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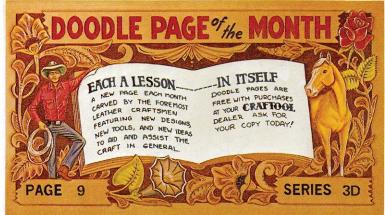
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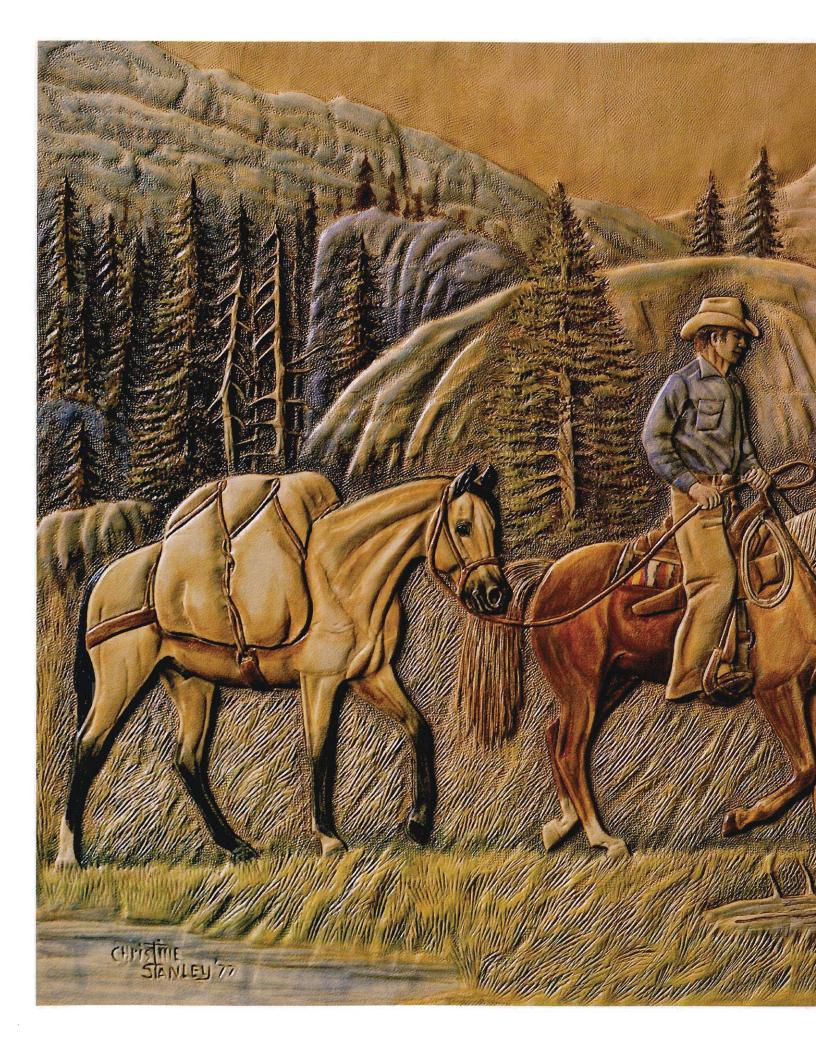
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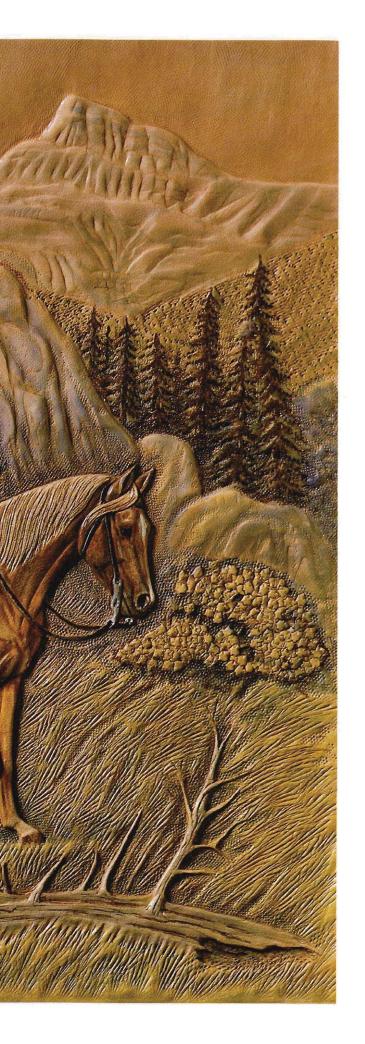
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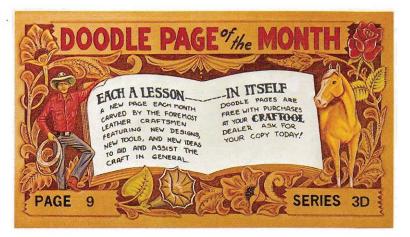
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The shrub in front of the nose of the lead horse is made with the F989, stamping the impression in random clusters. The A100 is then used to add texture around and between these clusters to separate them for a natural effect. Three tools are used to add texture in this picture. They are the A100, A888, and the A104. This variation in the texture is made for the visual effect of separating an area of interest from its surrounding area. The difference is subtle but important. The A104 is used extensively throughout the grassy area to simulate the gound between the clumps of tules. The A888 is used around the fallen log.

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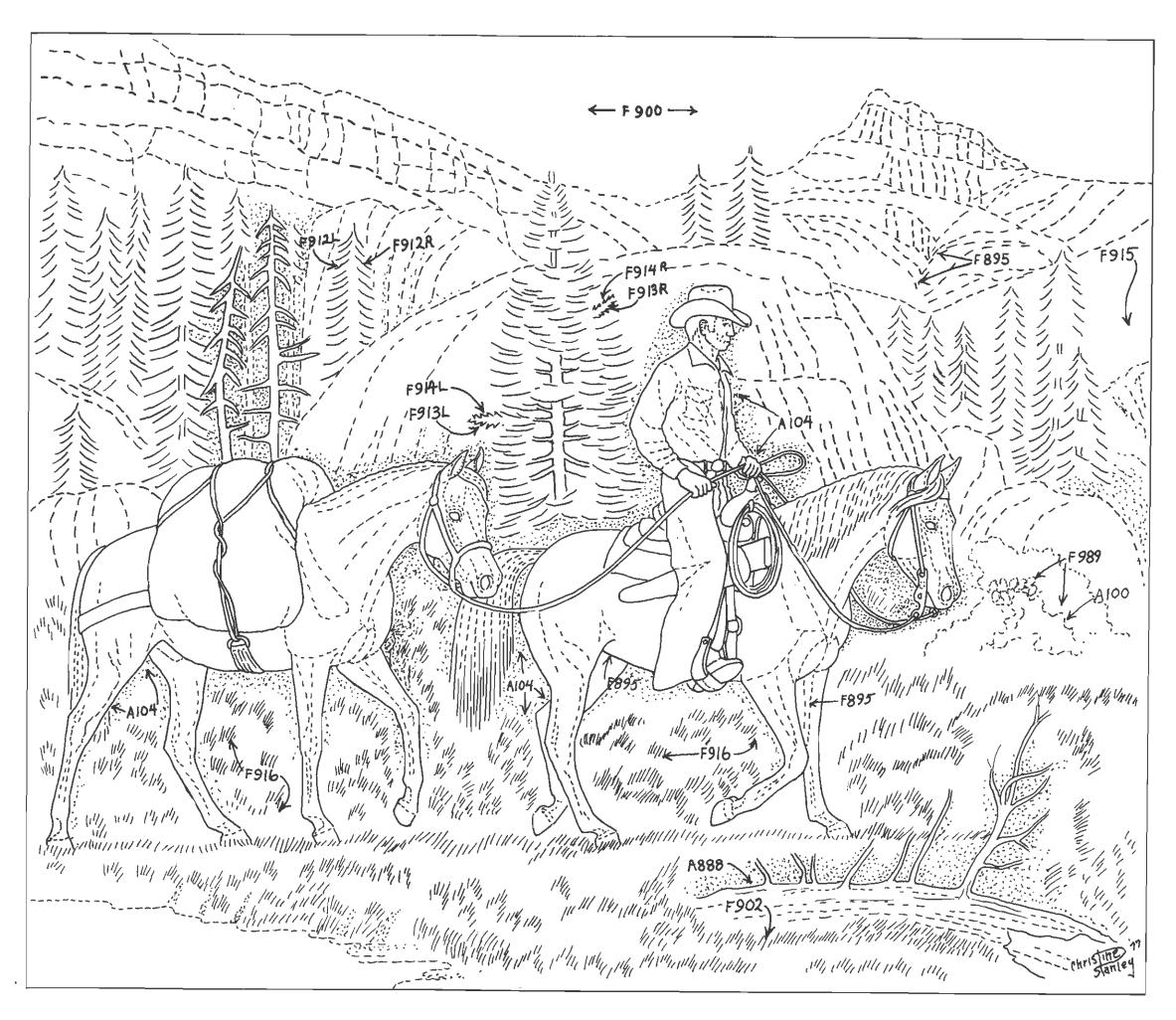
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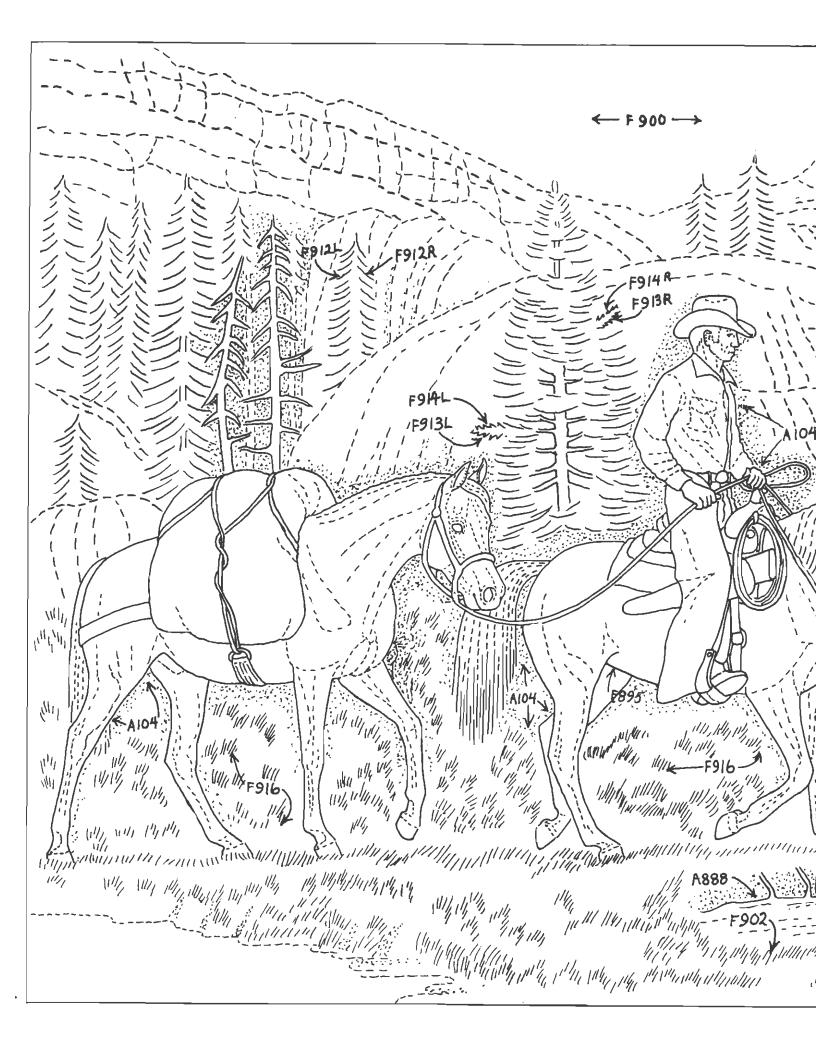
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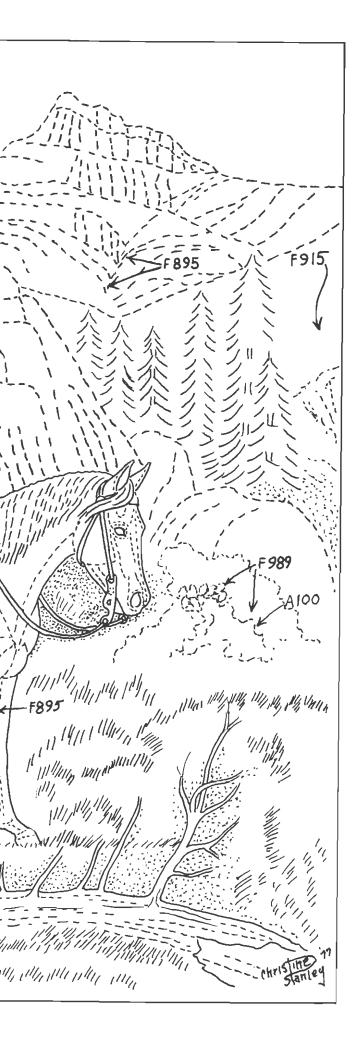
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The guide lines in the foliage area on the line drawing are only to indicate the approximate layers of branches around the tree trunk. The bottoms of the foliage impressions are made by stamping with the F913L on the left side of the tree and of course the F913R on the right. Hold the tool at an angle when stamping and vary the striking force of the mallet so the impressions will not be uniform in appearance. Also leave enough space between the tool marks so the F914L and F914R will have room to complete the tops of the branched. Scrap leather is handy here to run a few trial branches on. A little extra time spent in practice or testing the effect of a tool is a good investment.

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The last group of trees is in the distant fourth plane and reach the timber line. The distance is so great that only a hint of trees can be seen. These are done with the point of the F915. This tool should both make the effect of tree tops at a distance and have a slight beveling effect, making what appears to be ridge lines with the trees following the ridges.





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