

BENCH TOP

FOR THE KITCHEN TABLE

The amateur who delights in undertaking an occasional job of woodwork, and especially the man who may be spending some of the long winter evenings in this way but who does not possess a workshop, will find this table bench top of the greatest use.

THIS is simple to make and may be fitted to the table in a few seconds, and it will not occupy much space when not in use. The sketch Fig. 1 shows the bench top fitted to an ordinary kitchen table, and Fig. 2 shows it independently. It is made in two portions, the front main portion (A),

should not be less than $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick, but the back portion (B) need not be more than $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick. The width may be arranged to meet individual requirements, but if both portions are about 9 in. wide the top will be wide enough for most purposes.

The back portion should be 3 in. longer than the table top, but as the front portion carries a bench stop it should be 9 in. longer than the back. The overhang between the front and back portions should be arranged equally at each end, and battens (C) $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide by $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick are fixed across underneath. These battens are intended to fit down over the edges of the table at each end. The bench top could be secured

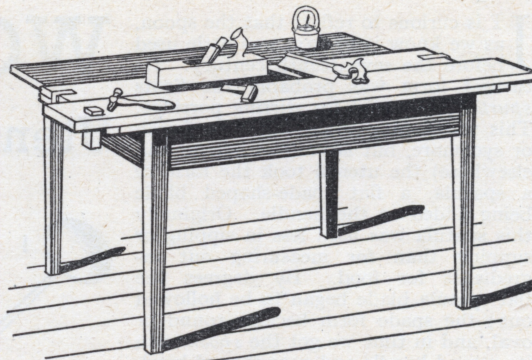
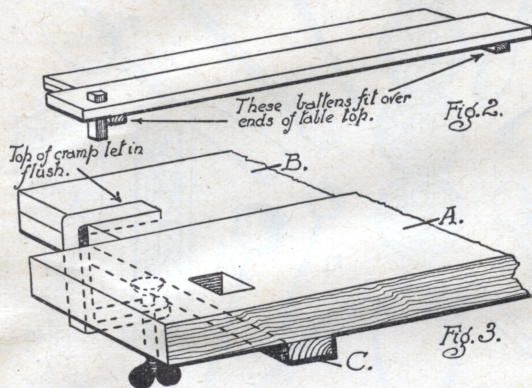


FIG. 1. FOR THE MAN WITHOUT A PROPER BENCH
Many men have to do their woodwork on the kitchen table. This shows how a convenient detachable top can be made to fit it.



DETAILS OF THE STOP AND FIXING CRAMP.

to the table with a couple of cramps of the pattern shown in the sketches. The top ends of the cramps should be let in flush with the back portion of the bench top, as shown in Fig. 3, and they should be long enough to pass over the battens and grip the table. The wood stop should be about $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. wide by $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick, and it is simply mortised through the front portion of the top, level with the cross batten. (883)

Is your WOODWORKER definitely on order? Remember that it is unobtainable otherwise.