

# NOTICE OF IMPORTANT PRODUCTION MODIFICATION

In 1953, the Shopsmith Mark V was originally designed with two saw blade slots in the table surface. At that time, most of the standard saw blades were 8" to 9" in diameter, and therefore, could be used interchangeably in either slot.

In recent years, we have modified the Mark V somewhat to accommodate the larger and more useful 10" diameter blades. Although these larger blades could be used in the smaller table slot, the applications were limited and easily replaced by the ability to mount the rip fence on the extension table, thereby providing the same ripping capacities. (See page 7 of your Owner's Manual under the heading "Extra Saw Slot".)

In addition to this, the extra slot quite naturally weakened the table slightly and presented minor problems in maintaining a perfectly flat table surface.

For these reasons, our Shopsmith Engineering Committee has recently decided to eliminate the additional slot and sacrifice the extremely limited amount of additional convenience it provided for the considerably more important advantages of table strength and flatness.