The making of dishes, platters, boxes and spoons from the vine maple, the outer bark of hemlock, and alder. We made the handles for the boxes from slender cedar boughs which we twisted ropelike. At our wintertime leisure fathers often made bows and arrows for themselves and for their young sons. The bows were made of young white ce cedar, or of yew and vinemaple. The arrows were made of cedar or Koxasimal with bone points. The quivers in which we kept our arrows were made of a single skin of wolf or wildcat. Often on a winters evening while stories were being told a few men would be whittling paddles for their canoes. A different type of paddle was made for the different types of travel, Ocean, River, and ordinary travel. We spent a great deal of time in the carving of our canoes from the tall red cedar. Also, we carefully mended our cedar canoes when necessary by drilling a pair of holes along the splitand passing and tieing cedar limb withes or root through them. Then we made the seams watertight by smearing pitch. We were not a wasteful people, we mended things as they became broken and we took care of the food that nature bestowed on us.

We lived in large houses, as social prestige attended a large house. Usually four or six families lived in one house Each family having its own hearth for the cooking and drying of of salmon and meat. The village chief usually owned the largest house. To his house platform came othe other men of the tribe at daybreak. It was to his house that the village would be summoned for advisement or scoldings whichever the case might be, but never to be commanded.

Whenever a house had to be raised the whole village turned out to help build it. No one was paid but everyone was fed. The central beams in our houses were finely finished and painted with pictures of the guardian spirits of the owners of the house. In the front of the house a plank platform with a plank seat was built where men of the village would gather to discuss local happenings. Here the men sat to watch the earth . This platform was also used as a work area. Inside the house, a sleeping platform extended around the four sides. A wide shelf was suspended three feet below the eaves of the house wherethe dried fish and meat were stored. Although we kept a fire burnibg in our houses, we often had occasion to use a fire drill, this we made from a single shaft of alder root which was twirled between the palms, when safely started the fire was fanned with the wing or tail of an eagle. We kept our fire drill in a handbag that we made of small cedar bark mats which were lashed together. Although we lived in a simple way, each small object that we made was decorated in a finished manner. We always had wild animals for pets, pheasants, sawbill ducks, bears, beaver, cougar, elk, seal, sea otter, marmot and of course deer. These animals were taken when they were young and kept till they were grown and then they were turned loose. Animals that we kept as pets were never killed for food.