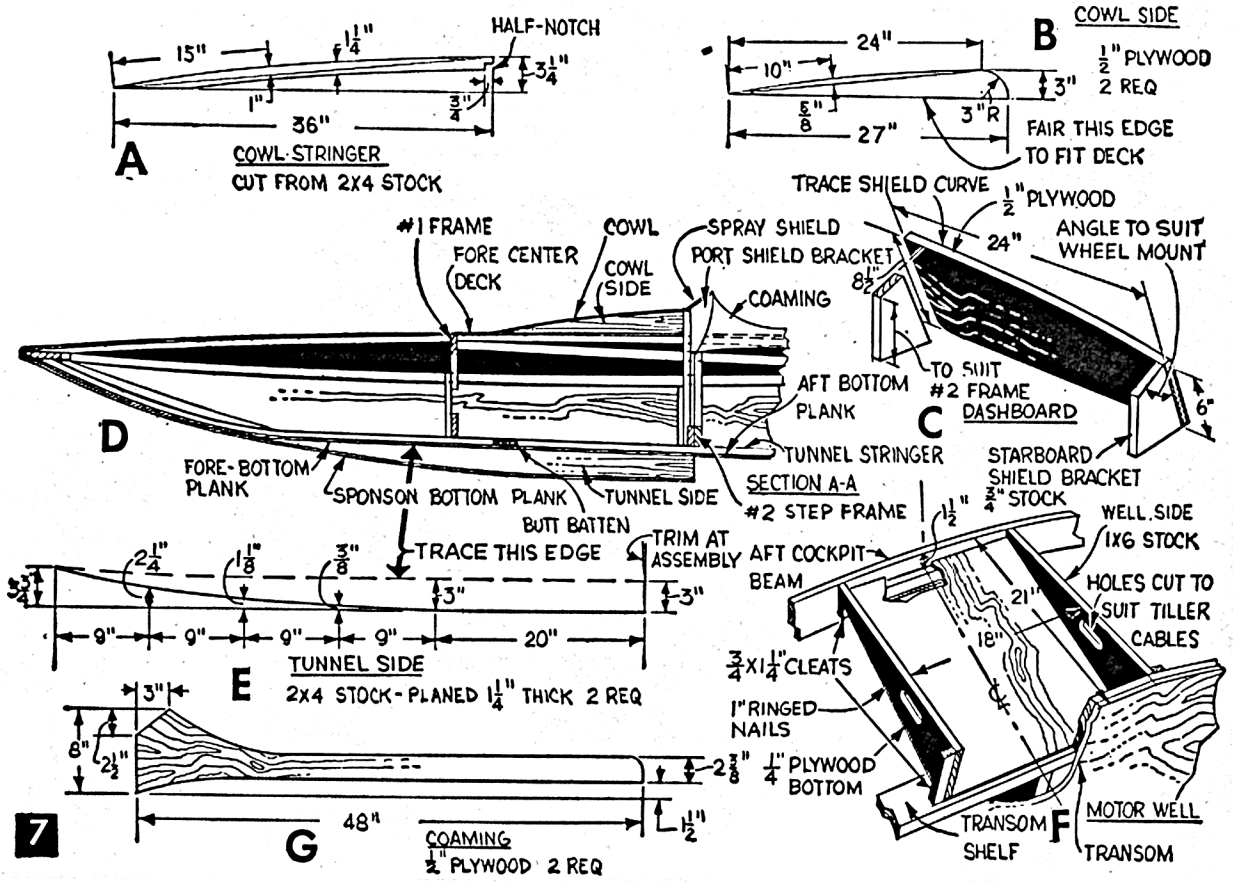
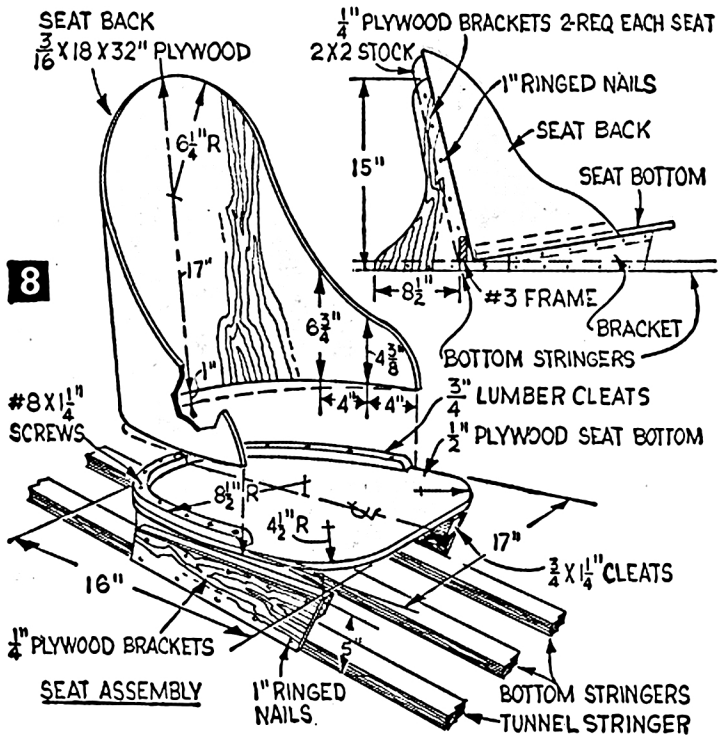


them to round the sharp edges at the plank joints and install 4-in. widths of woven glass tape where plywood edges are exposed. Be sure the plywood is clean and free from paint and oil for at least 3 in. on each side of the joint, then apply the tape according to the manufacturer's instructions.

When the resin has cured, reattach the rails and apply two coats of plywood sealer and two coats of epoxy bottom enamel. Sand lightly with fine abrasive paper between coats of sealer and with very-fine wet-or-dry paper between coats of enamel. If desired, the bottom paint may be carried up onto the side planks as trim.



Turning the Hull. Get plenty of help to turn the hull over as it is quite fragile until the topside framing and decks are in place. Set the framework on a pair of padded saw horses, and then install the deck stringers and carlins. These are notched flush into the frame beams after having first been located as in Fig. 4A and the locations marked on the beams. Also install the aft cockpit beam (Figs. 3 and 4) and assemble the cleats, sides, bottom, and drain tubes for the self-bailing well.

Now is the best time to seal and varnish the interior of the hull. After cleaning away all sawdust with a vacuum cleaner, apply two coats of sealer and a coat of spar varnish to