

# COUNCIL



FINE EDGE TOOLS SINCE 1886



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## INTRODUCTION

The Council Tool Co. was established in 1886. Its purpose was and still is to make the best quality product it knows how to make, by combining good materials and workmanship.

We forge only American steel and we drive American hickory handles in all our cutting and striking tools. Our production folks are all North Carolina craftsmen who take pride in their skills and the work of their hands. Our Company has always been owner-managed and its major stockholders are on the plant floor every day.

Today our products are sold and used in all of the 50 states. Council Tools are marketed under several labels. Among these are Railsplitter, Copperhead, Velvicut, Classic, Rawhide, Weedax, and Council Professional Quality. They are distributed through hardware wholesalers, mass merchandisers, contractor and industrial supply houses, and mine supply companies. Our tools are used by farmers, homeowners, factories, contractors, professional craftsmen and many others.

This catalogue will interest you we hope, and help you to know our products better. Let us know if you have a question. We hope you will become either a new or larger Council customer.

If you are a recipient of this catalogue, you have an invitation to visit us here. Many of you have never heard of Lake Waccamaw, let alone its location. That's why we included a map in this catalogue. If you are passing this way, call and drop by.

***THE COUNCIL TOOL COMPANY***

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***BE CAREFUL—ALWAYS WEAR EYE PROTECTION.***



# COUNCIL COPPERHEAD TOOLS

ALWAYS WEAR EYE PROTECTION



Copperhead Tools are produced from drop forged heads, bonded with epoxy to fiberglass handles. The finest in every respect, these professional grade tools feature the following: ■ Drop forged heads from American steel ■ Fully polished and heat treated ■ Power driven fiberglass handles secured with epoxy ■ Packed in flat cartons for easy, clean storage.



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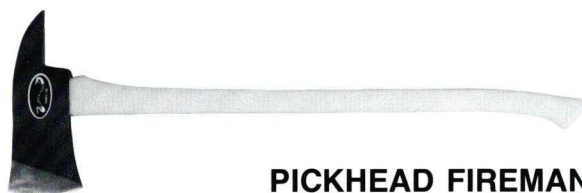
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# **COUNCIL** **COPPERHEAD TOOLS**

**TYPES  
AND SIZES**

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**Catalog No.**  
C60P

**Weight**  
6

**Handle**  
36" curved  
fiberglass

**PICKHEAD FIREMAN**

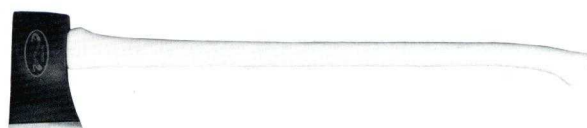


C60F

6

36" curved  
fiberglass

**FLATHEAD FIREMAN**

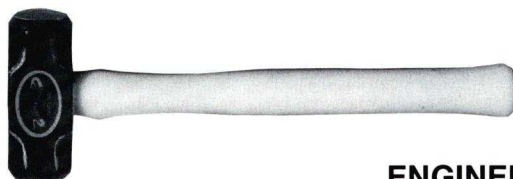


C40D

4

36" curved  
fiberglass

**DAYTON**



C40E

4

15" fiberglass

**ENGINEER**



C80DF  
C100DF  
C120DF

8  
10  
12

36" fiberglass  
36" fiberglass  
36" fiberglass

**SLEDGE**



C60MS  
C80MS

6  
8

36" fiberglass  
36" fiberglass

**MAUL**

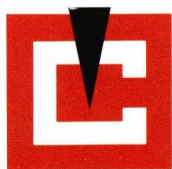


# COUNCIL CLASSIC AXES

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The new Council Classics are our very best. For the discriminating user and professional who demand the very finest quality axe available. ■ Forged blue bevels ■ Fully polished head ■ Heat treated ■ "A" grade handle is flame sealed, power driven, wood and steel wedged. ■ Sharp edge, ready for use.



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# COUNCIL CLASSIC AXES

PATTERNS  
WEIGHTS & HANDLES

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Catalog No.	Weight	Handle
35JC36C	3½	36" curved
35JC36S	3½	36" straight

## JERSEY



35DC36C	3½	36" curved
35DC36S	3½	36" straight

## DAYTON



35MC36C	3½	36" curved
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## MICHIGAN



35-2WC	3½	36" straight
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## WESTERN DOUBLE BIT



# COUNCIL VELVICUT AXES

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Velvicuts are premium grade axes. Used by professionals, their features include: ■ Heads drop forged from American steel ■ Fully polished ■ Heat treated bit ■ Baked black finish ■ Flame sealed "A" grade American hickory handle is power-driven, wood and steel wedged.



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# COUNCIL VELVICUT AXES

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Catalog No.	Weight	Handle
35JV36C	3½	36" curved
35JV36S	3½	36" straight
40JV36C	4	36" curved
40JV36S	4	36" straight

## JERSEY



35DV36C	3½	36" curved
40DV36C	4	36" curved
40DV36S	4	36" straight
50DV36C	5	36" curved
50DV36S	5	36" straight

## DAYTON



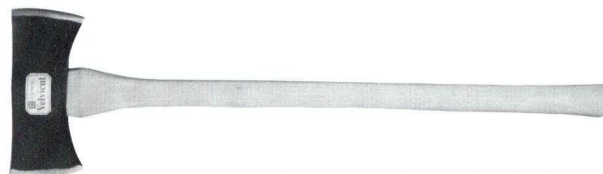
35MV36C	3½	36" curved
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## MICHIGAN



35-2MV	3½	36" straight
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## MICHIGAN DOUBLE BIT



35-2WV	3½	36" straight
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## WESTERN DOUBLE BIT



# COUNCIL RAILSPLITTER AXES

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## CHECK THESE FEATURES FOUND IN ALL RAILSPLITTERS

■ Popularly priced ■ Available in all popular weights and patterns ■ Drop forged ■ Made from special bar quality American steel ■ Hand ground ■ Fully heat treated bit ■ Baked red finish ■ Polished edge is sharp, ready to cut ■ American hickory handle is flame sealed, power driven, wood wedged ■ Packed in flat cartons for clean, easy storage and shipment.



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**JERSEY**

Catalog No.	Weight	Handle
35JR32C	3½	32" curved
35JR36C	3½	36" curved
35JR36S	3½	36" straight
40JR36C	4	36" curved
40JR36S	4	36" straight



**DAYTON**

22HR	2¼	19" curved
22CP	2¼	28" curved
22BR	2¼	28" curved
35DR36C	3½	36" curved
35DR36S	3½	36" straight
40DR36C	4	36" curved
40DR36S	4	36" straight
50DR36C	5	36" curved
50DR36S	5	36" straight
60DR36C	6	36" curved
60DR36S	6	36" straight



**MICHIGAN**

125HU	1¼	14" curved
35MR32C	3½	32" curved
35MR36C	3½	36" curved



**MICHIGAN DOUBLE BIT**

25-2CR	2½	28" straight
35-2MR	3½	36" straight



**WESTERN DOUBLE BIT**

35-2WR	3½	36" straight
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**PULASKI**

38P36	3¾	36" straight
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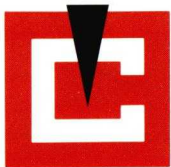
## SPECIAL AXES

MINER'S ■ FIREMAN'S  
EL LOBO ■ RAFTING

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Council Special Axes are produced for certain specific uses and applications. Its unique bit design makes El Lobo the most distinctive sport axe on the market today. Fireman's axes are made in pick and flat head types—both with "A" grade handles. Miner's Axes are available in both Dayton and Jersey patterns. Rafting Axes are made only in Dayton pattern. All are ■ Drop forged ■ Made of American steel and hickory ■ Fully heat treated ■ Hand ground and polished ■ Power wedged and handled ■ Packed in flat cartons for easy, clean storage.



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**PICKHEAD FIREMAN**

Catalog No.  
60P

Weight  
6

Handle  
36" curved



**FLATHEAD FIREMAN**

60F

6

36" curved



**DAYTON MINE**

35MD20

3½

20" straight

35MD26

3½

26" straight

40MD20

4

20" straight

40MD26

4

26" straight



**JERSEY MINE**

35MJ20

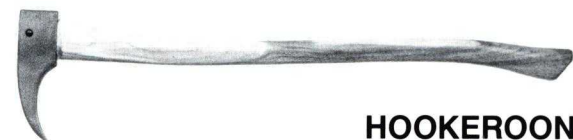
3½

20" straight

35MJ26

3½

26" straight

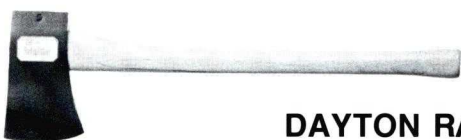


**HOOKEROON**

150  
Has Riveted Head

1½

36" curved



**DAYTON RAFTING**

40D28

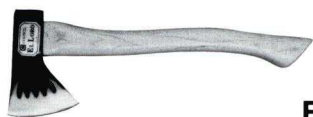
4

28" straight

50D28

5

28" straight



**EL LOBO**

17EL18

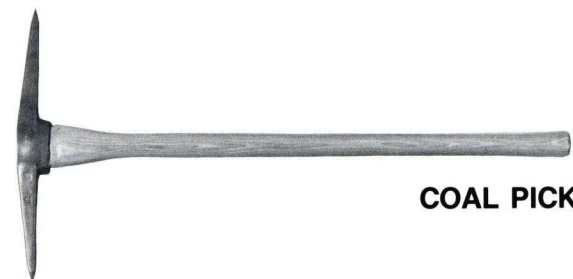
1¾

18" curved

17ELS18 (w/sheath)

1¾

18" curved



**COAL PICK**

3PI36

3

36" straight

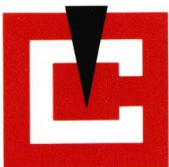


# **COUNCIL** STRIKING TOOLS SLEDGE HAMMERS

ALWAYS WEAR EYE PROTECTION



You will find these features in all Council Professional Quality Sledges. ■ Drop forged from American special bar quality steel ■ Faces are machined ■ Fully heat treated for case and core striking face and body ■ Baked black finish with ground bevels ■ "A" grade American hickory handle, flame sealed ■ Handle and wedge driven hydraulically ■ Packed in flat cartons for clean, easy storage and shipping.



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# COUNCIL SLEDGE HAMMERS

PATTERNS  
WEIGHTS & HANDLES

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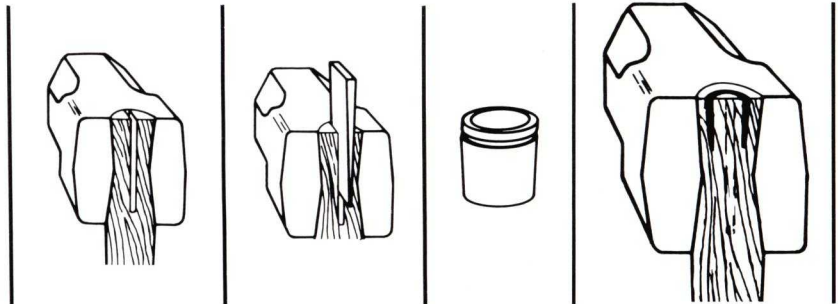
SLEDGE

Catalog No.	Weight	Handle
40DF	4	32"
60DF	6	36"
80DF	8	36"
100DF	10	36"
120DF	12	36"
160DF	16	36"
200DF	20	36"

## Triple S Handling—Simple, Sure, Safe

All Council sledges, mauls, and heavy hammers are forged with a double tapered eye.

In the handling operation, the head is power-driven onto the handle, and the handle then is wood-wedged. Next a hollow round-steel wedge is driven into the handle which wedges in all directions, locking the steel wedge in place, and locking the head on the handle. The Triple-S method—Simple, Sure, Safe.

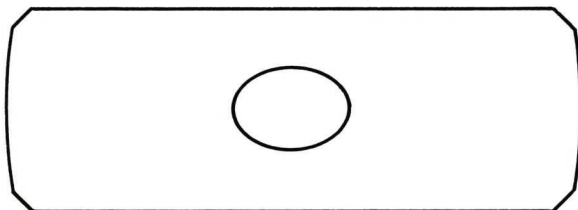


## FORGING

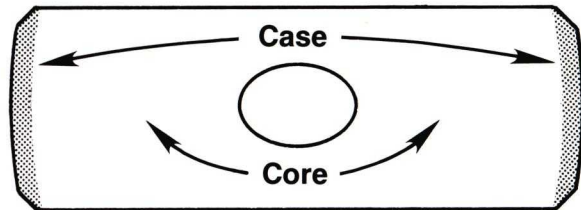


## HEAT TREAT FOR CASE AND CORE

Before Heat Treatment



After Heat Treatment



An ideal situation in a striking tool such as a sledge is to have a hard face or "case" and a softer, tough, body or "core". The two sketches above picture this on Council 8 lb. sledges, sawed in half and etched. The one on the left is prior to heat-treatment, the one on the right is after. The case is 3/16" to 1/4" thick.

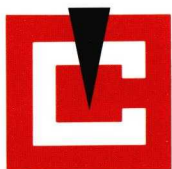


# **COUNCIL** STRIKING TOOLS **TRADESMAN'S HAMMERS**

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Tradesman's Hammers are all professional quality. ■ Drop forged ■ Made of American special bar quality steel ■ Machined faces ■ Fully heat treated for hard face and tough core ■ Baked black finish with polished face and bevel ■ Triple S handling ■ Packed in cartons.



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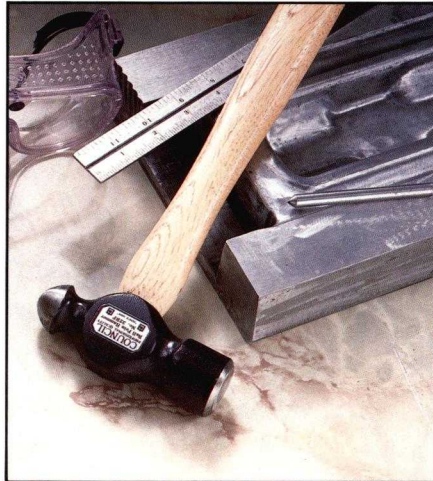
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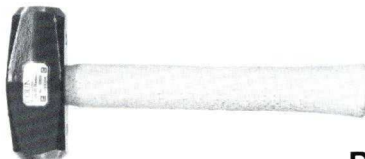
# COUNCIL TRADESMAN'S HAMMERS

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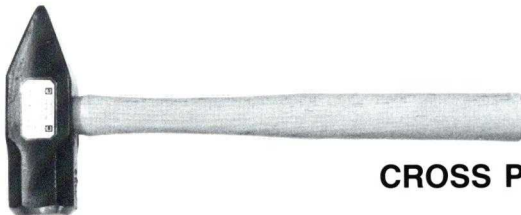
**ENGINEER**

Catalog No.	Weight	Handle
25E	2½	15"
30E	3	15"
40E	4	15"



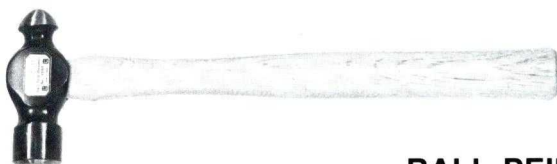
**DRILLING**

20HD	2	10"
30HD	3	10"
40HD	4	10"



**CROSS PEIN**

25XP	2½	15"
40XP	4	15"



**BALL PEIN**

8BP	8 oz.	12 "
12BP	12 oz.	12½"
16BP	16 oz.	13 "
24BP	24 oz.	14 "
32BP	32 oz.	15 "
40BP	40 oz.	15 "
48BP	48 oz.	15 "



# **COUNCIL** RAILSPLITTER MAULS AND WEDGES

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## NOTICE THESE IMPORTANT FEATURES

■ Railsplitter Mauls are popularly priced ■ Made from American special bar quality steel ■ Drop forged ■ Hand ground ■ Heat treated ■ Have baked red finish ■ Have machined heads  
■ Available in sledge or axe-eye types ■ Have American hickory handles ■ Wood and steel wedged ■ Packed in flat cartons for clean, easy storage.



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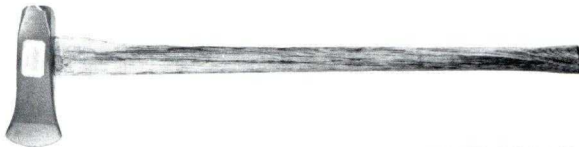
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## HEAD WEIGHTS AND HANDLES



**SLEDGE-EYE MAUL**

Catalog No.	Weight	Handle
60MS	6	36"
80MS	8	36"



**AXE-EYE MAUL**

60MA	6	36" straight
80MA	8	36" straight



**HEAVY MAUL**

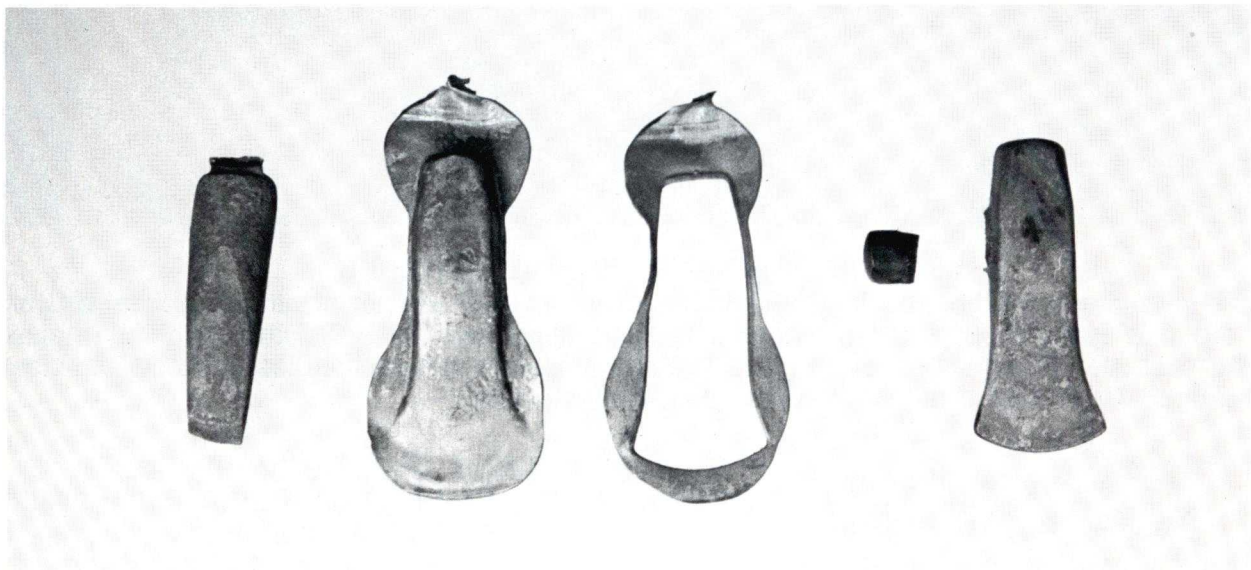
130ST	13	36" steel
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**WEDGE**

4W	4	—
5W	5	—

## HOW MAULS ARE FORGED





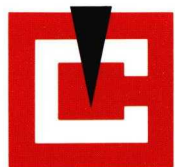
# COUNCIL BARS

PROFESSIONAL QUALITY

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■ Council bars are made from special bar quality hi-carbon American steel. ■ Bar ends, points, and claws are hammer or press forged, and the tapered handle sections are roll forged. ■ Heads on TB-6 bars are upset forged. ■ All are professional quality, designed to give long, dependable service.



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# COUNCIL BARS

## TYPES AND SIZES

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PINCH POINT



WEDGE POINT

### CROWBAR OR LINING BAR

Catalog No. Pinch Point	Catalog No. Wedge Point	Wt.	Stock	Length	Catalog No. Pinch Point	Catalog No. Wedge Point	Wt.	Stock	Length
60PP	—	6	7/8"	36	180PP	180WP	18	1-1/4"	60
100PP	100WP	10	1"	48	220PP	220WP	22	1-3/8"	64
120PP	120WP	12	1-1/8"	51	260PP	260WP	26	1-1/2"	66



SLATE BAR



POST HOLE BAR

Catalog No.	Weight	Stock	Length	Catalog No.	Weight	Stock	Length
40SB	10	1"	48	TB-6	17	1"	72
45SB	12	1"	54				
50SB	14	1"	60				



SAN ANGELO BAR—PENCIL POINT

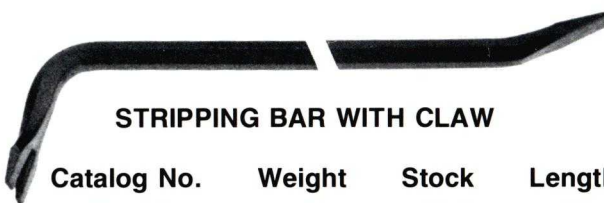


CONSTRUCTOR BAR—DIAMOND POINT

Catalog No.	Weight	Stock	Length	Catalog No.	Weight	Stock	Length
140SA	14	1"	60	140CO	14	1"	60
170SA	17	1"	72	170CO	17	1"	72



TELEGRAPH BAR—PENCIL POINT



STRIPPING BAR WITH CLAW

Catalog No.	Weight	Stock	Length	Catalog No.	Weight	Stock	Length
170TE	17	1-1/8"	72	8742C	8	7/8"	42
280TE	28	1-1/8"	96	1048C	12	1"	48



SHINGLE RIPPER

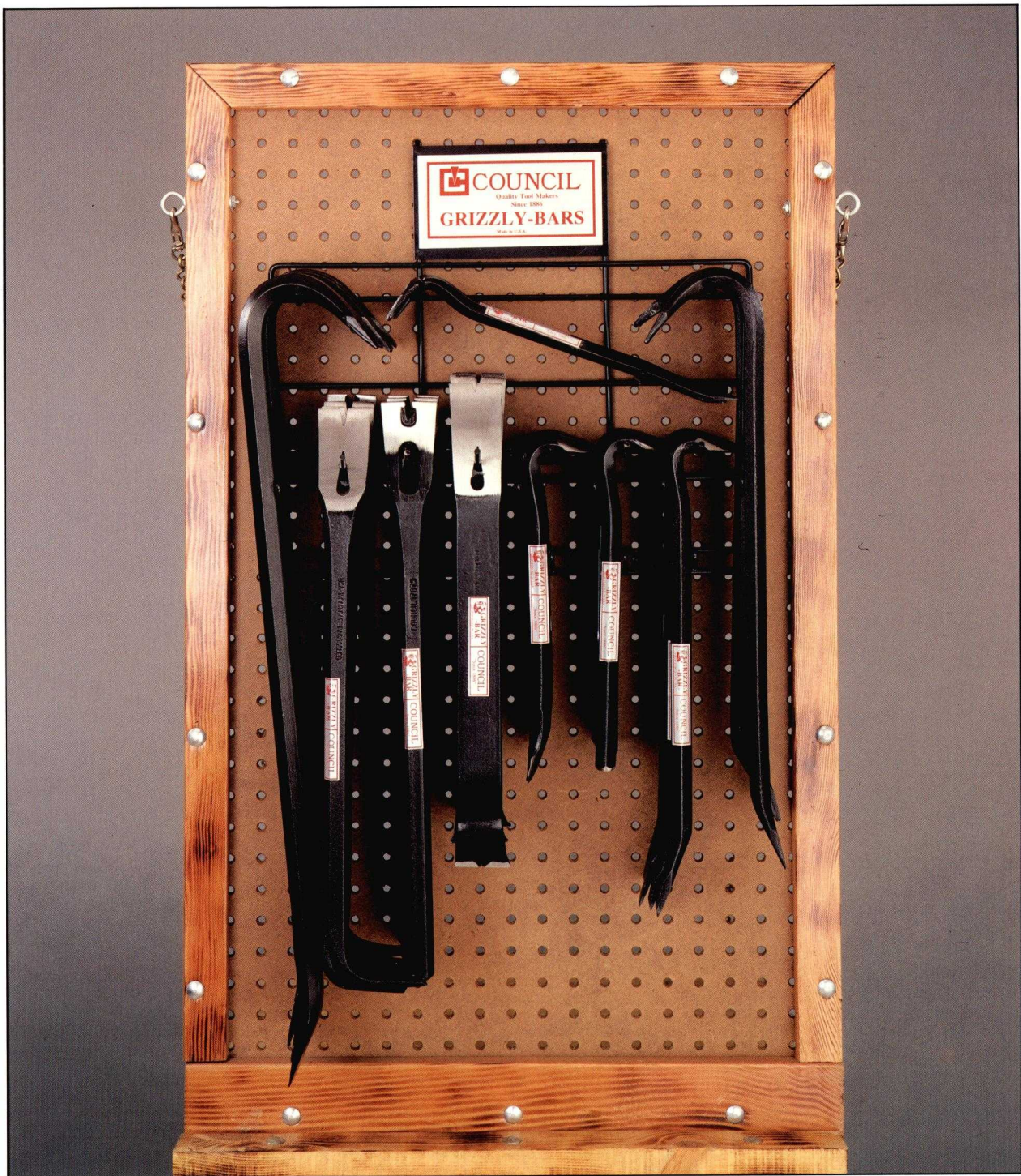
Catalog No.	Weight	Stock	Length
24075	2	3/4"	26"



# COUNCIL GRIZZLY-BARS

PROFESSIONAL  
QUALITY

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Council Grizzly-Bars are the latest additions to our professional quality line of bars. ■ Forged from American steel ■ A variety of patterns and sizes ■ Packed in cartons for easy storage and shipment.



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# COUNCIL GRIZZLY-BARS

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Catalog No.	Length	Stock
50012	12"	1/2"
62518	18"	5/8"
75024	24"	3/4"
75030	30"	3/4"
75036	36"	3/4"
87536	36"	7/8"
10048	48"	1"

## WRECKING BAR



UTILITY BAR

114UT	14"	1/4" x 1-3/8"
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SPRY BAR

11050	10"	1/2"
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STANDARD NAIL PULLER

10162	10 1/2"	5/8"
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DOUBLE END NAIL PULLER

10262	10 1/2"	5/8"
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COMBINATION TOOL

15062	15"	5/8"
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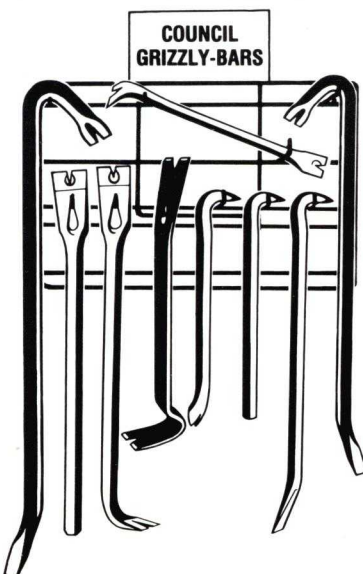
RIPPING CHISEL

17075	18"	3/4"
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OFFSET RIPPING CHISEL

18075	18"	3/4"
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## GRIZZLY—BAR DISPLAY RACK (#GBD70)

36 selected bars forged from American steel. Rack fits on 1/4" pegboard. Shipping weight approximately 70 pounds.

Catalog No.	Description	Length	Stock
114UT	Utility Bar	14"	1/4" x 1-3/8"
62518	Wrecking Bar	18"	5/8" hex
75024	Wrecking Bar	24"	3/4" hex
11050	Spry Bar	10"	1/2" hex
10162	Standard Nail Puller	10 1/2"	5/8" hex
10262	Double End Nail Puller	10 1/2"	5/8" hex
15062	Comb. Nail Puller	15"	5/8" hex
17075	Ripping Chisel	18"	3/4" hex
18075	Offset Ripping Chisel	18"	3/4" hex



# COUNCIL SHRUBBING TOOLS

DITCH BANK  
BLADES

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Council Ditch Blades are the standard by which all others are judged. Here is why. ■ Blanked from high carbon hot rolled American strip steel ■ Oil quenched in clamps for uniform hardness and straightness ■ Drawn or tempered for best edge-holding and toughness ■ Machine ground for uniform edge ■ Flame sealed American hickory handles ■ Flat carton packing for easy, clean storage ■ Bolted or riveted models available.



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# COUNCIL DITCH BANK BLADES

BLADE TYPES  
& HANDLES

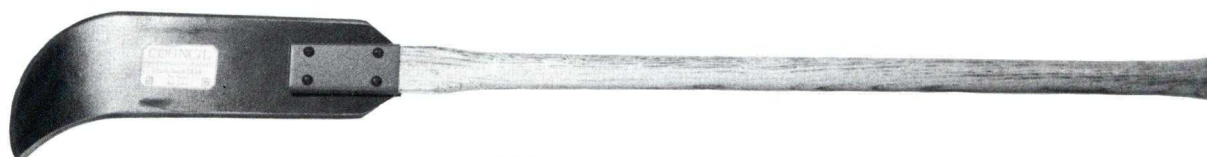
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## BOLTED DITCH BLADE

Catalog No.	Blade	Handle
640C	16" long .109" thick	40"

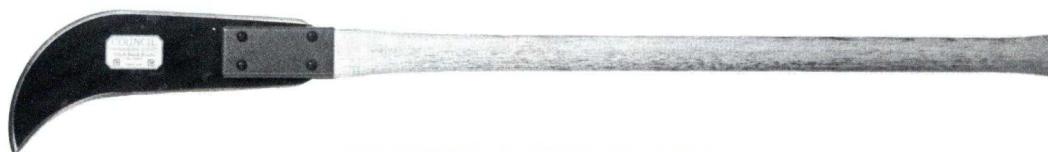
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## RIVETED DITCH BLADE

1636	16" long	36"
1642	.109" thick	40"

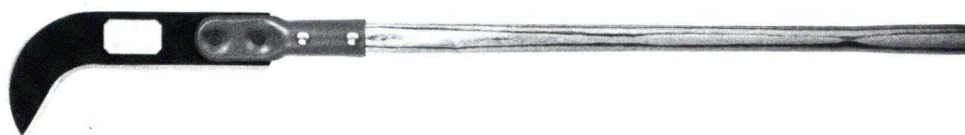
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## RIVETED DITCH BLADE

1436	14" long .109" thick	36"
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## BRIER HOOK

1230	12" long .109" thick	30"
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## WEEDAX

RP115	blade 11-1/2" long .109" thick	26"
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# **COUNCIL** SHRUBBING TOOLS **BUSH HOOKS**

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# COUNCIL BUSH HOOKS

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& HANDLES

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## DOUBLE-EDGE HOOK

Catalog No.	Blade Length	Handle
212	12"	36"

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## SINGLE-EDGE HOOK

122S	12"	36" straight
122C	12"	36" curved

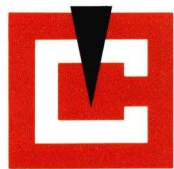


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## FIRE SWATTER

Catalog No.  
FS15

Handle  
1-3/8" x 5'



## FIRE RAKE

LW12

52" or 60"



## PLANTING TOOL

KBC  
OST

pipe and "T"  
pipe and "T"





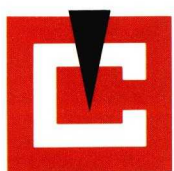
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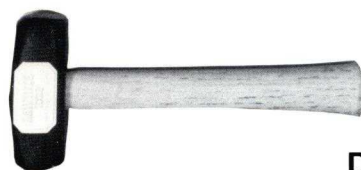
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# COUNCIL RAWHIDE TOOLS

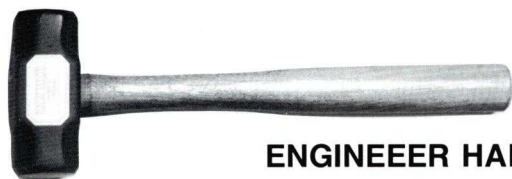
TYPES  
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**DRILL HAMMER**

Catalog No.	Weight	Handle
R2	2	10"
R3	3	10"
R4	4	10"



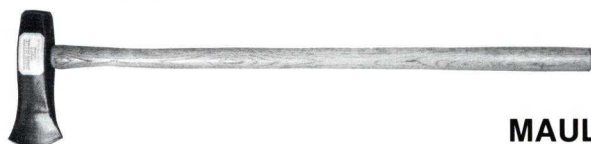
**ENGINEER HAMMER**

R20	2	15"
R30	3	15"
R40	4	15"



**SLEDGE HAMMER**

R400	4	32"
R600	6	36"
R800	8	36"
R1000	10	36"
R1200	12	36"
R1600	16	36"
R2000	20	36"



**MAUL**

R60M	6	36"
R80M	8	36"



**AXE**

R3D2C	3½	32"
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**CUTTER MATTOCK**

R25CM-1	2½	36"
R30CM	3	*
R50CM	5	*



**PICK MATTOCK**

R25PM-1	2½	36"
R50PM	5	*



**CLAY PICK**

R50PC	5	*
R60PC	6	*
R70PC	7	*



**GRUB HOE**

R35G	3½	
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\*OFFERED WITH OR WITHOUT 36" HANDLE



## A FEW TIPS ON TOOLS

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Council Edge Tools are sharp when you buy them. They work best if you keep them sharp. The best way to keep a cutting edge sharp is with a flat-file. You can use a stone after the file if you wish.

Faces on striking tools can also be maintained best with a flat-file. Maintain the convex face and chamfer as it originally was.

Prevent rust by wiping or spraying metal parts with light oil during long periods of storage.

Should you need to replace a wood handle, clean the eye thoroughly. Fit the new handle with a rasp or sandpaper as necessary. Be sure handle is dry. To insure dryness, store overnight in a warm, dry room. Be sure handle is driven tight in head, then drive wood wedge as far as possible. Saw flush with head. Replace steel wedges as necessary.

Always wear safety goggles when using edge and striking tools.

Be sure that by-standers are in a safe location. This is especially true for children.

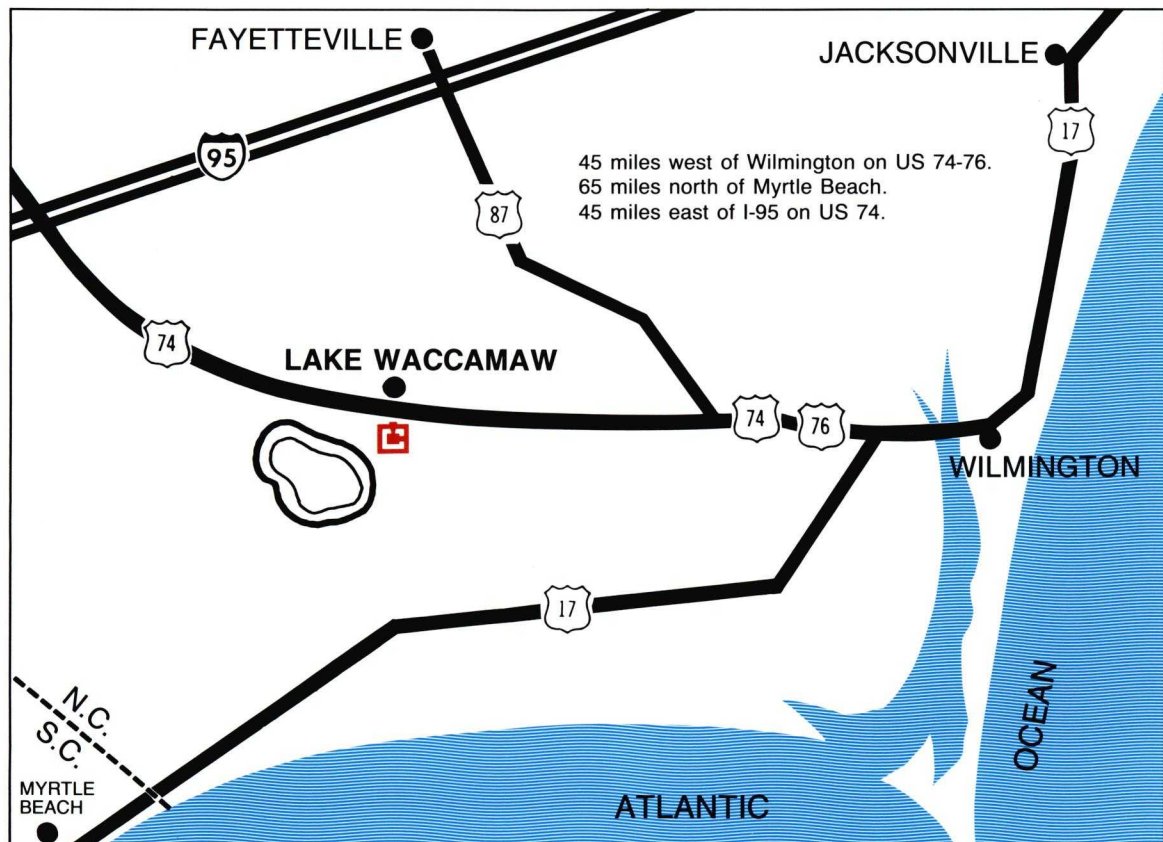
Do not strike a hardened tool with another hardened tool.

Do not use an axe as a wedge.

Do not use a tool with loose or broken handle.

## LOCATION MAP

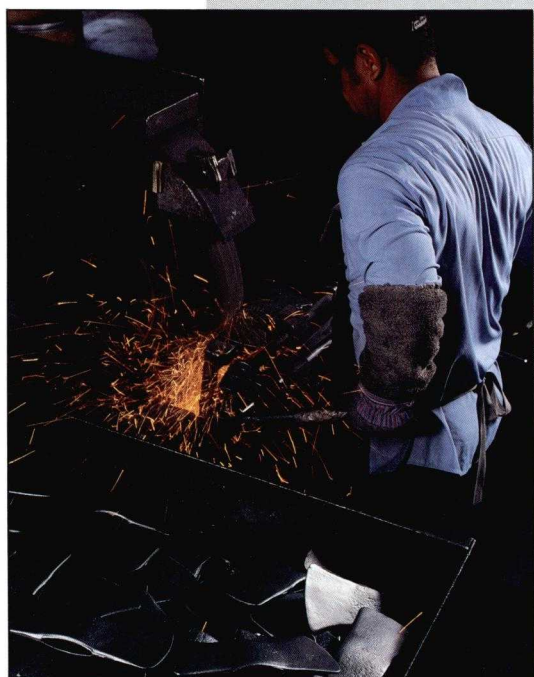
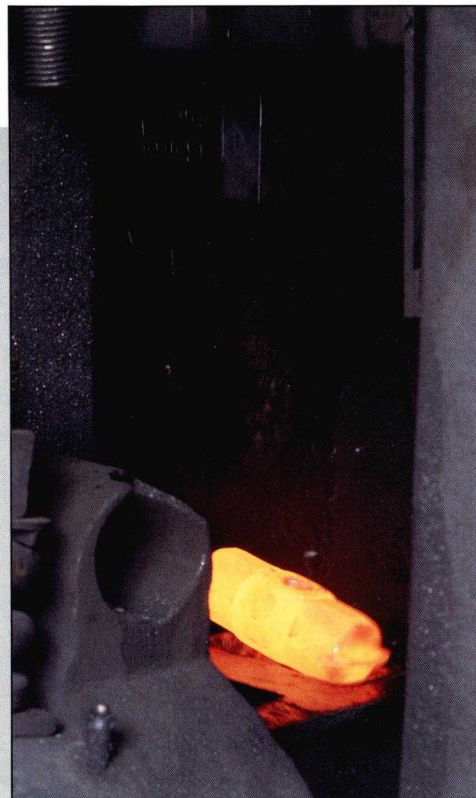
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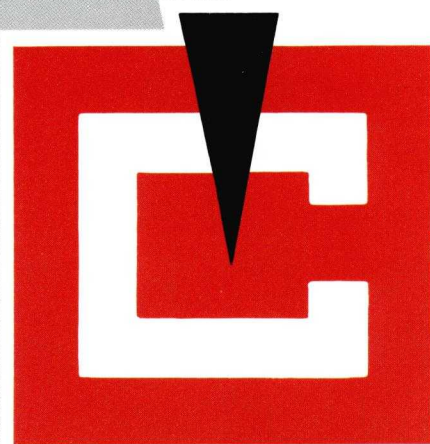
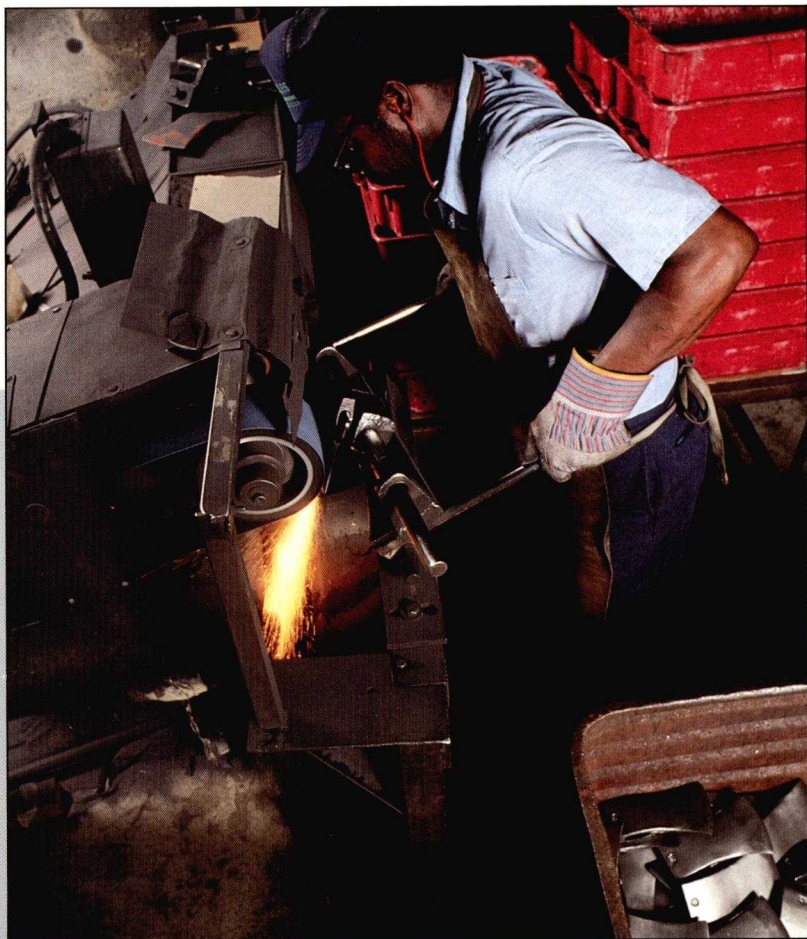


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