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1986 ABANA CONFERENCE

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The facilities at the Northern Arizona University were very compatible to our needs. The logistics were great, the conference center had a nice cafeteria where we ate and some lectures were held. Upstairs was a marvelous room looking out toward the San Francisco Peaks, where the exhibit was held. Outside, under trees were the areas set up for the demonstrations, all were under tarps to protect us from the monsoon rains we had each afternoon (so much for Arizona being dry!). The biggest adventure, however, was the dorm where we stayed. I'm not sure who (or what) designed it, but someone should check to be sure no blacksmiths are still roaming around lost. It had lots of corridors, and finding your room each time was definitely an interesting expedition. The travelling really did add to the fun!

The demonstrations were all excellent from everything I heard. There seemed to be someone demonstrating constantly from daylight well into the night. (Hope our "roving reporters" will share these with us.) There were also movies, slide shows and lectures going on all day and evening long. I attended a three-day seminar on pricing and marketing your ironwork, there was also another seminar on dealing with architects that others said was excellent. We'll have more information on these later, also.

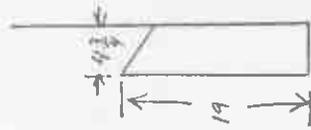
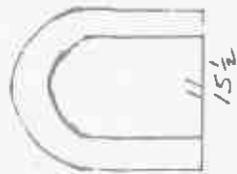
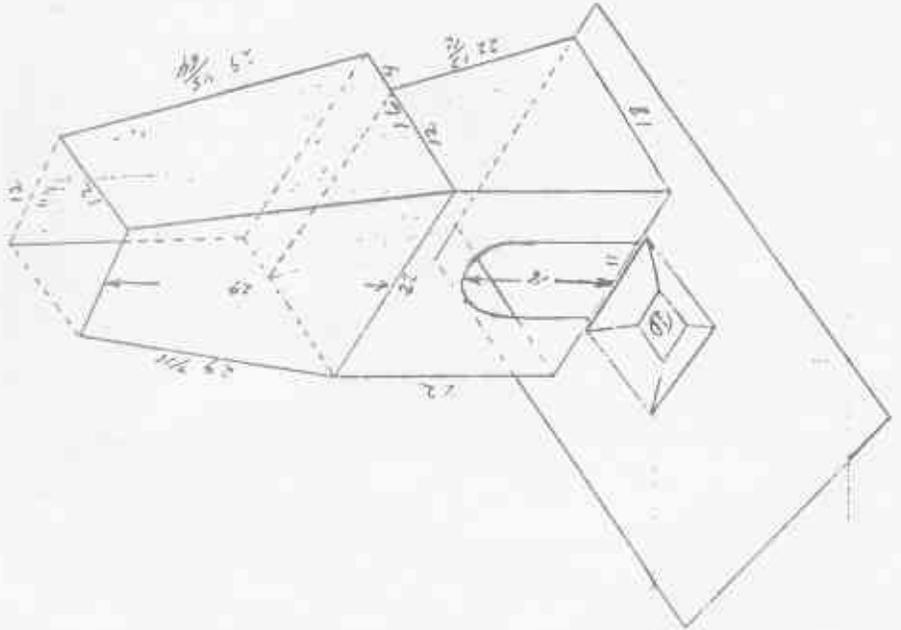
Jim Batson of Birmingham, Alabama was elected President of ABANA for the next two years. It's a big job, but Jim should do a great job with it. We wish him, and the other new officers well during their terms.

Now is the time to start saving your pennies for the next ABANA Conference to be held in two years. It is scheduled to be held at the Sloss Furnaces in Birmingham, Alabama.

Another highlight of the conference was the first meeting ever held with the chapter newsletter editors. The meeting was suggested by Jim Ryan of the Upper Mid-West Blacksmiths' Association. It turned out to be much larger, and lasted much longer than he had even thought of. The enthusiasm shared by this group is fantastic! Hopefully we will be able to keep our members informed and enthused as well. Also present at this meeting was Robert Owings, new editor of the Anvil's Ring. He shared some of the problems the magazine is having, particularly getting new material, as so much is now published by the newsletters. The main request he had was for each of us to encourage our members to submit pictures and/or articles to the Anvil's Ring. They really need input from as many people as they can possibly get. He said not to worry if you do not think you write well enough, they will be glad to help you polish up any article you send them - just please send it!

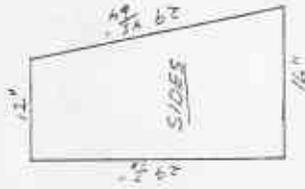
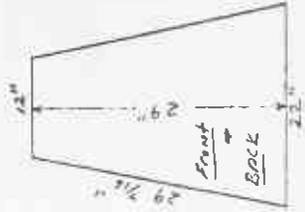


These drawings for the hoodless-smokeless forge are reprinted from the Appalachian Blacksmiths Association September 86 newsletter, submitted by Bob Elliott.



Smoke Deflector

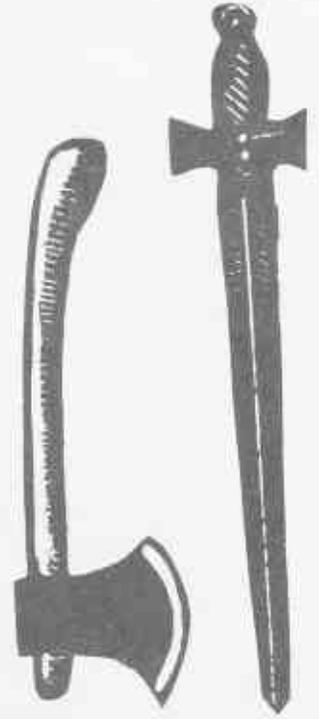
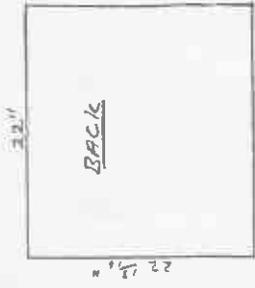
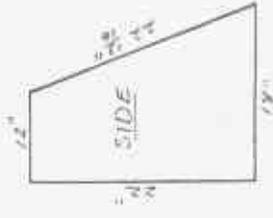
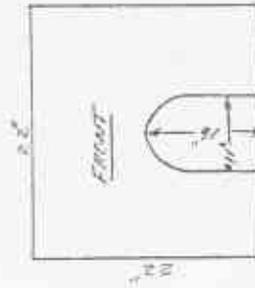
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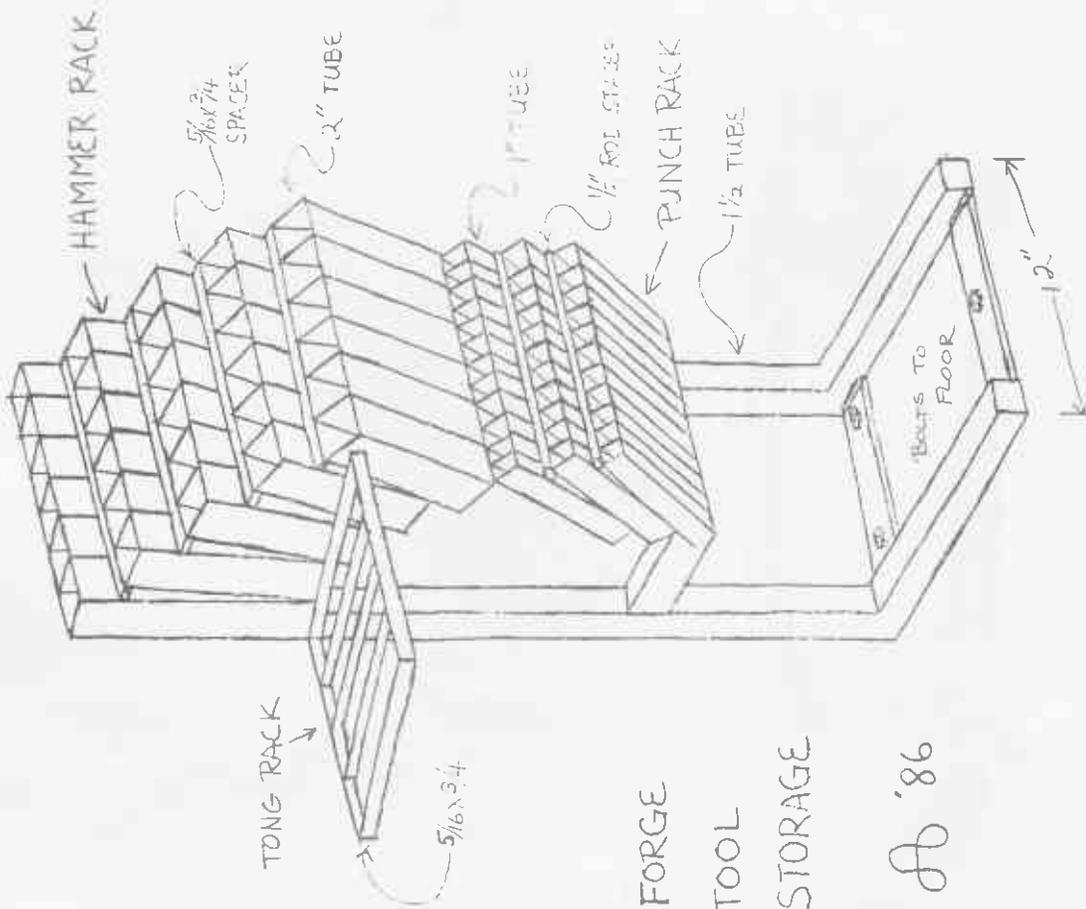


SMOKE SELF NEED 1



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1 - BACK





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