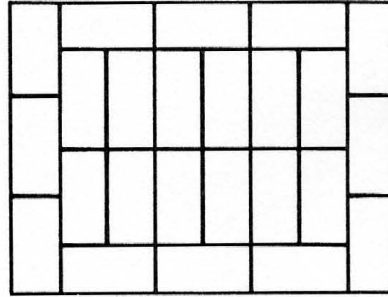
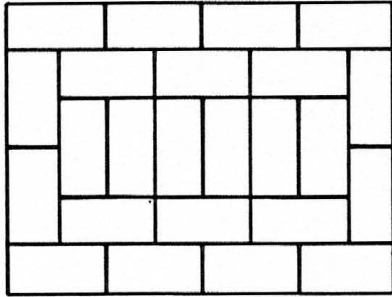
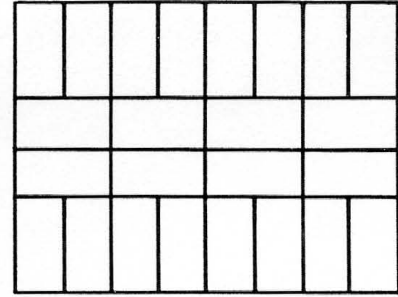


Small Rectangular Stack

First and Fourth Layers

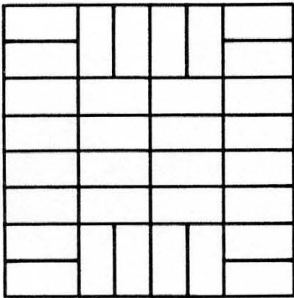


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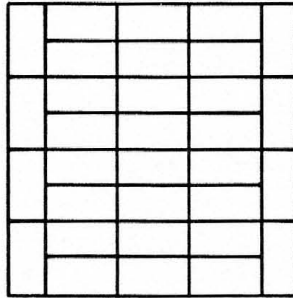


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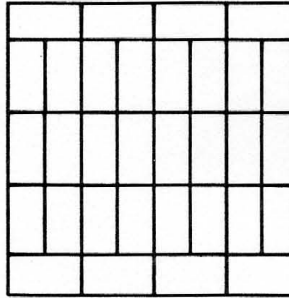
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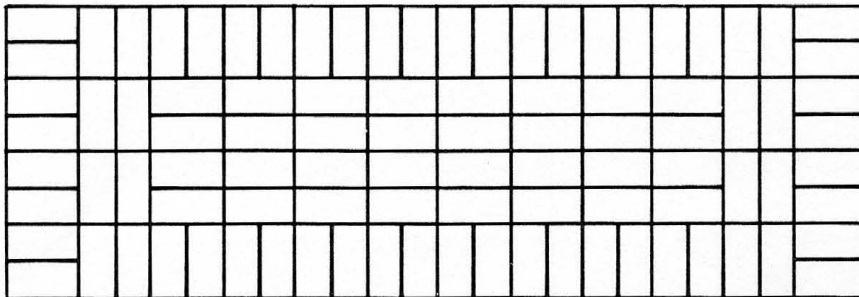


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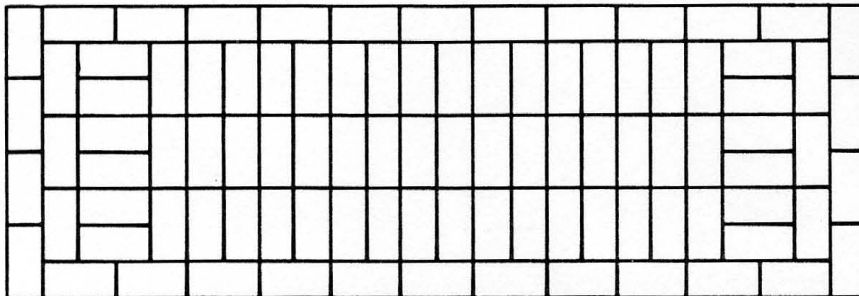


Rectangular Stack

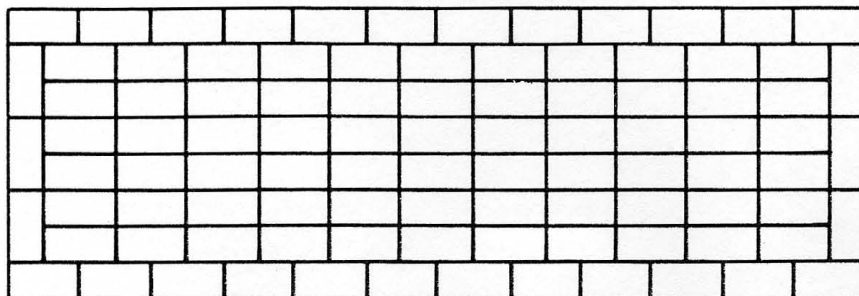
First, Fourth, Seventh and 10th Layers



Second, Fifth and Eighth Layers



Third, Sixth and Ninth Layers



There's an art to building solid bale stacks!

Bale handling systems being manufactured today make bale stacking much easier than in the past. However, most farmers still have occasion to handle and stack bales by hand.

With many years of experience with baling hay through its manufacture of A to Z baling wire, Armco's Western Steel Division farm products people offer these proven guidelines to follow for making solid stacks with baled hay regardless of mechanical assists used.

It's always better to store bales indoors for protection from the elements. However, if necessary to store outdoors, make a good stack base on a level site with adequate drainage. The better your stack is built, the easier it will be to take bales down for feeding. Space the first layer of bales generously. Then work like a brick mason, using the diagrams that accompany this article.

Armco suggests using wire for baled hay, especially if it will be stored outdoors, since wire will not rot or mildew and will allow you to move or transport the bales as necessary.

