Money-Saving Repairs & Maintenance Shortcuts

(Continued from previous page) out of parts salvaged from an old truck frame. He welded the pieces of heavy channel iron into a house-shaped frame with a pair of crossbars. He runs the press with a conventional hand jack. On one side of the



frame, he mounted an old time drill press, powered by an electric motor on top of the press frame."

Lloyd Meffert, Hettick, Ill.: Lloyd built this foldup tire changer to conserve precious floor space in his shop. He uses it to repair



all sizes of tires from lawn mower on up. He built a hinged frame that bolts to the base of his overhead crane. When he needs to work on a tire, he just folds it down.

Bayard Young, Elkwood, Va.: "I used to have problems losing my place when working on corn picker chains, and other chains like that. I solved the problem by keeping a small can of paint handy to mark the master link. Lets me know at a glance where I'm at."

Carmen Mawson, Ardmore, Alta.: "Replacing the clutch spring on Case 1070 tractors is tough. I came up with an easier way to do it. Simply fill each ring of the spring with washers. Then put the spring in place and step on the clutch. All the washers will fall out and the spring will stay in place."

William Fazer, Powers, Mich.: "I salvaged an old computer desk to make this portable storage unit for my Lincoln wire feed welder. A hole cut near the back of the top shelf allows the CO2 tank to set on the lower shelf. The bottom of the tank is held in place



by small strips of wood. Pegboard on the rear of the lower storage area holds spare tips, spools and small parts. To handle the extra weight, I replaced the plastic casters with steel wheels. I also added two small handles to the top of the unit to make it easy to roll the cart out from under the workbench."

Kevin Gogerty, Hubbard, Iowa: Here's how Kevin keeps his Deere cornhead

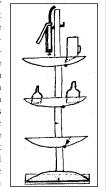
looking like new. Each year, before putting it away for the winter, he cleans it up good and then gives it a light coat of John Deere green paint using an aerosol spray can. He says it's quick and easy to do and prevents



corrosion from taking hold.

Pete Peters, Osler, Sask.: "I made a nifty funnel stand that avoids the mess of storing

oil funnels on your workbench. consists of concave discs mounted curved sides down on an upright piece of pipe. Then you drill a drain hole in the bottom of each disc so oil drains from each disc down to the one below it. You just put the empty oil container in the disc to drain The



bottom of the funnel stand sets in a metal or plastic tray to catch the oil that drips out. I also put some hooks at the top of the stand to hold grease guns.

"Here's a jack attachment that I use for removing transmissions. It fits onto a



standard floor jack. It consists of a flat metal rack made from short pieces of strap iron. A metal shaft fits down into the jack. It slips on and off as needed. Ouick and simple."

James L. Evans, Hammond, N.Y.: "On a Ford 6610 tractor, the driveline for the front wheel assist is covered by a heavy shield. To grease the universal on the front you have to drop the shield. It's very time consuming to get back on. I solved the problem by cutting a 4-in. hole under the universal. Now it's much easier to keep greased."

Roy Crane, Martinsvile, Ill.: "On an International Harvester 1460 combine, the pan under the beater was hard to raise or lower because it doesn't have any way to get ahold of it. I replaced the short bolts on the rear of the pan that must be loosened for the adjustment with 6-in. long bolts with a jam nut at the base of the bolt. Now, whenever adjustment is needed, I just loosen the jam nut and grab hold of the bolt and put the pan where it's needed. Then retighten the jam nut and I'm done."

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While his professional background is in printing, Scott's grandfather was a Case-IH dealer. Having grown up with "red" blood, Scott began collecting IH literature as a child. This collection increased significantly in size when he bought a wealth of material from a retiring IH dealer in the late '80s.

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Filter Systems Clean Up Shop Air

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He makes two sizes of air cleaners.



An electric fan at center of box pulls dirty air through filters in both ends and blows clean air out a vent at center.

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