

Things Every Car Owner Should Know

Emergency Starting

In cases where the starter is out of business and the crank handle is not available, it is possible to start the engine by jacking up the rear wheels, blocking the front wheels and then shifting into high, after which the cylinders are primed, the spark and throttle are set, and the engine is cranked by turning a rear wheel. In doing this the operator should take hold of the tire rather than the spokes, and must be careful not to get caught when the wheels start to revolve.

Broken Chains

When the cross pieces of the anti-skid chain break, so that the chain strikes the fender in passing, it is poor practice to wire the broken piece across the tire, as the wire will quickly be worn through. By wiring under the felloe a more permanent repair will be secured.

Burning Rubber

Often a little attention to the tire pump will make it more effective when the time comes for a tire to be inflated. The most common pump trouble is leakage of the air past the plunger, usually due to the worn condition of the leather washer, or to the fact that the leather is dry and out of shape so that it does not fit closely to the pump barrel all around. If badly worn, the only thing to do is to replace it; if merely hardened, soften it with some neatfoot oil. Plain lubricating oil will do almost as well if the other kind is not available.

To Adjust Carburetor

The winter adjustment of your carburetor may need changing. After engine is thoroughly warmed up try a slight change in spray nozzle adjustment. If speed improves continue until no further change is apparent. If engine loses speed try changing in the other direction.

Transmission Silencer

To silence a noisy transmission, try mixing flaxseed meal with the lubricant. This is recommended only as a temporary expedient, as a noisy transmission means generally breakage of gears or misalignment that calls for a major operation to effect a real cure.

Protecting Mudguards

In making extensive engine repairs or adjustments, it often happens that the mudguards or fenders will be bent and otherwise marred. This may be prevented by making a cover of some heavy material, oilcloth or imitation leather or some kind, which will cover the fender from its tip to the place where it is fastened to the running board.

Minard's Liniment for Dandruff.

Test Wheels Regularly

Every car owner ought to make a practice to test the wheels for side play at least three or four times a year. Side play performs a double vicious role, for it causes excessive bearing wear and tire wear as well. If the motorist will jack up each wheel in turn and, grasping it firmly, push and pull it, any side motion will be readily apparent. In many cars wheel bearings are adjustable to care for just such trouble.

Loose Vibrator

In case the screws that hold the small brass jackets to the vibrator box become worn so that they do not grip any more, do not try to remedy the trouble by using longer screws, as this will probably injure the windings of the coil and ruin the vibrator. The better plan is to put a metal band clear around the box and attach it to the dash with small bolts.

An automobile tire rim has been invented that can be taken off one shoe and transferred to another in 30 seconds. It is made in two parts with two other pieces of the rim hinged together.

The manufacture of rubber tires for vehicles was first introduced in England in 1850. They were placed on wheelbarrows to prevent the noise in warehouses, at railroad stations, etc.

TIRE LONGEVITY DEPENDS ON CARE

Repeated Improvements of Recent Years Greatly Reduce Average Number Used Annually

One of the noteworthy features regarding the manufacture of automobile tires in this country is the fact that during the last five years tires have improved so greatly in quality that the average number used on an automobile during a year has dropped from five to considerably under four.

This drop has come too, in the face of an increase in winter driving so large as to be a vital element in the calculation. Many cars now operate twelve months in the year, but in spite of this increased period of service the average annual consumption per car has rapidly and speedily fallen.

Not only has the length of life of tires become greater, but the quality of service rendered by them has improved to such an extent that tire trouble is now the exception rather than the rule. Motorists of a decade ago considered themselves lucky if they could finish a journey of a few hundred miles without some form of tire trouble. Today it is no uncommon thing to drive across the continent and back with no other tire mishaps than those caused by punctures, a class of misfortune for which the tire manufacturer can be held in no way responsible.

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MAKE OWN TONGS FOR USE ON AUTO

It is possible to make a pair of tongs that are convenient for removing nuts, etc., from the mud pan by flattening the ends of two pieces of No. 9 wire each 30 inches long. Five inches from the end a hole is drilled through each wire and through these holes a bolt is thrust and fitted with a nut. This completes the tongs, which will be found invaluable for picking small objects out of the mud pan or from around the motor, etc.



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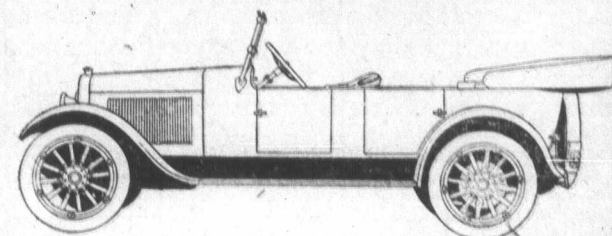
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