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A Reverse for a Small Lathe
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A Ram Tailstock with a Long Lapped Hale
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Bed Extension for Atlas and Craftsman Lathes

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Stay-put Lathe Carriage Lock Wrench

Lathe Carriage Way Covers

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Home Sandblasting Cabinet

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A Compact Carousel Tool Rack

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Build a Metal Slicer

An Abrasive Belt Slitter

An Elegant Long Reach Thickness Caliper

A 6" Capacity Precision Height Gage

An Inexpensive Air Compressor

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A Hole Punch for Thin Material

A Pencil Attachment for the Universal Surface Gage

A Machinery Oil Gun for Under \$10

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Installing a Front Sight

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Moving a Firing Pin Hole

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Optimizing Revolver Throats

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Practical Design hints-Assembly

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A 20-Ton Hydraulic Press You Can Build

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Repair of Electric Motors

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Quick Threading & Tapping in the Lathe

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A Make-do Vernier Height Gage

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Drop Cord Caddy

Build a Cutter Bit Grinding Block

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Gear Repair

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Otis Measures Across Backlash

Low Range Ohmmeters for Electric Motors

A Blacksmith Extraordinaire

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Adjustable Lathe Stop for Under \$15

Two-speed Belt Transmission

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The Brass Pad

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Vertical Discharge: Everybody Needs VD

A Useful, High-quality Magnifying Glass

Quick Graduated Collars

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Welding Electrodes for the Home Shop Machinist

Gear Repair by Bronze Surfacing

Removing Backlash with a Left-hand Tap

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Overhauling a Jacobs Chuck

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Americanizing a Falcon Lathe

Chuck Mounting Plate

Upgrading a Cintilathe Dial

Way Too Fast!

Make Your Own 3C and 6K Collets

The Ten-cent Solution

Overhauling the "Old Lady"

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Replacing Quill Bearings

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Dual-action Fly Cutter

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A Modified Base for a Band Saw

Angle Makes All the Difference

Angle Measurement with an Adjustable Square

Induction Motors and Rotary Phase Converters

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Hand-held Dial Indicator Tester

Make Your Own Socket Head Fasteners with the Brinkerhoff

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A Miniature Collet Driver - Learning Experiences in

Concentricity

Building an MLA Filing Machine

Inexpensive Sand-blasting Cabinet

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Drilling Center Holes Accurately

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Repairing an Old Lathe

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Pulley Ratio and Cutting Speed Problems

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Compound Gear Ratios

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Protecting Your Mill from Shavings

Machining Thin Plates on a Vertical Mill

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Expansion Link Milling Fixture

Machinist's Screw Jacks

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An Easy-to-Make Vernier Height Gage

A Marking Gage

A Universal Surface Gage

A Chip Catcher for the Shaper

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Old Lathe Collet Adapters
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Temporary Self-locking Stub Mandrel
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A Temporary Aluminum Furnace
Degassing Molten Aluminum
10" Super Colossal Fly Cutter
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Give Metal Spinning a Whirl

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THE MICRO MACHINIST

Machine Shop in a Cabinet **Test Indicator** Compressed Air Motor **Boring Bars** Milling Accessories **Stocking Stuffers** Use of Dimensions **Slitting Saws Fixed Steady Rest**

Small Keyways and Keyseats

Building a Rotary Table

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Tooling for a Vertical Mill Making Tap and Reamer Handles Tool Post Boring Bars, Cutters, and Turning Tools Making a Pair of Milling Clamps Making a Catch Plate A Grinding Rest for Precise Tools Sharpen Your End Mills, Building a Mufti Cutter Face Mill Making a Cutoff Toolholder Using a Cutoff Tool **Drill Press Chuck Handles** Turning a Morse Taper A Lame Table Elevating a Vertical Mill Two Useful Milling Accessories Two Useful Lathe Dogs Checking Lathe Alignment Build and Use a Tool Post Grinder A Fixture for Milling End Curves Base for a Band Saw Make a Center Finder, Make an Open-sided Tool Post X and Y Stops for the Mill A Compact Boring Head

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An Accurate Vise for the Milling Machine Building Your Own Engraving Pantograph Thread Cutting on the Lathe

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A Not-so-simple Oscillating Cylinder Engine An Air-cooled Hot Air Engine Building a 1" Scale Bobber Running on Air

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Make Your Own Lathe Collets

Mounting Small Chucks and Faceplates

Reconditioning an Atlas Milling Machine

Making Accurate Squares

Making an Angle Plate

Build and Use an Adjustable Angle Plate

Making a Clapper

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A Mechanical Revolutions Counter

Carriage Stops

Cross-Slide Stops

Make a Magnetic Lathe Chuck

A Mechanical Stroboscope

A Balanced Knurling Tool

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Build a Quick-change Toolholder
It Never Fails! – Raising the Lathe Axis
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Make a Holiday Nutcracker
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THE SHOP WISDOM OF D.E. JOHNSON

GENERAL MACHINING

Build a Cutter Bit Grinding Block Reducing Tap Breakage Multi-Purpose Block

Machining Thin Disks and Rings

Construction and Use of the Lathe Carriage Stop

A Thread Tooling System and Wiggler for the Lathe

Serious Milling with the Lathe

Rapid Production of Dividing Head Index Plates

A Rolling Tailstock Arbor

Taper Shank Turning Made Easy

A High Efficiency Screw Press

A Universal Belt Tensioner

A Classic Boring Bar Holder

Micro Aids for a Full-Size Machinist

A Drill Press Speed Reducer

A Universal Cross Drilling Fixture

Anti-Rotation Drill Holder for the Lathe Tailstock

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Instant Soft Jaws for the Vise

A Quick-Acting Universal Lathe Mandrel

A Lathe Tool Post Grinder for Serious Grinding

A 5C Collet Adapter for the Lathe

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Fixing up the Downfeed

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Keeping Track of the Cutting Tool and Table Positions

New Handwheels and Leadscrew Bearings Fix Backlash and

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Roll Forming Copper Boiler Heads and Similar Parts An Automatic Electric Model Boiler A Simplified Utility Hand Pump

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Feedwater Heater
Beautify that Pressure Gauge
Nipple Chucks
Metal Casting and Foundry Work
Scaling Plans from Photos
An Introduction to Metal Casting and Foundry Work
Flue Roller
Equipment Lettering
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METALWORKING MACHINES

Portable Power Band Saw Horizontal Band Saw Filing Machine 36" Brake Easy Lathe Collet Adapter Belt Sander Homebuilt Surface Gage Precision Grinding Vise

WOODWORKING MACHINES

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Small Compound Angle Vise
Precision Grinding Fixture for Tool Bits
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V-Block/Center Drilling Fixture
Filing Parallel
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A Toolpost Grinder

A Bell Chuck for Your Lathe

Improving the Collet Draw Tube

A Cylinder or Master Square

Fitting Small Drill Chucks

An Unusual Lathe Dog

Making a Knurled Head Thumbscrew

Drill Press Router Adapter

Correcting a Milling Machine vise

Hinge Centering Punch

Rounding the Ends

Tailstock Attachments for the Lathe

Brazing Band Saw Blades

Improving the Horizontal/Vertical Band Saw

An Unusual Turning Operation

Cloche Hops

Hand Turning on the Lathe

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Horizontal Milling Attachment

Keyway Broach Bushings

Using a Router on the Vertical Milling Machine

How to Make a Chuck Backplate

A Spur Center for Turning Wood

Cleaning a Universal Chuck

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Milling a Keyseat in a Shaft

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Topsy-Turvy Engine
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Hand-Tool Steam Engine
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A Simple Steam Engine

Simplex & Duplex

A Reversing Duplex

A Toy For Richard

An Original Mill Engine "Scrapbox

A Three-cylinder Oscillating Steam Engine

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An Easy-to-build Speeder

A Speeder Update -An Alternative Engine

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STIRLING HOT AIR ENGINES

Fire Eater Engine Stirling Hot Air Engine

A Simple, Low-Cost Stirling Cycle Engine

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Walking Beam Engine
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Three-cylinder Radial Engine Piston Valve Steam Engine Model Vertical Steam Engine Building a Small Steam Engine Compressed-Air V-4 Engine Revolutionary War Cannon

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