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Metric Conversion

INCHES TO MILLIMETRES AND CENTIMETRES

MM—millimetres CM—centimetres

Inches	MM	CM	Inches	CM	Inches	CM
1/8	3	0.3	9	22.9	30	76.2
1/4	6	0.6	10	25.4	31	78.7
3/8	10	1.0	11	27.9	32	81.3
1/2	13	1.3	12	30.5	33	83.8
5/8	16	1.6	13	33.0	34	86.4
3/4	19	1.9	14	35.6	35	88.9
7/8	22	2.2	15	38.1	36	91.4
1	25	2.5	16	40.6	37	94.0
11/4	32	3.2	17	43.2	38	96.5
$1\frac{1}{2}$	38	3.8	18	45.7	39	99.1
13/4	44	4.4	19	48.3	40	101.6
2	51	5.1	20	50.8	41	104.1
$2\frac{1}{2}$	64	6.4	21	53.3	42	106.7
2	76	7.6	22	55.9	43	109.2
$3\frac{1}{2}$	89	8.9	23	58.4	44	111.8
4	102	10.2	24	61.0	45	114.3
$4\frac{1}{2}$	114	11.4	25	63.5	46	116.8
5	127	12.7	26	66.0	47	119.4
6	152	15.2	27	68.6	48	121.9
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Introduction

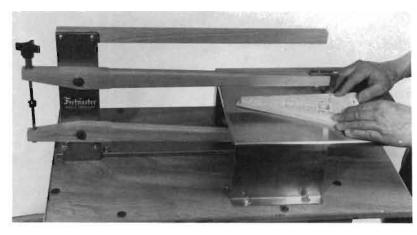
Some of the highly detailed and ornate patterns in this book were originally created in the nineteenth century by early scroll-saw masters. Included here and blended with some of our own creations and derivations are designs published in the mid to late 1800s. Where necessary the old designs have been changed or altered to make them more adaptable to present-day scroll-sawing techniques (Illus. 1). These refinements were executed by Dirk Boelman, probably today's most talented and productive designer and developer of fine scroll-saw fretwork patterns.

Some of the larger project patterns extend

across three to four or more adjoining pages. Some large symmetrical patterns are given just in half or quarter patterns. These are designated with dividing lines or lines of rotation where patterns should be folded or flipped and joined to form the complete, full pattern.

To conserve space, some of the more obvious pattern profiles have been eliminated, including rectangle patterns for box bottoms and liners, and shelves for wall brackets. Also omitted are half-circular and quarter-circular shaped patterns that comprise the wall shelf and/or corner shelves for various bracket projects.

Illus. 1 Fretwork is done with modern constant-tension scroll saws and new materials such as very thin plywoods that make it easier and faster than ever before possible.

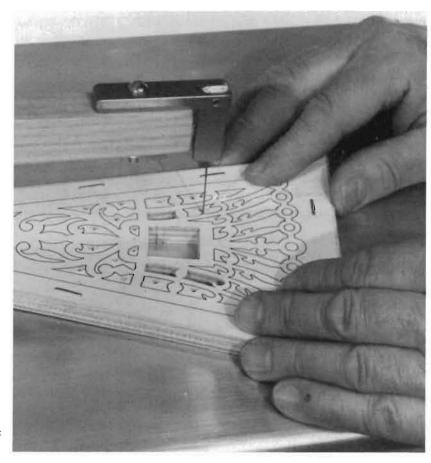


Thicknesses, Materials, and Blade Sizes

Many of the older pattern designs given in the book were probably originally sawn from thin, solid woods 1/8- to 5/16-inch thick, depending upon the nature of the project. With today's modern scroll saws, thicker materials are much more easily cut. This option may make some of the projects, such as silhouettes and picture or mirror frames, more interesting. Wherever a certain thickness is required, it is specified directly on the pattern or in a caption. Otherwise, unless specified, any thickness can be used as dictated by your personal preference.

Because of the delicacy of some of the very ornate and fragile pieces, you may want to select plywood. It will always be easiest to finish-sand surfaces before sawing. A good constant-tension scroll saw should produce sawn surfaces that form the profile edges so smooth that they will not require subsequent sanding.

Many of the patterns are so detailed that they will require very small "saw gates" or blade entry holes that can only be threaded with fine pinless blades (Illus. 2). The most delicate cuttings will require a fine No. 2, 3, or 4 blade. Most patterns can be cut with medium blades (No's. 5–7), and some of the larger projects should be cut with No. 8 to No. 11 blades. Always use the biggest possible blade, but do not sacrifice the ability to cut fine detail or the smoothness of the cut surface. Thicker materials will obviously require heavier blades, so plan accordingly.



Illus. 2 A close-up look at fine fret-sawing. The blade has been threaded through a small hole ("saw gate") drilled into the waste area. Here three pieces of thin plywood (1/8" or 3 mm) are being stack-sawn all at once to make identical pieces for the fan project given on page 61. A fine (No. 4) pinless blade is being used.

Developing and Transferring Patterns

One of the biggest problems with past scroll-sawing activities is developing patterns and transferring them to the workpiece. Since all patterns in this book are given in the recommended full-size versions, no enlargements or reductions are actually necessary unless some other special size is desired. The toy furniture patterns for example may be enlarged to accommodate a certain, special doll size. In such cases the easiest and quickest way to make size changes is with the assistance of an office copier that has enlarging and reducing capabilities. Otherwise, the old process of drawing grids or using a pantograph can be employed, but these methods are often time consuming and not very accurate.

Use the office copy machine to make an exact copy of the patterns you intend to saw. The copies can then be temporarily bonded directly onto the surface of the workpiece. Use a brush-on rubber cement or a temporary bonding spray adhesive (Illus. 3). We personally prefer the spray adhesive technique. Simply spray a very light mist of adhesive to the back of the pattern copy (**do not spray on wood**) and wait just a few seconds; then press the pattern onto the wood with your hand (Illus. 3). Saw out the

piece following exactly the same lines of the pattern. This technique results in far more accurate finished cuts (with smoother curves, etc.). It also saves a lot of time, and overall it just results in much more sawing pleasure.

A machine-copied pattern peels off the workpiece cleanly and easily after the sawing operations are completed. Temporary mounting spray adhesives are inexpensive and available from arts, crafts, and photography retail suppliers. Just be sure you get one that states "temporary bond" on the can. It's always a good idea to test your adhesive with scrap paper and a wood sample to be sure the pattern will be easily removed.

If you can, avoid the old method of tracing the pattern from the book and then transferring the traced pattern to the workpiece with carbon paper. If you must do it that way, use *graphite* paper. It is cleaner, less greasy, and the image it leaves is more easily removed with light sanding.

If you decide to use the rubber cement method to bond a machine-copied pattern to the workpiece, a little more care is required. Do not brush on too heavy a coat. If some cement remains on the wood after



Illus. 3 Pressing down a spray-adhesive-coated copy of the pattern directly onto the wood workpiece blank.

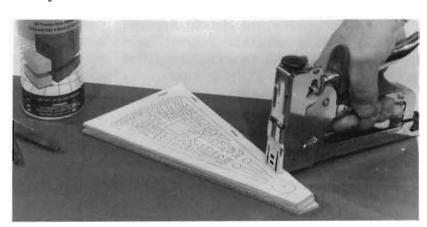
peeling off the pattern, it can be removed by rubbing it off with your fingers (**do not use solvents**). Conversely, when temporary bond spray adhesive is properly applied no

residue remains on the wood surface. In either case you may want to lightly sand the surfaces very carefully with fine-grit paper (180 grit or smoother) before finishing.

The Basics of Stack-Sawing

Don't forget to use the technique of stacksawing two or more layers at a time to duplicate parts exactly (Illus. 4). Stacking multiple layers (gang- or plural-sawing) is a good way to increase production by making several cutouts all at once, depending upon individual thickness (Illus. 2). Today ultrathin plywoods are available to permit stacking many layers. However, you may want to use thin solid woods, as in earlier times, to create historically accurate reproductions of these patterns, since plywood had not been invented then and was not widely used until the 1940s.

Illus. 4 Stapling three layers of plywood together is just one of many ways to hold parts for stack-sawing. Glue, nails, or tape can also be used. When using nails or staples, be sure the points do not protrude through the bottom layer. This would inhibit feeding and scratch the saw table.



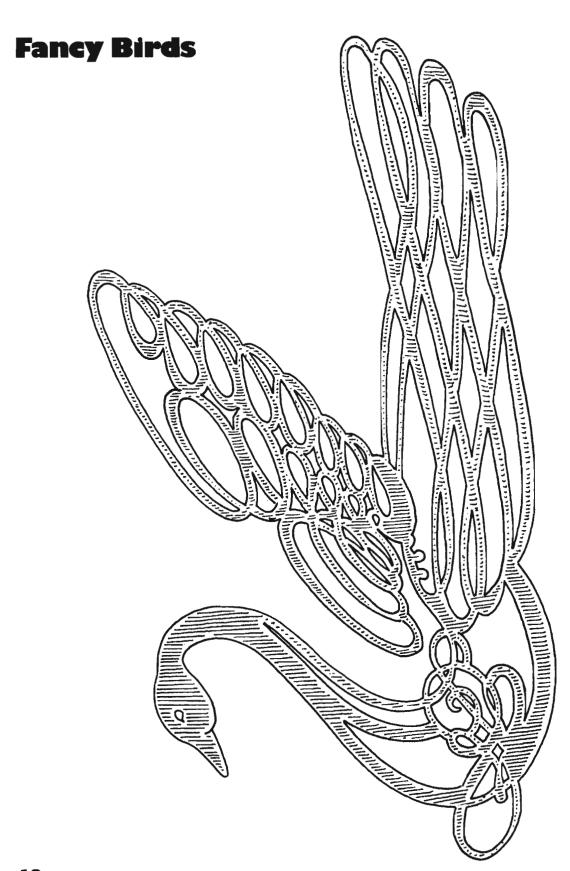
The Range of Patterns

We have included patterns for approximately 140 new projects ranging from simple pierced designs to a highly detailed plaque of a steam engine. Nearly 30 categories of pattern types include ornamental numbers and letters, beautiful birds and eagles, signs, wall pockets, silhouettes, a sleigh, wheelbarrows, clocks, frames, shelves, jewelry boxes, fretted candle holders, toy furniture, delicate baskets, crosses, antique cars, and even a moose head.

We would be remiss if we didn't mention three related and helpful books: *Scroll Saw Fretwork Techniques and Projects* (Sterling Publishing Co., New York, 1990), *Scroll*

Saw Fretwork Patterns (Sterling Publishing Co., New York, 1989), and Victorian Scroll Saw Patterns (Sterling Publishing Co., New York, 1990). Techniques offers a study in the historical development of fretwork, as well as the tools, techniques, materials, and project styles that have evolved over the past 130 years. The book also covers some modern scroll-sawing machines, and state-of-the-art fretwork along with fine-scroll-sawing techniques. Those books in combination with the detailed classic patterns presented here make this fascinating class of woodworking more fun and at the same time faster and a whole lot easier than it ever was before.

Patterns







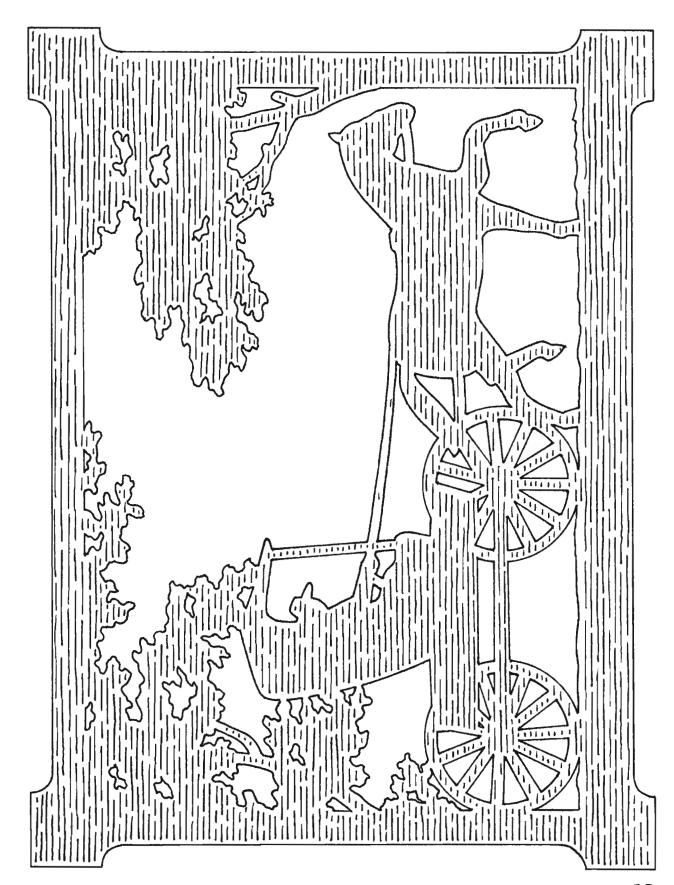


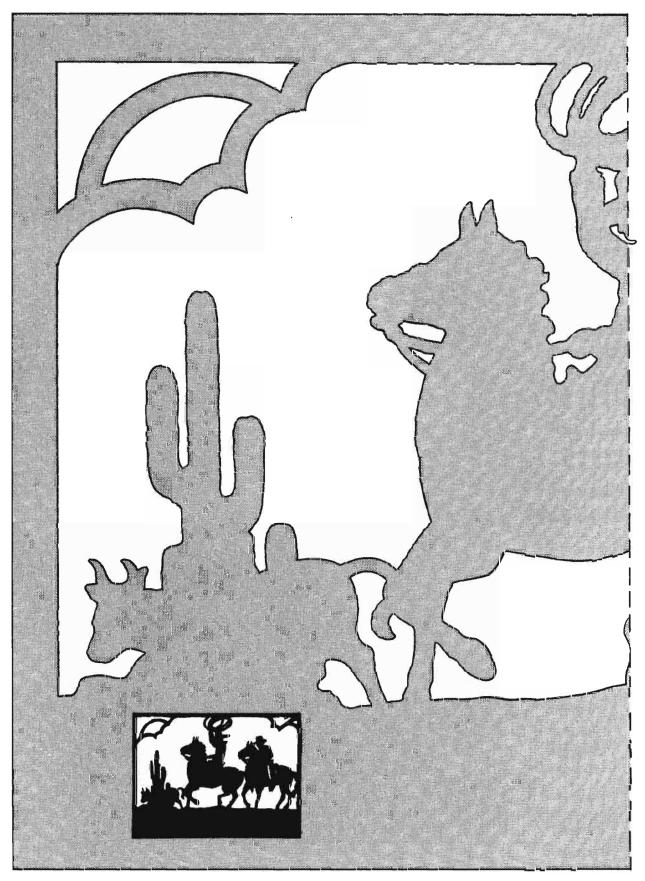


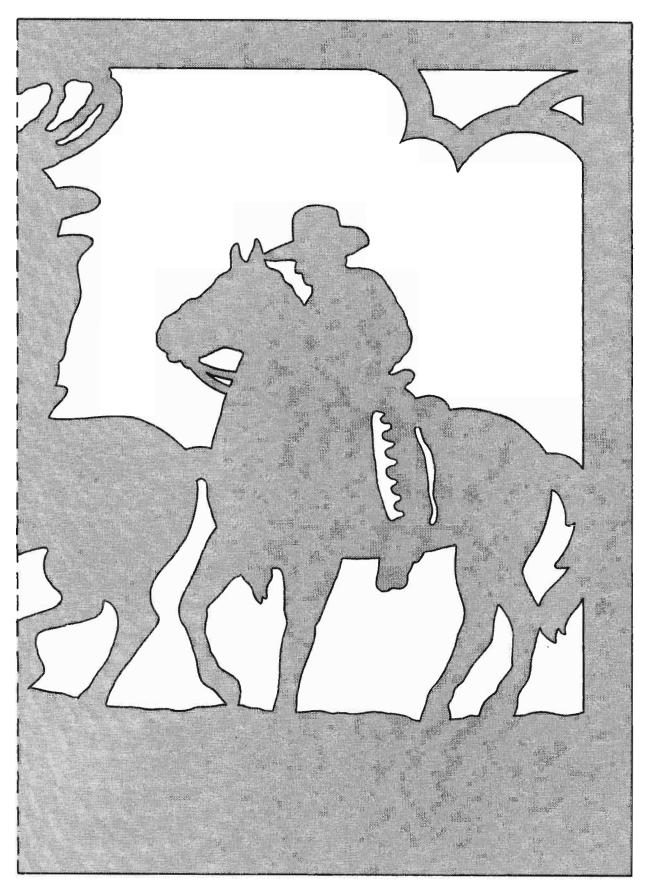


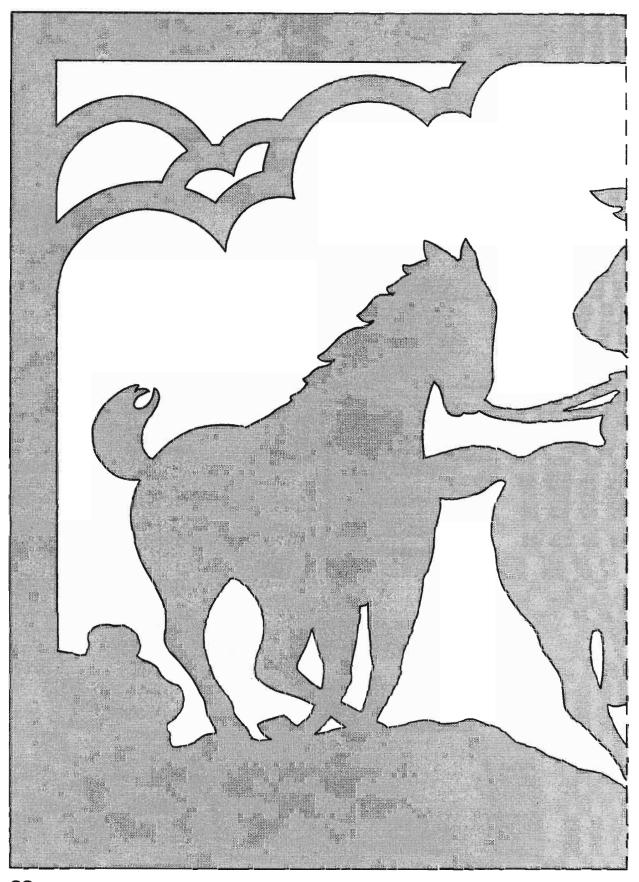
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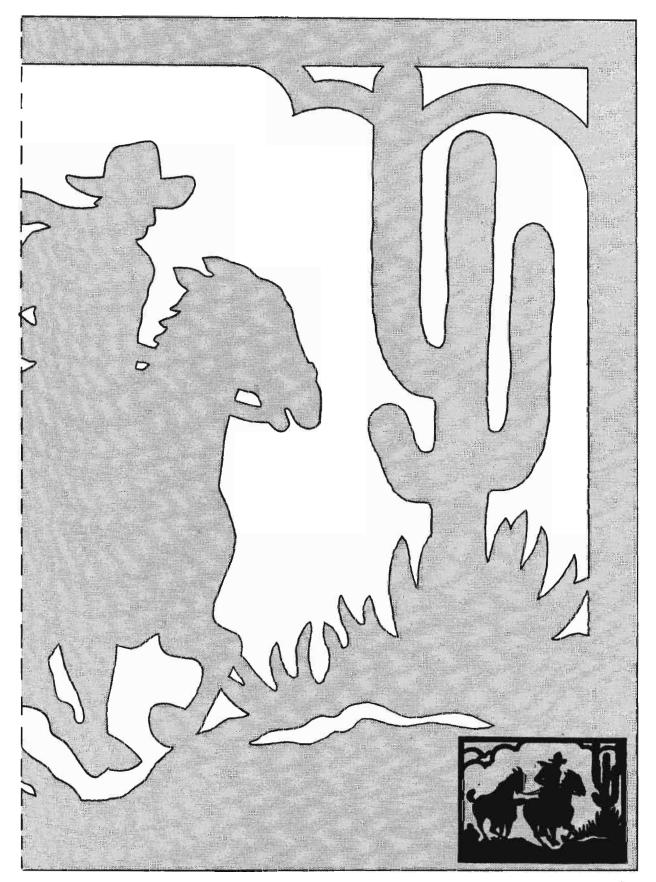


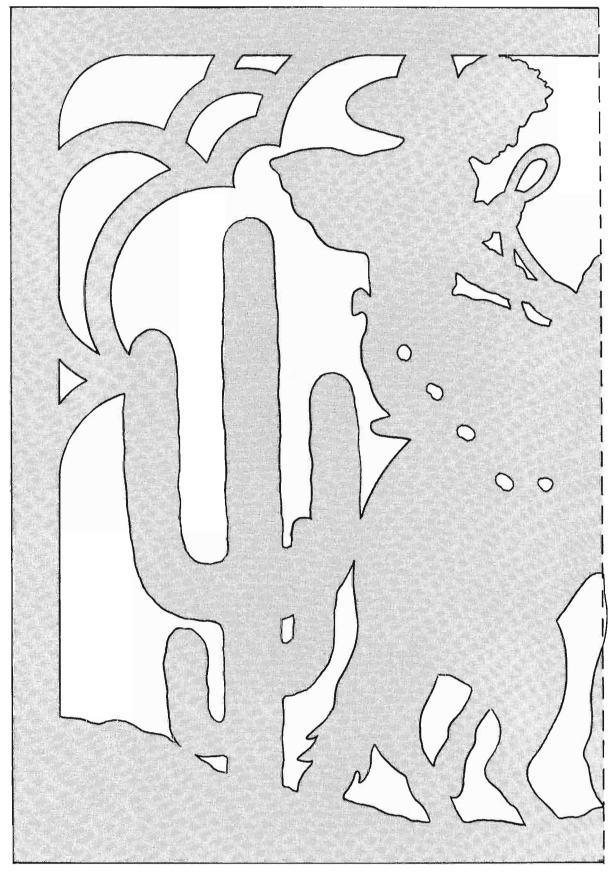


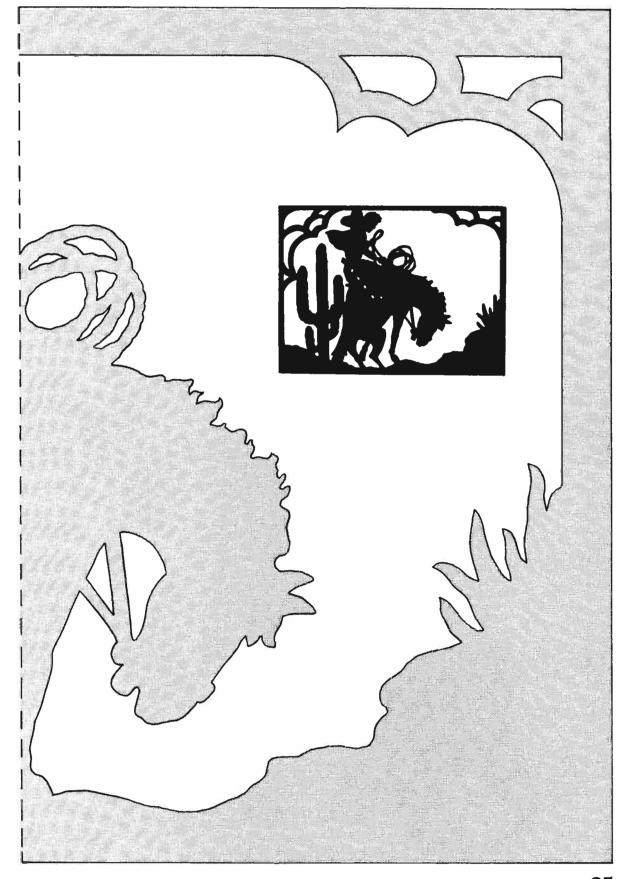


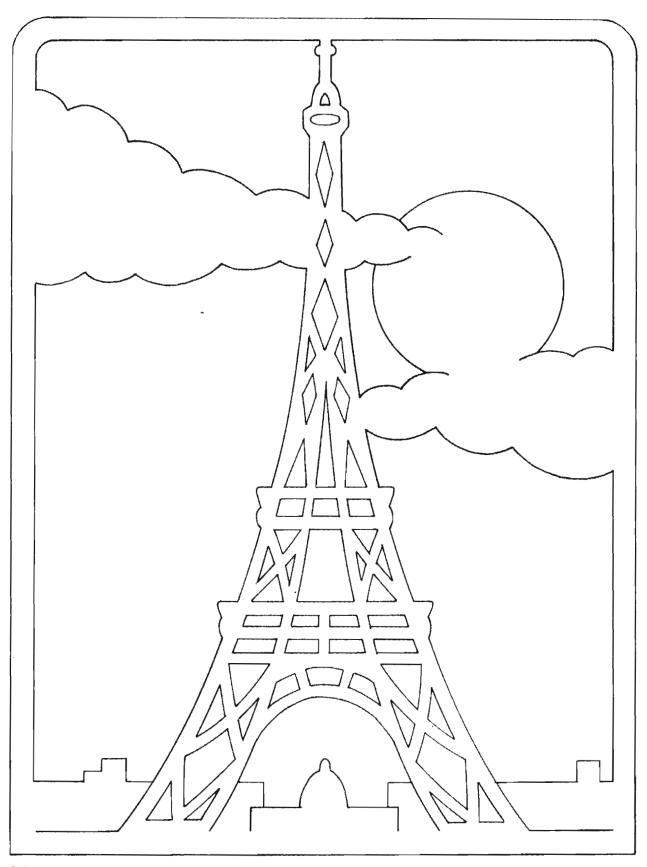






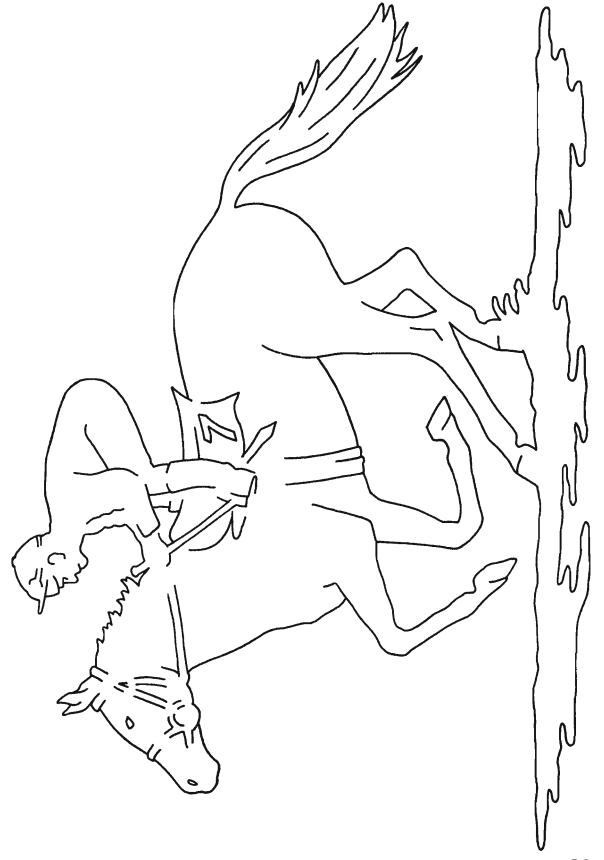










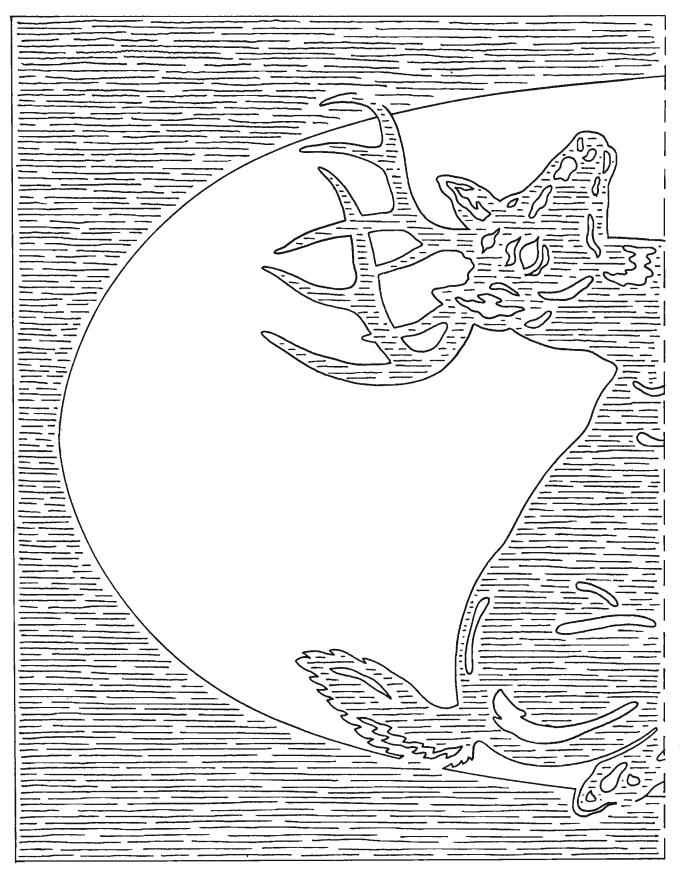


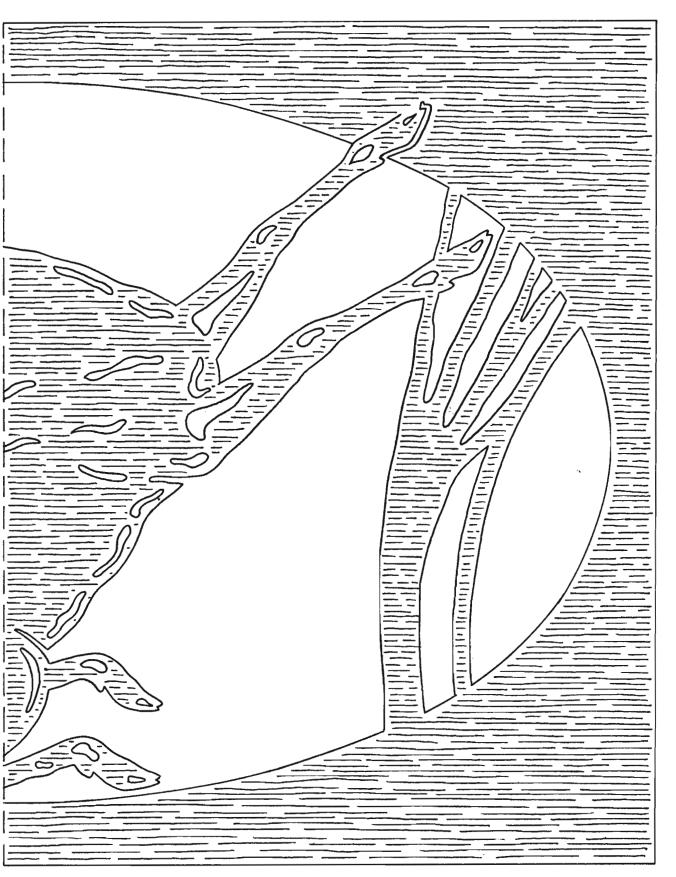


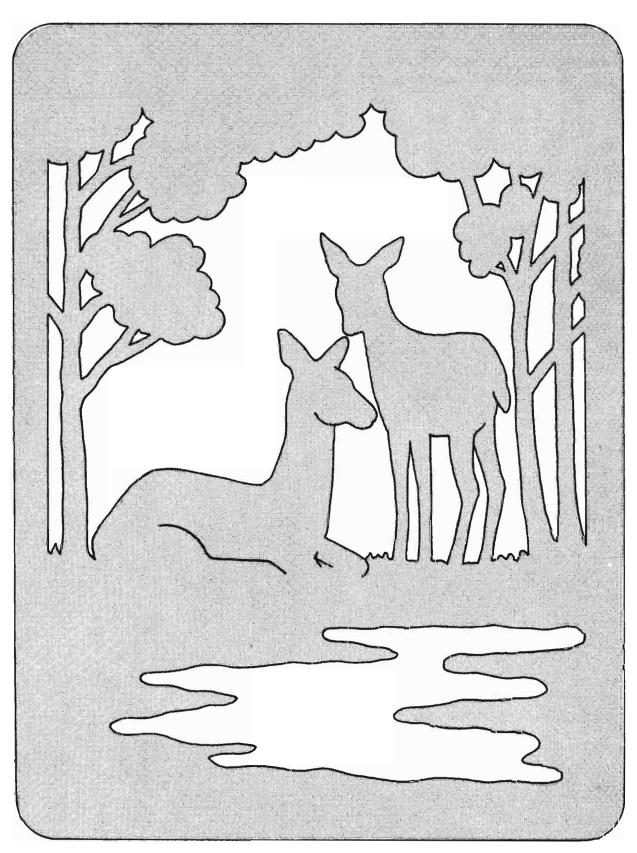




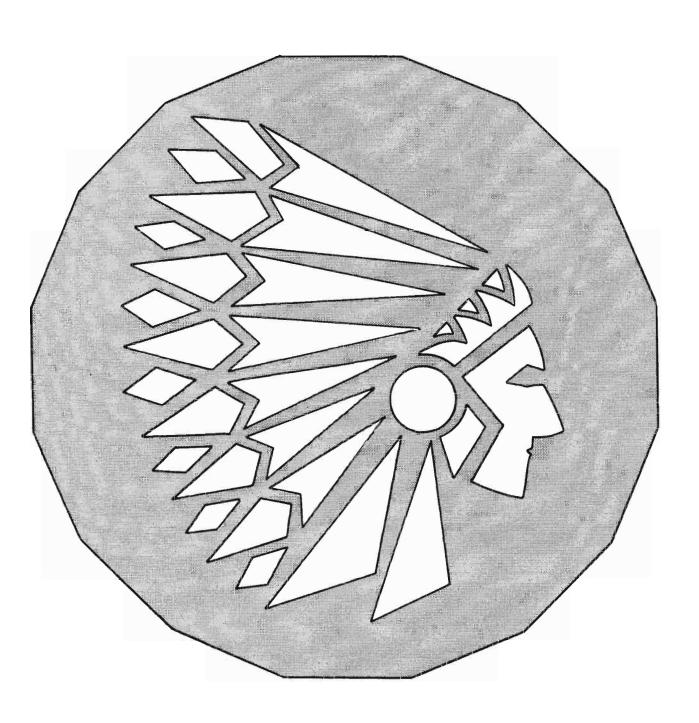


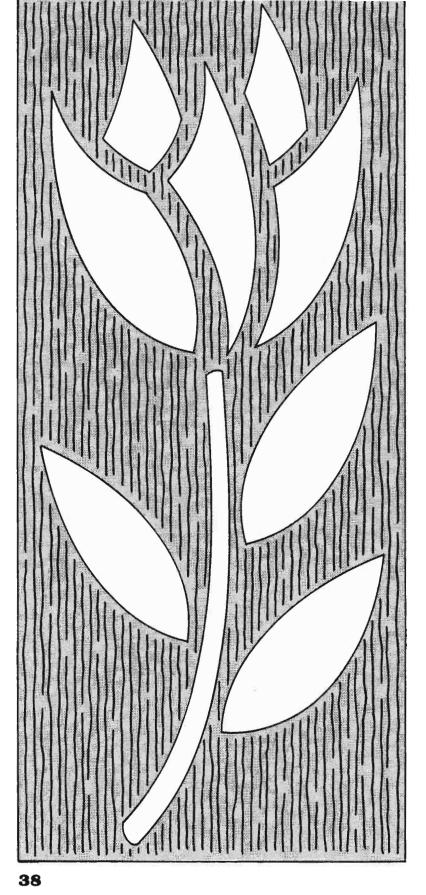


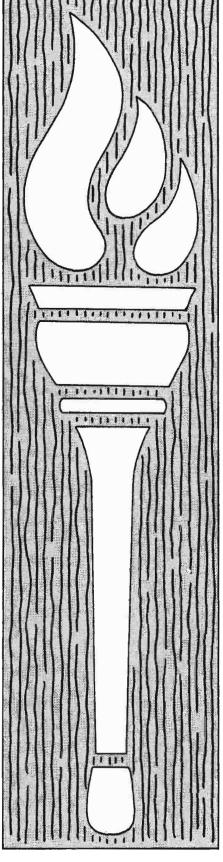


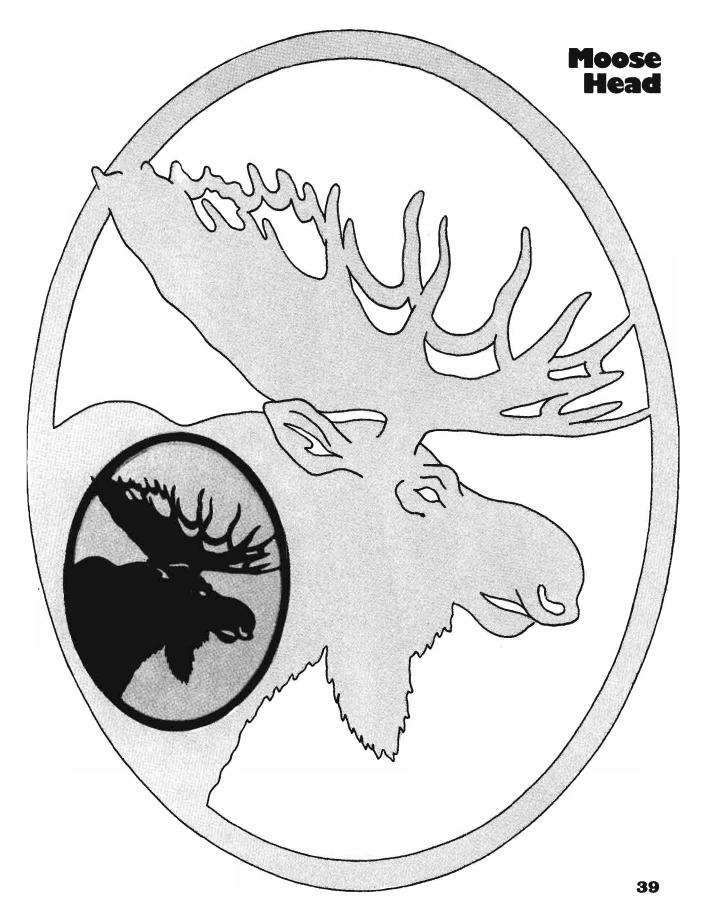


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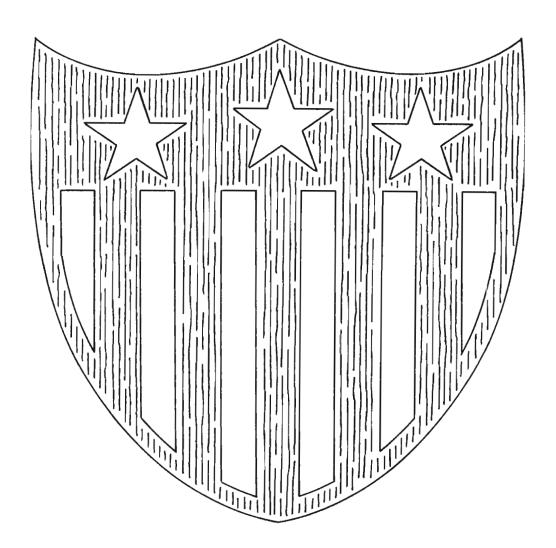




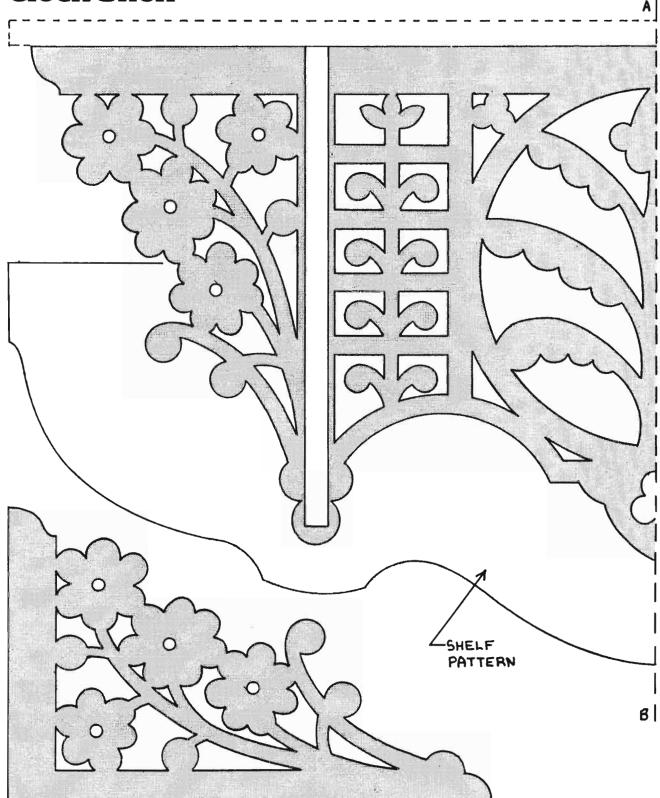


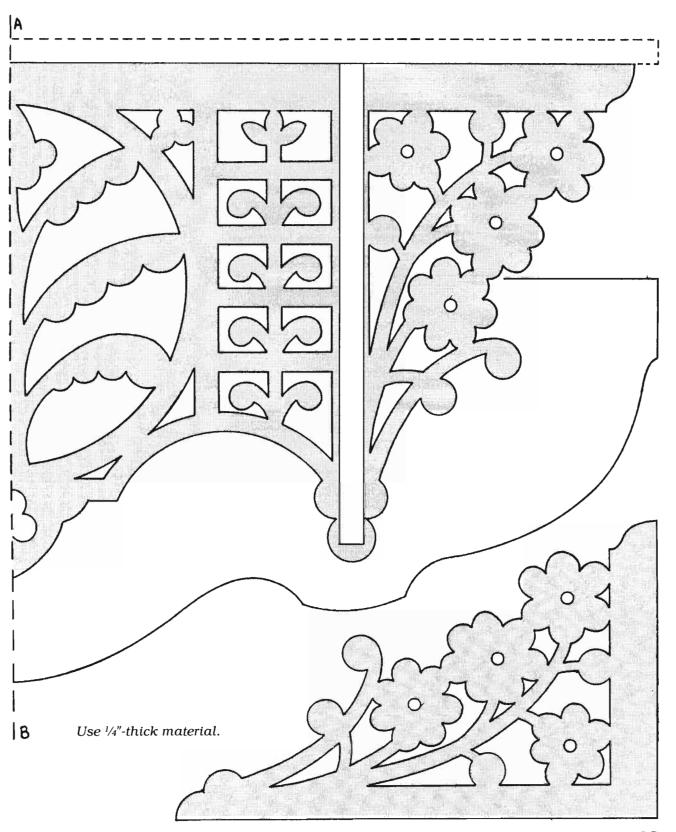


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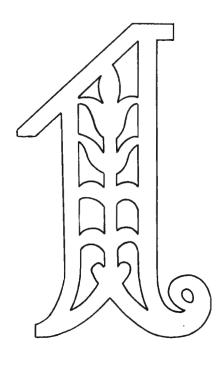




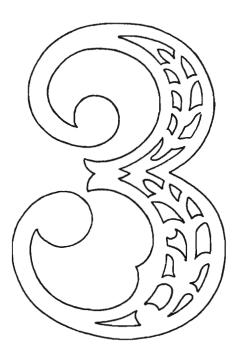




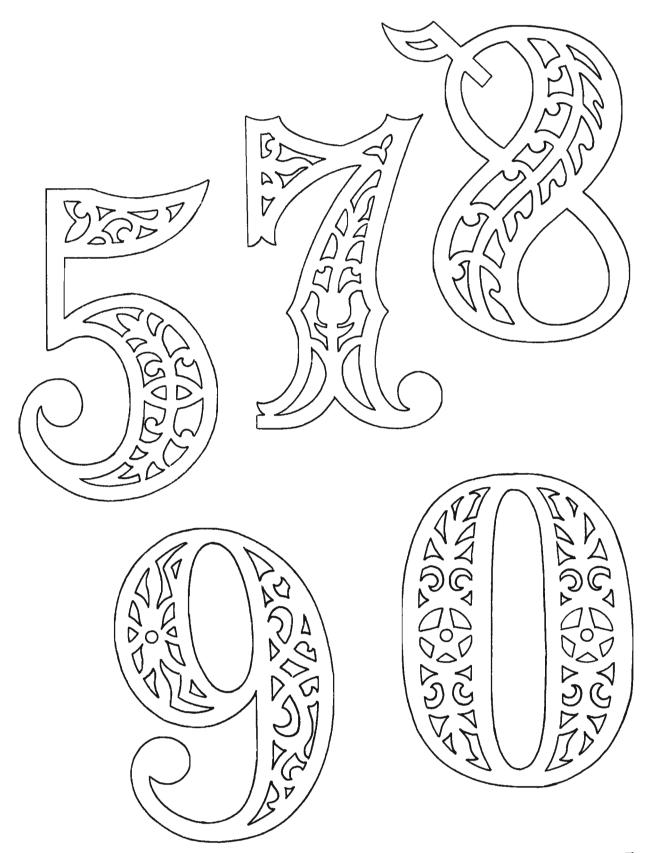
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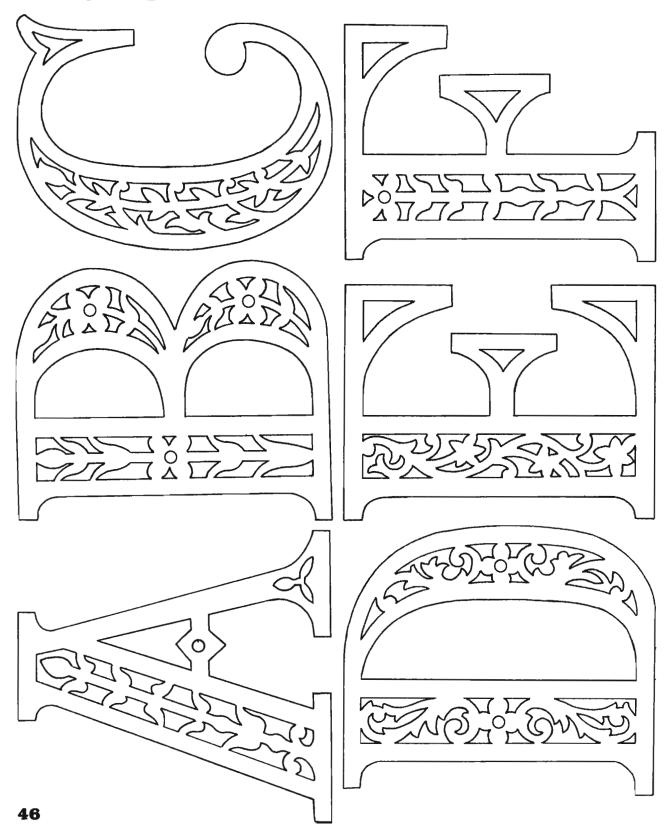


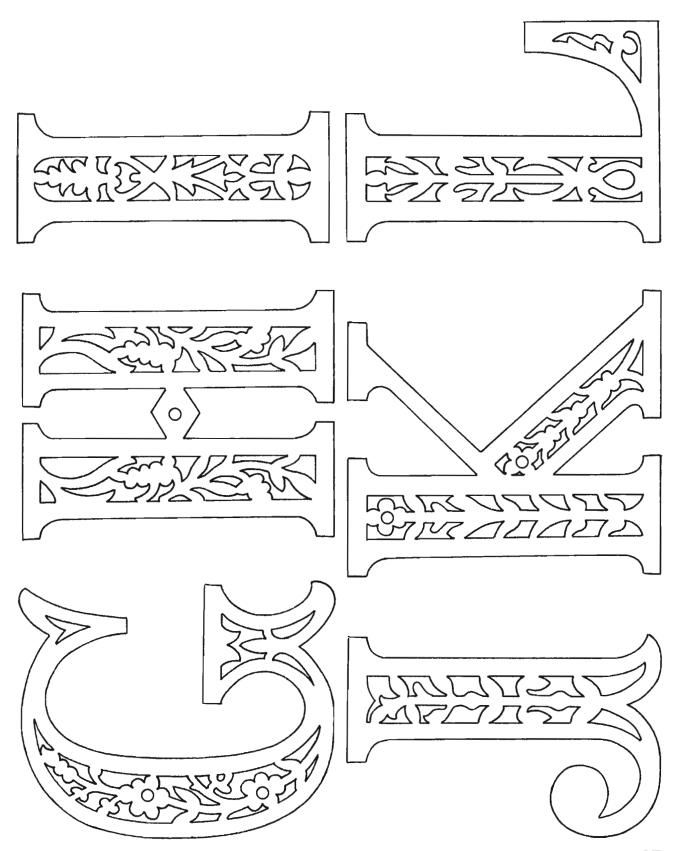


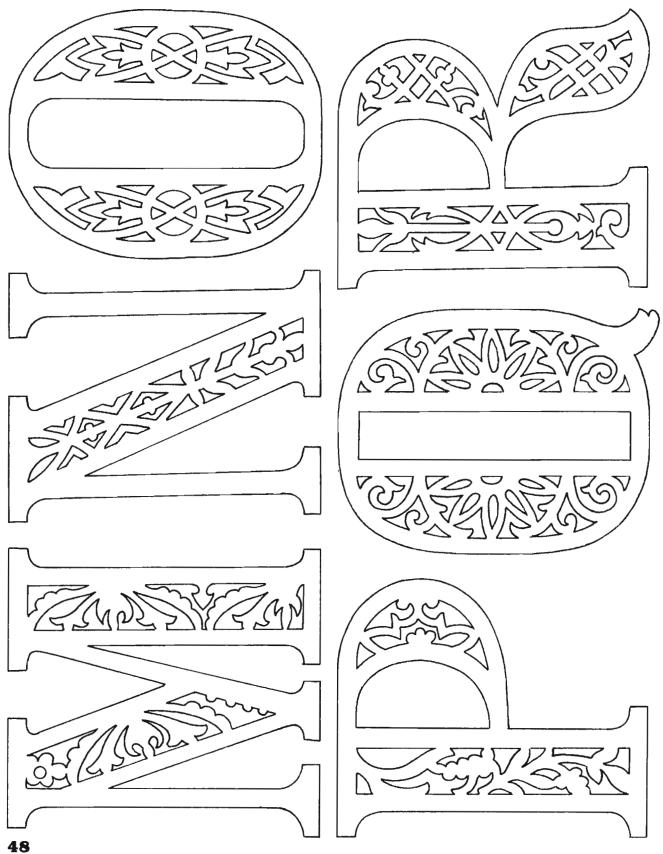


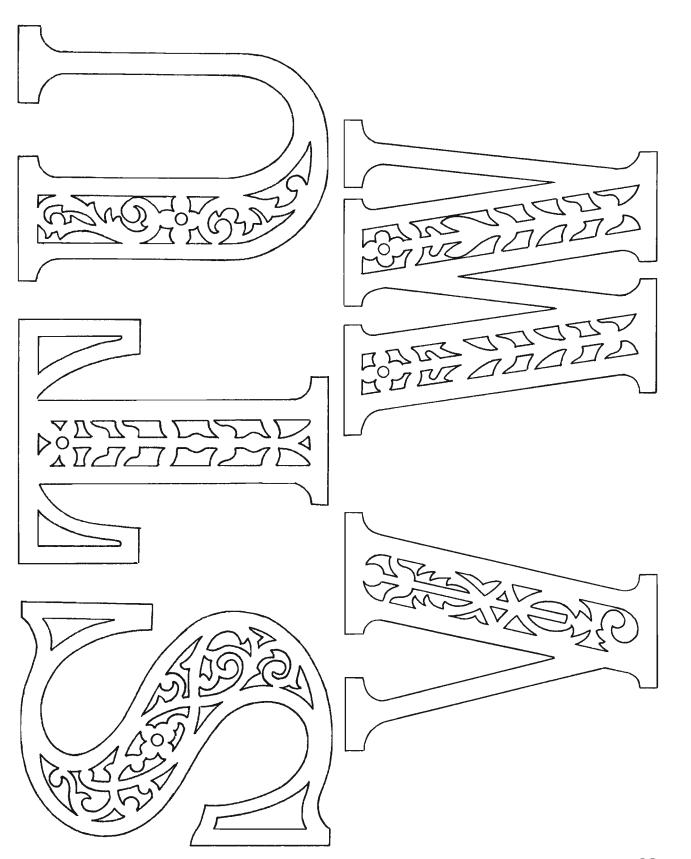


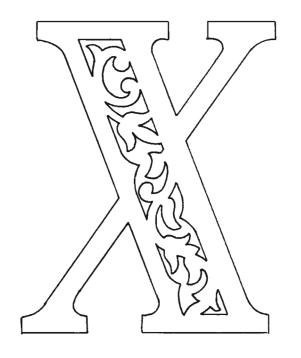
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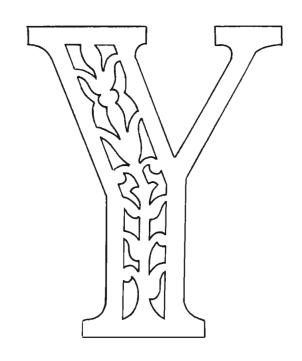


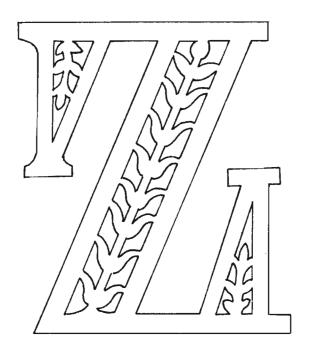




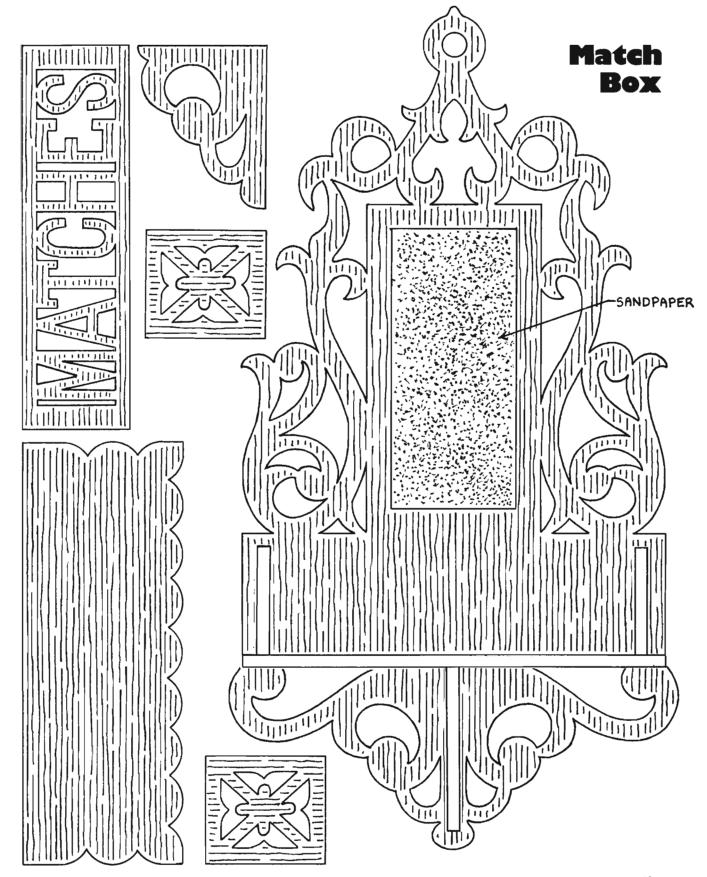






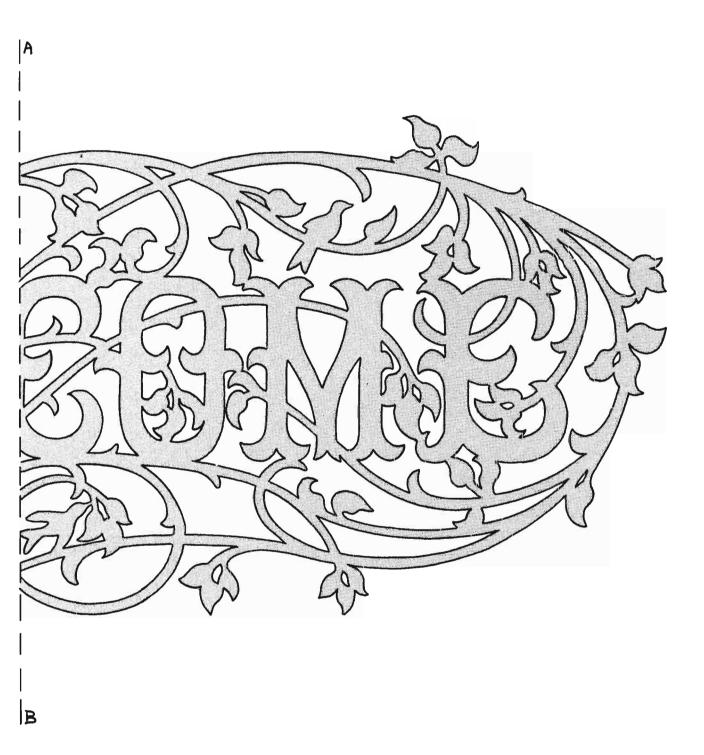




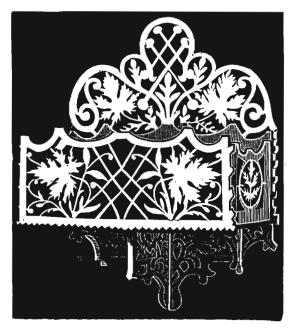


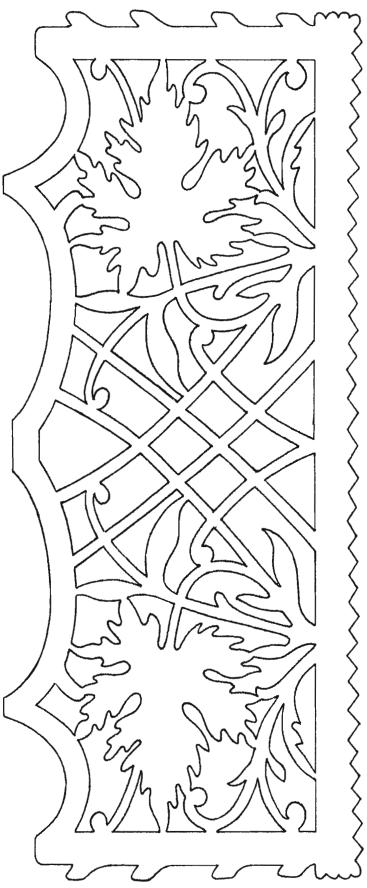
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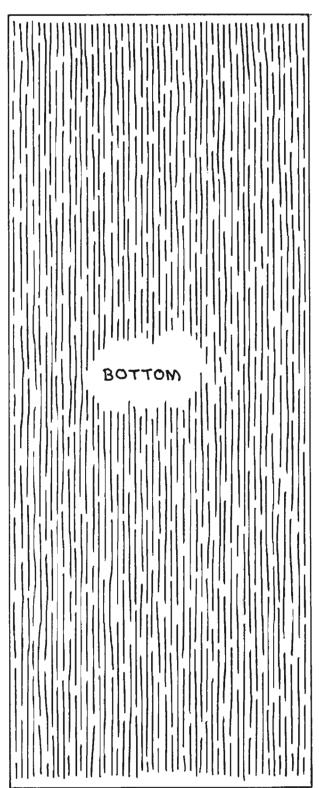


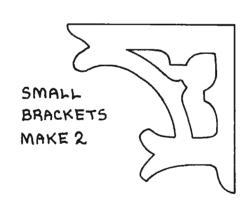


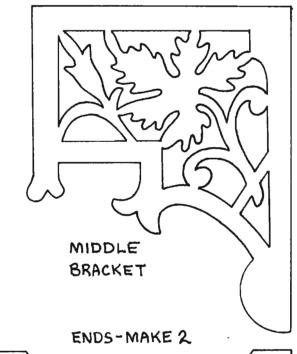
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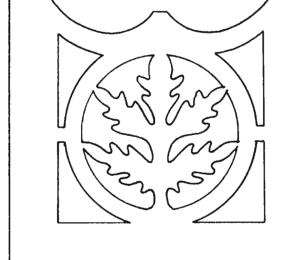


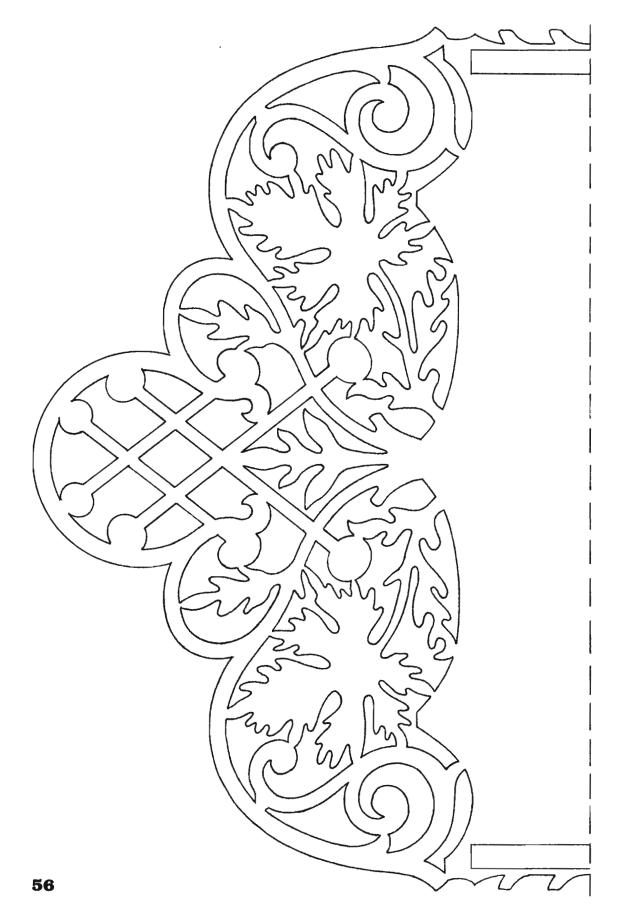


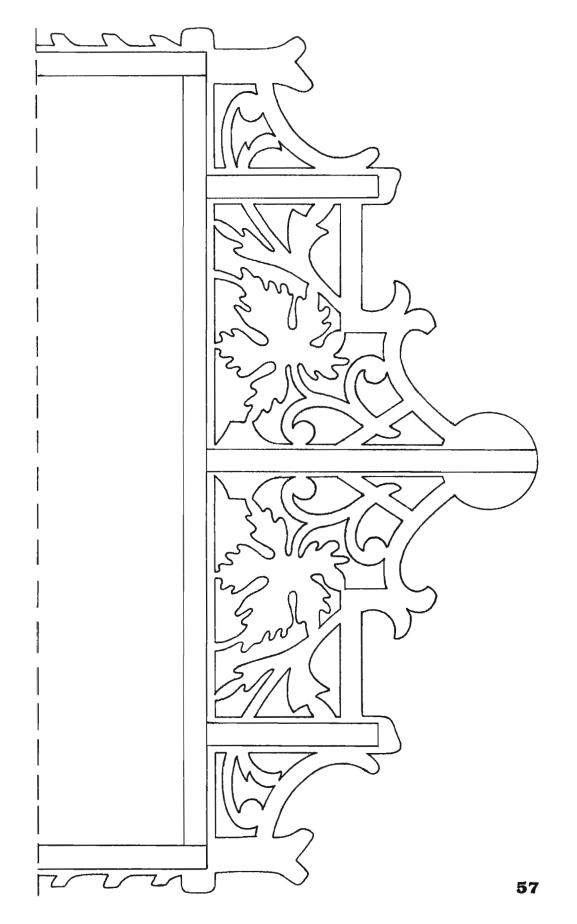


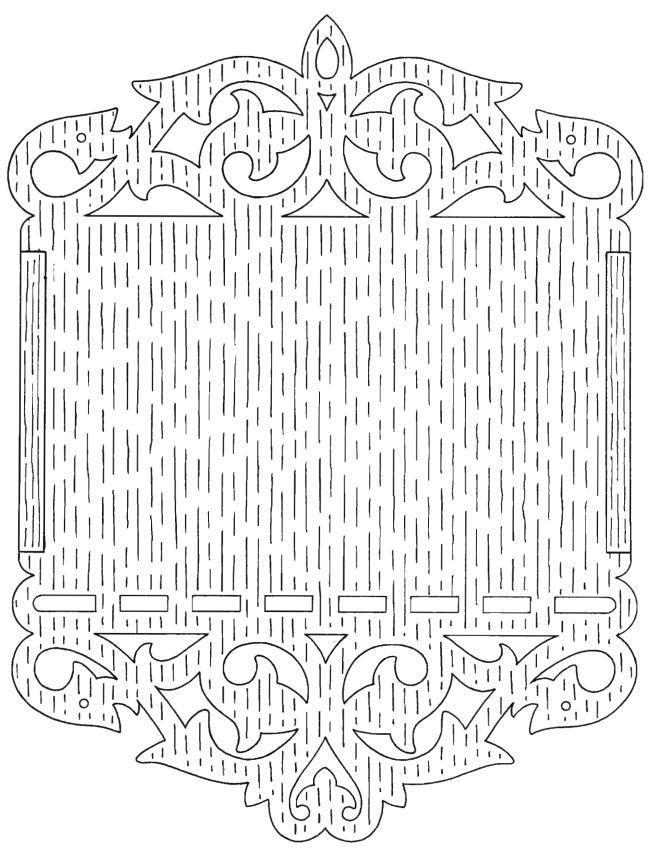






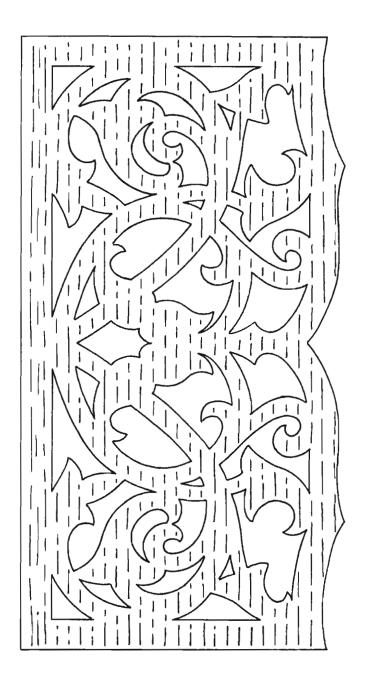


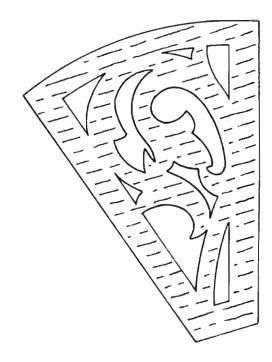


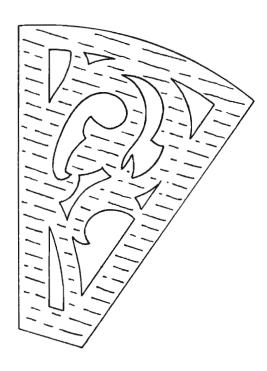


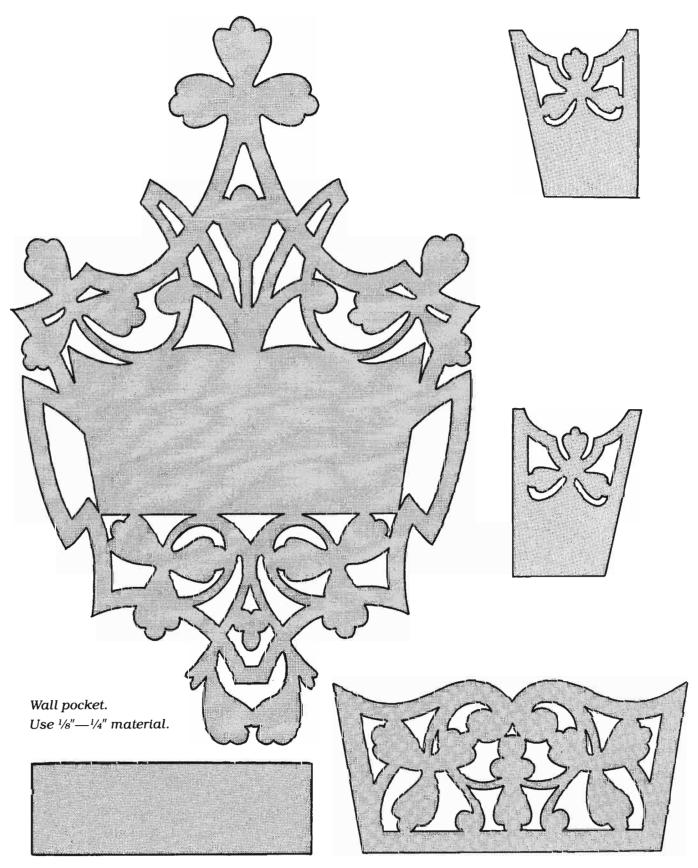
Wall pocket.

Use $^{1}\!/_{4}$ " material and cut bottom to fit.

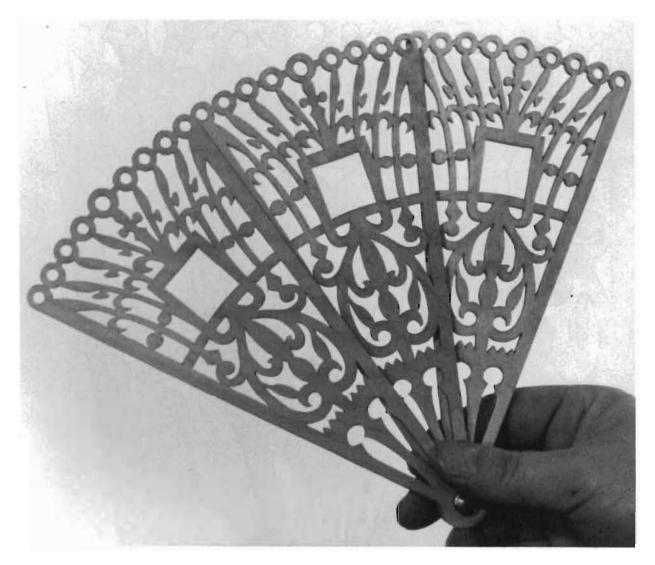




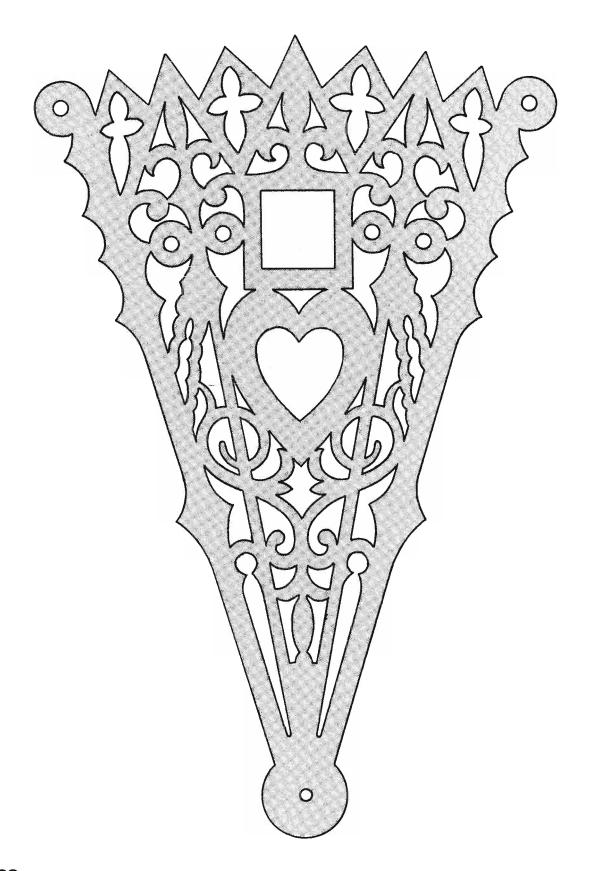


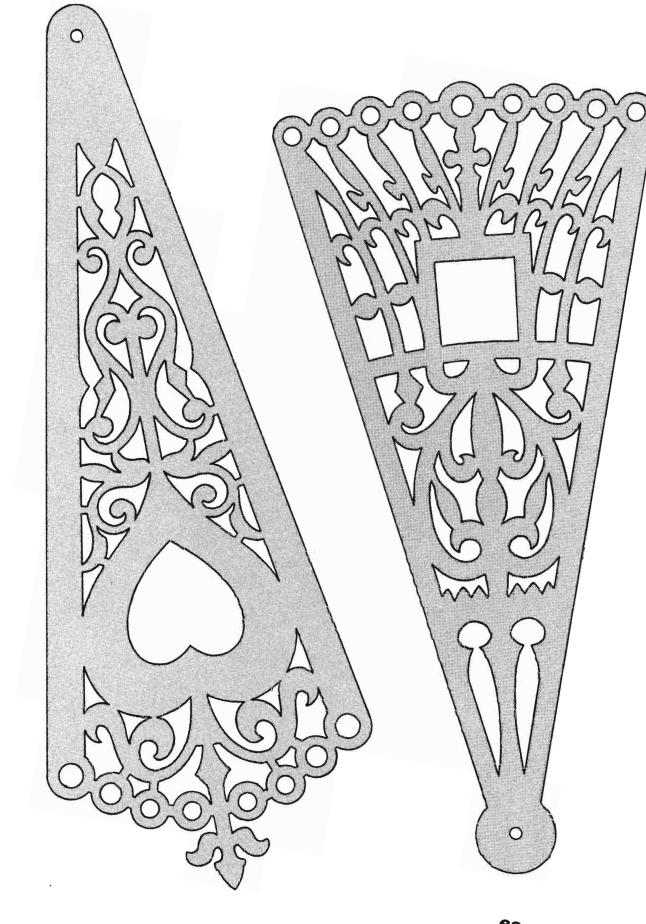


Fans



Fan made of three stack-sawn pieces of $\frac{1}{8}$ " or 3 mm baltic birch plywood. Assemble at bottom pivots with a brass paper fastener. (See Illus. 1-4 in the introduction.)



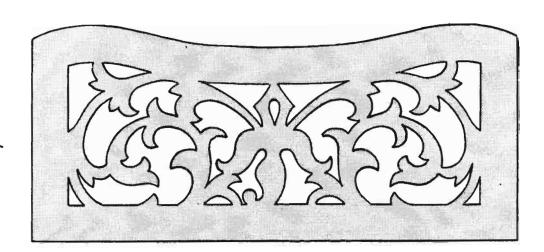


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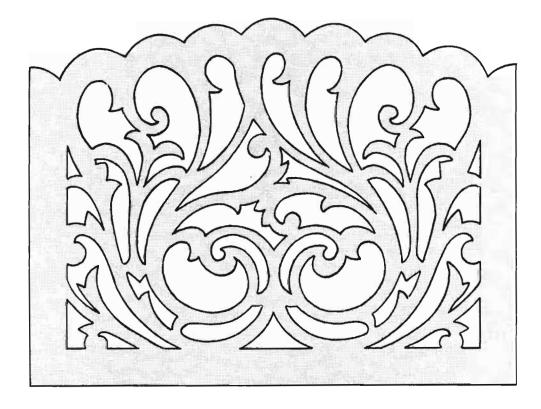
Sleigh. Make from 1/4"-thick material.

FRONT PANEL



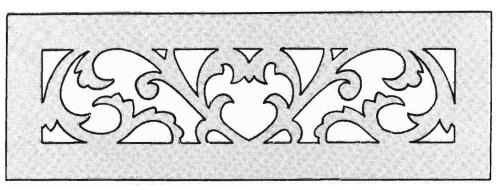
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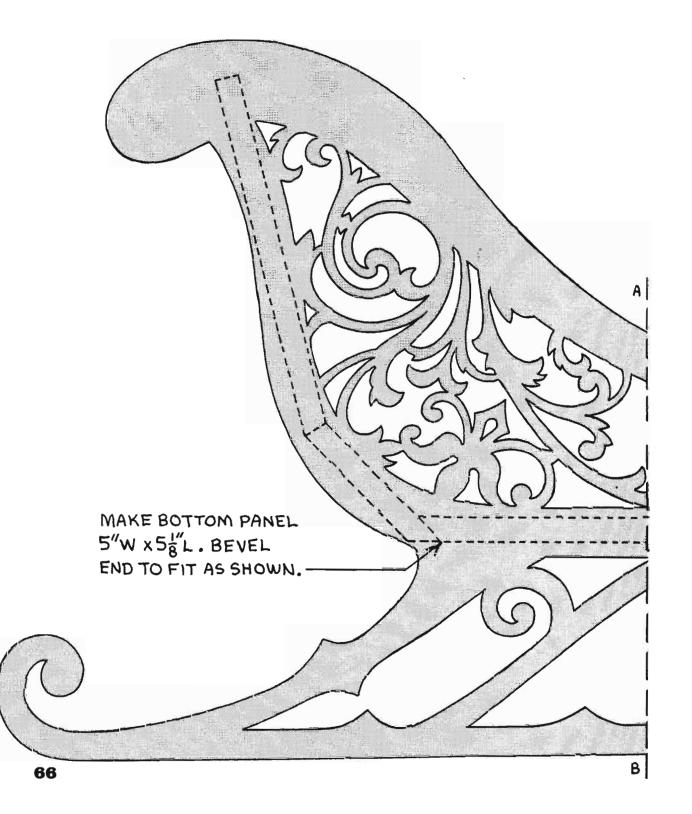
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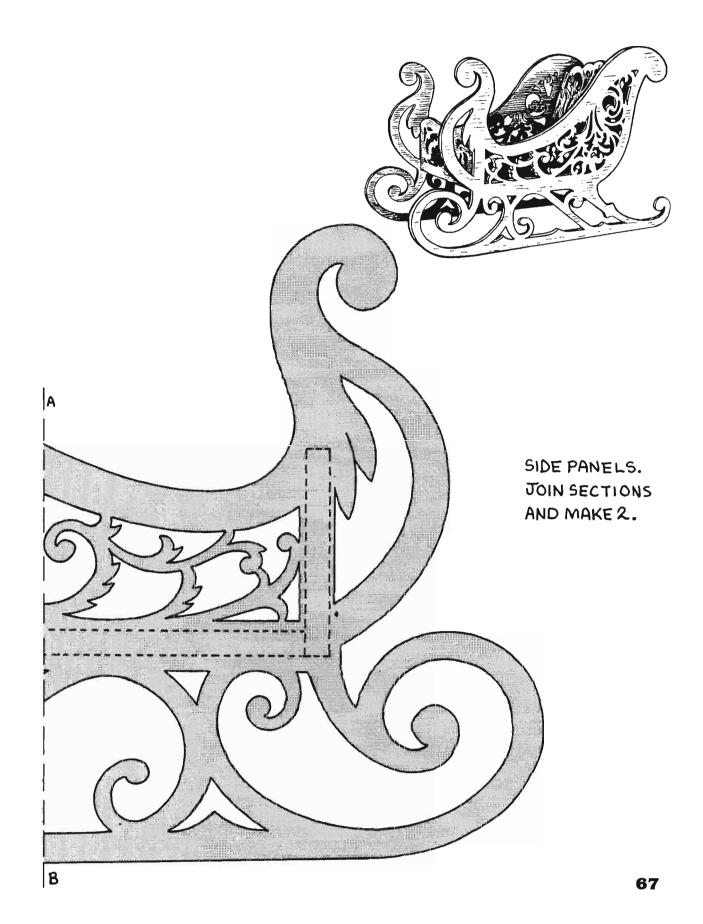


SIDE VIEW

LOWER REAR PANEL







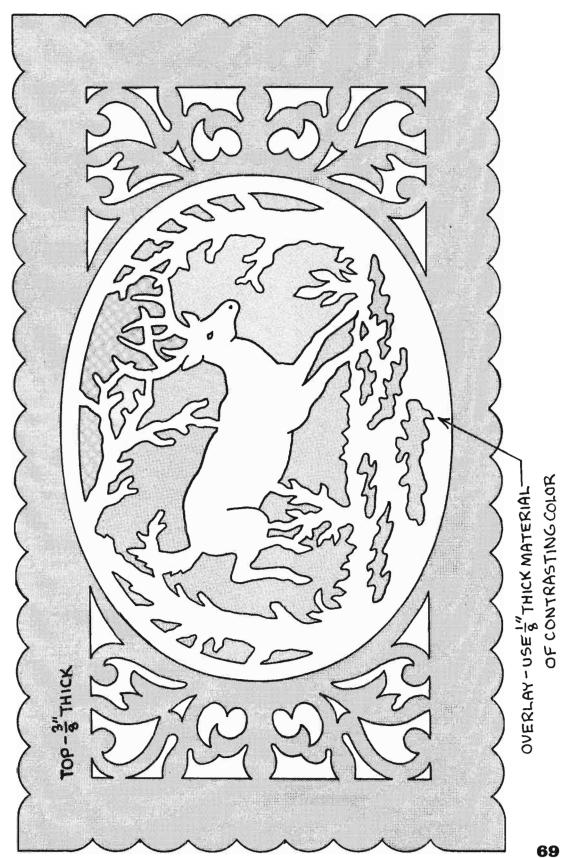
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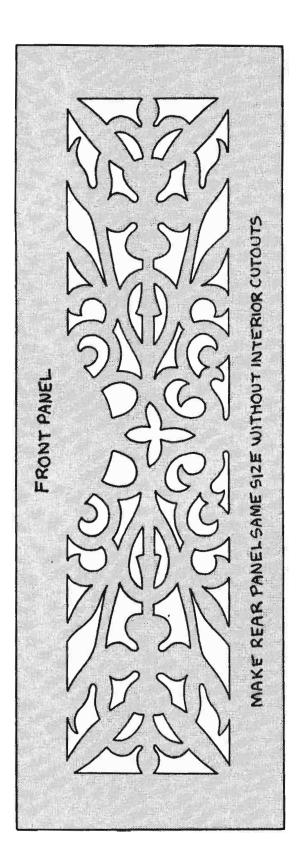


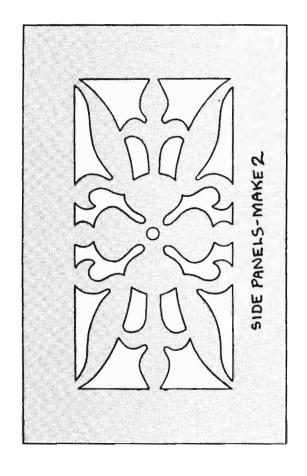
Jewelry box design no. 1. Make from 3/8"-thick material throughout for this box, but use 1/8" or less for the overlay design on the lid.

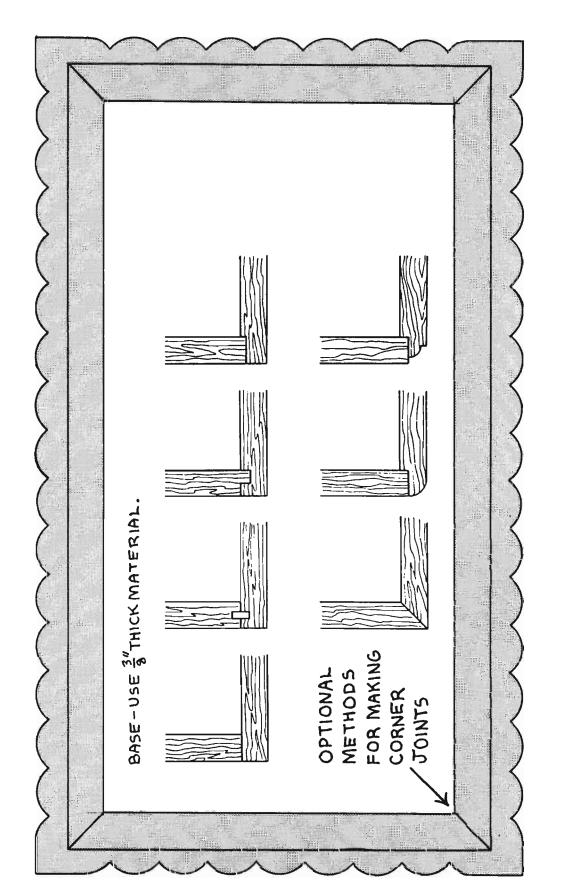


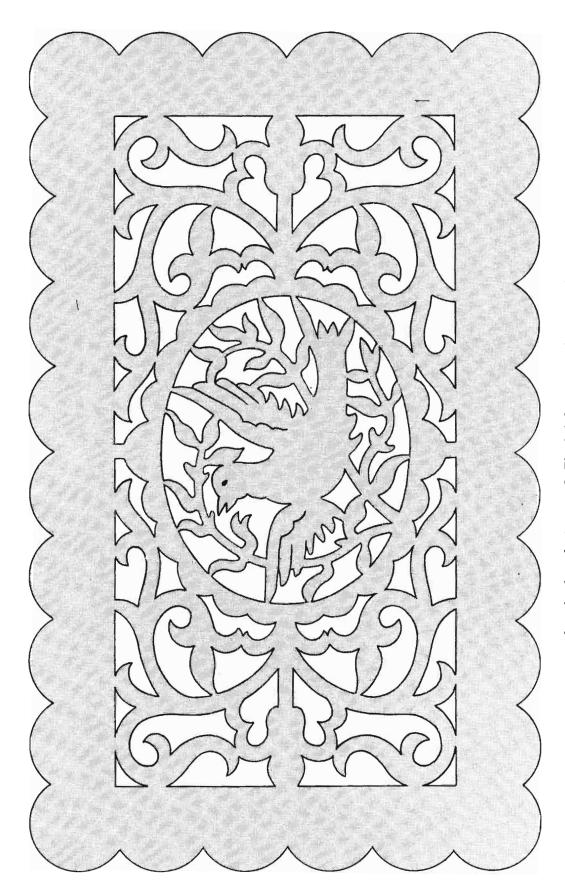
Typical details shown on this box include mitred corners, use of a 3/4"-wide by 5" continuous hinge, and the use of a colored cardboard backer lining the inside of the front and ends.



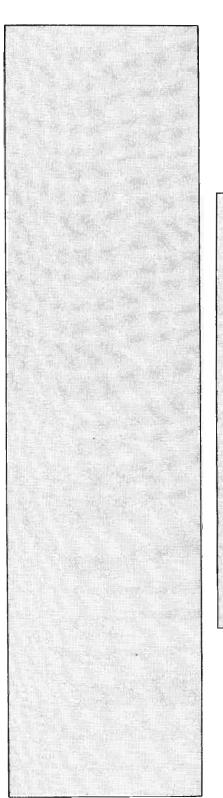


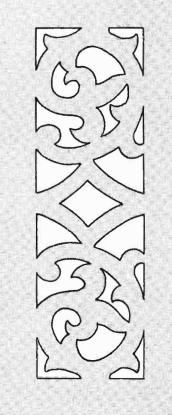




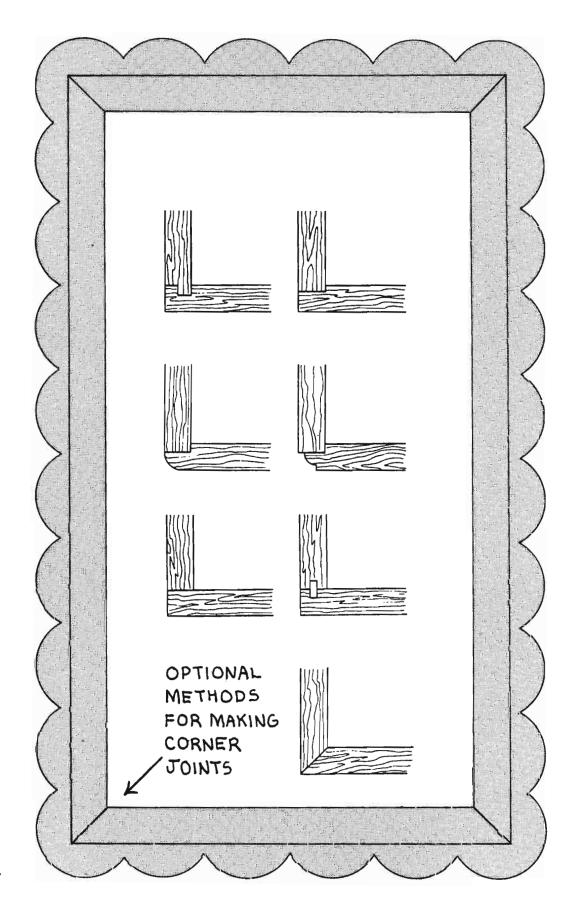


Jewelry box design no. 2. The lid design can be pierced or inlaid in a contrasting wood.





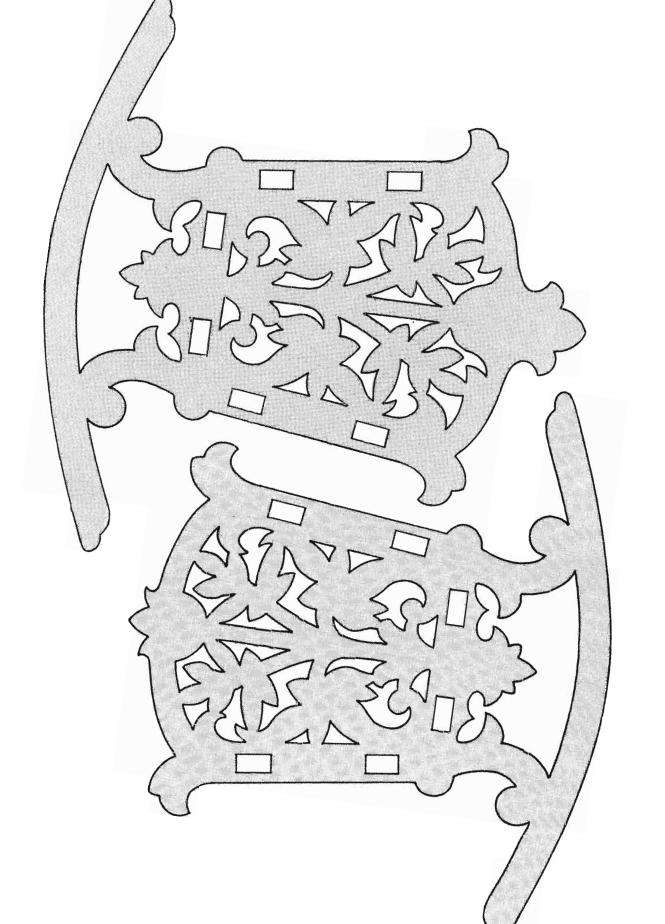


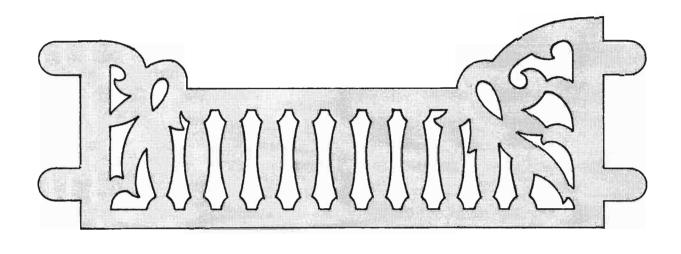


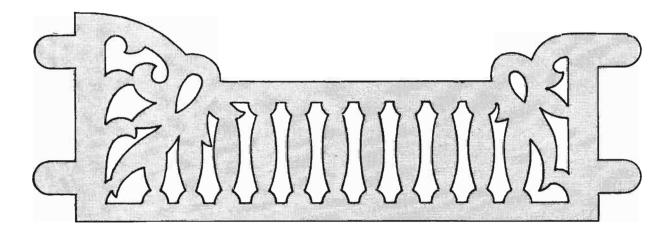
Toy Furniture

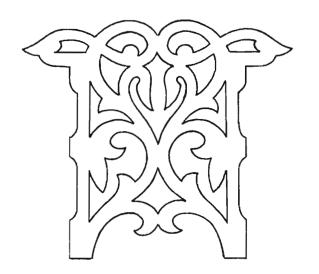


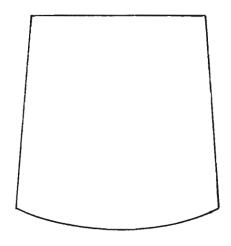
This toy cradle is made from 3/16''-thick wood. Notice the through-mortise and tab joints that connect the sides and bottom to the ends.

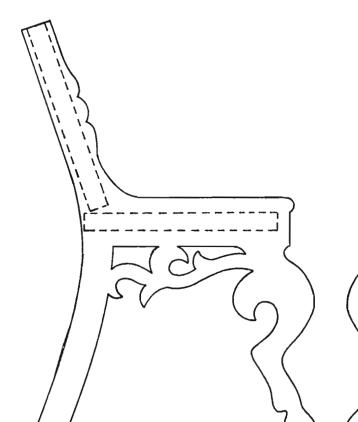


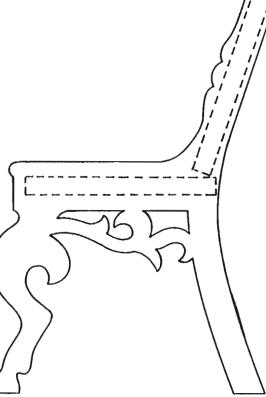


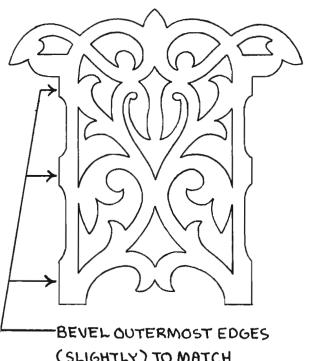


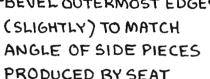


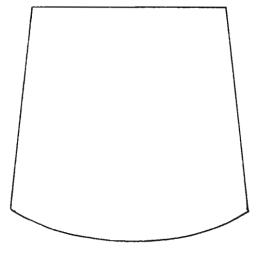




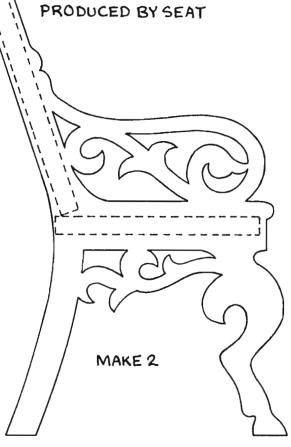




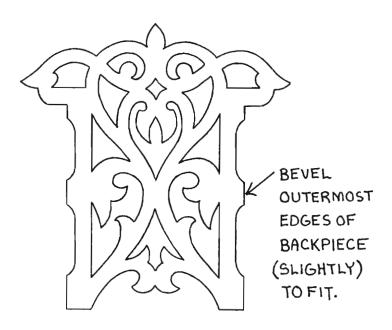


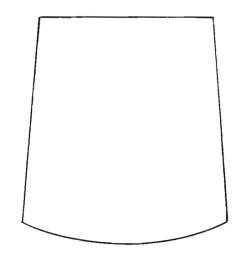


SEAT CAN BE COVERED WITH COLORED FABRIC.





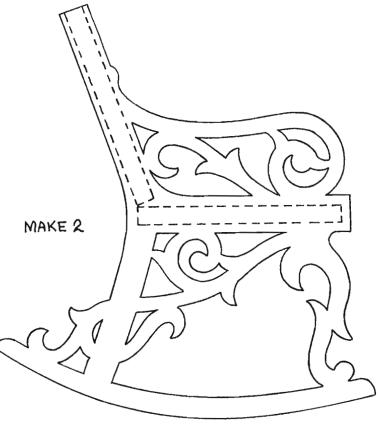


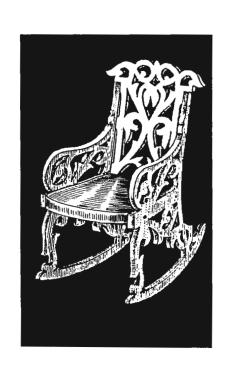


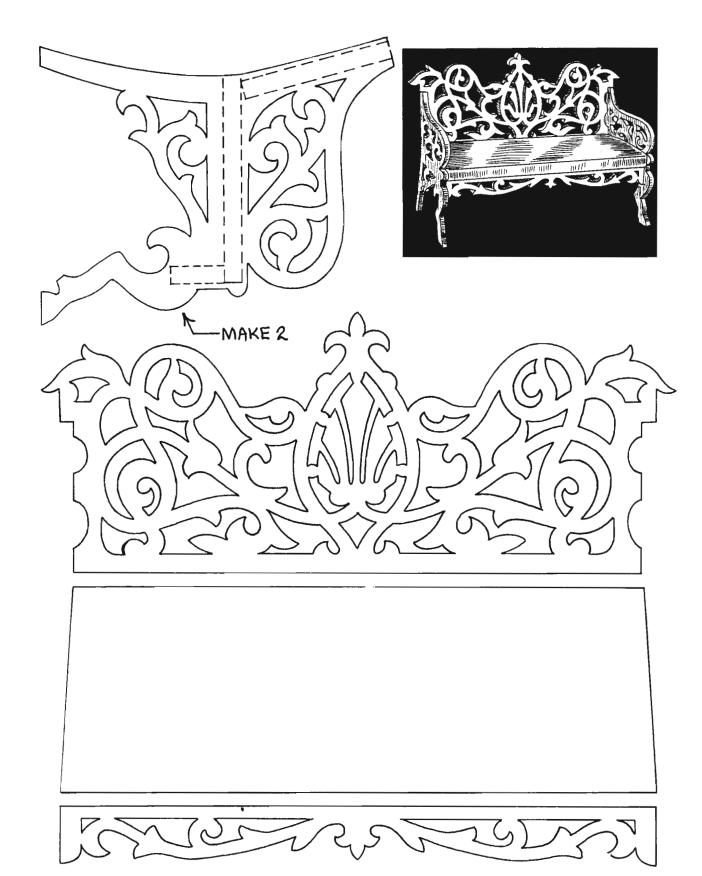
USE 3" THICK MATERIAL.

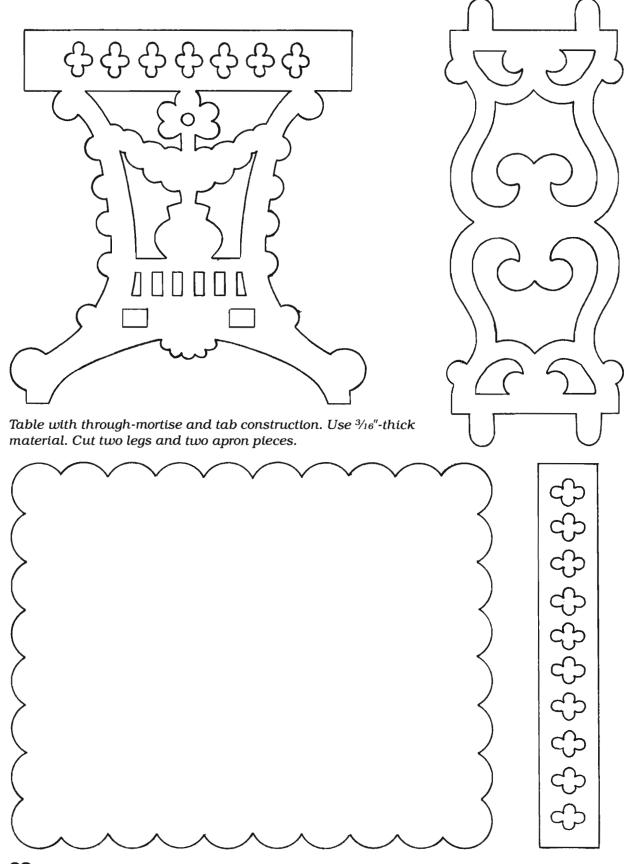
SEAT CAN BE COVERED

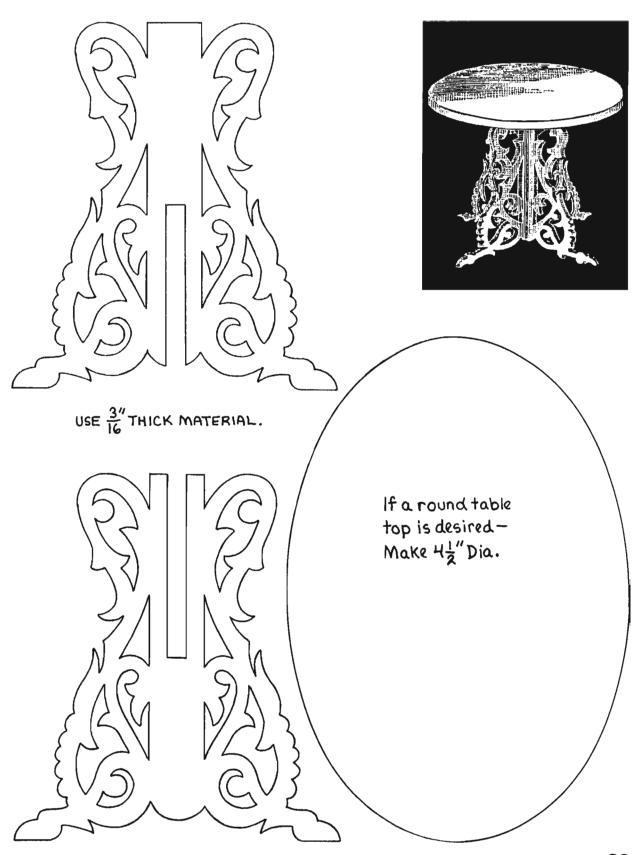
WITH COLORED FABRIC.

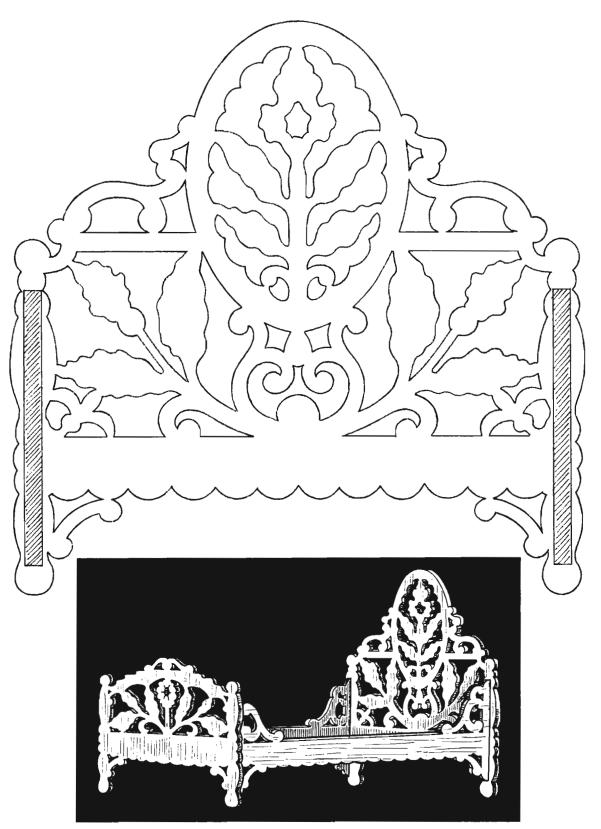




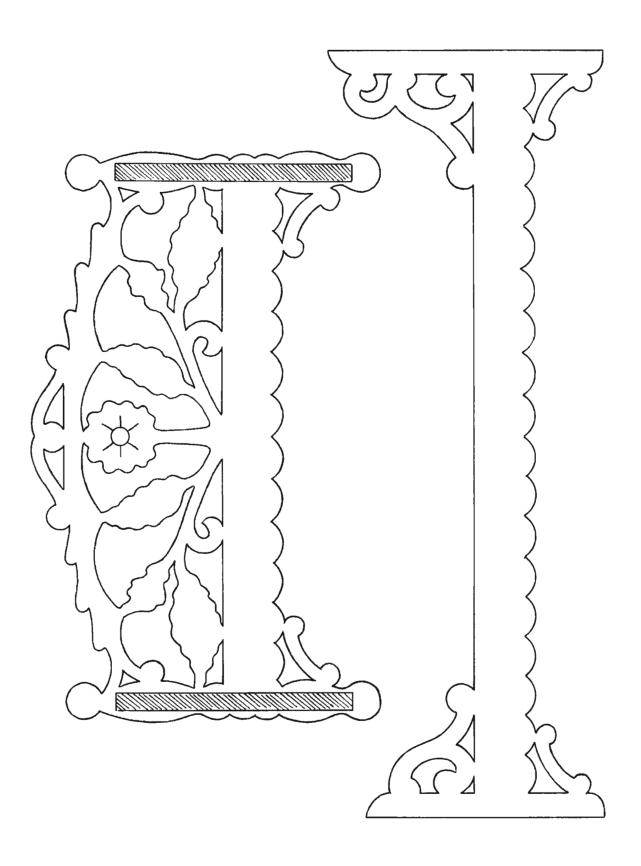








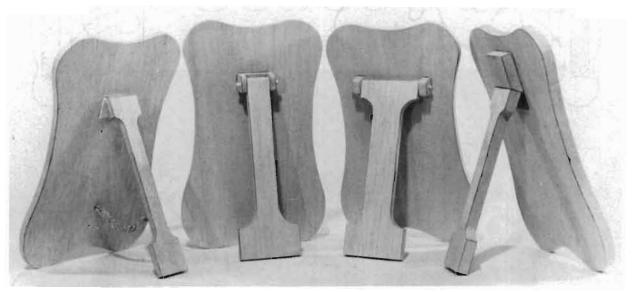
Toy bed. Use 3/16''-thick material and cut a bottom to fit.



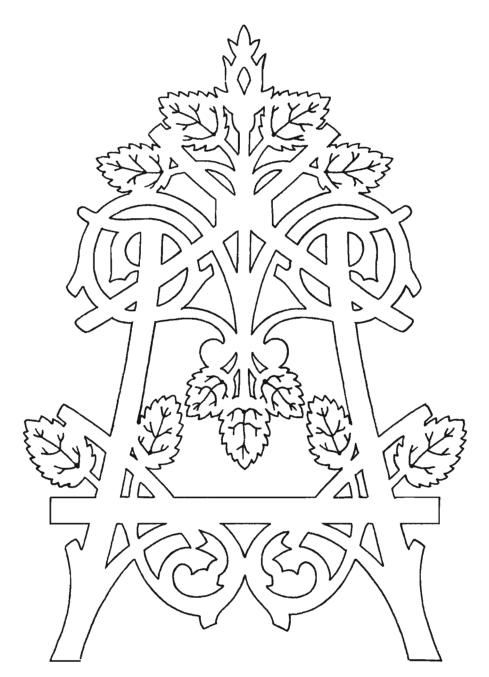
Easels



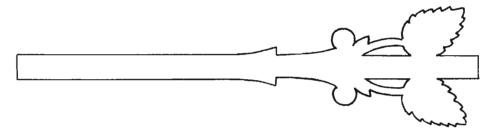
Easel, one of several designs. Make all easels from $\frac{1}{4}$ "-thick material. Supporting legs or struts can be hinged in several ways. (See the methods of hinging below.)

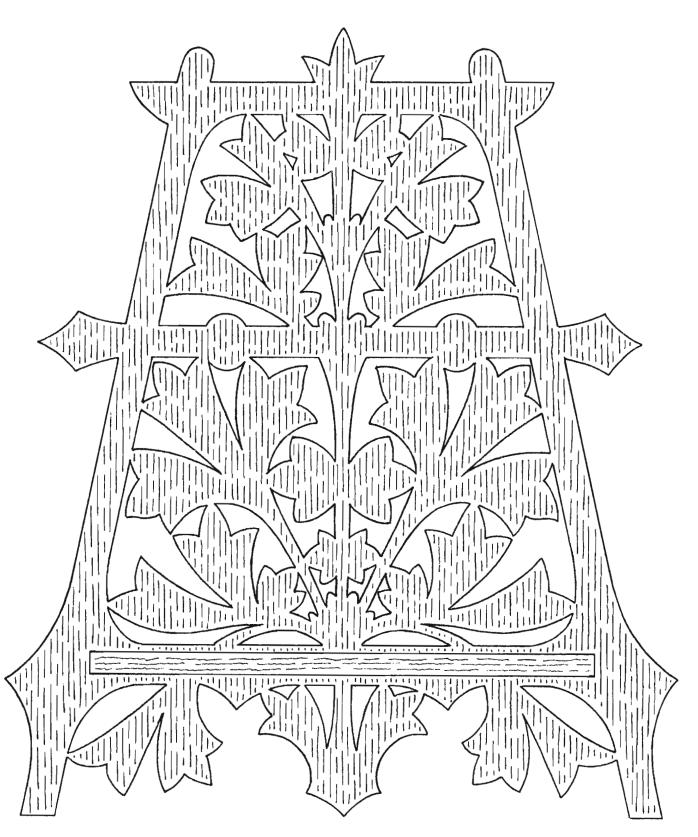


Some ways of hinging supporting legs or struts on easels and backers of photo/mirror frames. Left: a fabric or leather hinge with a chain retainer; middle: two types of dowel pivots; and right: a small metal hinge with a bevelled stop block.

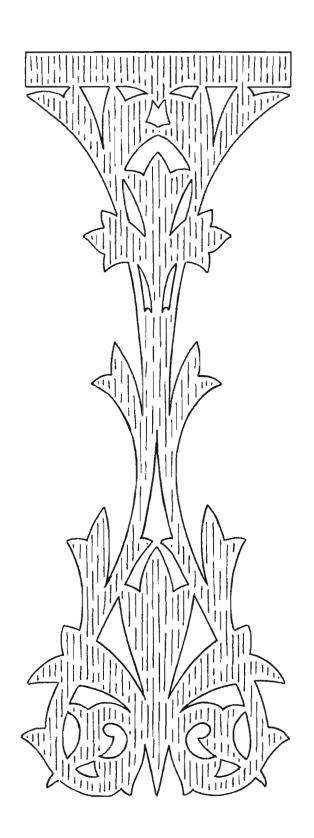


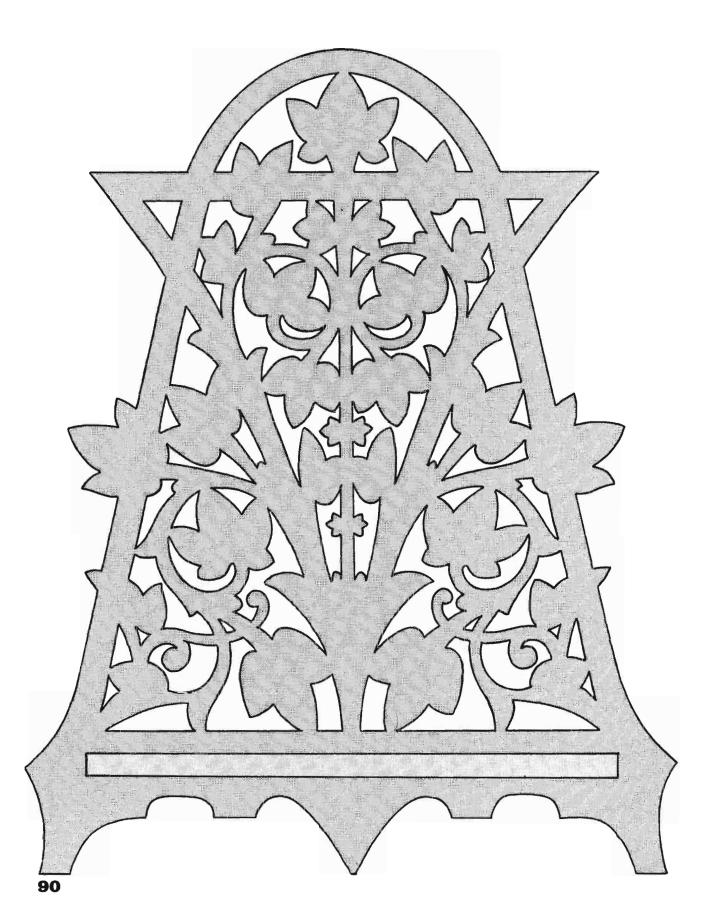
Small easel. Use $^1\!/\!8''$ -thick material. Make ledge $^1\!/\!2''$ wide by $3^1\!/\!2''$ long. (See the methods of hinging opposite.)



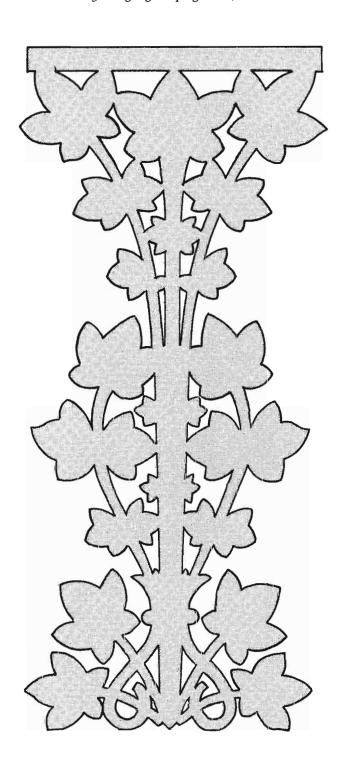


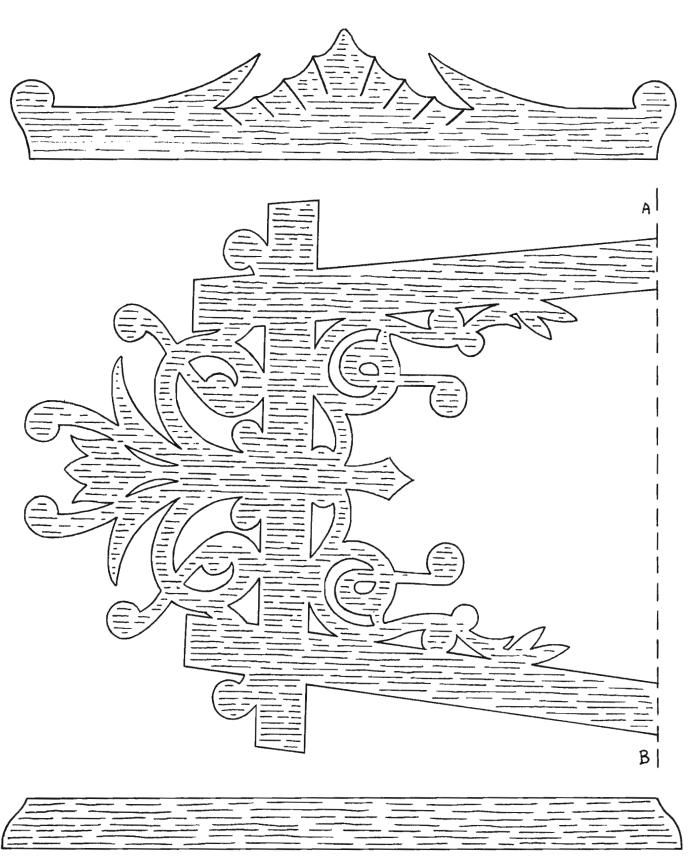
Easel. Cut from $\frac{1}{4}$ "-thick material. Make ledge $\frac{3}{4}$ " wide by $5\frac{1}{4}$ " long. (See the methods of hinging on page 86.)

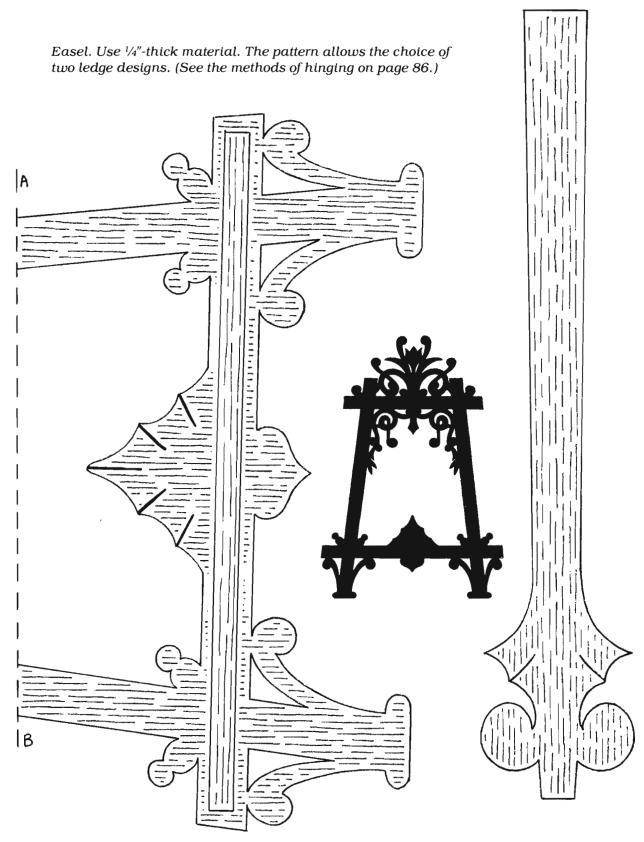




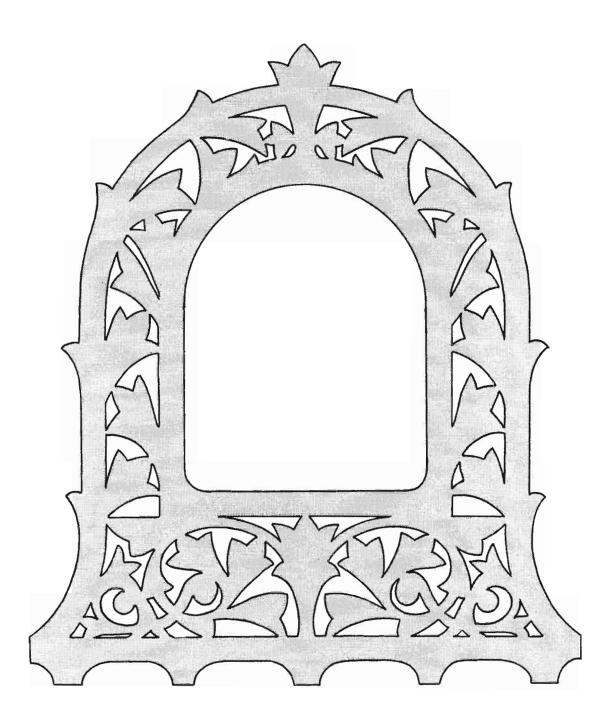
Easel. Use $^1\!/_4$ "-thick material. Cut ledge 34 " wide by $5^1\!/_2$ " long. (See the methods of hinging on page 86.)

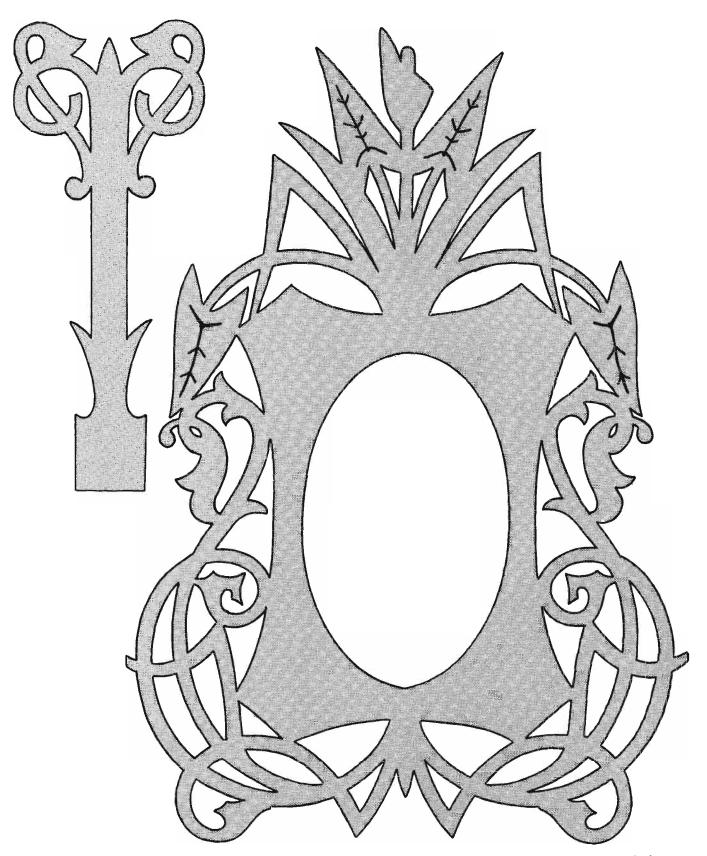


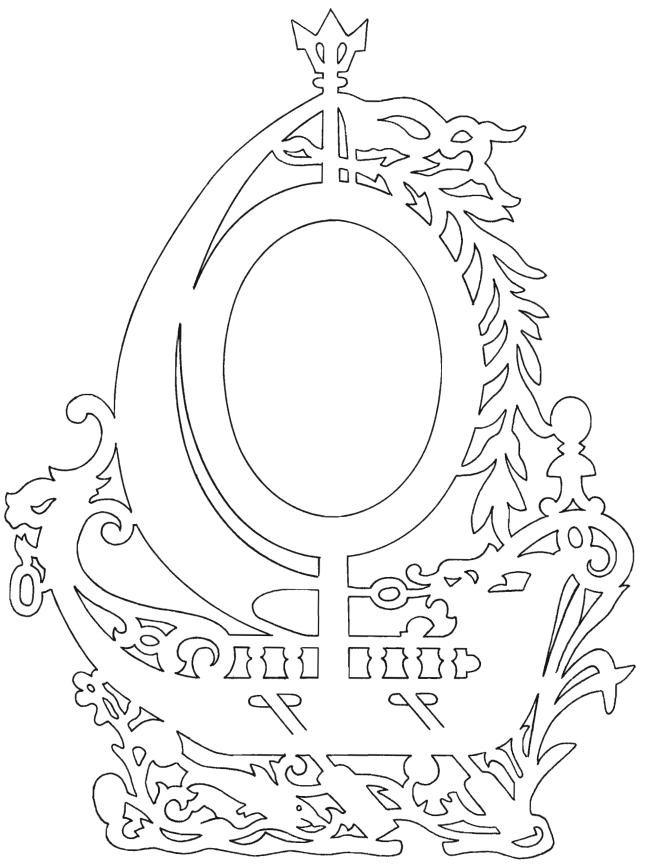


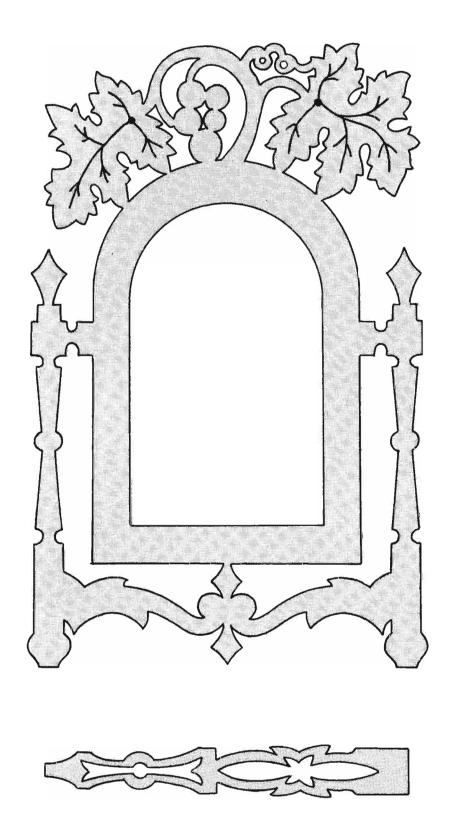


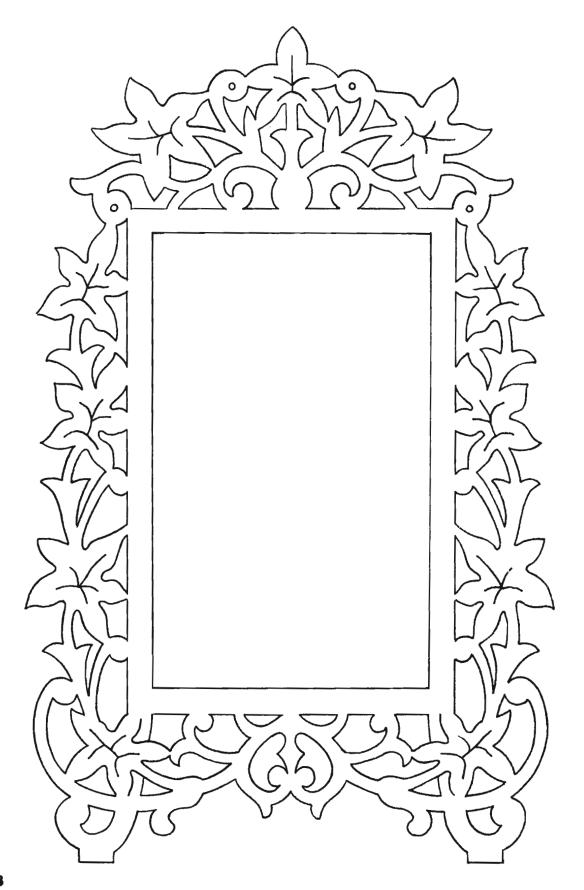
Picture/Mirror Frames

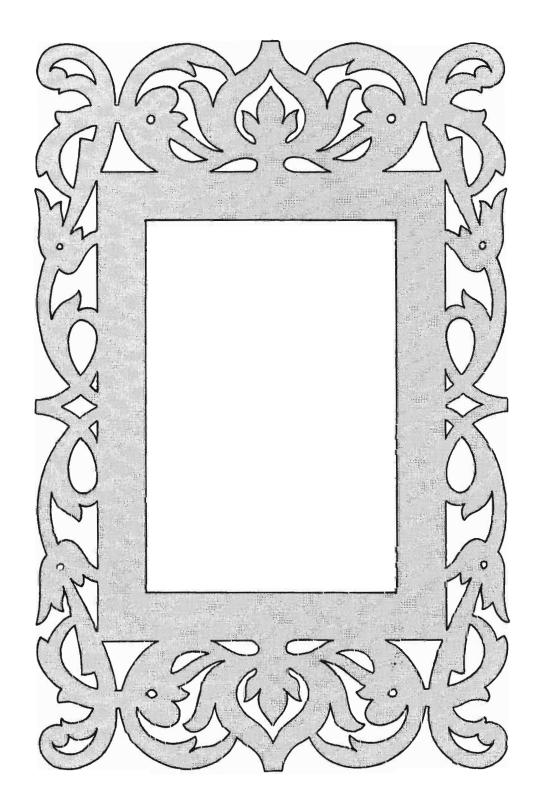


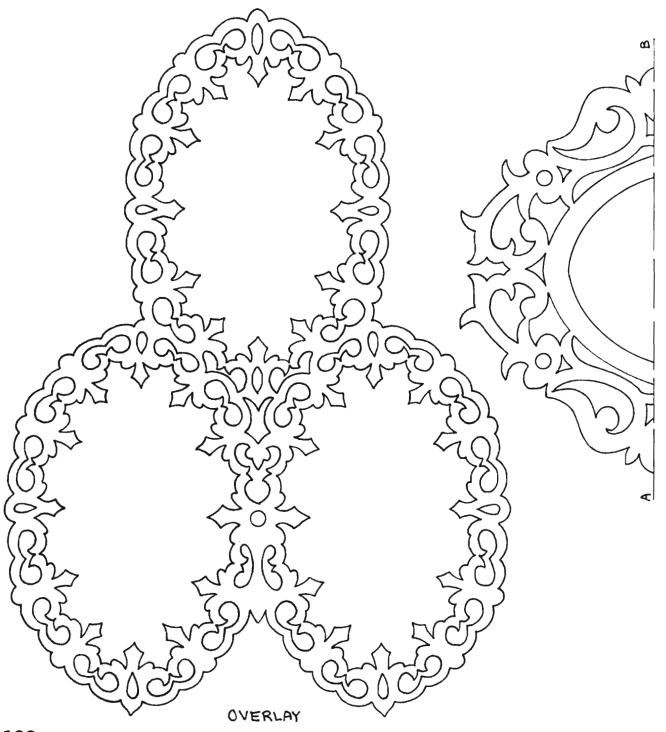


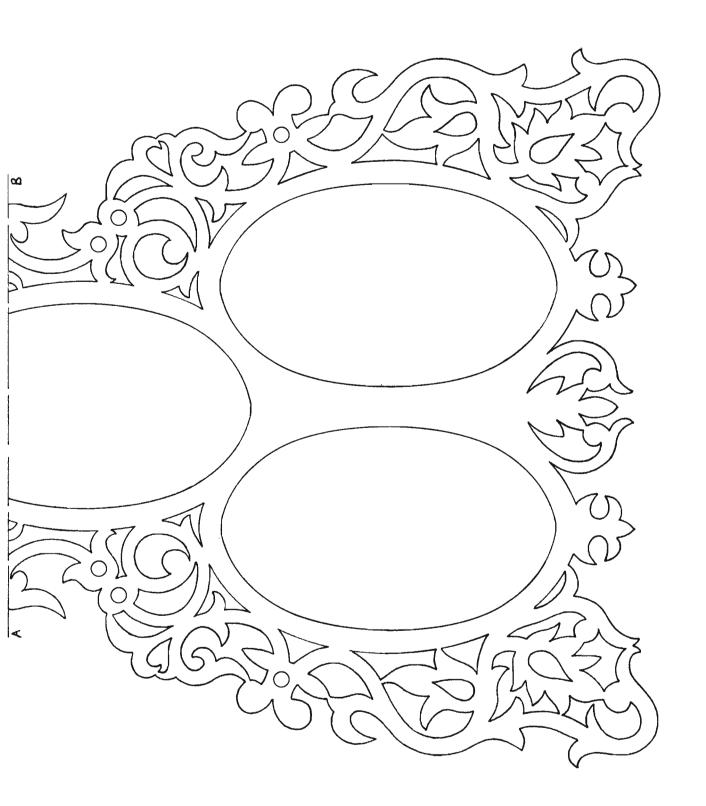




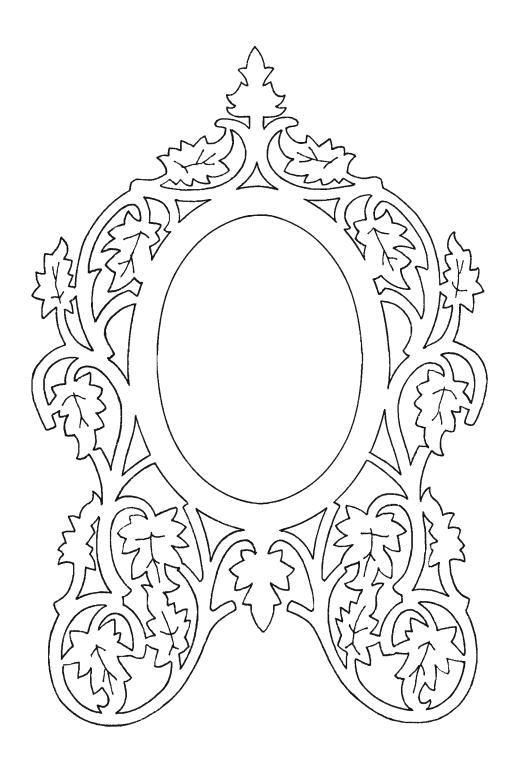


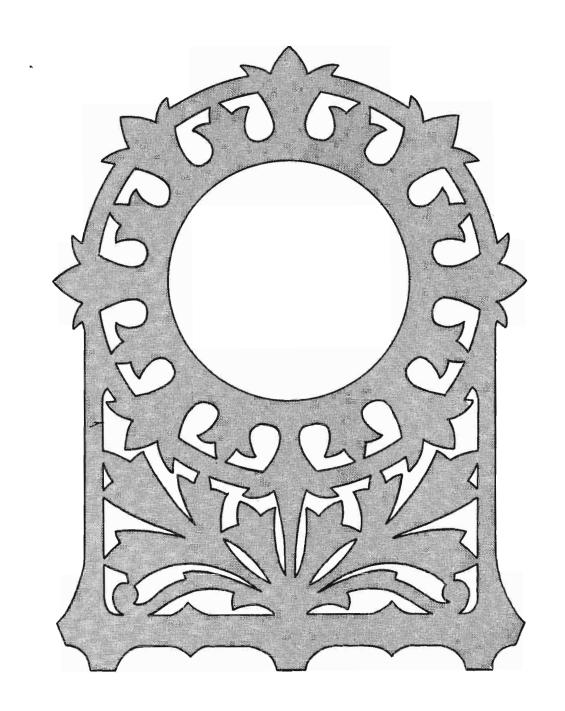


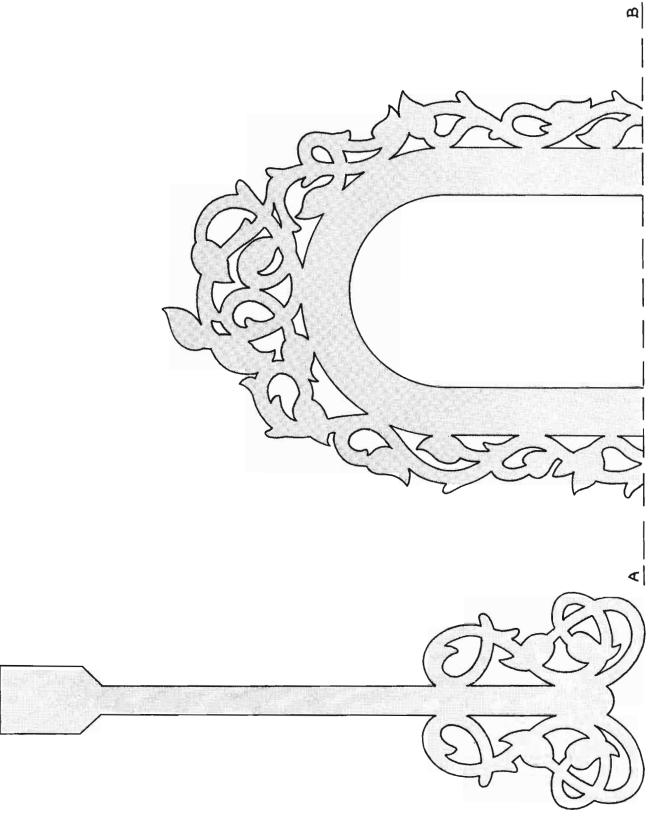


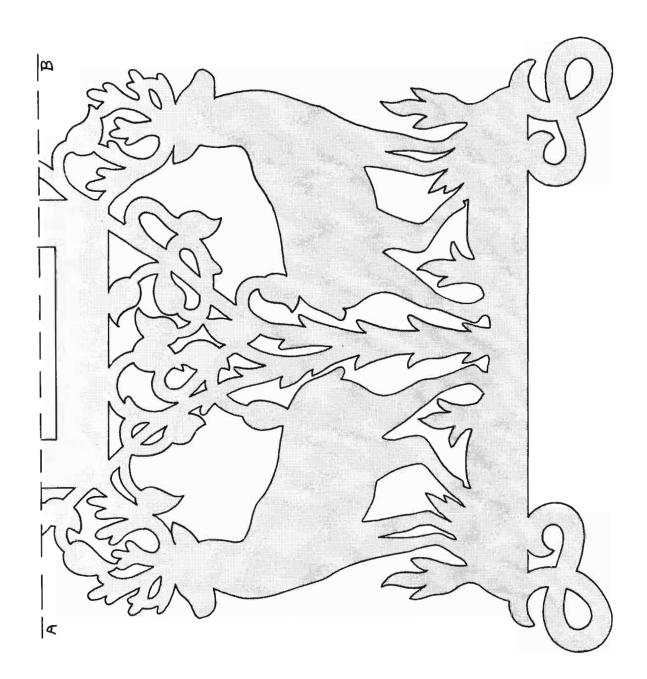


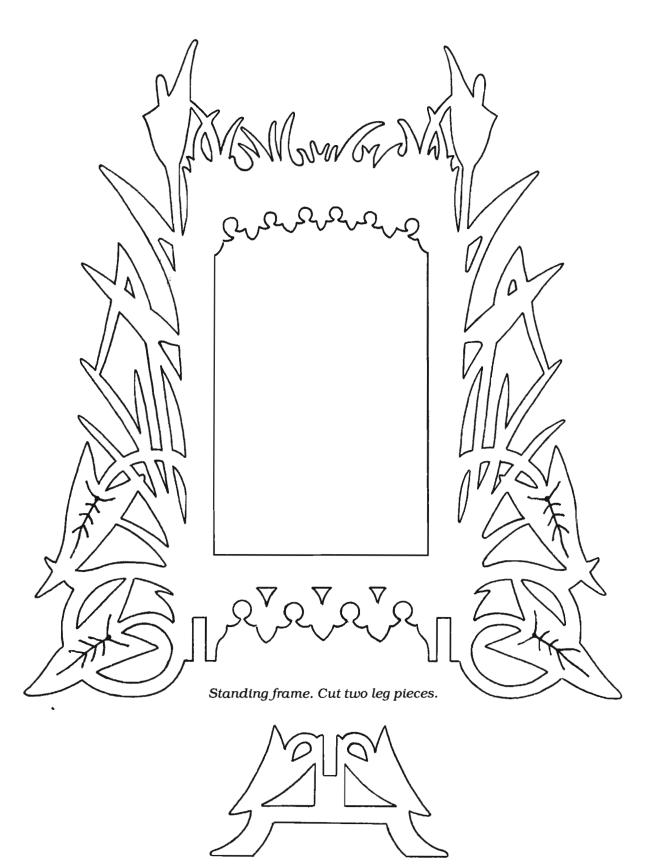
Victorian frame with overlay.



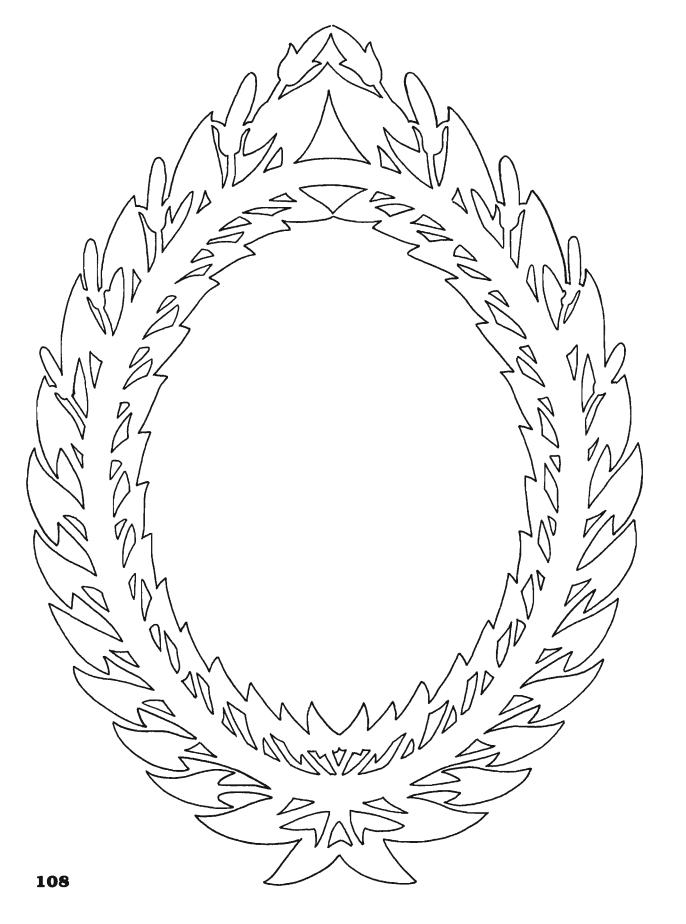


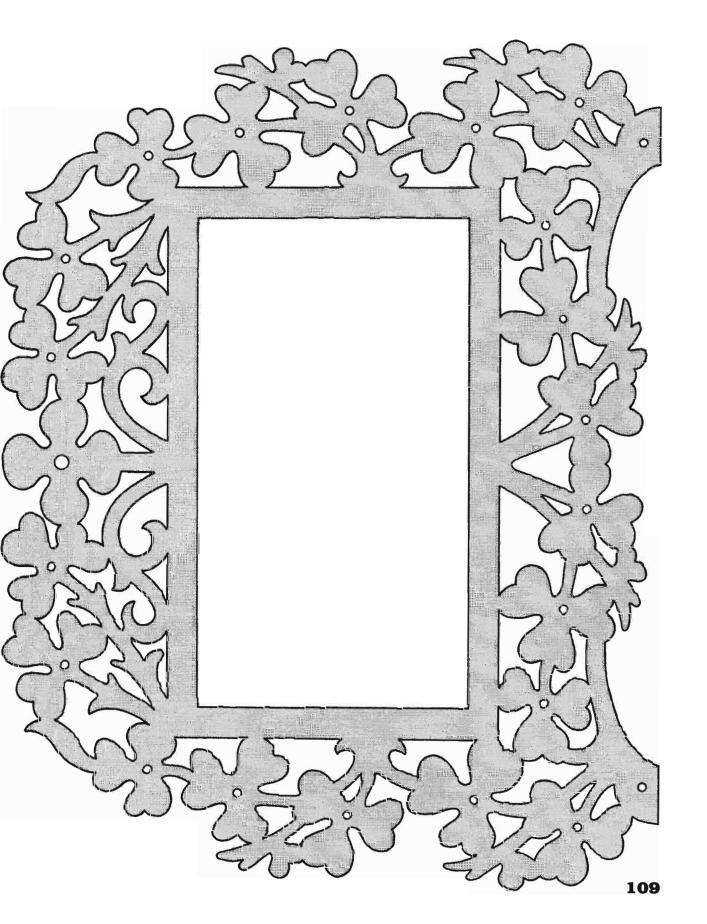


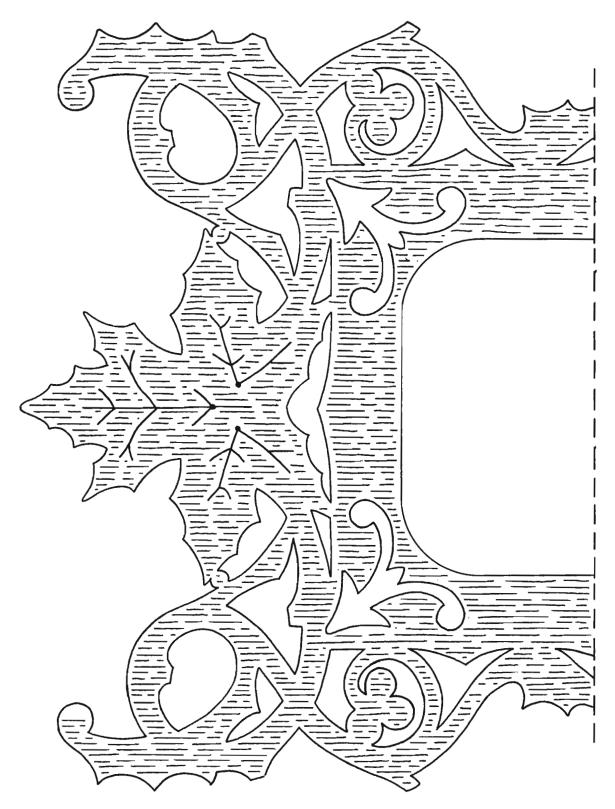




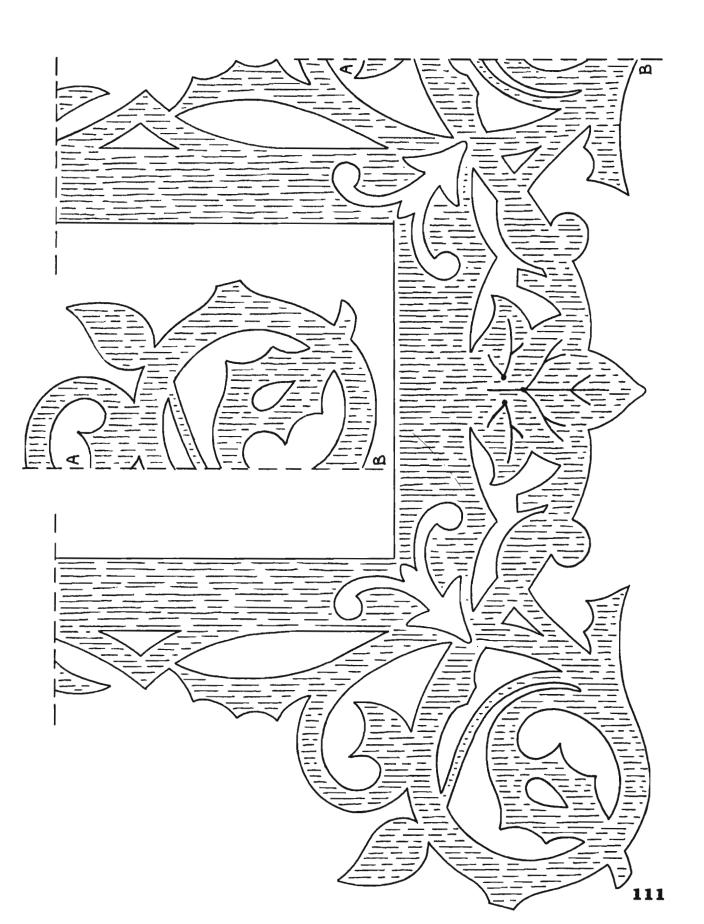


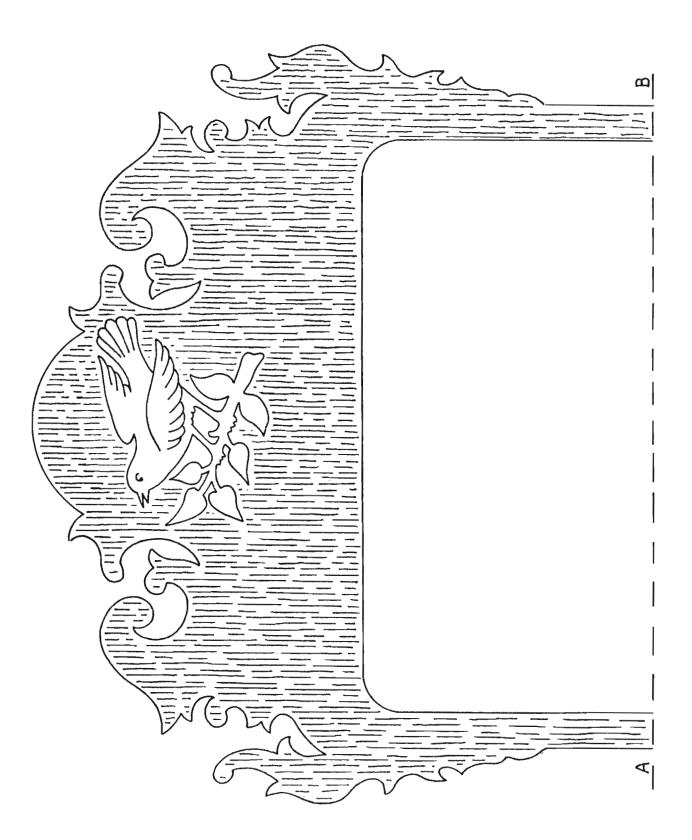


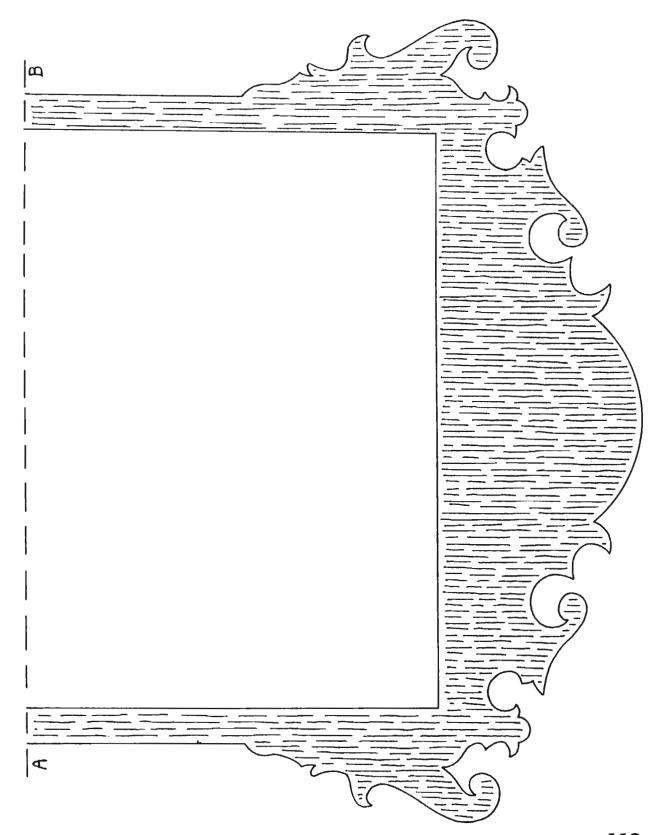


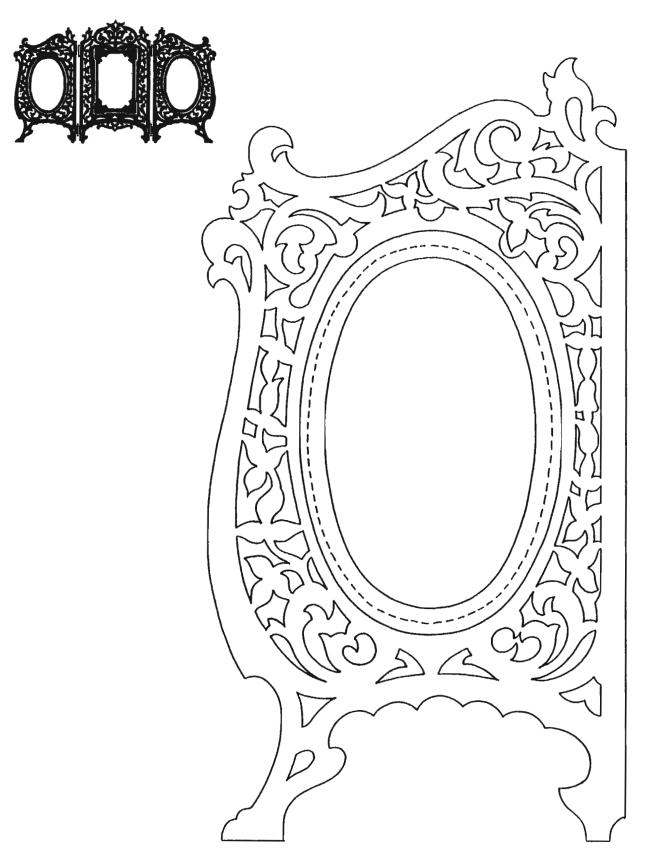


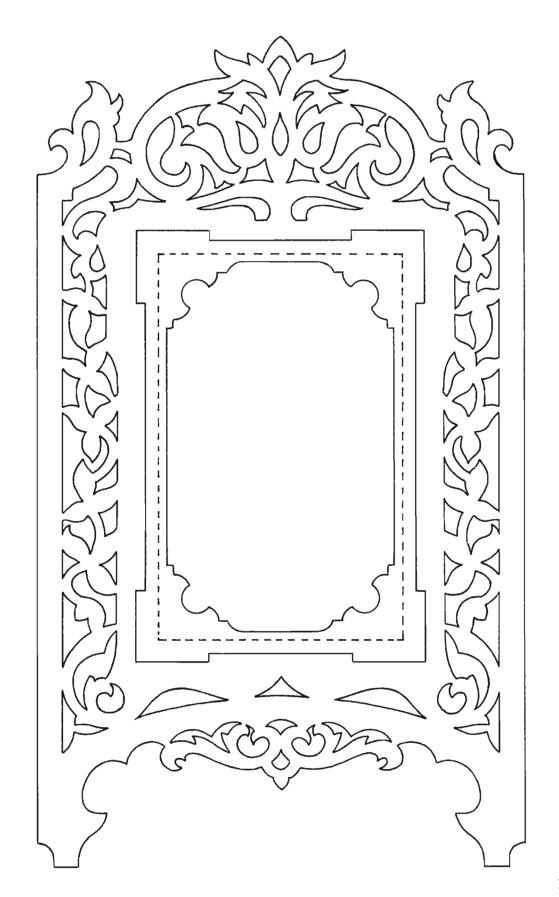
Make the four corner overlay decorations of thin, contrasting material.

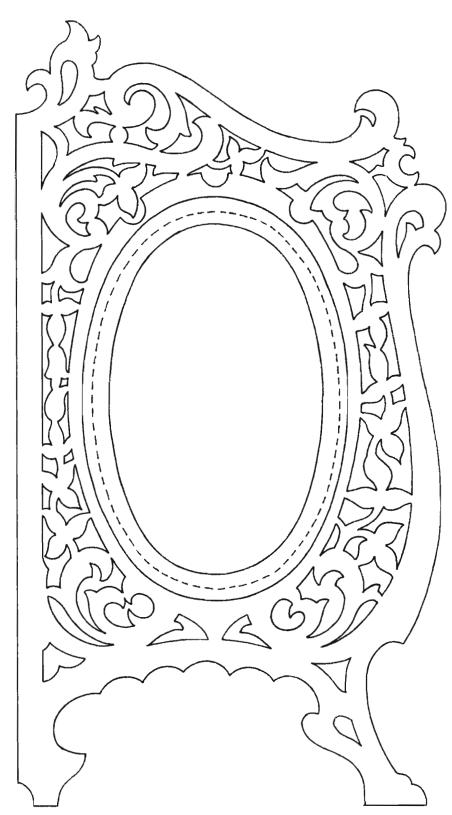












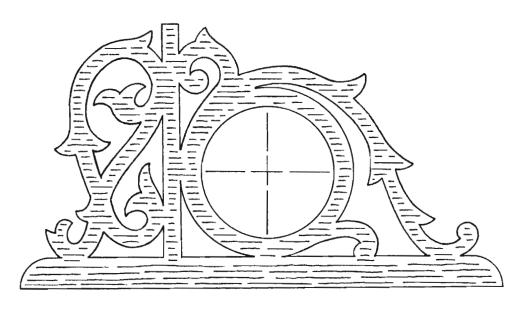
Clocks

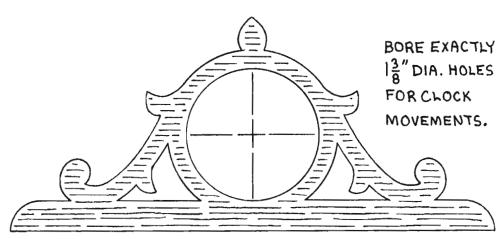


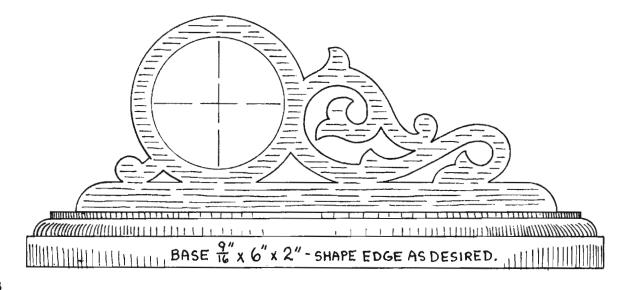
Bird mantle clock. Order movement with shaft length suitable to wood material thickness used and the required 2¾"-diameter clock dial from Reidle Products, Box 661, Richland Center, WI 53581.

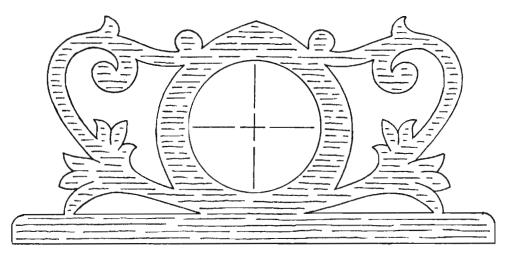


Two of four mini-clock designs. Movements are 1%"-diameter. Mini-clock inserts available from the Klockit Co., Box 636, Lake Geneva, WI 53147.

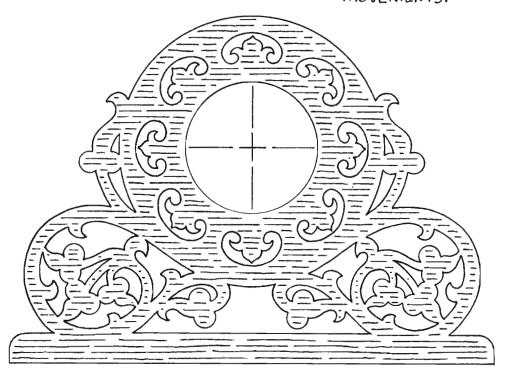






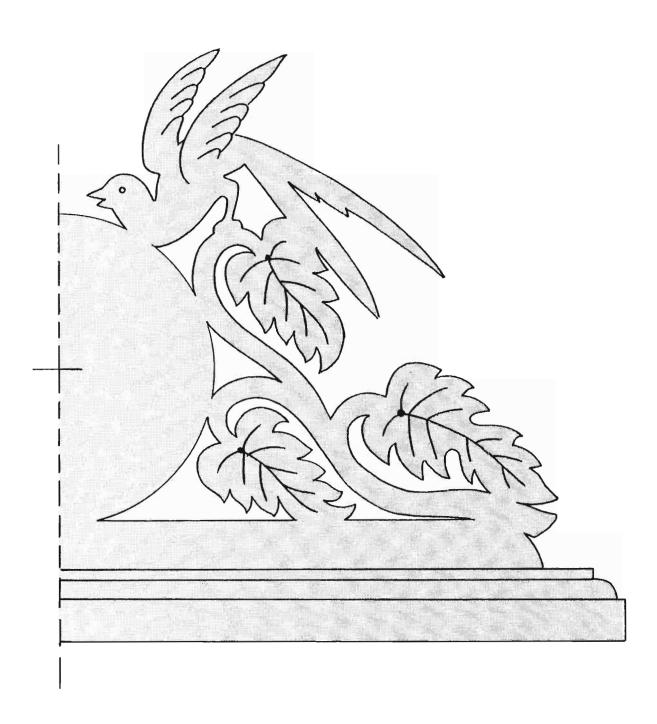


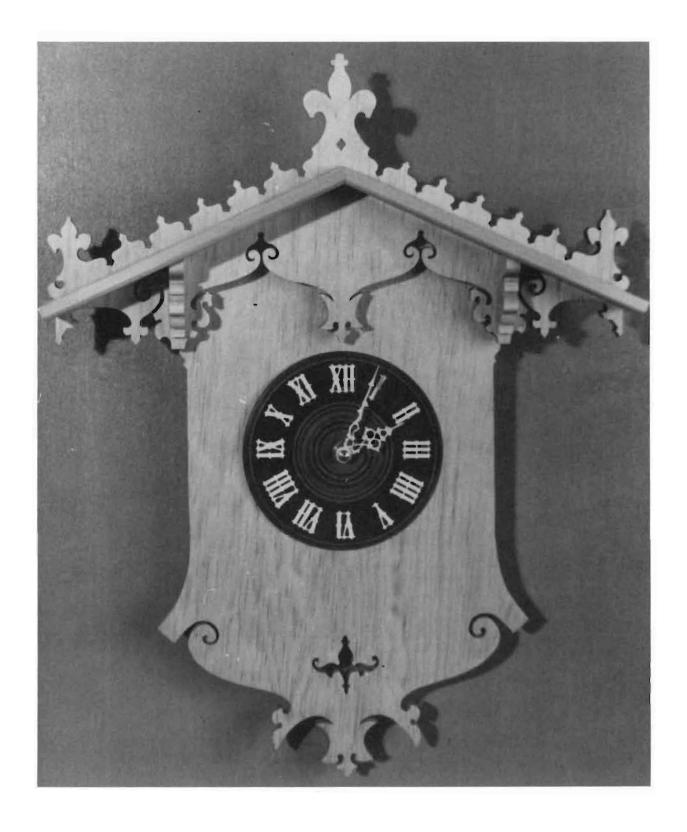
BORE EXACTLY $1\frac{3}{8}$ DIA. HOLES FOR CLOCK MOVEMENTS.



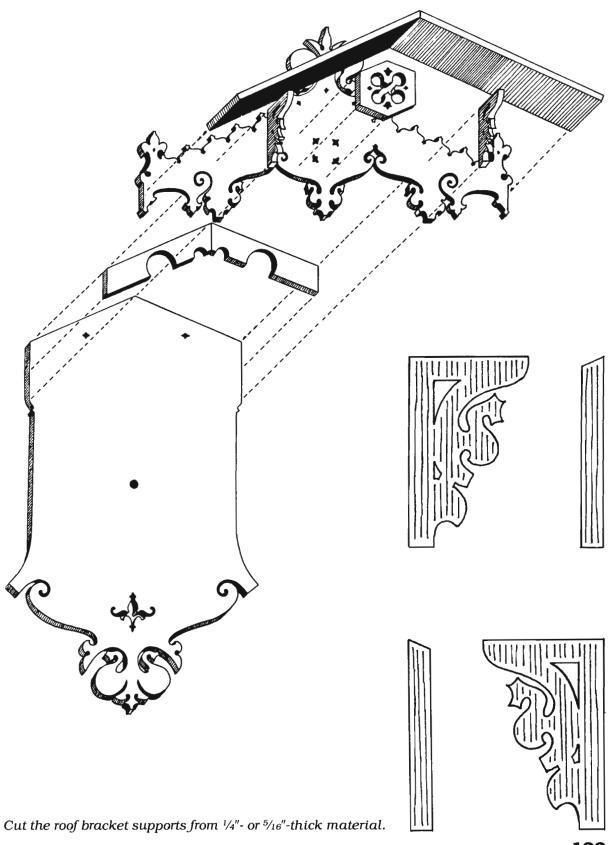


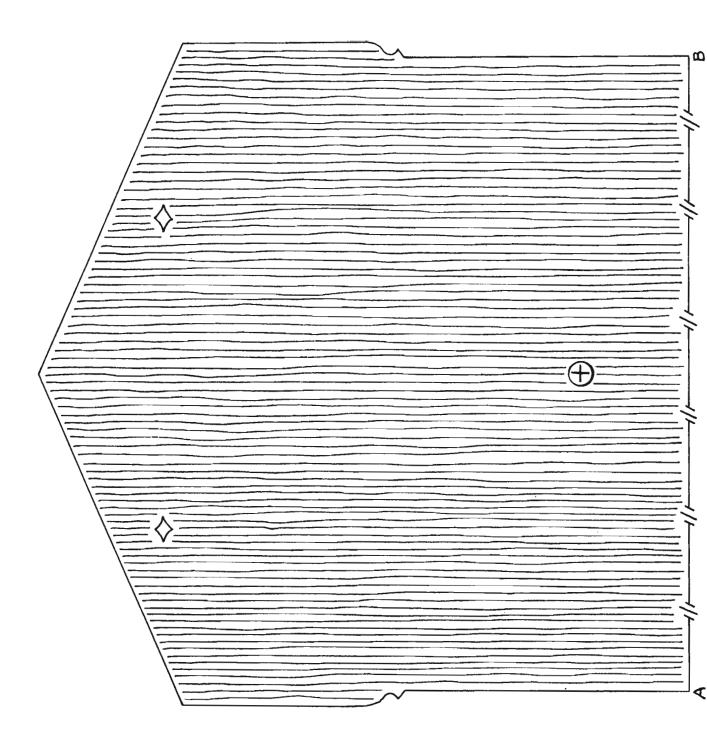
Cut upright piece from $^{1}/_{4}$ "- to $^{1}/_{2}$ "-thick material. Order movement with appropriate shaft length. (See the drawings on pages 118 and 119.) Make the base $^{3}/_{4}$ " by $2^{1}/_{2}$ " by $11^{1}/_{2}$ ".



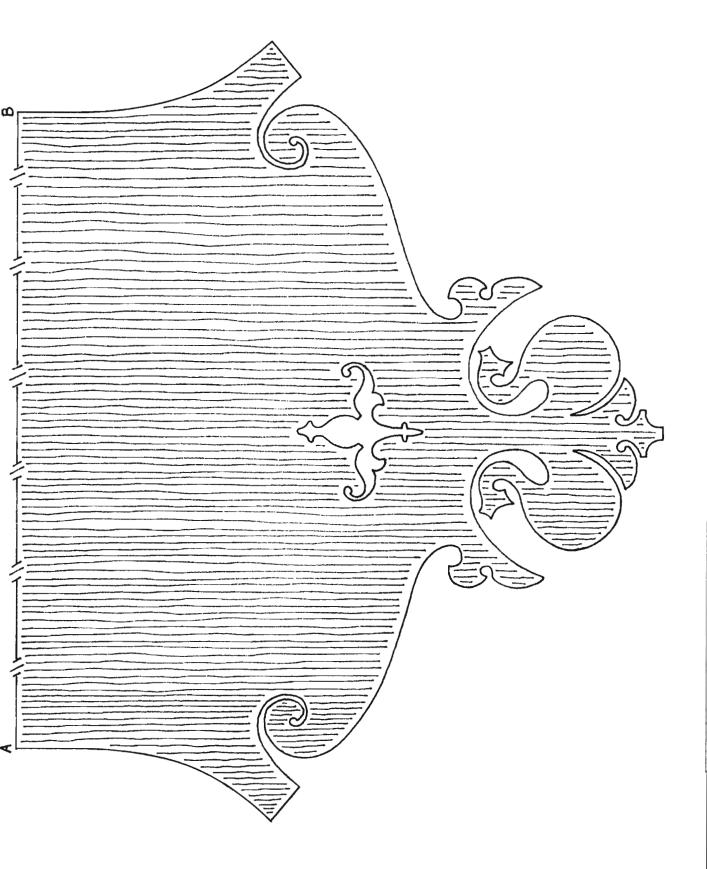


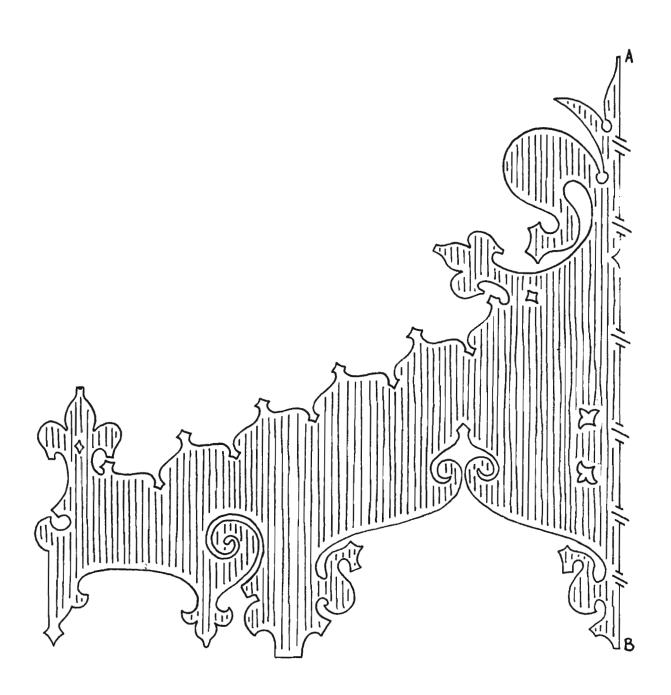
Bavarian clock, similar to the pattern that follows.



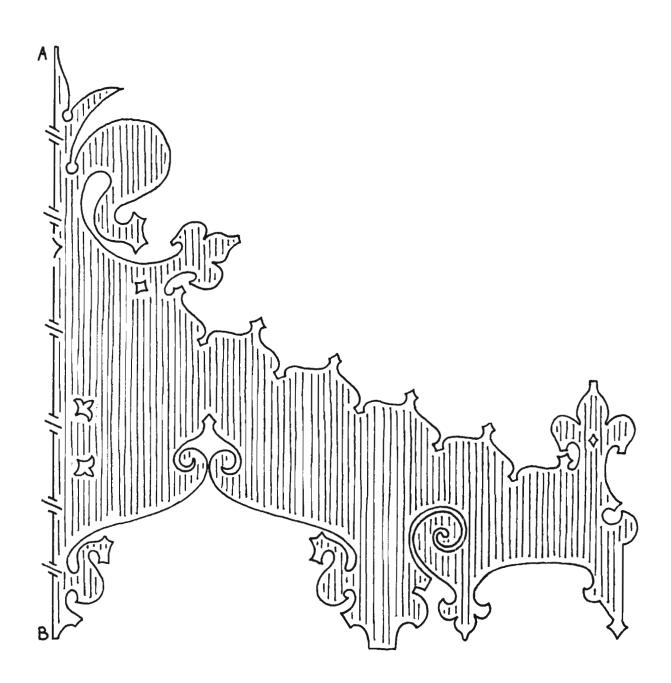


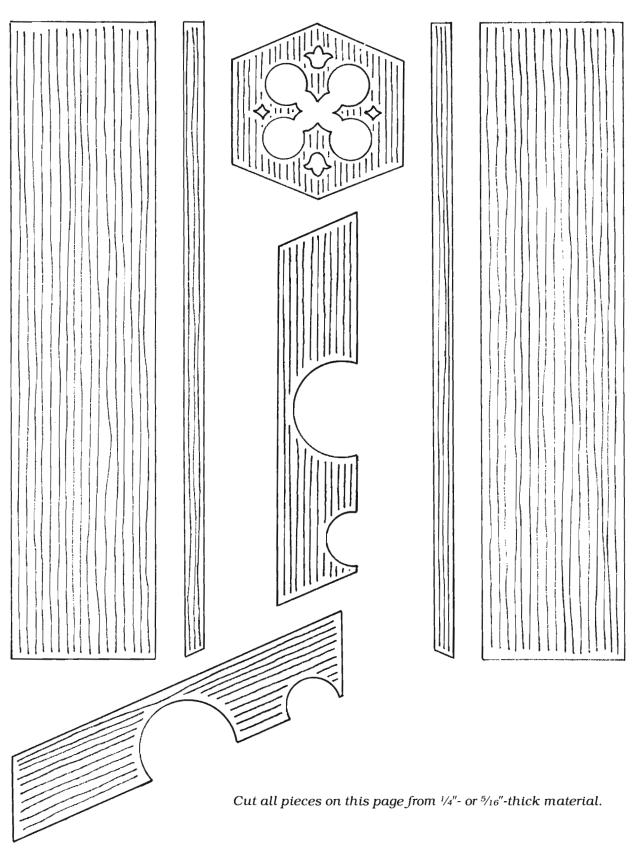
Cut from $\frac{1}{4}$ "- to $\frac{3}{8}$ "-thick material.





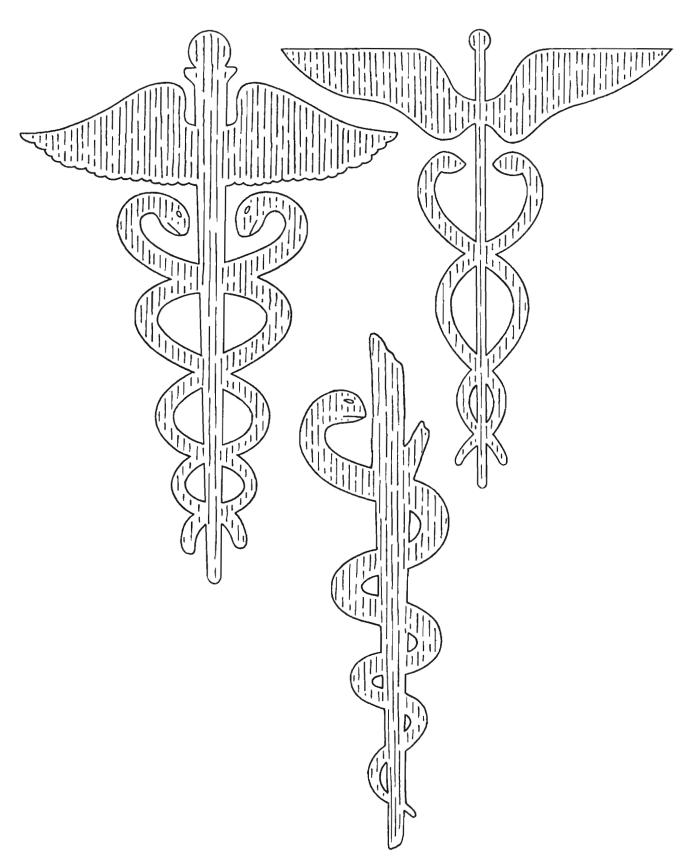
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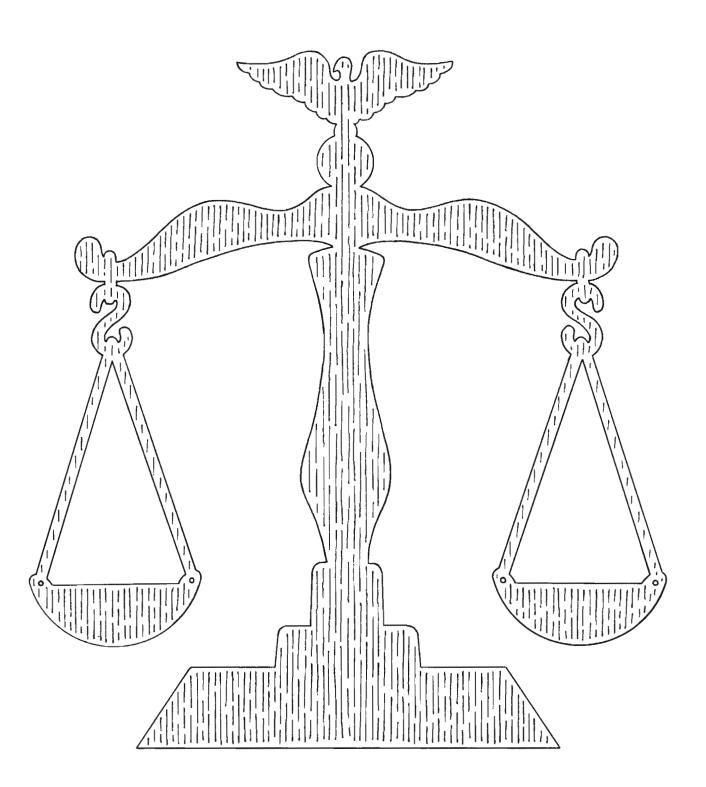


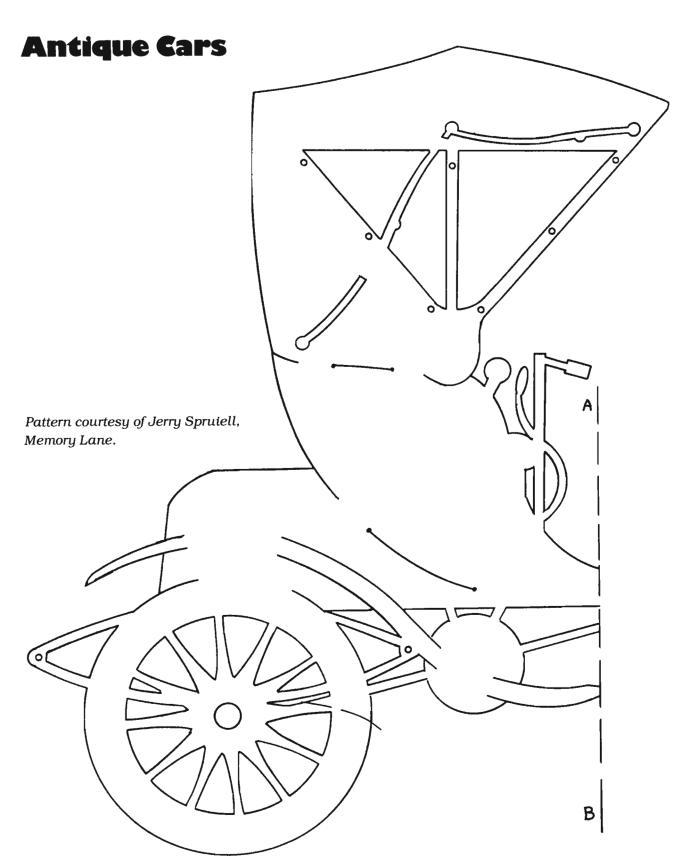


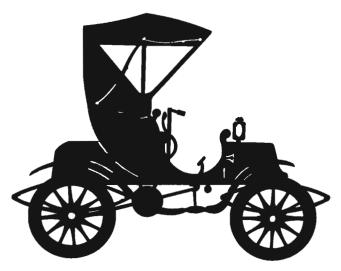
Symbols



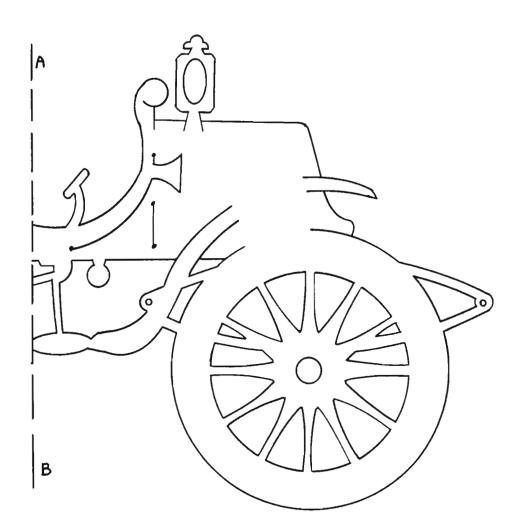




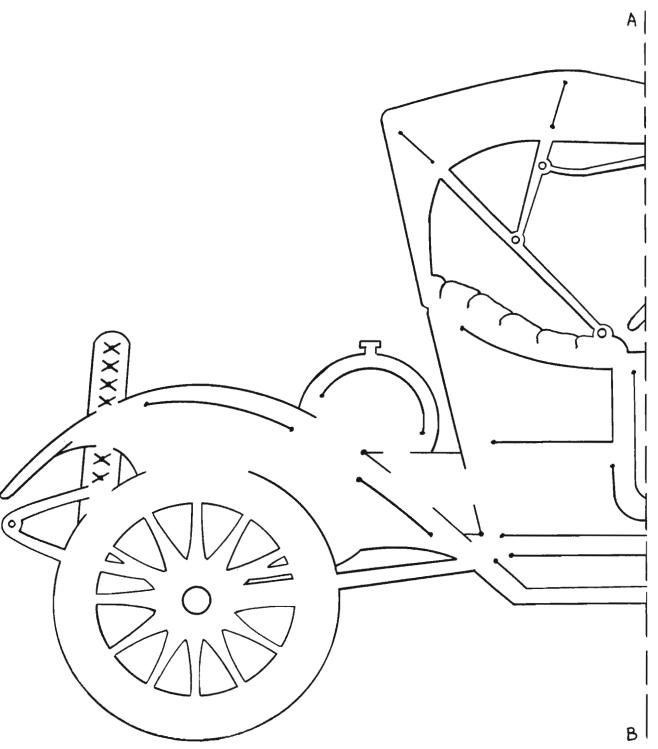


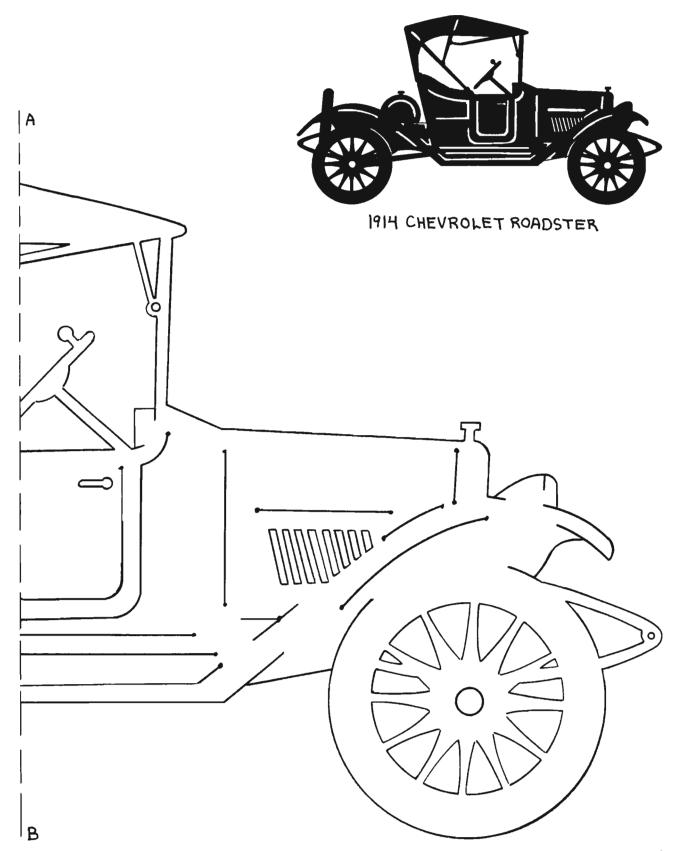


1903 STUDEBAKER

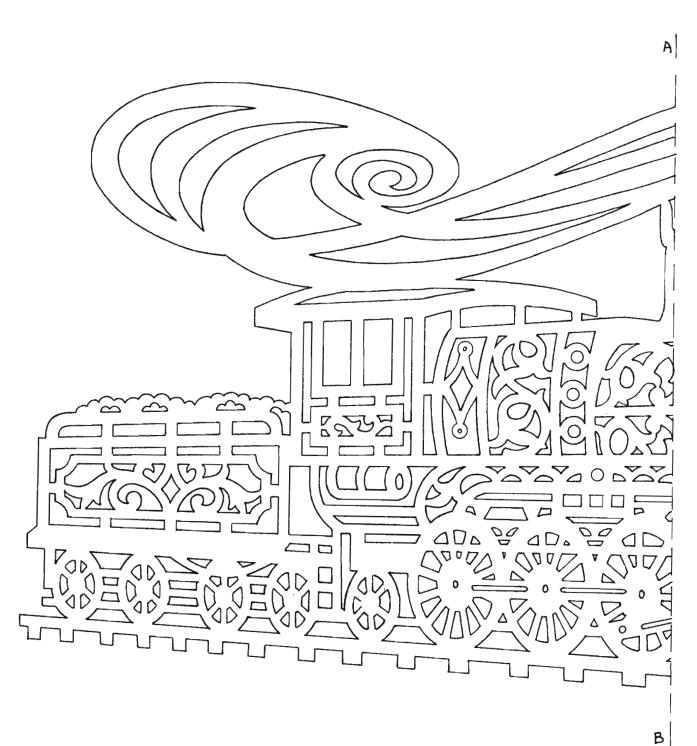


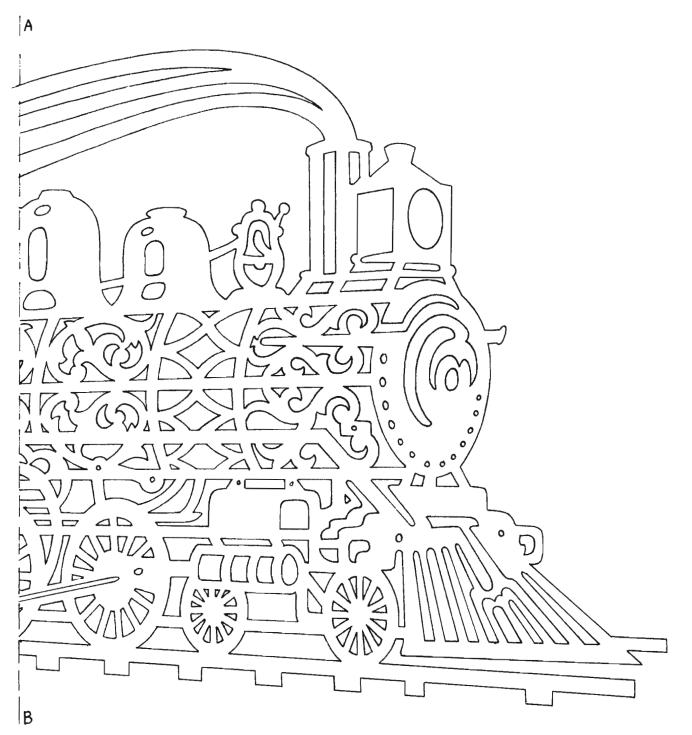
Pattern courtesy of Jerry Spruiell, Memory Lane.

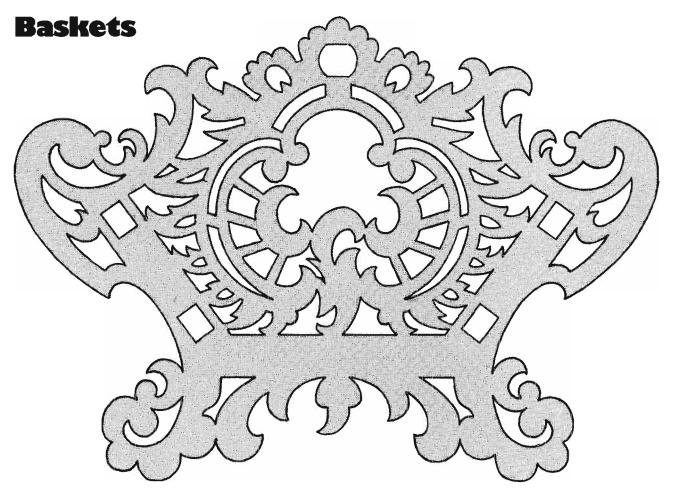




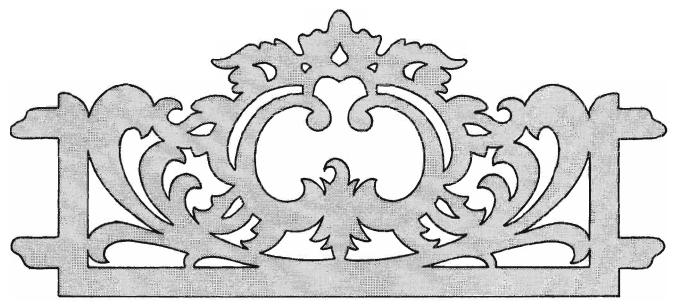
Steam Engine



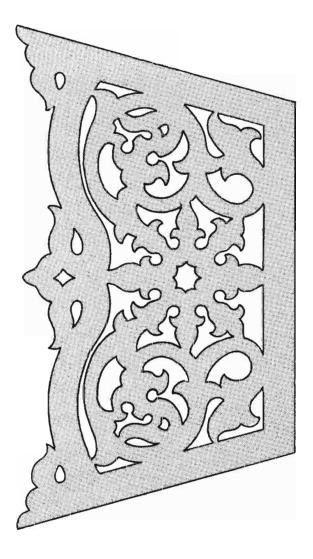




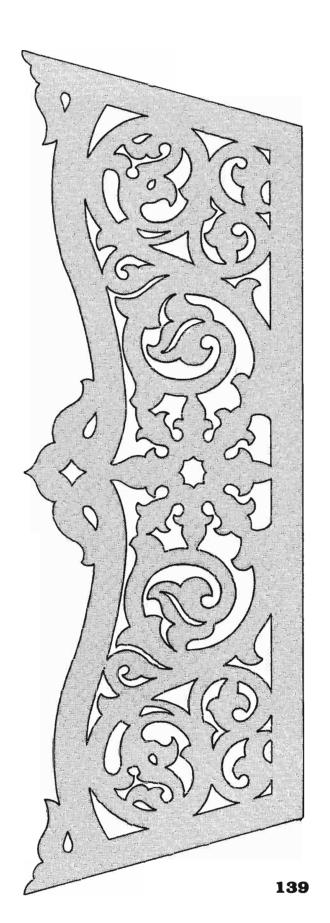
Basket with slanted sides. Make from $^{1}\!/_{4}$ "-thick material, and cut bottom to fit.

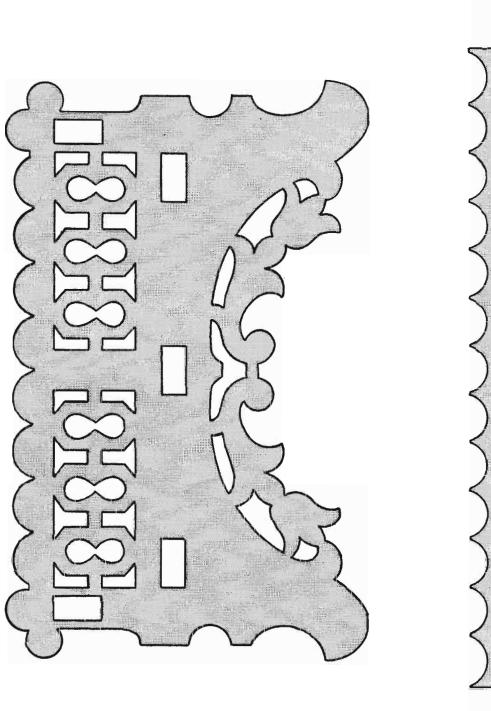


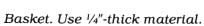
MITRE CORNERS MAKE BOTTOM TO FIT

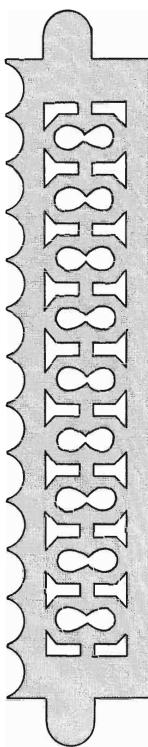


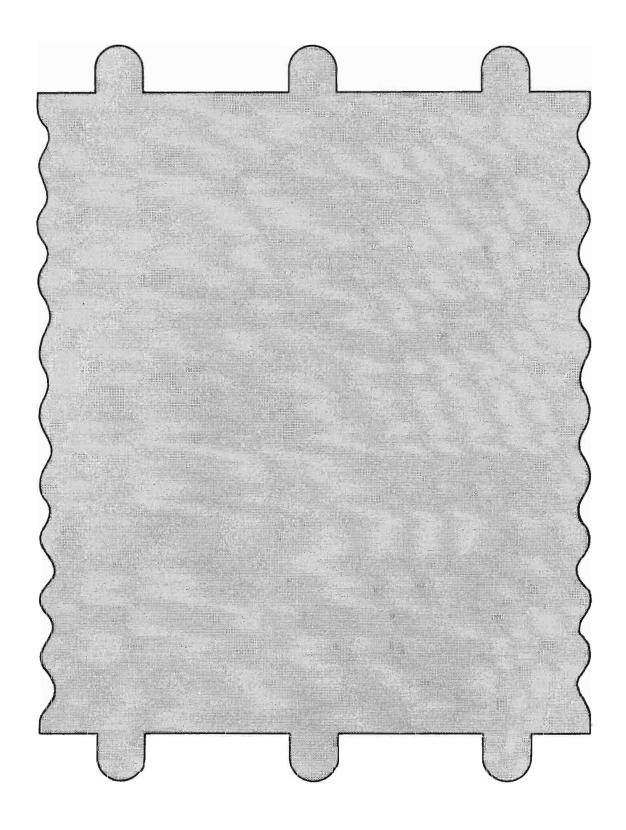
Basket. Use 1/4"-thick material.

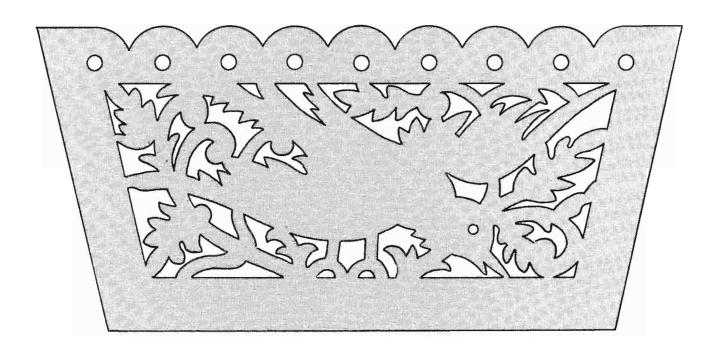




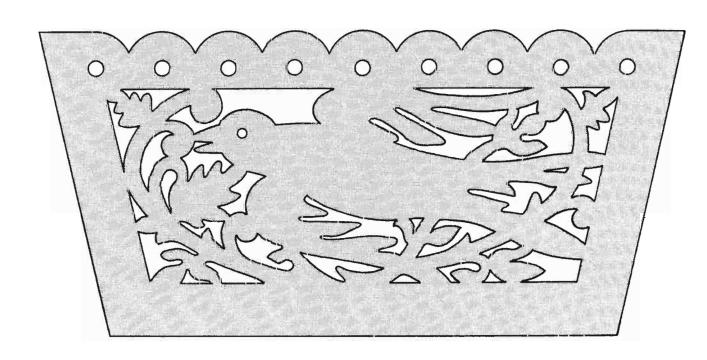




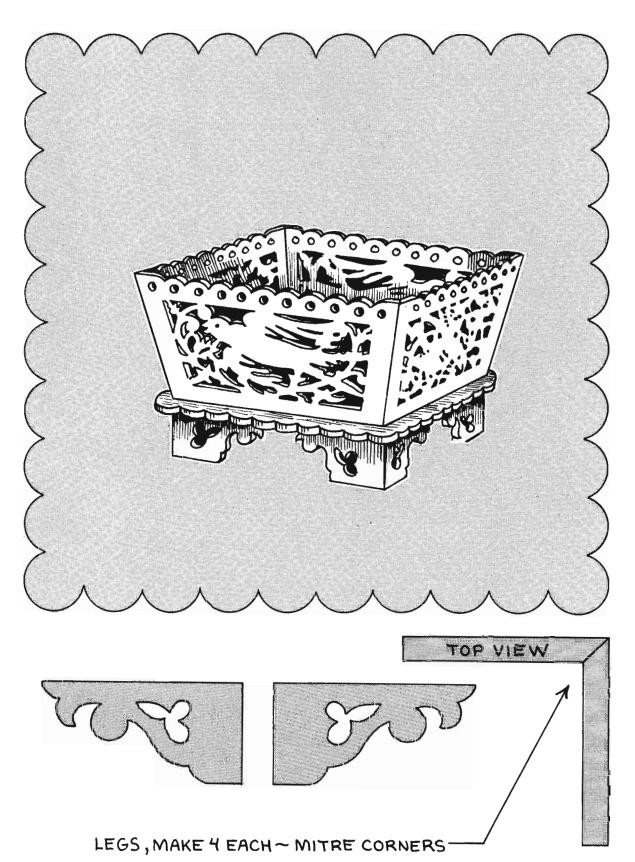




SIDE PANELS- MAKE 2 EACH- MITRE CORNERS



Basket. Use 1/4"-thick material.





This beautiful lidded basket is made from 5/16''-thick solid oak.



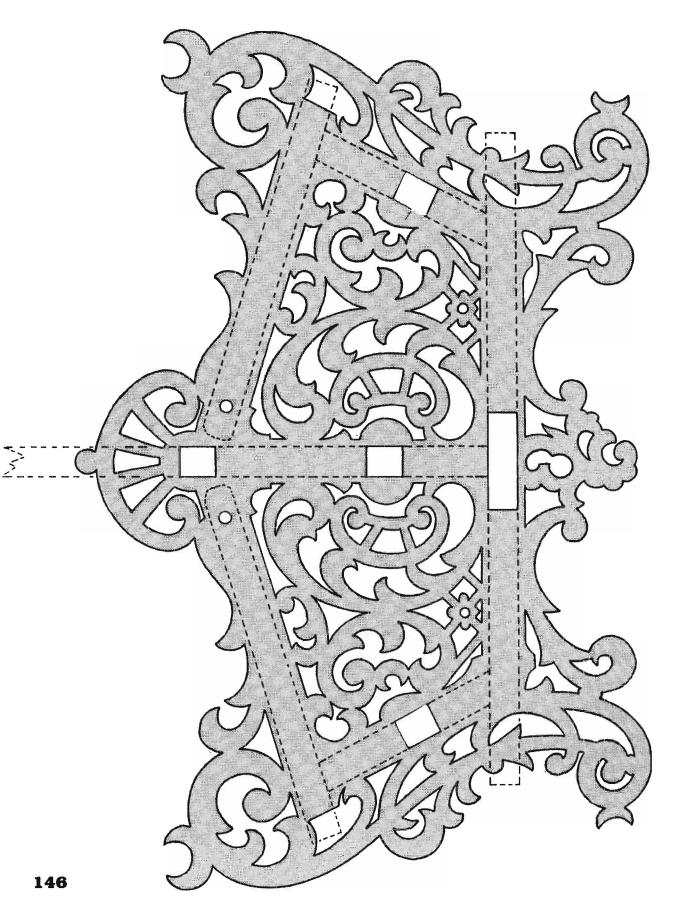
The lids are hinged with dowel pivots.

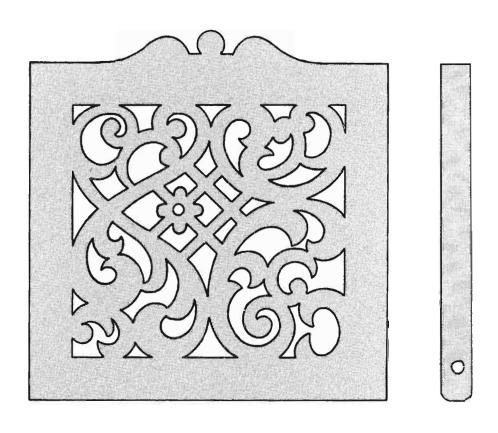


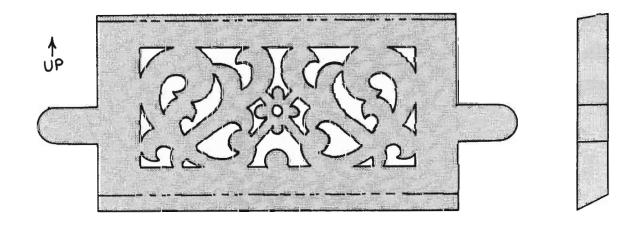
A close-up look at the hinge dowels and the through-mortise and tab construction details.

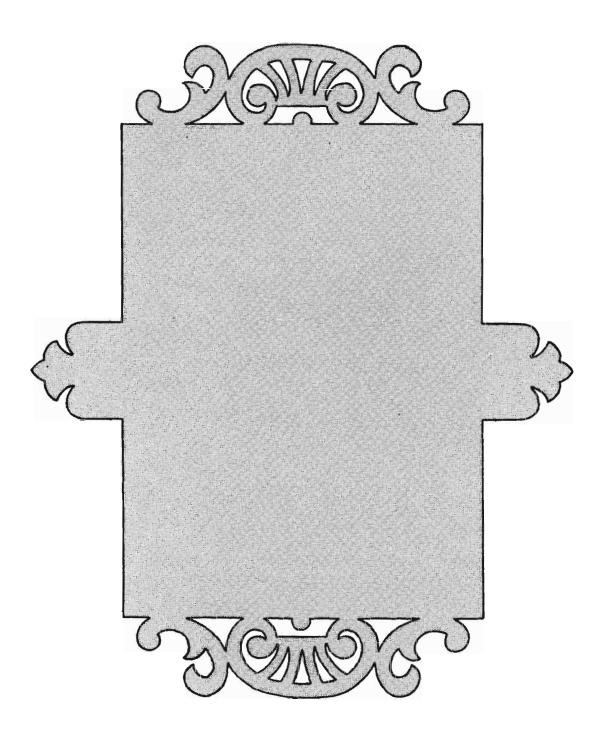


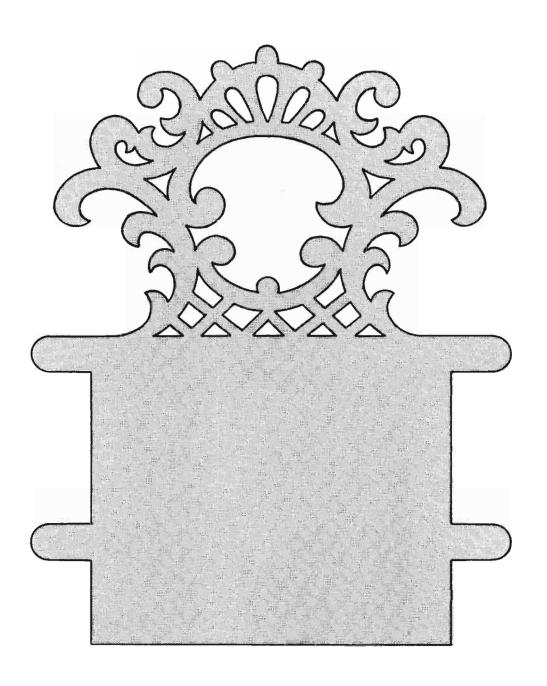
Notice the edge of each lid is rounded over for clearance.

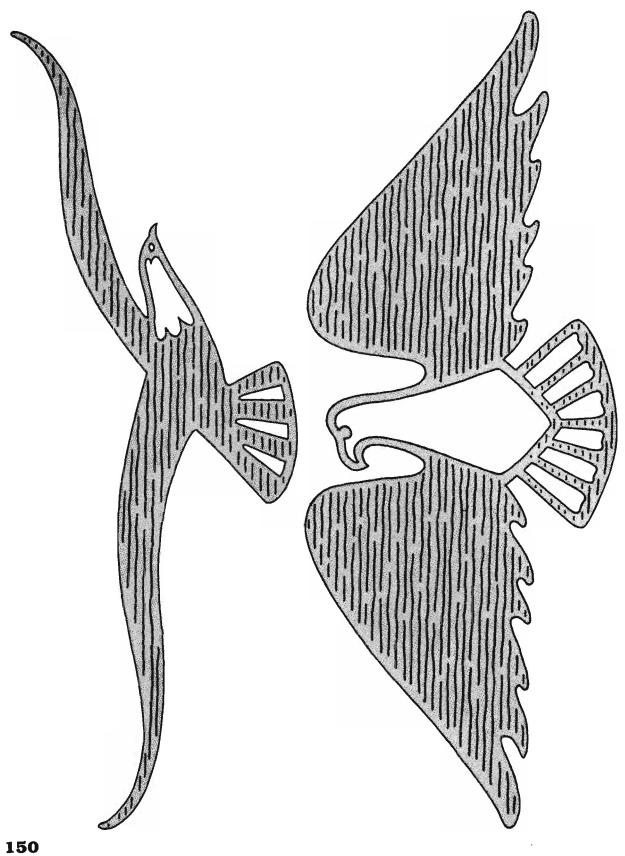






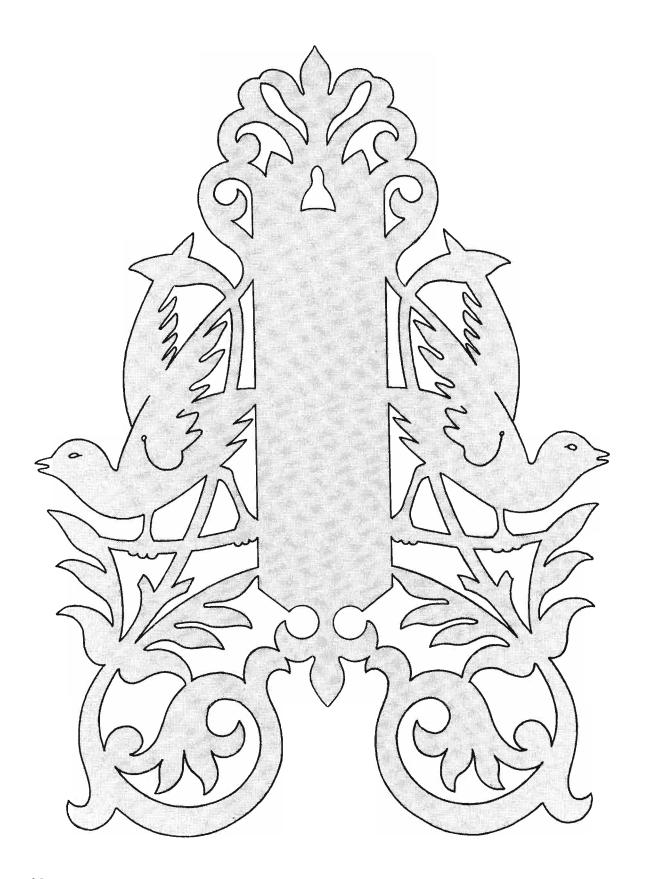






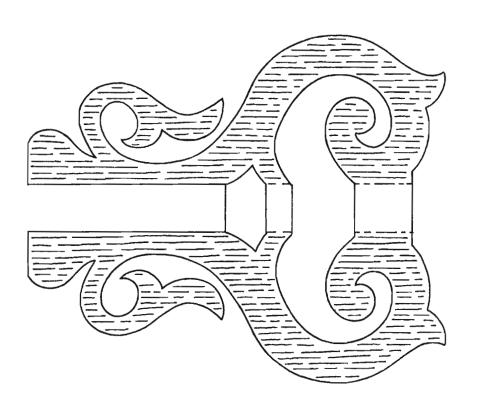


Wall thermometer. Use glue on thermometer card, 3" long, available from Constantine & Sons, 2050 Eastchester Rd., Bronx, NY 10461.

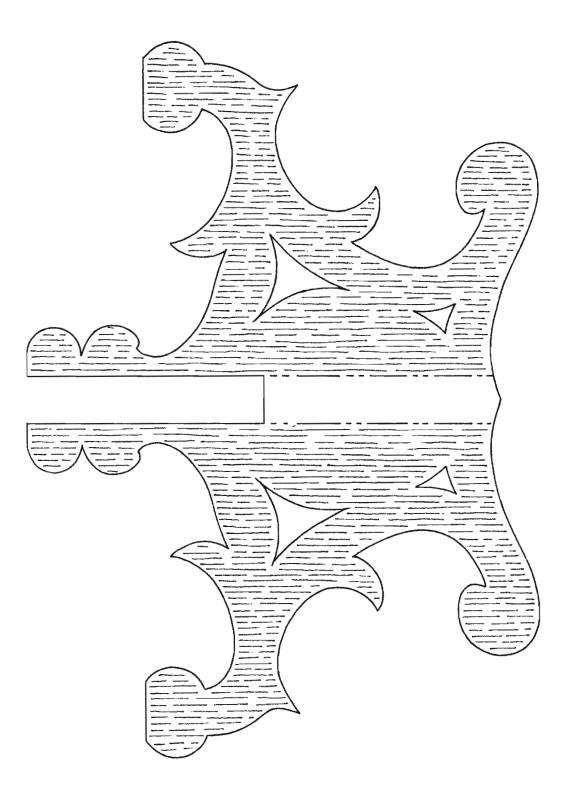


Candle Holders

Candelabrum and candle holder set.



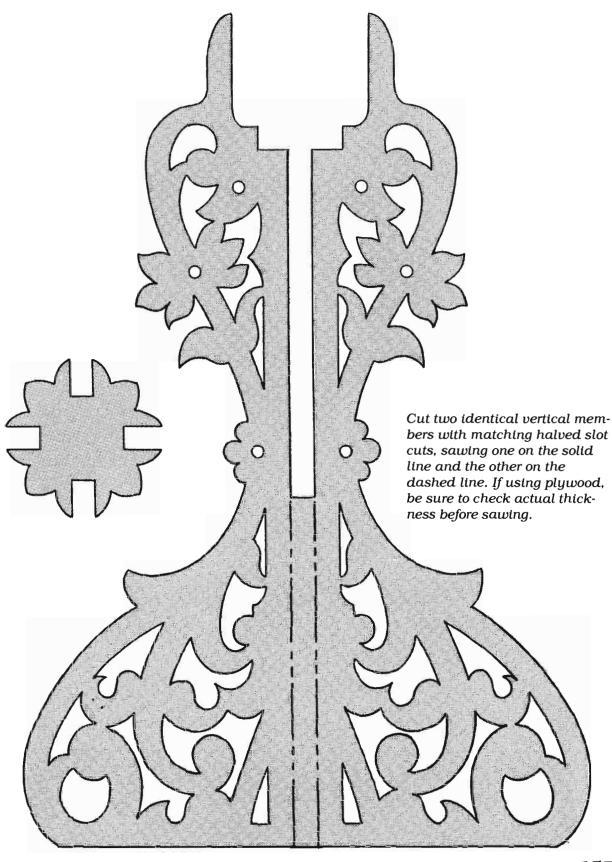
Cut two identical pieces with matching halved slot cuts, sawing one on the solid line and the other on the dashed line.

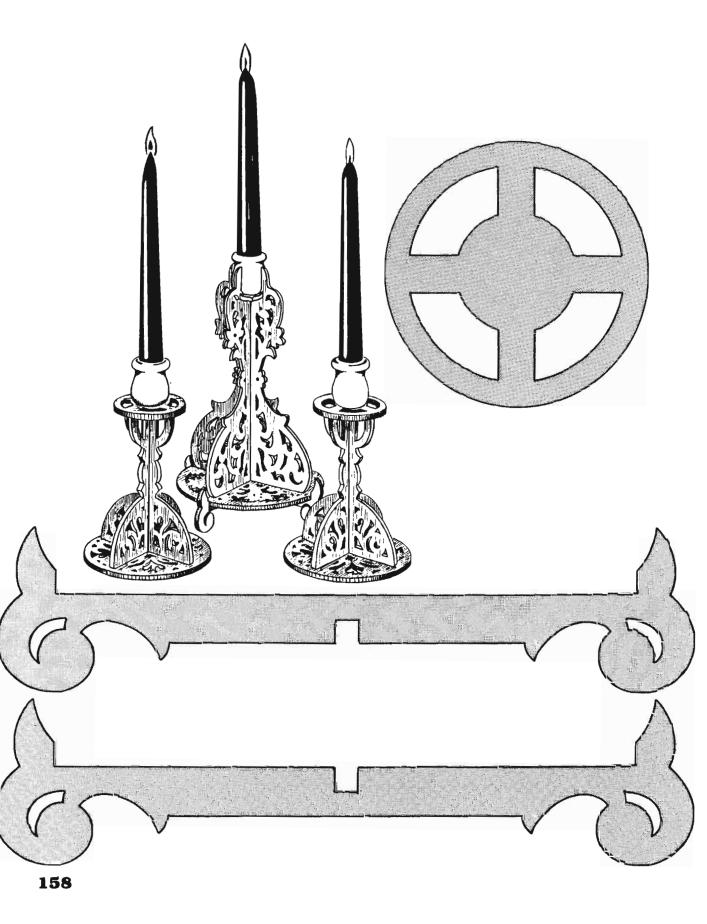


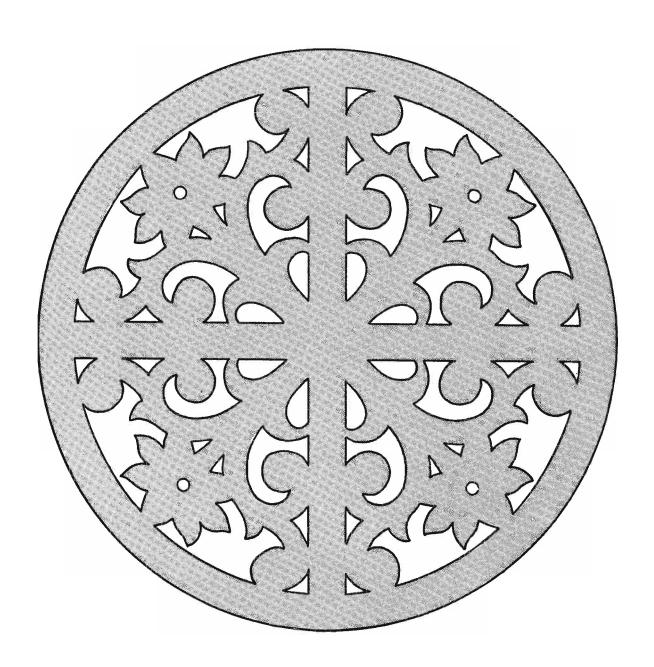
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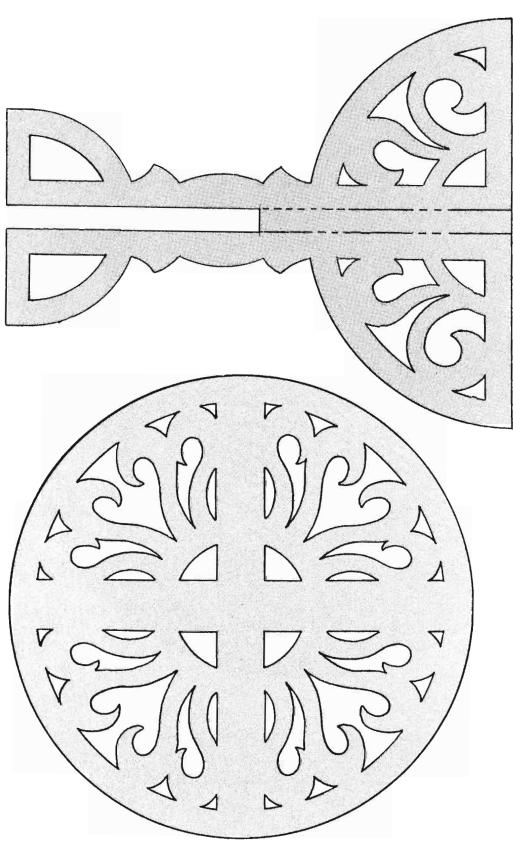


Candle holder set made from ½"-thick material. Note: When using plywood, be advised that actual thickness may vary from ½" to slightly less.







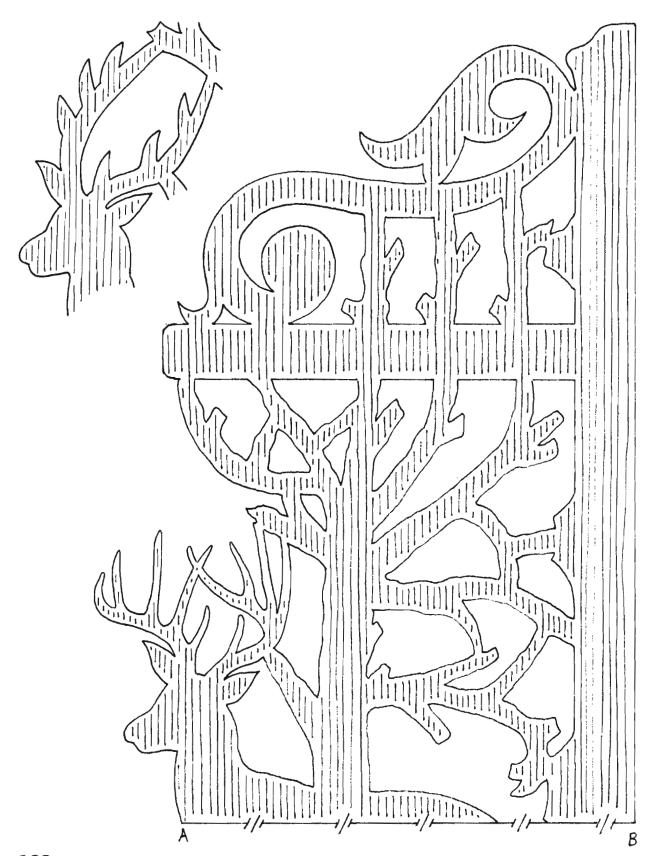


Cut two identical vertical members with matching halved slot cuts, sawing one on the solid line and the other on the dashed line. If using plywood, be sure to check actual thickness before sawing.

Shelves

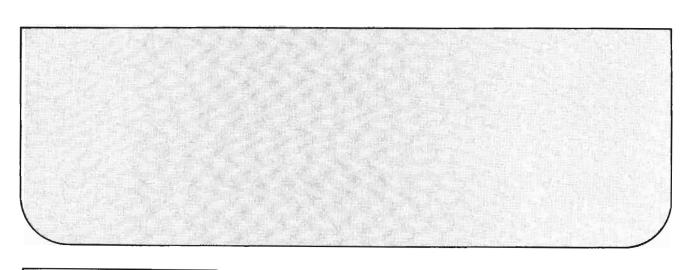


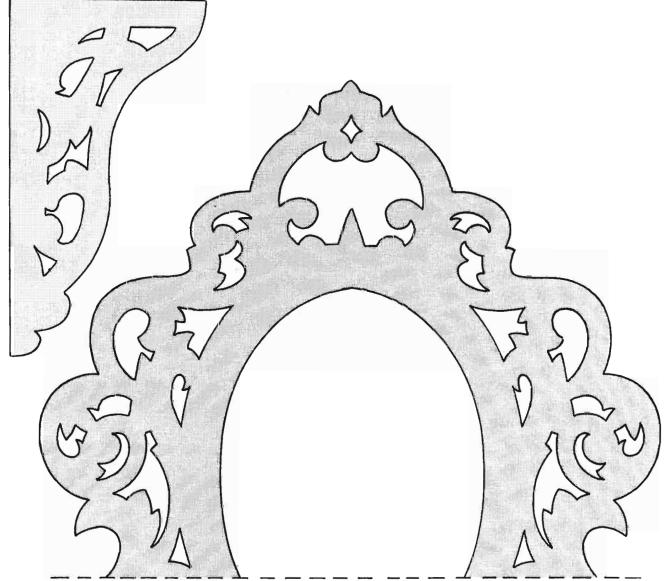
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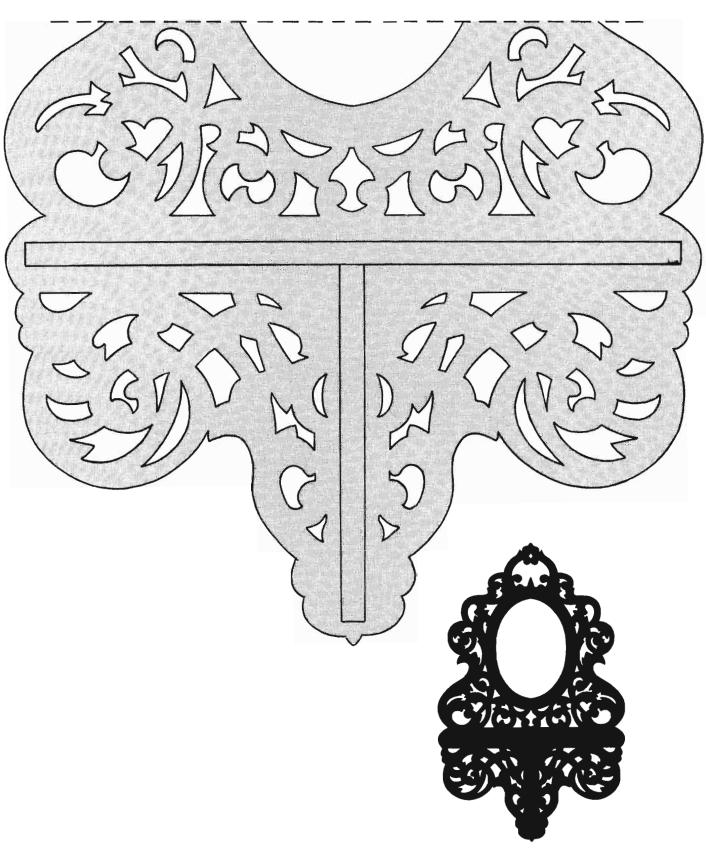


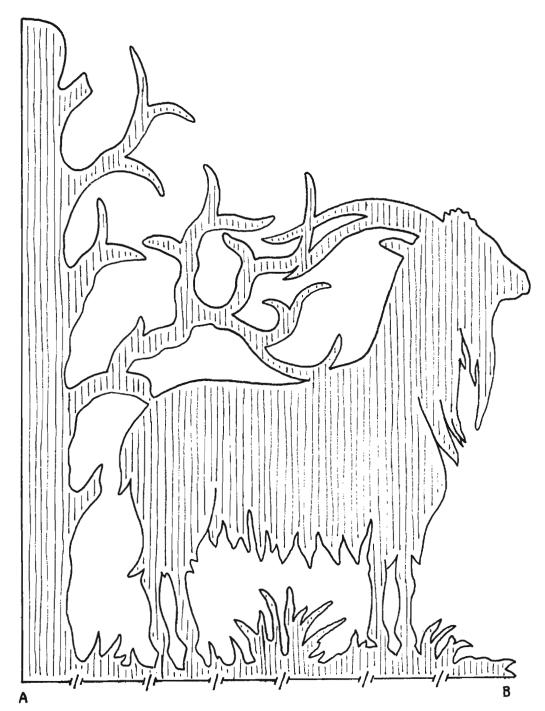


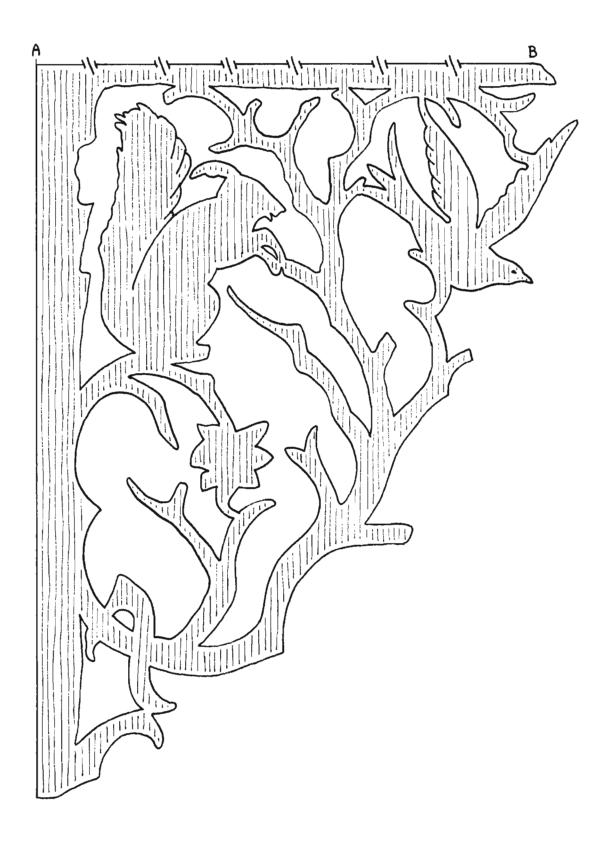
Deer shelf. Note optional deer head pattern design for more strength. \\\\

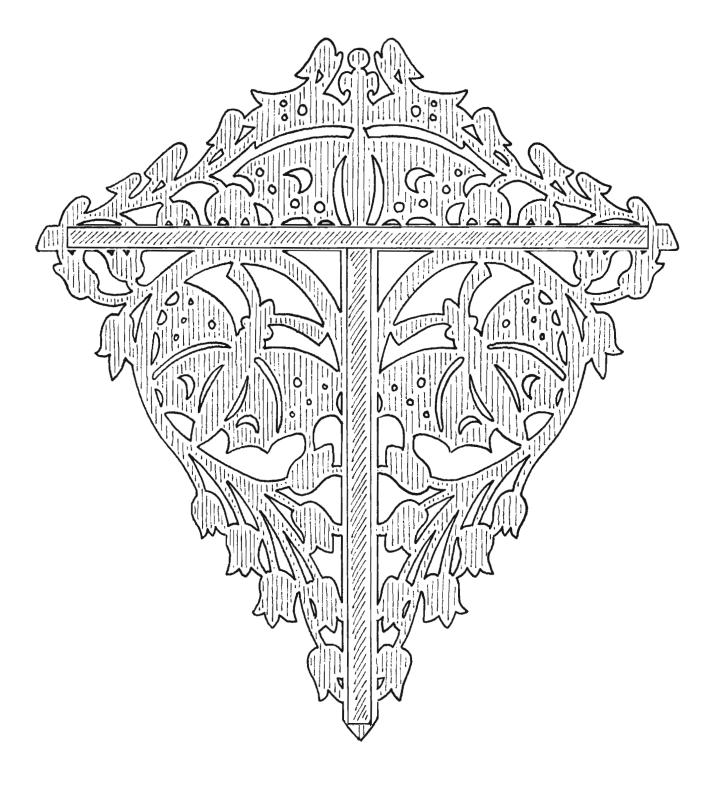


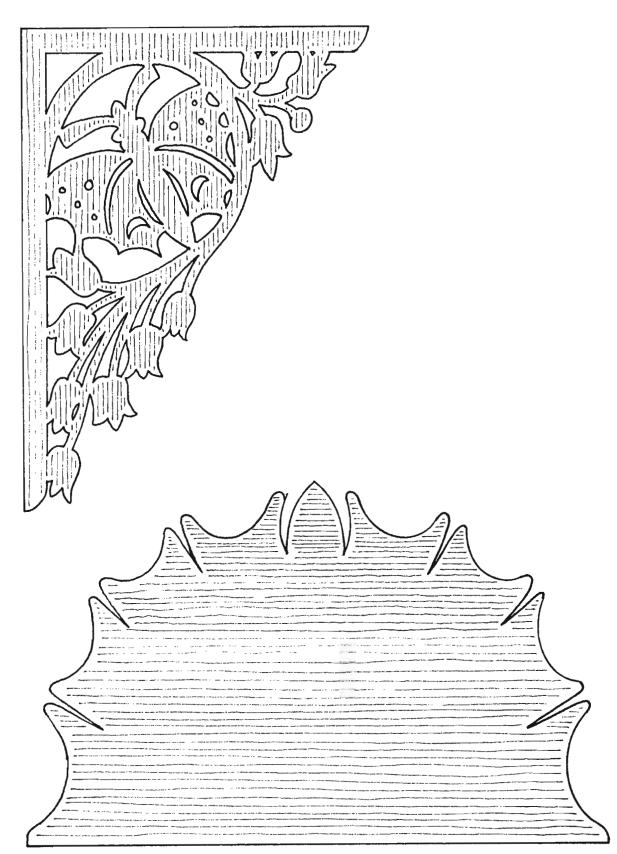


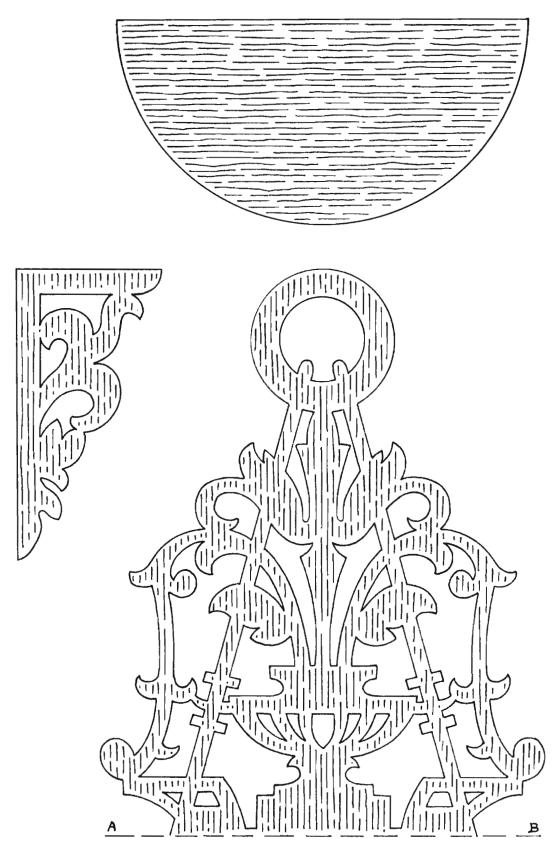


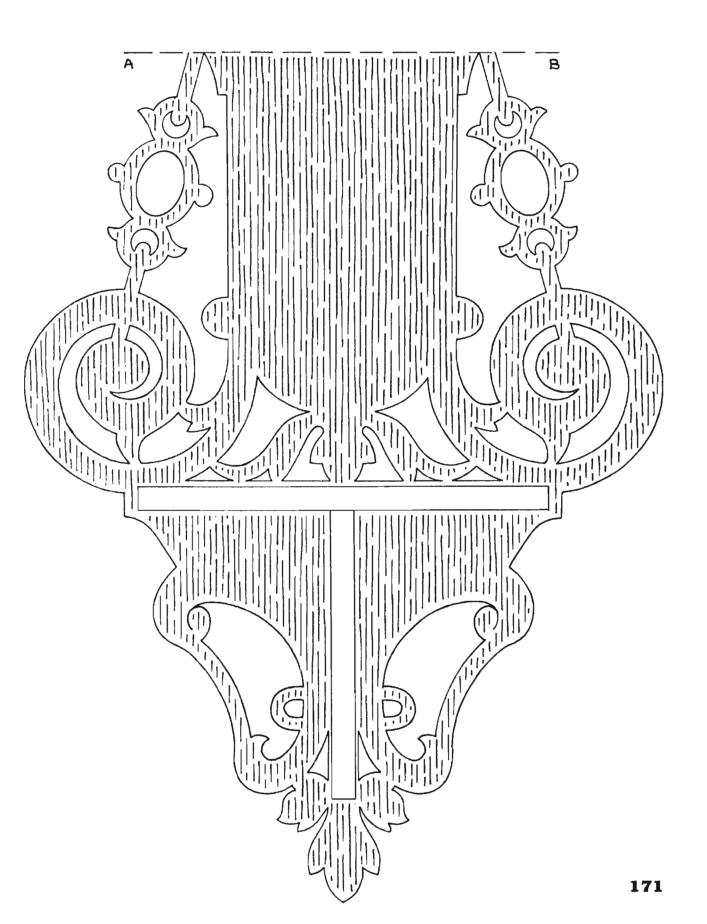




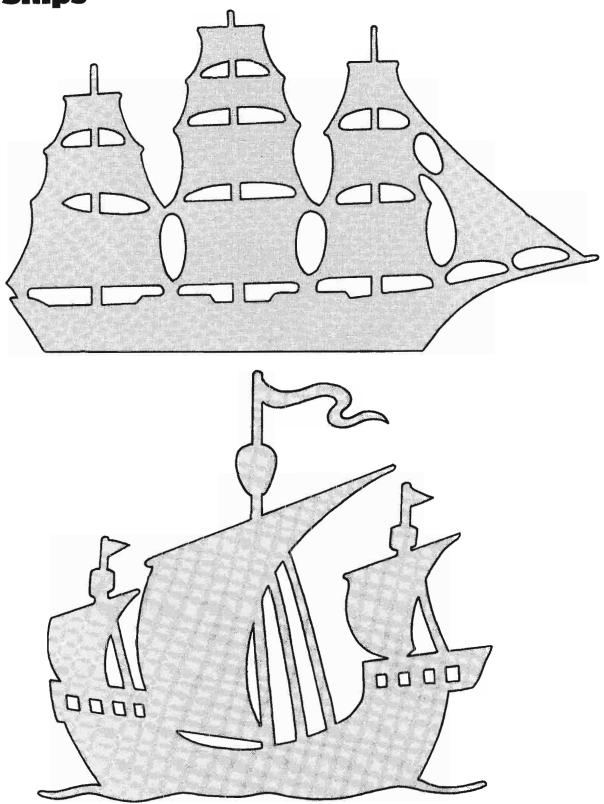


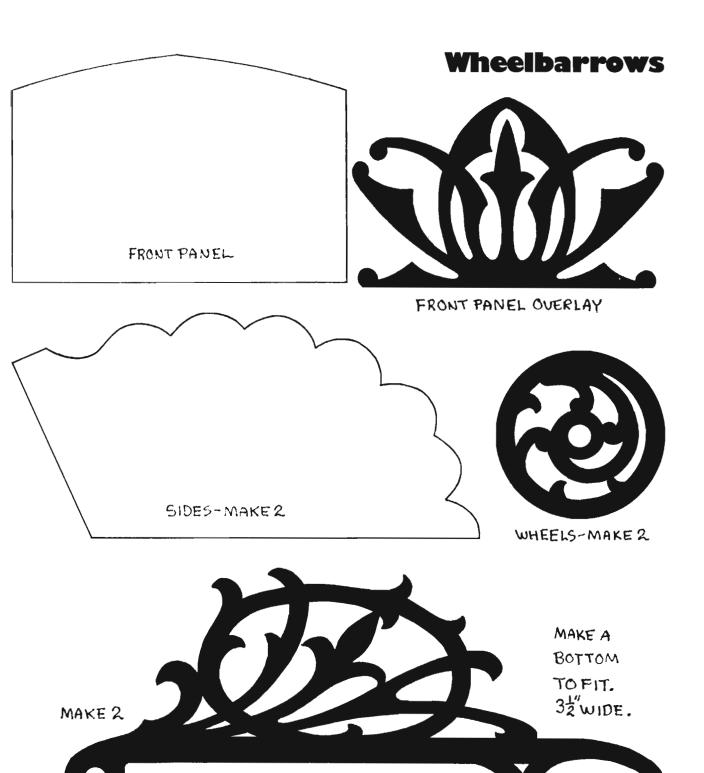




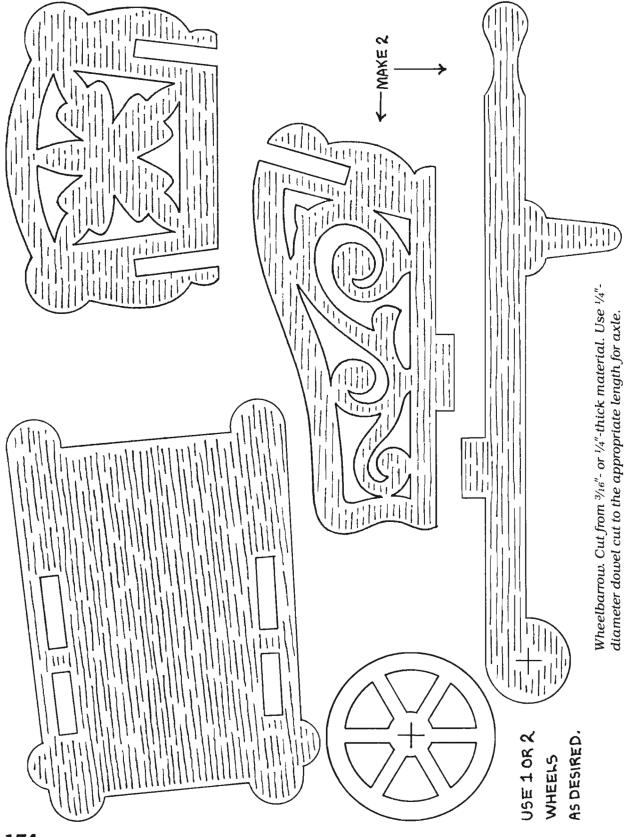


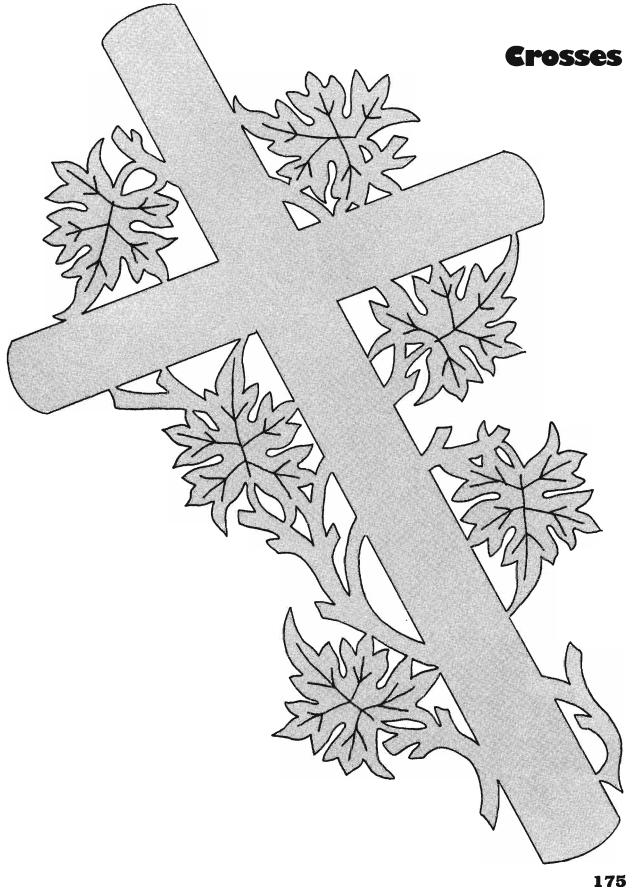
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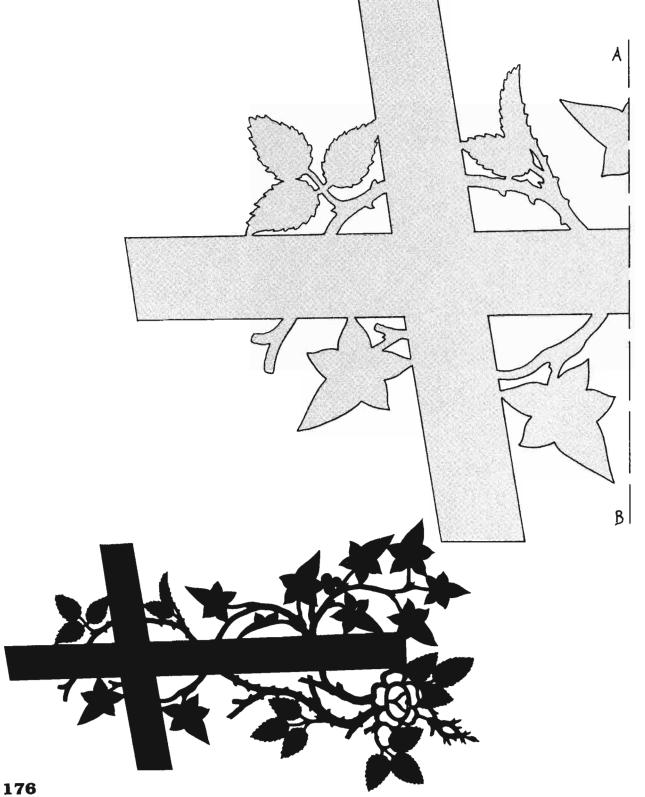


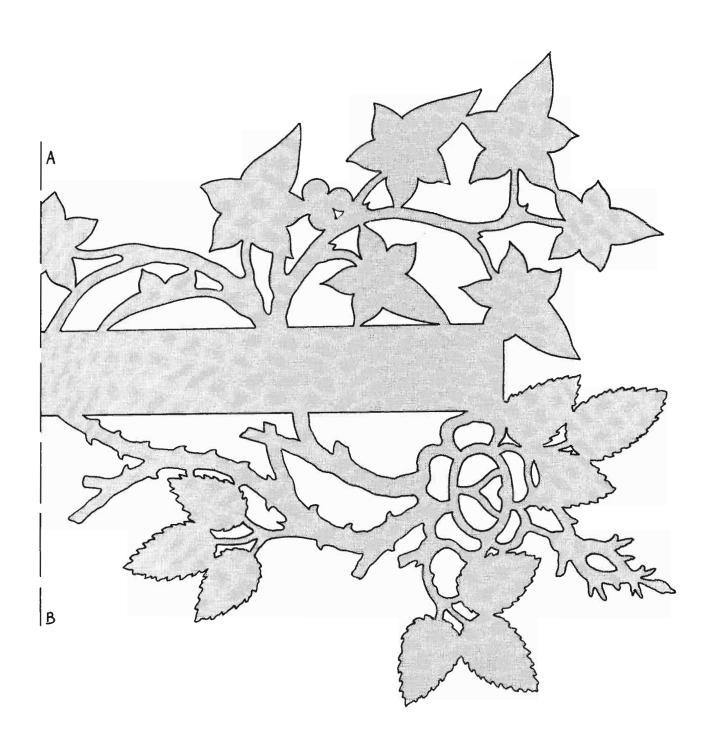


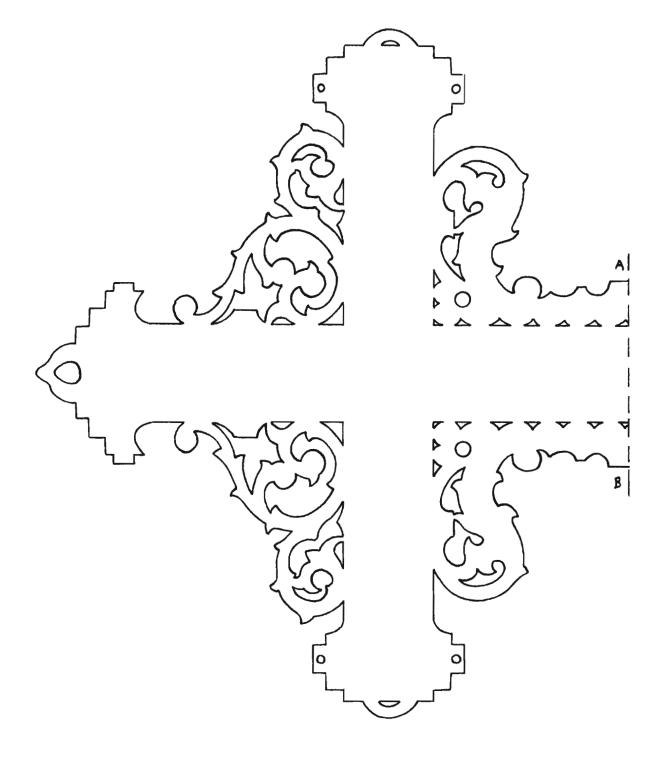
Wheelbarrow. Cut from $\frac{3}{16}$ "- or $\frac{1}{4}$ "-thick material. Use $\frac{1}{4}$ "-diameter dowel cut to the appropriate length for axle.

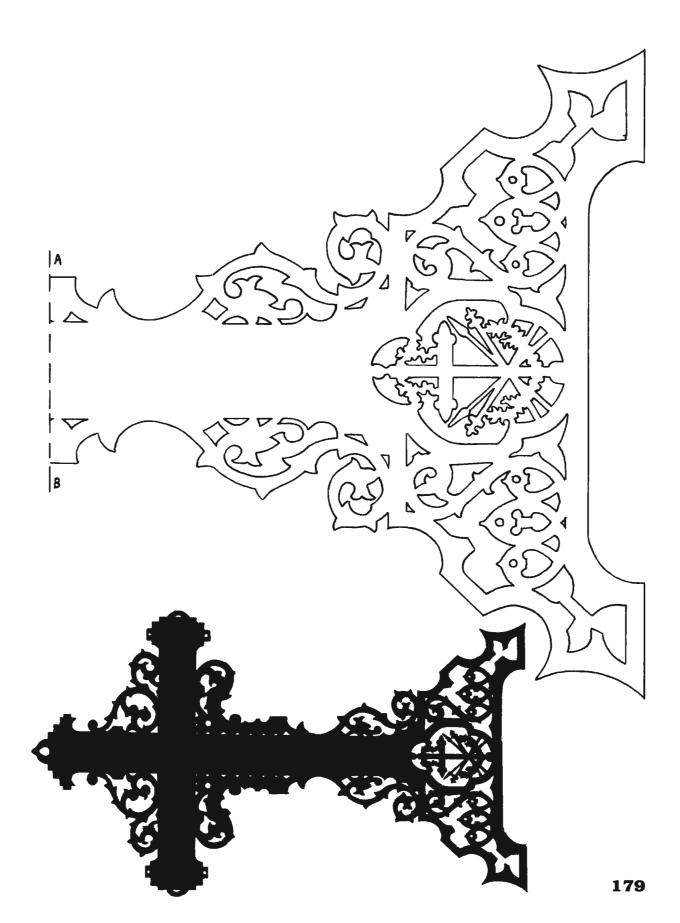


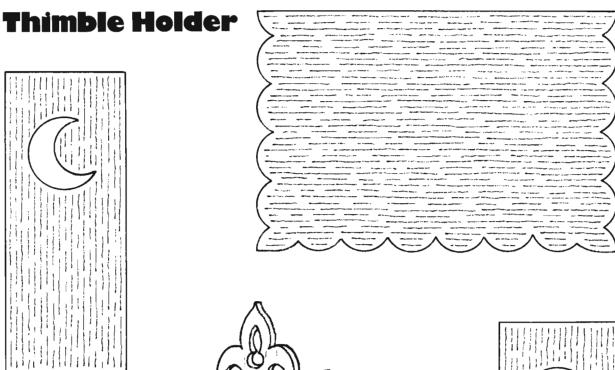


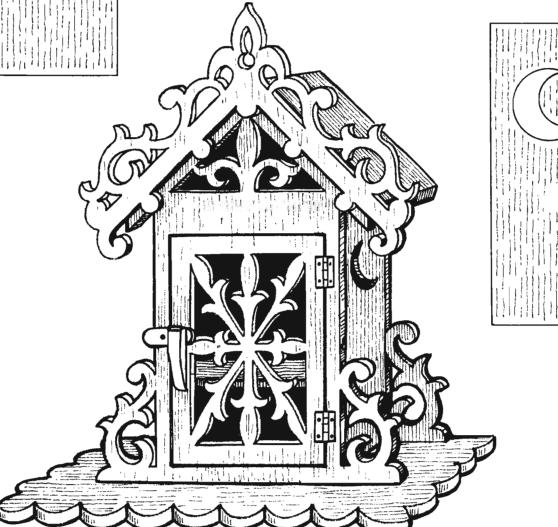


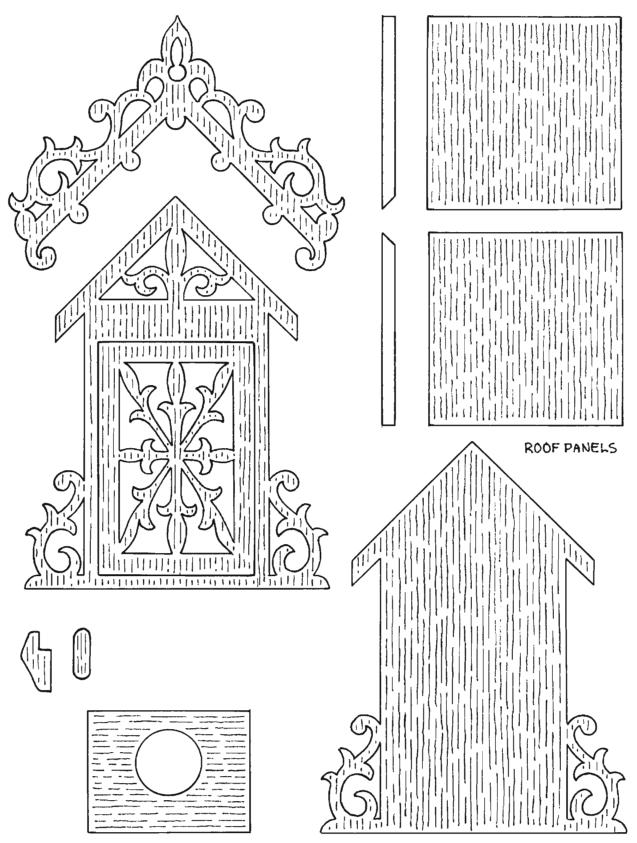


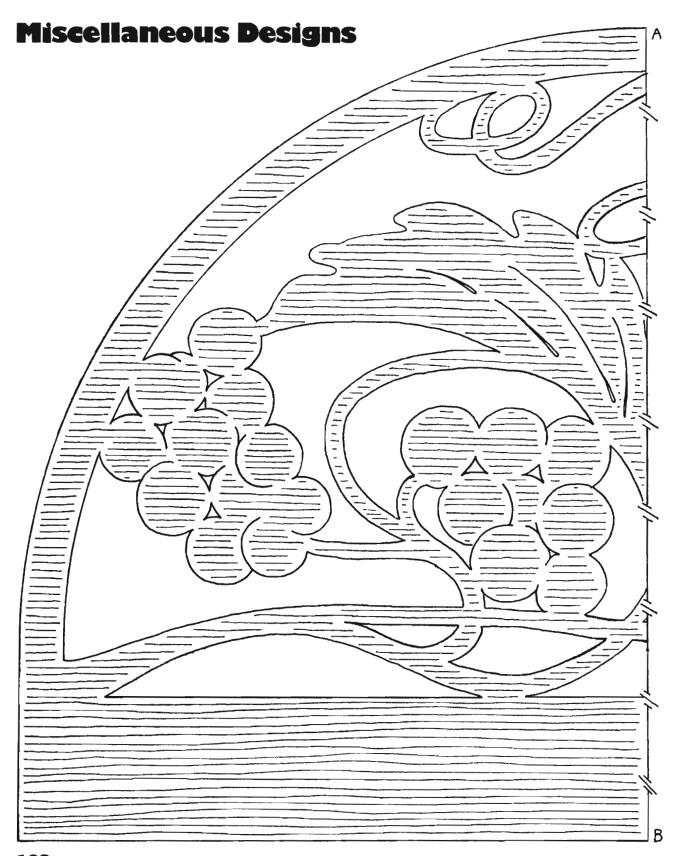






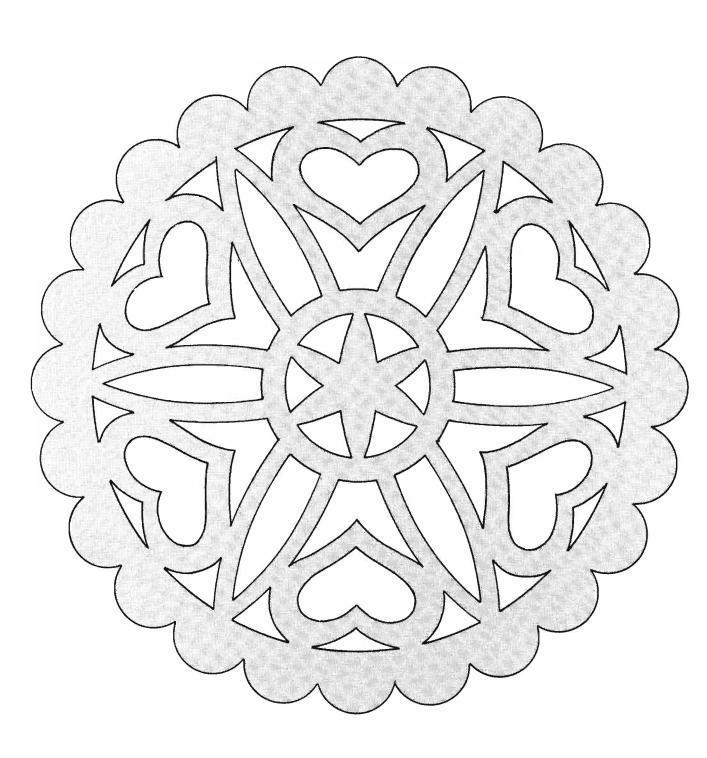


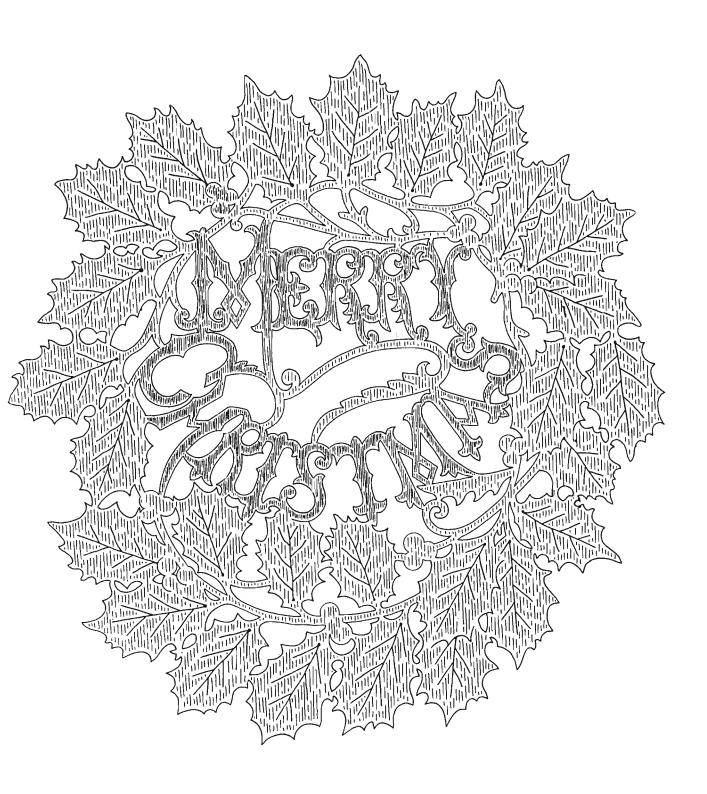












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