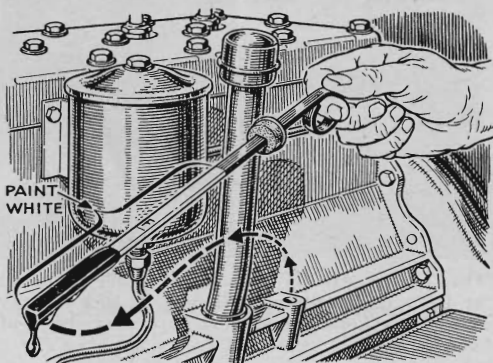




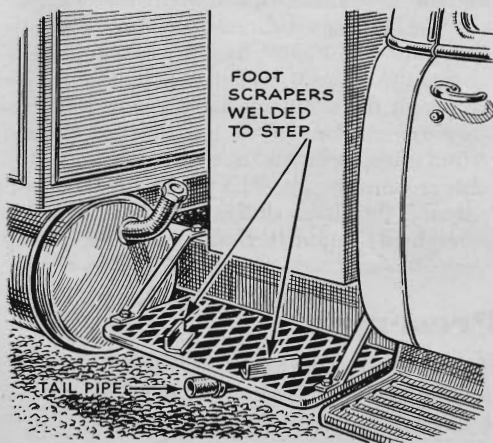
Hints from the Model Garage



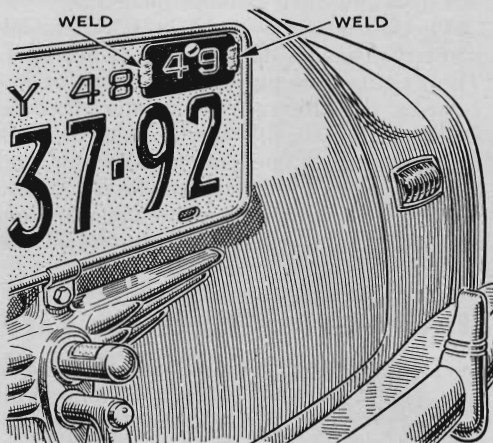
Oil Drained into Flat Can. Some new cars are so low that it's awkward to drain the crankcase without a lift. The job calls for a shallow but capacious pan. Victor H. Lamoy, of Upper Jay, N. Y., reports that an empty 2-gal. oil can with a large opening cut in one side gets under easily. Leave a lip around the hole to keep the oil from slopping when you drag out the filled can.



White Stick Shows Oil Level. It's always a little difficult to be sure of the oil level on a dark dip stick. M. M. Dierks, of Chicago, says a coating of white lacquer has taken care of the problem in his case. Before applying the lacquer, he scoured off all traces of oil from the stick and then cleaned it thoroughly with a wire scratch wheel to give good adhesion.



Foot Scraper Aids Safety. Wet mud is as dangerous on the step and floor of a truck cab as slippery ice. Operators of one Texas truck fleet welded foot scrapers on auxiliary steps just behind the regular ones to enable drivers to clean their shoes as they enter. To keep the step clear in winter, the exhaust line is piped underneath.



Welding Prevents Loss. To save metal, several states have adopted the practice of issuing small year tags for renewal of old license plates. To prevent loss or theft, you can tack-weld them to the plate. If carefully done, low-heat arc welding will not distort the metal nor burn more than a small, easily retouched area of paint.