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#### Easy Starting

With some cars starting may be faeilitated by stopping the engine and closing the choke on the carhureter instead of by shutting of the switch. The engine stalls because of the very rich mixture it receives. Therefore the next time the engine is cranked the cylinders are full of a mixture which is just rich enough for starting, since some of the fuel will have condensed while the engine was standing. It is hardly necessary to add that after stalling the engine in this way the switch should be turned off to prevent waste of current ((assuming that a battery system is used).

## **Preventing Ground**

A single strary strand of wire may produce a ground which will stall the engine. A preventive measure is to use terminals, but sometimes terminals break off, or it is necessary to put in a new wire without waiting to attach terminals. In either of these instances there is a chance that a single strand will become loose and cause a ground. There is an easy way out of this difficulty, however, Simply bare two or three inches of the end of the wire, loop it and twist it, and then tape all the bare metal except the loop itself.

## Luggage Carriers

Here is a simple method of carrying extra suitcases or other baggage when equipment is not provided for this purpose. On the front of the running board six small strap loops may be fastened by wood screws. Two loops are set in at the rear edge of the board about 20 inches apart. Another two are set crosswise on the board a convenient distance apart. This is governed by the size of the packing that is being considered. The remaining two are located at the front edge of the board on its under side. The reason for this is that it permits the parcel or haggage to overhang the board, and in this way a larger one can be carried than would be possible otherwise. Cord or straps can be arranged to tie or strap over the bundle, the ends being threaded under the loops in a convenient manner.

#### **Rain Causes Shorts**

When a car stops in a heavy rainstorm suspect the distributor, the tape of the coil or the plugs and wires of being wet. Water is an excellent conductor of electricity. A driving rainstorm will enter through the ventilator cuts in the hood and often manage to produce a short circuit, which stops the car as effectually as if it were robbed of its spark plugs. The only remedy is to wait for the affected parts to dry, or to locate them and dry them off with rags. The best remedy is prevention. Small covers of oilcloth made to fit over the coil and distributor, similar in effect to the leather hood hich usually protects magnetos, will ep out the fine water spray which is the damage and prevent an aning stop under uncomfortable



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