete bill of materials before starting the ex-

No. 1 yellow pine may be used to make the open top saw horse. Mill finished lumber will not require planing to a smoother finish, nor to exact widths and thicknesses shown in the working drawing. The thickness of the parts may vary slightly if the stock does not dress conveniently to the exact dimensions.

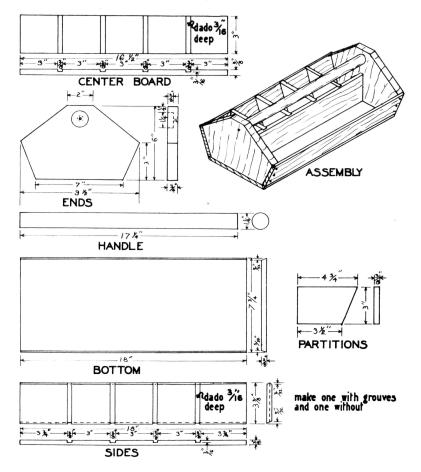
Cut the 1"x6"-36" pieces for the top, then the 2"x6"end blocks. Mark and saw carefully so that little or no finishing of sawed surfaces will be necessary. (Reference, page 38). In cutting the end blocks, first mark off 2-1/2 inches across the top and mark off the angles at the ends of the block with a square or T-level. The square should be set on figures proportional to 6 and 22, such as 3 and 11, or 1-1/2 and 5-1/2 as shown on page 11. Saw the two blocks exactly the same and put the top together with No. 10 flat head screws, countersunk flush with the surface. (Reference. page 39). Mark off the bevel of the two top pieces and plane as shown on page 11. Also plane 2 x 6 end block flush with sides. Saw out the legs by first marking accurately entirely around the stock with the square set to 1 and 3-3/4 for edge marks and to 7/8 and 5 for side marks. This will leave the end of the board, from which a leg is cut, just right for the end of the next leg. Mark the location for the legs on the top already assembled and place the legs in position accurately, then secure each leg with No. 10 flat head wood screws. Bevel the top edge of the 1' x 4" end piece. The proper bevel can be obtained by marking on the ends with the square, using the proportional setting of 4 and 22 or 1/2 and 2-3/4. The ends of the pieces can then be marked off by using the setting of 1 and 3-3/4 as indicated. Because of variation in the thickness of stock and slight errors in marking or sawing, the club member may check his materials and workmanship by placing the marked brace in position and seeing how it fits. Any needed corrections can then be made.

If all legs do not fit down on the floor after assembling, proceed as follows: Place the horse on a level surface and hold it down firmly on three legs; place a thin piece of wood, such as a rule, against a leg and mark all the way around it on top of the thin piece; mark all legs in the same manner; cut the legs off to the marks.

Nail and Tool Box.

Lumber	required:	1	pc.	1"	х	10"		1'
		1	pc.	글 "	х	8 "	-	1글'
		1	pc.	赱 "	х	4 "		6'
		1	pc.	2"	х	2"	-	1륜'

Use No. 1 yellow pine or oak for the ends, bottom and hand grip. Use white pine or other suitable thin material for the sides and nail compartments. Plane broad surfaces only where necessary to make them true. Reference, page 27. (Mill planed lumber is smooth enough for a tool box). The thickness of the parts may vary slightly if the stock does not dress conveniently to the exact dimensions. Make the box according to the working drawing. The two end pieces may be clamped together and the edges of both pieces finished together. Use a piece of broom handle for the hand grip or make a round handle from a piece of 2-inch yellow pine or



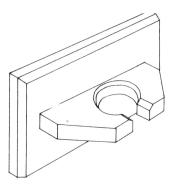
oak. First make the handle square; then plane down the corners until it is 8-sided; then make it 16-sided and finally round. Fasten the main parts together with flat head wood screws, countersunk flush with the surface. (Reference, page 39). Fasten the nail compartments together with finish nails. Apply a good coat of linseed oil or paint.

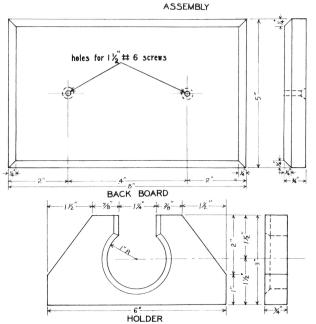
Broom Holder

Lumber required: 1 piece 1" x 6" - 1'.

Make a complete bill of materials before starting this exercise.

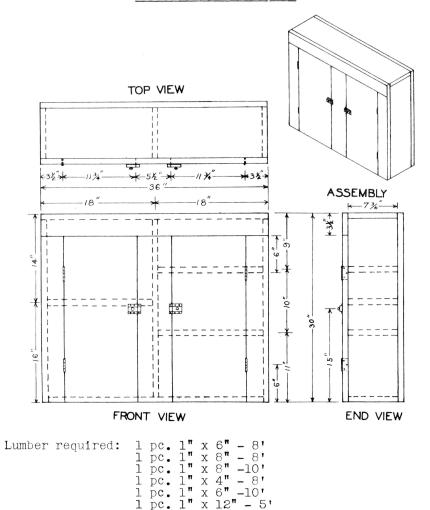
The broom holder may be made of white pine or cypress. Square up and dress the 1"x6"-1'. The thickness of the parts may vary slightly if the stock does not dress conveniently to the exact dimensions. Mark and saw accurately (reference, page 38). Work the back board to dimensions, chamfer the top edge, and lay out the centers for the screws on the back. Lay out the holder as shown in the drawing. At the center of the holder lay out a 2-inch circle with a compass or pair of dividers. Draw lines for the entrance and cut out the circle with a coping saw. Smooth with a file. Cut off the corners as shown, and smooth with a plane. Round the edges of the circle on top to prevent cutting broom fibers.





Sandpaper and finish to harmonize with woodwork where it is to be used, or stain and varnish. Reference, page 23.

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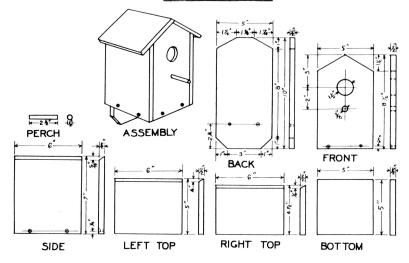


Make a complete bill of materials before starting the exercise.

The medicine case may be made of No. 1 yellow pine and made according to the working drawing shown. The thickness of the parts may vary slightly if the stock does not dress conveniently to the exact dimensions. The work should be carefully and accurately planned, then accurately executed. Six penny finishing nails or No. 6 wood screws may be used to put the case together. Small hinges, small knobs and buttons may be used on the doors. The case may be finished by sandpapering and painting.

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Blue Bird House



Lumber required: 1 piece $1" \times 6" - 4'$.

Make complete bill of materials before starting on exercise.

Plans should be studied and the blue bird house made according to the working drawings. The thickness of the parts may vary slightly if the stock does not dress conveniently to the exact dimensions. Weather resistant material, such as cedar should be used to make the bird house and no paint or finishing should be used. It is very important that the blue bird house be protected from house cats by tin bands or something similar being placed around the pole below the house. The house should be put up early in the spring. It may be taken down during the winter if desired.

Work Bench*

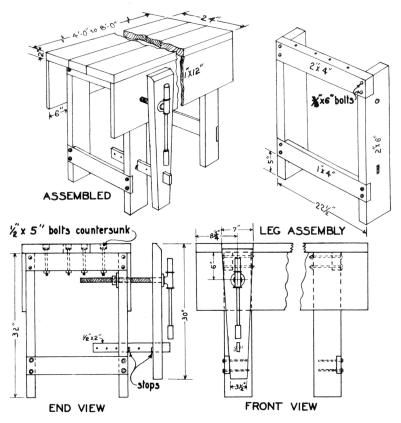
Lumber required (for a bench 4 ft. long):

l pc.	2"	х	6″ –	1'
1 pc.	2"	х	4 " -	
l pc.	1"		4" -	
l pc.	1"		12" -	
l pc.	2"		10" -	
l pc.	2"		8" -	
l pc.	1"	Х	2" -	2'

Make a complete bill of materials before starting the exercise.

The work bench is one of the most important items of *Used through courtesy of the University of Wisconsin.

equipment in the shop. It makes for orderly, systematic work, saves time and promotes good workmanship. It may be made of yellow pine, but the vise should be of hard, strong material, such as oak or birch. The vise screw can be pur-



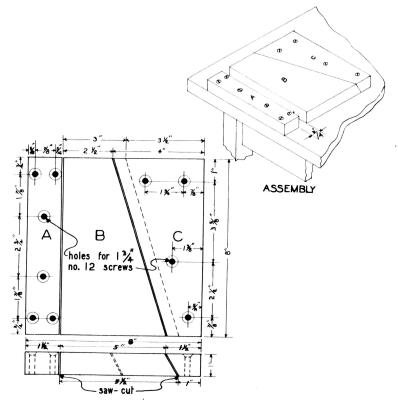
chased at the local hardware store. Mortise one leg for the sliding vise stop. (Reference, page 35). Attach the top boards to the leg assembly, then the drop sides and the vise. Plug the counter sunk holes on the top with wood plugs and leave a smooth, even surface on top of the bench.

Bench Vise and Stop

Lumber required: 1 pc. 1" x 8" -1'.

Make complete bill of materials before starting exer-

The bench vise and stop may be made of oak or No. 1 yellow pine. Make according to working drawing. The thickness of the parts may vary slightly if the stock does not dress conveniently to the exact dimensions. Mill planed lumber is smooth enough, and planing need be done only when necessary to true up the stock. The two pieces with beveled edge may be ripped from one piece of stock by sawing at the



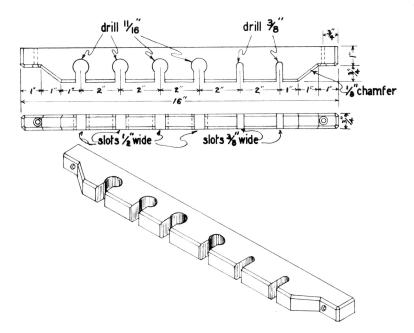
proper angle. Drill and countersink holes to receive No. 10 flat head screws to fasten to the top of the bench. No finish is required.

Tool Rack

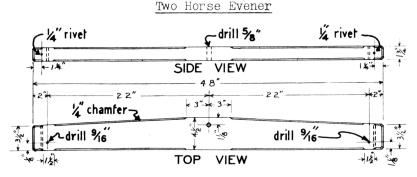
Lumber required: 1 pc. 1" x 2" - 1½'.

Make a complete bill of materials before starting on the exercise.

Make the tool rack of No. 1 yellow pine or any other suitable wood to the dimensions shown in the working drawing. The thickness of the parts may vary slightly if the stock does not dress conveniently to the exact dimensions. Lay out the work very carefully before boring the holes and cutting the slots. (Reference, page 33). Saw carefully to the lines so that a minimum of smoothing will be required. (Reference, page 38). Drill and countersink holes in the ends to receive No. 10 flat head wood screws for fastening to



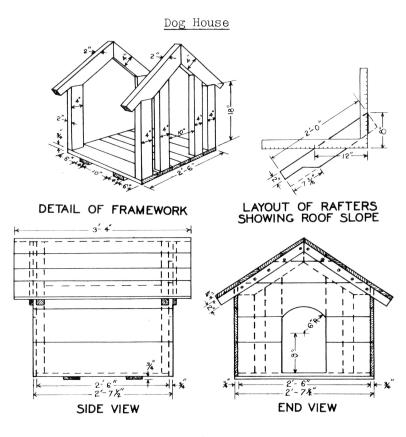
the wall or into a cabinet. (Reference, page 39). Smooth the sawed surfaces of the slots with a wood file.



Lumber required: 1 pc. 2" x 6" - 4'.

Make a complete bill of materials before starting the exercise.

A good two-horse evener is a piece of equipment that will find ready application on the farm. The evener should be made of oak, hickory, osage orange, ash or red elm. The ends may be bound with a metal cap, strap iron or just a rivet. A rivet or 1/4-inch bolt should be put through the end to clamp the binder to the evener. If a wagon evener is desired, the strap iron may extend entirely across the back edge of the evener from one end to the other. Note: If osage orange is used, it will be difficult to prevent severe season cracking unless it is thoroughly seasoned. Even then it is often advisable to keep the evener well oiled for some time.



1 pc. 2" x 4" Lumber required: - 8' х 4[́] 1 pc. 2" -10' x 4" 1 pc. 1" -10' 5 pc. 1" x 6" -10' 1" x 6" 3 pc. - 8' x 2" - 8' 1 DC. 1"

Make a complete bill of materials before starting the project.

The dog house may be made of No. 1 or No. 2 yellow pine, according to the dimensions shown on the working drawing. Cut out and put the floor together, then cut the frame work and proceed with the sides and roof. The thickness of the parts may vary slightly if the stock does not dress conveniently to the exact dimensions. Check the lumber required, plan the work accurately and execute it carefully, just as you would a larger building. The roof and floor may be run out farther in front with another set of rafters and studding at the end to form a porch where the dog may lie. This will call for more lumber and may not, in some cases, be worth the added cost. Individual judgment may be used regarding this. This dog house is so arranged that the top can be readily removed for cleaning. After the sides and ends are completed, a l" x 4" is screwed into place on the gable as shown, and the top nailed to these pieces. Then to remove the top, the screws are simply removed from the l" x 4"'s.

A common weakness of farm buildings is the lack of sufficient nails in the joints. A rough guiding rule for the use of nails in a joint is: Nails should not be spaced closer together than 1/3 of their length; nor closer to the edge of a board than 1/4 of their length. The spacing will, of course, depend a great deal on the material. If the material does not split easily, more nails than the rule specifies can be used to strengthen the joints.

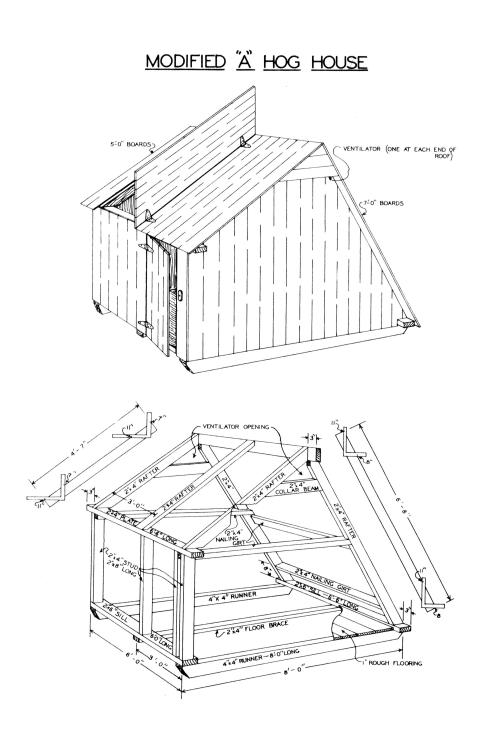
Modified "A" Hog House

Bill of Material

No.	Size	Purpose
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Hardware

2 1 pr. 6" and 1 pr. 8" hinges, 1 hasp with scrows, 2 lbs. 16d spikes, 2 lbs. 8d nails, 3 lbs. 6d nails, 1/2 gallon creosote for floor and skids, 1 gallon paint.



FURNITURE FINISHING

There are many different kinds and degrees of furniture finishing which range from simple painting, or oiling and waxing, to very delicate varnish finishes. The general principles of finishing are given, and two or three finishes outlined in detail for use of the members. Any other finishes desired by the member and approved by the leader may be used.

All surfaces should be thoroughly cleaned and smoothed, usually by planing and sandpapering. Sandpapering with No. 1 sandpaper and followed by No. O gives a surface smooth enough for most finishes. (See use of sandpaper, page 23).

It is very important that paints and varnishes be applied in a place free from dirt and dust. This is particularly true of varnishes.

Simple Finishes

The simple finishes which are economical and comparatively easily applied, and yet attractive and effective, consist simply of (1) smoothing the article as previously described, (2) oiling or staining, and (3) waxing with a good quality of furniture or floor wax.

Fine Finishes

If a fine finish is to be applied to a new piece of coarse grained wood, such as oak or ash, it may be desirable to use a filler first. This material with directions for use can be secured at any reliable hardware or paint store. After the filler is applied, the wood may be stained and varnished. Two or three coats of varnish may be applied, rubbing down the surface after a coat has dried and before the next coat is applied. Varnishing should be done, as previously mentioned, in a room that is as free from dust as possible. A new brush, or one which has never been used in anything except varnish, should be used for the application of the varnish. Paints are usually applied to cheaper wood and outside surfaces. Directions for the best use of paint are usually found on the container.

Refinishing.

Very often it is desirable to refinish or repair some piece of furniture around the house. This does not vary greatly from finishing new surfaces, except for getting the material cleaned and smoothed.

This process will usually consist of (1) Removing old finish, paint or varnishes, by the use of a woodscraper or some such tool, being careful not to scar the wood beneath the paint. (Reference on use of scraper, page 40). Paint remover may be used on some articles. This material is often highly inflammable and should be used cautiously. (2) Remove grease spots or discolorations and any glue left on the surface. (3) Remove dents and fill holes and cracks. (4) Sandpaper to get smoother finish. (5) Apply the new finish.

Grease spots may be removed by applying a cloth dampened with benzine. (Caution: benzine is explosive). This will also remove most of the discolorations.

Glue may be removed by scraping or by applying a piece of damp cloth and then placing a hot iron over the cloth. If glue is not removed, it acts as a filler and will prevent the finish from entering the wood.

Small dents may be removed by applying a piece of damp muslin over the dent and placing a hot iron on the cloth. This may have to be repeated several times and the surface will become rough and will require sandpapering before completing.

Holes and cracks may be filled by several different methods, depending upon the size or extent of such blemishes. If the hole is very large, a piece of wood similar to the rest of the surface should be carved out and fitted in place. Small holes or cracks can be filled with a thick paste made by mixing fine sawdust of the wood with ordinary glue. Care should be exercized not to get the glue on the surrounding surface.

A very satisfactory mixture for filling cracks in wood may be made by mixing corn starch and wheat flour, one part of each, and then adding one part of linseed oil and one part of Japan drier. This mixture will take any finish that the wood may have applied to it.

After all this work is done to any piece of furniture it should be sandpapered and prepared for finish as previously outlined.

Suggestions on the Use of Sandpaper.

Sandpaper should be used by placing the sheet around a block of wood about 3×5 inches. This gives a good firm surface to back the paper and provides a convenient means of holding it. In a few places which cannot be reached by this block, sanding may be done by using a smaller block or without the use of the block for a very small area. When using sandpaper, always sand with the grain, except, of course, while sanding the ends.

Sandpapering should not be attempted until all work with cutting tools, such as planes and scrapers, is completed.

Care of Brushes.

A brush should never be allowed to rest upright on its bristles. If work is stopped for a few minutes, the surplus paint may be removed from the brush by wiping it on the edge of the pail. The brush should be laid flat across the top of the paint pail or on a smooth clean surface. If the work is stopped overnight, the brush should be placed in a can of turpentine or raw linseed oil, in the case of paint brushes; or turpentine and paint thinner, in the case of varnishes. This can best be done by use of a small hole through the handle and a small wire hook on the side of the can. The bristles should be covered by the liquid, but should not touch the bottom of the can. When a job is done, the brush should be cleaned thoroughly with turpentine, benzine, kerosene or gasoline, and then washed with warm soap suds. It should then be given a shake to straighten out the bristles, wrapped in heavy paper while still damp and then laid away or hung up in a dry, cool place.

Handling the Paint Brush.

The brush should be held firmly, but lightly with the long part of the handle resting between the thumb and finger. The fingers should not extend down on the bristles. The bristles should be dipped into the paint about 1/3 of their length, then the excess paint removed by gently tapping the brush against the side of the pail or by wiping it over the inside edge of the pail.

The paint or varnish should be applied to the surface with long, sweeping strokes, usually with the grain of the wood, and the strokes should be "feathered", that is, the brush should be brought down against the surface "gradually at the beginning of the stroke and lifted gradually at the end of the stroke. The paint should be brushed out well to form an even coating.

Blistering.

Blistering occurs on newly painted surfaces and is caused by moisture in the wood. As the moisture comes out of the wood, small blisters are formed in the undried paint. As these blisters dry, the paint cracks and peels off. Blistering can be prevented by having the wood thoroughly dry before painting. Peeling will occur also when the priming coat is not properly thinned with turpentine to cause good penetration.

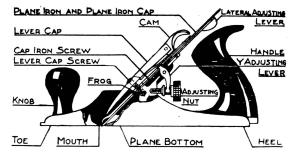
HOW TO SET THE PLANE



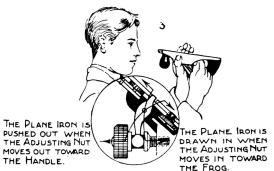
TO PUT THE PLANE TO GETHER LAY THE PLANE IRON, BEVELSIDE DOWN, ON THE FROG. BE SURE THE ROLLER ON THE LATERAL ADJUSTING LEVER, THE END OF THE YADJUSTING LEVER AND THE HEAD OF THE PLANE IRON CAP SCREW ARE CORRECTLY SEATED

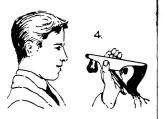


SLIP THE LEVER CAP UNDER THE LEVER CAP SCREW AND PRESS DOWN THE CAM. IF THE PLANE IRON IS IN THE CORRECT POSITION THE CAM WILL BASILY SNAP IN PLACE. IF THE CAM WILL NOT SNAP IN PLACE EASILY, SLIGHTLY LOOSEN THE LEVER CAP SCREW. IF THE PLANE IRON IS NOT FIRMLY HELD WHEN THE CAM IS IN PLACE SLIGHTLY TIGHTEN THE LEVER CAP SCREW.

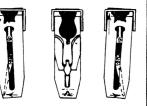


TO ADJUST FOR THE THICKNESS OF THE SHAVING SIGHT ALONG THE BOTTOM OF THE PLANE AND TURN THE ADJUSTING NUT UNTIL THE CUTTING EDGE PROJECTS ABOUT THE THICKNESS OF A HAIR.

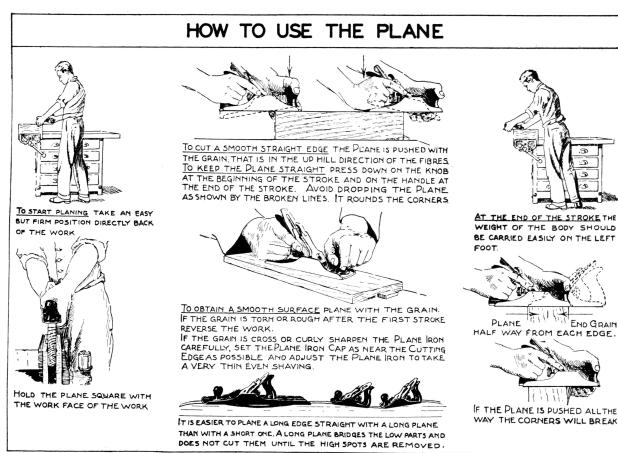




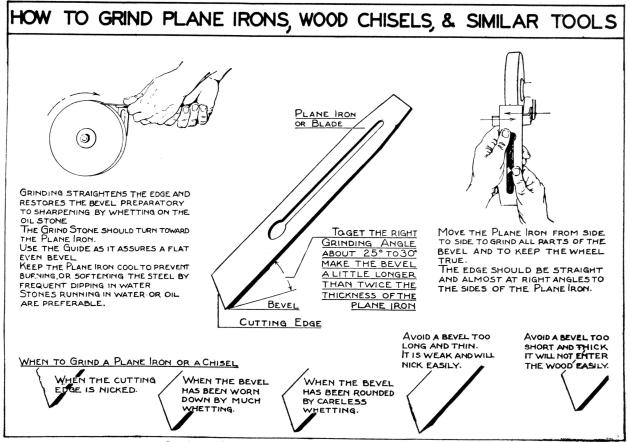
TO ADJUST FOR THE EVENNESS OF THE SHAVING SIGHT ALONG THE BOTTOM OF THE PLANE AND MOVE THE LATERAL ADJUSTING LEVER TOWARD THE RIGHT OR THE LEFT.



KNOB, LEVER CAP AND PLANE IRON CAP REMOVED TO SHOW THE ACTION OF THE LATERAL ADJUSTING LEVER.

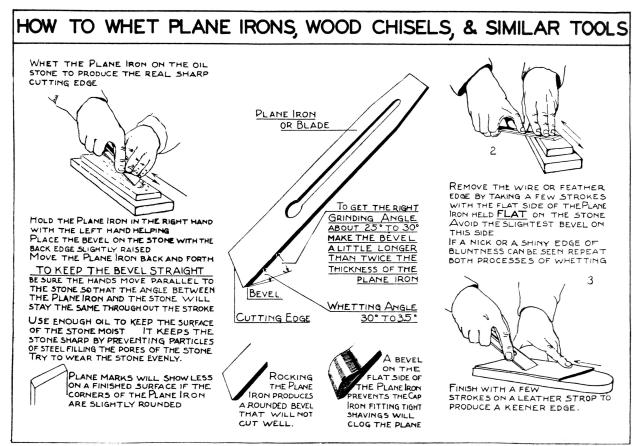


HOW TO ADJUST AND USE THE BLOCK PLANE ADJUSTING SCREW LEVER CAP SCREW LEVER CAP FINGER REST TO ADJUST THE PLANE RON LATER ALLY FOR EVENNESS OF SHAVINGS TO ADJUST THE PLANE IRON, VER-LOOSEN THE LEVER CAP SCREW. TICALLY, FOR THE THICKNESS OF THE SIGHT ALONG THE PLANE BOTTOM MOUTH PLANE BON BOTTOM SHAVINGS, SIGHT ALONG THE PLANE PRESS THE PLANE IRON TO THE RIGHT BOTTOM AND TURN THE ADJUSTING OR TO THE LEFT AND TIGHTED THE KEEP YOUR PLANE SHARP SCREW FORWARD TO PUSH THE LEVER CAP SCREW. PLANE IRON OUT, OR TURN IT BACK TO PULL THE PLANE IRON IN THE BLOCK PLANE HAS A SINGLE PLANE IRON SET AT A LOWER ANGLE THAN THE PLANE IRON OF THE SMOOTH PLANE, ENABLING IT TO CUT END GRAIN BETTER THAN OTHER PLANES BECAUSE OF THE LOW ANGLE THE PLANE IRON IS SET BEVEL UP. THE BLOCK PLANE IS USED TO PLANE SMALL THE BLOCK PLANE IS A TOOL USED IN THE BLOCK PLANE IS THE HANDIEST THE BLOCK PLANE IS INDISPENSABLE IN PIECES AND TO PLANE THE ENDS OF MOULD-ONE HAND THIS MAKES IT EASY TO TOOL FOR PLANING CORNERS AND SHAPING THE HULLS AND SPARS OF MODEL INGS, TRIM AND SIDING USE WHEN THE WORK CANNOT BE CHAMFERS ON SMALL PIECES OF BOATS AND THE PARTS OF MODEL AIRPLANES TAKEN TO A VISE WOOD.

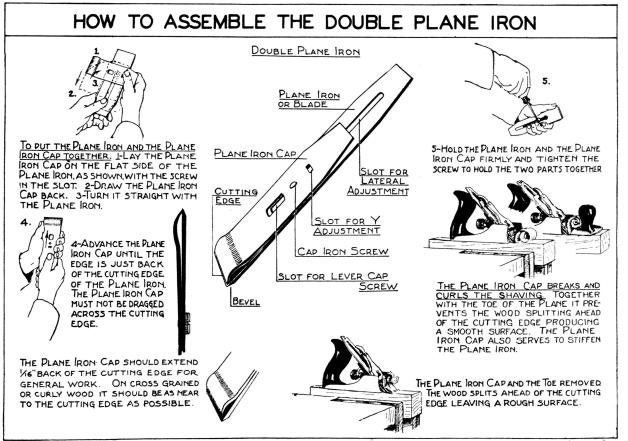


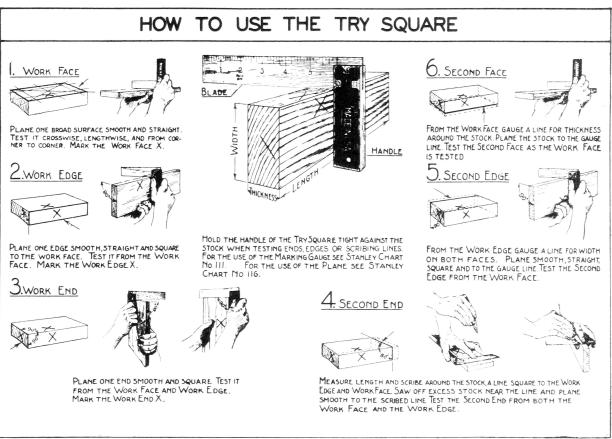
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HOW TO USE THE BIT BRACE

SWEEP= DIAMETER OF SWING

Bow

QUILL

HANDLE

HEAD

RATCHET END

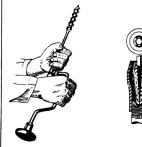
CHUCK BODY

BOX RATCHET CAM RING

CHUCK (SHELL



TO PLACE THE BIT IN THE CHUCK; GRASP THE CHUCK SHELL; TURN THE HANDLE TO THE LEFT UNTIL THE JAWS OPEN WIDE ENOUGH FOR THE TAPER SHANK OF THE BIT TO PASS THE ENDS OF THE CHUCK JAWS;

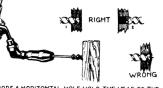


INSERT THE BIT SHANK; HOLD THE CHUCK SHELL, AND TURN THE HANDLE TO THE RIGHT UNTIL THE BIT IS HELD FIRMLY IN THE JAWS. THE TAPER SHANK, SHOULD BE WELL INTO THE JAWS. THE CORMERS SHOULD FIT MTO THE V GROOVES. To operate the ratchet turn the cam ring. Turning the cam ring to the right will allow the bit to turn right and give a ratchet action when the handle is turned left. Turn the cam ring left to reverse the action.

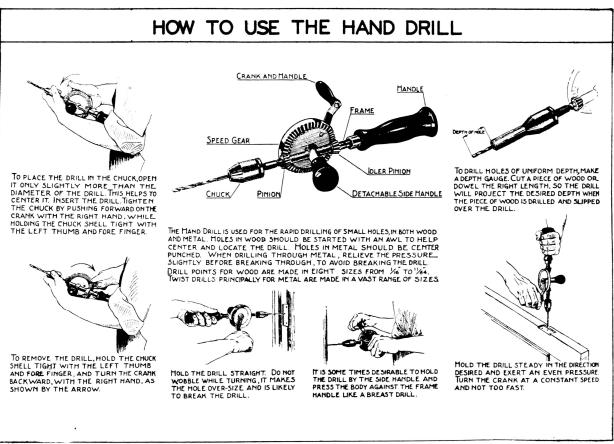
THE RATCHET BRACE IS INDISPENSABLE WHEN BORING A HOLE IN A CORNER, OR WHERE SOME OBJECT PREVENTS MAKING A FULL TURN WITH THE HANDLE.

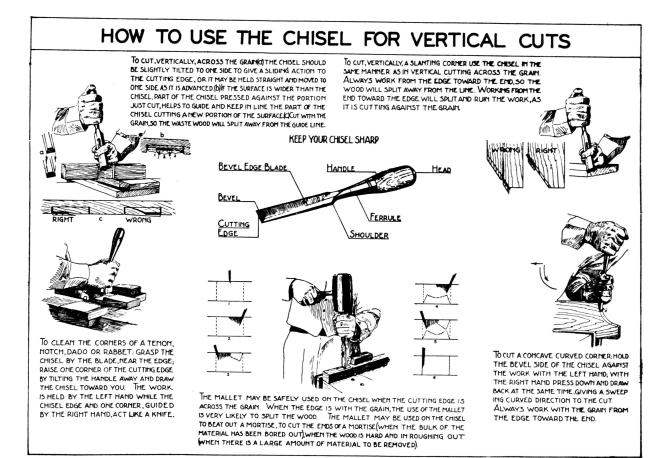


To BORE A VERTICAL HOLE, HOLD THE BRACE AND BIT PERFENDICULAR TO THE SURFACE OF THE WORK TEST BY SIGHT. COMPARE THE DIRECTION OF THE BIT TOTHE HEAREST STRAIGHT EDGE OR TO SIDES OF THE VISE ATRY SQUARE MAY BE HELD AGAINST THE BIT.



To bore a horizontal hole, hold the head of the brace cupped in the left hand, with the back of the hand against the stomach and with the thumb and fore finger around the quill. This gives perfect control of the brace. To bore thru without splintering the second face, stop when the spur is thru and finish Boring from the second face.





HOW TO USE THE CHISEL FOR HORIZONTAL CUTS

To CUT.HORIZONTALLY, WITH THE GRAIN: THE CHISEL IS HELD SLIGHTLY TURNED TO ONE SDE AND THEN PUSHED FROM THE WORKER. IT IS HELD WITH THE BEVEL DOWN FOR A ROUGHING CUT AND WITH THE BEVEL UP FOR A PARING CUT.



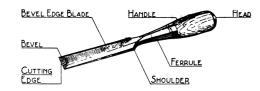


TO CUT A CHAMFER:HOLD THE CHISEL INCLINED TO ONE SIDE PARALLEL TO THE SLOPE OF THE CHAMFER AND CUT AS IN CHISELING HORIZONTALLY WITH THE GRAIN



To cut a straight, slanting, corner is the same as horizontal chiseling The work is held in the vise with the guide line horizontal.

KEEP YOUR CHISEL SHARP



The chisel is controlled with the left hand, pressing firmly on the chisel and the wood. The power is applied with the right hand. The chisel is held subirity turned so the Edge subes across the work or the chisel is moved to the right and left as it is advanced, to give a subing action to the cutting Edge. This is easier, than a straight thrust and leaves a smoother surface on the work. At ALL IMES KEEP BOTH HANDS BACK OF The CUTTING EDGE.





TO CUT A CHAMFER ON END GRAIN, THE CHISEL IS MOVED SIDEWAYS ACROSS THE CORMER OF THE WORK, HELD SO THAT THE CHISEL: MAKES A SLIDING HORIZONTAL CUT To CUT A ROUND CORNER, THE CHISEL IS MOVED SIDEWAYS ACROSS THE WORK MAK-ING A SERIES OF CUTS CLOSE TOGETHER EACH ONE TANGENT TO THE CURVE. To cut, horizontally, across the grainwith the work held in the vise, press the fore friger and thumb together on the chisel to act as a brake. To avoid splintering the corners, cut half way from each edge toward the center. Remove the center stock last

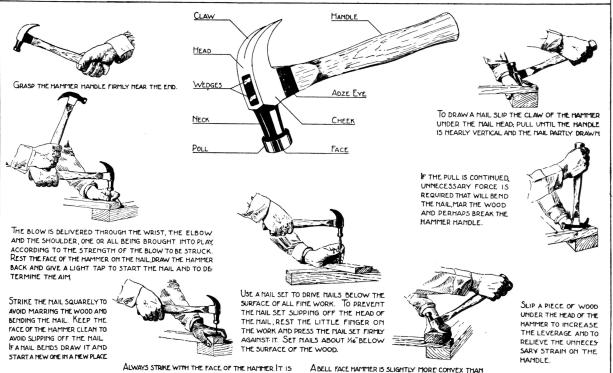


To CUT ACROSS THE GRAIN WITH THE WORK HELD ÅGAINST THE BENCH HOOK, THE HEEL OF THE LEFT HAND STEADLES THE WORK WHILE THE FINGERS PRESS THE CHISEL FIRMLY AGAINST THE WOOD.

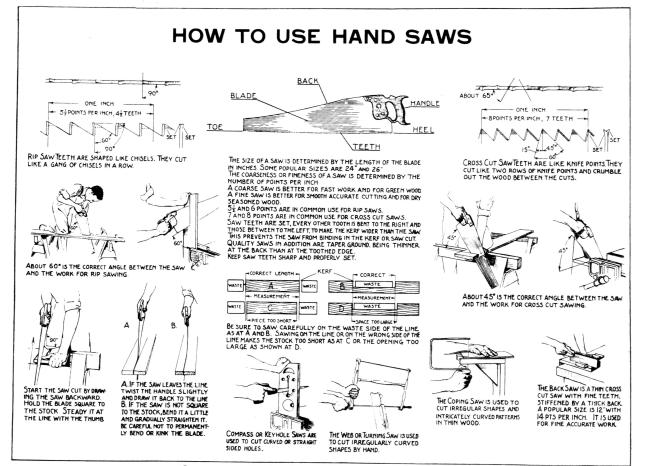


IF THE WORK IS WIDE THE CHISEL IS HELD BEVEL DOWN, SO THE HANDLE WILL CLEAR THE WORK AND THE BLADE WILL NOT DIG IN TOO DEEP, AS IT IS PUSHED FORWARD.

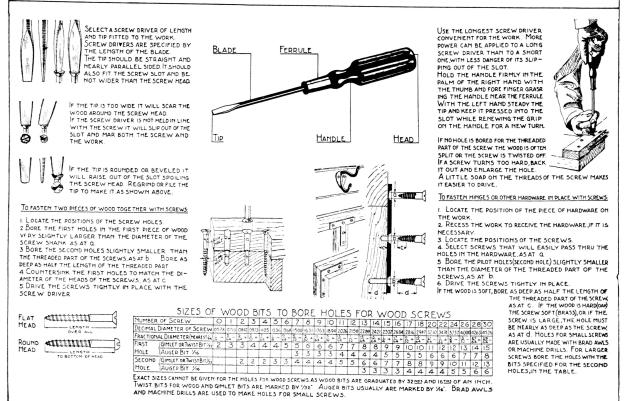
HOW TO USE THE NAIL HAMMER

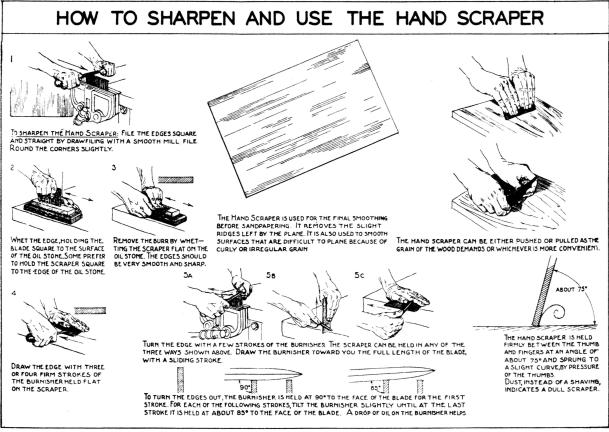


HARDENED FOR THAT PURPOSE. DO NOT DAMAGE THE FACE BY STRIKING STEEL MARDER THAN ITSELF. DO NOT STRIKE WITH THE CHEEK AS IT IS THE WEAKEST PART. A BELL FACE HAMMER IS SLIGHTLY MORE CONVEX THAN A PLAN FACE HAMMER WITH IT A HALL CAN BE DRIVEN FLUSH OR SLIGHTLY BELOW THE SURFACE OF THE WORK WITHOUT LEAVING HAMMER MARKS IN THE WOOD.



HOW TO USE THE SCREW DRIVER





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