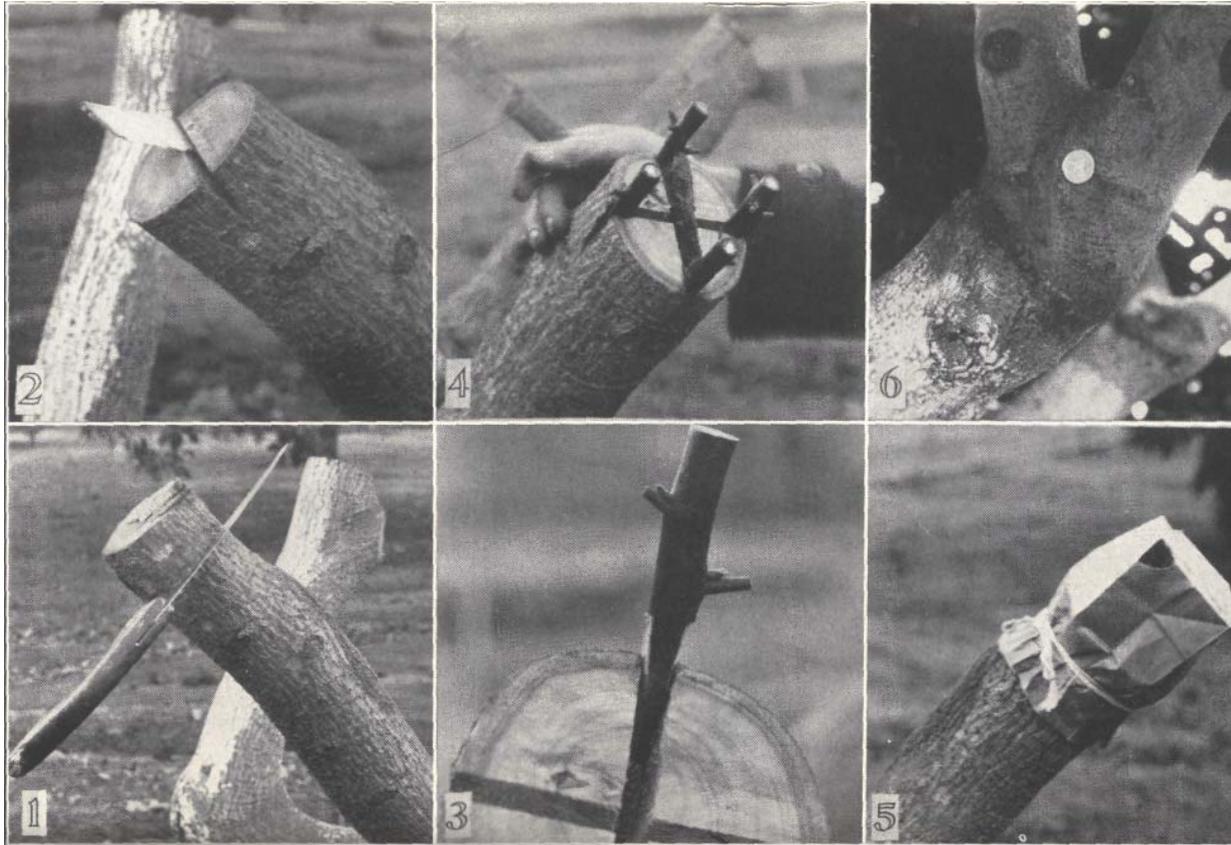


Avocado Grafting

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1. To avoid splitting, limb is first sawed off at some distance above point selected for insertion of scions. A smooth cut is then made at the desired point.

2. Instead of splitting the limb with a cleaver, a very thin wedge is removed with fine toothed saw. Edges of cut are trimmed smooth with sharp knife.

3. Scions are cut with shoulder and slightly beveled so cambium lines will match and make firm contact. Scions should be cut short. Two good buds are sufficient.

4. Two scions are inserted in small limbs, but four or even more may be used on large limbs. All are allowed to grow at first, but are later thinned as desired. All cut surfaces are carefully covered with asphaltum paste or grafting wax, being careful to seal all side openings in the bark.

5. To protect from damage by sunburn or otherwise, end of limb is covered with paper sack of heavy grade which will stand up in rain. Small holes at the top or on the sides

are necessary for ventilation.

6. A good graft union one year and six months from grafting.