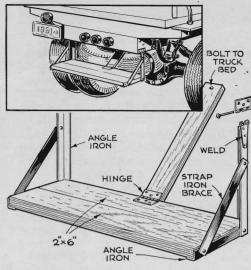
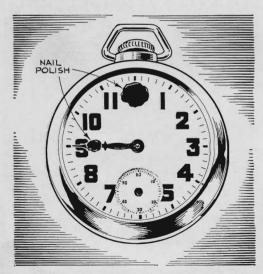
Hints from the Model Garage



Running out of gas is bad enough, but to be unable to get it when someone offers help is worse. A good thing to remember: A tire-pump hose or windshield-wiper hose makes a fine siphon tube for drawing gas from a Good Samaritan's tank.



A rear step on a truck is sometimes useful, sometimes not wanted, depending on the work being done. A removable step solves the problem. Fasten it in place with hinges, using heavy cotter pins instead of hinge pins to join them.



To avoid parking tickets, convert an old watch into a parking-meter timer by removing all but the minute hand and painting on red dots. Set it backwards for the time you paid for (15 minutes shown above) and check it as you shop.



The funnel is always clean when you roll your own from a 4"-by-4" square of cardboard, manila envelope, or aluminum foil. Throw it away after using it to pour oil or fluid into the engine or transmission, and roll a fresh one next time.