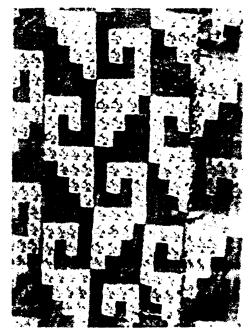
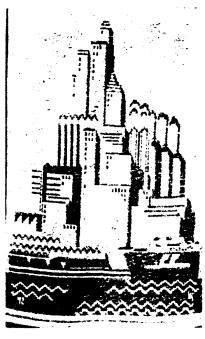
## HANDWEAVING NEWS





ANCIENT PERUVIAN DOUBLE WOVEN CLOTH.

IT WAS IN MARCH OF 1934, THAT I FIRST WROTE UP HOW TO DO DOUBLE WEAVING ON A FOUR HAR-NESS LOOM. This was the first time directions for this weave were written in the English ANGUAGE. THE METHOD DESCRIBED IN THIS NEWS IS MUCH SIMPLER THAN THAT BECAUSE THE ROUND STICK HAS BEEN LEFT OUT. THE EFFECT OF THE TECHNIQUE IS SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT, BUT NOT ENOUGH TO MATTER MUCH.

THE TWO PHOTOS ABOVE SHOW AN ANCIENT PERUVIAN PIECE FROM MY OWN COLLECTION, AND A MODERN PIECE WOVEN BY MRS. HELEN HILL. THE PATTERN FOR THE ANCIENT PIECE IS GIVEN ON THE NEXT PAGE. THE UOY OF THIS TECHNIQUE IS THE FACT THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO CREATE ONES OWN DESIGNS FOR THIS WEAVE. BECAUSE ANY CROSS SECTION PAPER DESIGN CAN BE WOVEN. THUS THIS WEAVE HAS A BREAT MANY POSSIBILITIES FOR THE CREATIVE WEAVER.

Directions for a sampler in this weave. For the first attempt in this weave it is sest to practise and weave a sampler in carpet warp. This is coarse and one can easily see that they are doing and how the weave works. Thread the loom to twill, namely 1,2,3, and 4. Ise a two color warp, thread a white thread on harness 1, blue on harness 2, white on 3, and blue on 4. Sley two warp threads in each dent of a 15 dent reed. The rule here is to sley the reed twice as close as you wish the finished cloth.

Tie-up On the new 6 harness folding floor loom the harnesses rise. Leave the plain weave treadles, the center ones A and B, tied as they are for ordinary weaving. Hitch up just one harness to a treadle for the other four treadles, namely 1,2,3, and 4. Use two feet to weave as necessary.

FIRST PRACTISE WEAVING DOUBLE PLAIN CLOTH, LIGHT ON ONE SIDE AND DARK ON THE OTHER,-

To weave white or light on top, - Treadle 1 alone, throw shot of light weft in shed then " 1 3 2 , throw shot of dark " " " " 3 alone, " " " Light " " " " 1 3 4 , " " " DARK " " "

REPEAT THIS OVER AND OVER FOR A FEW INCHES UNTIL THE METHOD IS CLEAR TO YOU. WEFT FOR THIS CAN BE SAME AS THE WARP, BLUE FOR ONE WEFT AND WHITE FOR THE OTHER.

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TO WEAVE DARK ON TOP, - TREADLE 2 ALONE, THROW SHOT OF DARK WEFT

- B, or 244, AND 3, THROW SHOT OF LIGHT WEFT, USE TWO FEET

" 4 ALONE , THROW SHOT OF DARK WEFT.

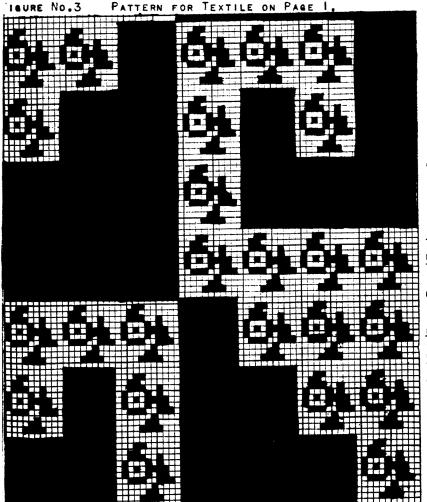
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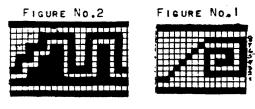
I. NOW FOR THE PATTERN. TAKE FIGURE NO. 1 BELOW. TREADLE A, OR 1&3, RAISES ALL THE WHITE WARP HREADS UP. WITH A FEAT PICKUP STICK LONGER THAN THE WIDTH OF THE WARP, GO OVER 2 WARP THREADS OR EACH BLACK SQUARE OF THE PATTERN, AND UNDER 2 WHITE WARP THREADS FOR EACH WHITE SQUARE OF THE PAPER PATTERN . FOR THE FIRST ROW OF FIGURE No. 1, THERE ARE 13 WHITE SQUIRES, SO WITH THE ICKUP STICK GO UNDER 26 WHITE WARP THREADS. NEXT THERE ARE TWO BLACK SQUARES, SO GO OVER 4 OF HE RAISED WHITE WARP THREADS. REPEAT ALL ACROSS THE WARP. TREADLE 2 ALONE TO CHANGE SHED. TURN ICKUP STICK ON EDGE. PASS SHUTTLE THROUGH SHED THUS MADE WITH DARK WEFT. SEE DRAWING FIGURE 4. HICH SHOWS HOW THIS SHED LOOKS FROM THE SIDE OF THE LOOM.

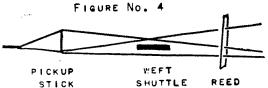
HANGE SHED WITH TREADLE 4 ALONE. PUSH FIRST WEFT IN PLACE WITH SHUTTLE. WITH PICKUP STICK ON DGE.PASS SECOND SHOT OF BLUE WEFT THROUGH THIS SHED. PUSH CLOSE WITH SHUTTLE. THESE TWO SHOTS F DARK WEFT WEAVE THE DARK SQUARE OF THE PAPER PATTERN. THE PICKUP STICK CAN BE PULLED OUT OW, BUT I THINK IT IS EASIER TO LEAVE IT IN, UNTIL AFTER THE NEXT ROW IS PICKED UP WITH SECOND ICKUP STICK. IF LEFT IN, PUSH CLOSE TO LAST ROW OF WEAVING.

.Change shed with treadle B,2&4, which brings up all the Blue warp threads. With a second pick P STICK, 30 OVER 26 BLUE WARP THREADS AND UNDER 4 BLUE WARP THREADS FOR THE WIDTH OF THE WARP. ULL OUT FIRST PICKUP STICK. TURN SECOND PICKUP STICK ON EDGE. TREADLE 1 ALONE. PASS WHITE WEFT HROUGH THIS SHED. PUSH IT CLOSE TO LAST ROW WITH THE SHUTTLE. TREADLE 3 ALONE. PICKUP STICK ON DEE.PASS SECOND SHOT OF WHITE WEFT THROUGH THIS SHED.PULL OUT THE SECOND PICKUP STICK. BEAT LOSE WITH THE REED. THIS WEAVES THE LIGHT BACKGROUND ON THE PAPER PATTERN, AND COMPLETES THE IRST ROW OF THE PATTERN AS SHOWN. THERE ARE TWO SHOTS OF DARK AND 2 OF LIGHT FOR EACH SUGARE.

. For the second row of pattern, and each succeeding row, keep the same order as given in detail BOVE, AT 3 AND THEN 4. BUT PICK UP WITH THE PICK UP STICK AS INDICATED BY THE PAPER PATTERN.







THE DESIGN AT FIGURE NO. I HAS THE ROWS NUMBERED FROM THE BOTTOM UP. THE SOLID DARK LINE AT THE BEGINN+ ING IS DARK PLAIN WEAVE, AND THE NEXT ROW IS LIGHT PLAIN WEAVE, PUT IN BEFORE THE PATTERN IS PICKED UP. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE FIRST PICKUP IS UNDER 2 WARPS FOR EACH WHITE SQUARE, AND OVER 2 WARPS FOR EACH BLACK SQUARE OF THE DESIGN. THE SECOND PICKUP IS JUST THE OPP-OSITE; OVER 2DARK WAFPS FOR EACH WHITE SQUARE; AND UNDER 2 DARK WARP FOR EACH BLACK SQUARE OF THE DESIGN. ENCE THIS IS UNDERSTOOD, THE REST IS EASY.

I WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO HEAR FROM GUILD MEMBERS WHO TRY THIS. LET ME KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY DIFF! CULTY FOLLOWING THE DIRECTIONS.

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