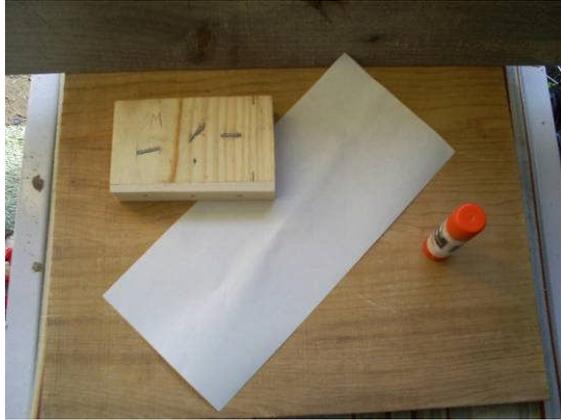# Making Arsenal Packs

Arsenal packs are a handy option. When you're in a battle and the top cartridge tin empties, it only takes one second to pull out the pack and place it on the top of the tin. It also makes it easier to keep an accurate accounting of the rounds you have on hand.

You will need the following items as shown:

- ✓ Paper- Use blank newsprint cut as shown (dimensions are 4 ½ inches x 10 inches). In a pinch (especially if the public is not going to see them) you could use newspaper cut to size.
- ✓ Block- depending on the size of your rounds the dimensions are 2 ¾ inches x 4 inches x 1 inch for use with ½ inch diameter rounds and 3 inches x 4 inches x 1 ¼ inches when using 5/8 inch diameter rounds. The block size is important in that, if it is too small, you will rip the sides of the pack out as you try to fill it and if it is too large, the cartridges will shift and slide and make it very difficult when you go to close it up. There should also be a mark 3 ¾ inches from the edge.

- ✓ Paper glue stick
- ✓ String or thread (optional)

Step 1

Lay out paper. Place block on top lining up mark with edge of paper. Fold paper over to top of block and glue edge.

Step 2

Tilt block as shown, folding paper over bottom. Apply glue to edge of paper and fold.

Step 3
Remove paper from block. A cartridge tin works well as a support. Fill with 10 cartridges tab end down. Some people replace one gunpowder filled cartridge with one filled with 10 percussion caps. That is left up to the individual.

Step 4
Fold as shown and glue edges.

Step 5 (optional)
Tie a thread or string around the outside of the pack with a double knot and trim off the extra.

There-you have it.