

A Caravan Refrigerator!

A TIP WHICH MAKES IT SIMPLE TO LEVEL YOUR FRIG!

By Obeth; U.S.A.:
(GREAT IDEA!—Dad.)
WE'VE BEEN ON THE ROAD A LOT & wanted to avoid having to level the entire bus each time we stopped so that we could use the frig. So, we did the following when installing our frig. It's simple & easy, but to make it work you'll need at least 1 1/2" clearance on all sides, top & bottom of your frig:

RUNNING FROM FRONT TO BACK ON EACH SIDE OF YOUR FRIG BOTTOM ARE 2 FLAT STEEL BRACES. Drill a hole 1/2" in diameter approximately 2" from each end of each support. Then in the floor (or in our case we used a 3/4" piece of plywood bolted to the floor), drill four

3/8" holes corresponding to the four holes in your frig base supports. Insert four 3/8" all-thread bolts that stick up about 3" to 3 1/2" above the floor & secure these with a washer & a nut each. Put a nut & then a large flat washer on each bolt, screwed down about half way to floor.

CUT STRIPS FROM AN OLD FOAM MATTRESS about 2" wide & approximately 1 1/2" thicker than the space you have allowed on all sides of your frig. Using a spray contact cement (or other applicable cement), glue the foam strips to the sides, top & bottom of the frig. When the frig is set into your space on top of the bolts, you will have a

"floating platform" that is sealed by the foam so that no poisonous gases from the gas unit can enter your living space. And your frig can be leveled by a few turns of a wrench on the appropriate nuts.

OF COURSE YOU MUST BE SURE TO VENT YOUR FRIG to the outside via the top (out the roof) & the back (out the side). Use a side vent that can be opened from the outside to allow you access to the two rear bolts.

WE HAVE BEEN USING OUR FRIG FOR SOME TIME NOW, & it's very easy to level, even in an unlevel shopping centre parking lot, & it takes only a few minutes. Just be sure you don't pull in with your frig running & forget to level it, thereby ruining your expensive frig.

Caravanning Tips

AUTOMATIC CLOTHES WASHER!

A FRIEND OF MINE YEARS

AGO USED TO GO CAMPING WITH SIX CHILDREN. She said she always put the soiled clothing in a pail full of soapy water & covered it with a tight-fitting lid between camping stops. When they arrived, there was very little scrubbing needed. The clothes soaked & washed by being bounced around in the pail by the motion of the car or trailer. Rinse & hang to dry—a real time saver! —Miriam Pilgrim; Canada.

PILLOWS & SQUIRT BOTTLES

I MADE TWO PILLOWCASES

OUT OF NICE FAKE FUR & put a zipper at the end of each. I fill them up with all our knitted sweaters, panchos, gloves, scarves & hats and use them as comfortable couch cushions & back rests around the caravan. It saves on valuable cupboard space in a caravan. That's an idea I got from Mother Eve. (AMEN!)

WE MADE OUR TRAVELLING MUCH CLEANER BY PURCHASING A SQUIRT BOTTLE from a plant store & keeping it in the glove compartment of the car. (These plastic bottles are also sold for spraying a mist on clothes while ironing.) With this I always have water available to keep the children's faces & hands clean, & it is handy for washing fresh fruit for snacks while driving, even for washing windshields.

IT HAS INNUMERABLE USES & is such a blessing while travelling. And sometimes I put it in my purse & bring it along on excursions into town. It has made cleanliness much easier under camping conditions. A tube with liquid soap in it also goes along handy with the squirt bottle. —Sara Newman; Europe.

SAFETY RAIL & SLIP COVERS

WE GOT A SAFETY RAIL FOR

THE KIDS so they don't fall off the bed, & Cassandra likes to sit there during the day & watch me clean or cook. Her car seat also doubles nicely as a high chair at the table or on the floor.

WE NEEDED NEW CUSHION COVERS & re-upholstery is very expensive, so we found a pretty 'signed sheet & made slip covers which we sewed by hand. They turned out real nice & are easy to wash & barely wrinkle. —Sincerity & Judah; U.S.A.

TRAILER PLAY-PEN

AS OUR YOUNGEST DAUGHTER

IS NOT YET WALKING, we decided to try to arrange some type of play-pen area in our 21' trailer for her safety. We have seen many trailer interiors laid out like ours, so what we came up with may work for others too.

AT THE FRONT END OF THE TRAILER WE HAVE A COUCH which pulls out as a bed, & above that is another bunk that pulls down. We decided to convert that couch area into the baby's play & sleeping area; so we simply cut a 3/8 inch sheet of plywood to the width of the couch, & at a height where our baby can stand up & see over but not possibly crawl over. (Great idea!)

—Or you could use 2-ft. lightweight wire garden fencing & roll up when unused!

WE THEN CUT SIDE FLAPS

as shown & attached them with hinges. Before attaching them though, we covered all 3 pieces of wood with a nice coloured, washable contact paper. The bottom of the "pen" fits snugly inside the wooden frame of the couch when in use. Be sure to attach the flaps securely (at points A & B) with hooks, latches or good strong cords to the back or sides of the couch.

BECAUSE THE FLAPS ARE HINGED, the whole apparatus can easily be folded together & placed under the cushion of the couch when not needed. —Bart Oh; U.S.A.:



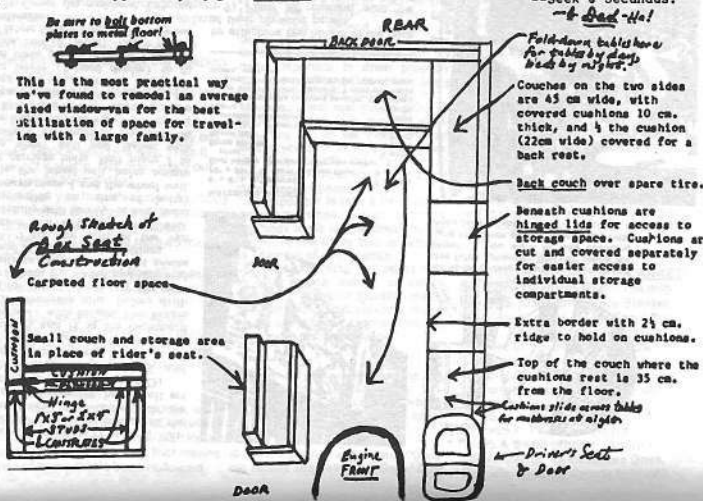
The Associated Press reports from Minneapolis that a man sleeping made in his pickup camper recently had a rude awakening. He got up to see where he was while the camper, which was being driven by his wife, was stopped at a light. At that moment she stopped on the gas and the door flew open. Her husband went flying through the doorway. He ran so fast trying to catch up with the camper that he broke bones in both feet. Better keep that rear door securely latched.

Space-Saving Van Remodeling Tips!

—If you're a fairly good carpenter!

—Seek & Secundus.

—b Dad-Ho!



This is the most practical way we've found to remodel an average sized window-van for the best utilization of space for traveling with a large family.

Rough sketch of Box Seat Construction
Carpeted floor space

Small couch and storage area in place of rider's seat.

CLOSET
CUSHIONS
STORAGE
SMALL COUCH
Hinges
PILLOWS
CUSHIONS
STORAGE

Fold-down tables have for tables by day and beds by night.

Couches on the two sides are 45 cm wide, with covered cushions 10 cm thick, & the cushion (22cm wide) covered for a back rest.

Back couch over spare tire.

Beneath cushions are hinged lids for access to storage space. Cushions are cut and covered separately for easier access to individual storage compartments.

Extra border with 24 cm ridge to hold on cushions.

Top of the couch where the cushions rest is 35 cm from the floor.

Cushions slide across table for mattresses or sleepers.

Driver's Seats & Door

ENGINE FRONT

DOOR

"WE'VE JUST RETURNED AFTER BEING ONE YEAR IN MADEIRA. This island had already been heavily litnensed & witnessed to before we came there to teach English to 270 students between 11 & 50, mainly teenage girls ages 17-21. The Lord really used the MWM tapes & our playing simple Family songs to win nearly all of them to Him. Many promised to join the MWM Club when I left, & I have about 100 addresses to follow up on. One class was so touched by the Lord's Spirit that when they heard I was being forced to leave they literally & unashamedly, boys included, started crying. It was really one of the most touching things I have ever experienced & was a glimpse of Heaven. TYJ! Hall Teaching English makes a wonderful bridge to reach people's hearts for the Lord."

—Joseph & Paz; Iberia.

TITHING TESTIMONY: "I was going to spend some of my tithe on shoes, thinking I could make it up before the end of the month. But then I thought, 'That's the Lord's money! It's not even mine. The shoes will just have to wait.' So I walked on past the shoe store & a block later I found the equivalent of \$30 on the street—enough for shoes & of course the Lord's 10%! It pays to obey!" (Amen!)

—Nashon; Mexico. GBY!

VICTORY: "REFUGES" New vision to serve Jesus 110%. We've been living by faith this month without the dole (unemployment benefits) & the Lord has supplied more than our needs. The Lord inspired us to give \$100 each to two brothers needing help with their fares to go overseas, & now Belinda's folks are giving us \$2,000 for her 21st birthday!

—Michael Dust & Belinda; Australia.

"I WAS ABLE TO GIVE TKs TO ACTOR DUSTIN HOFFMAN who received them with thanks & gave a 100-pound donation. The TKs were 'Happy Endings' & 'Iraq-Iran War'."

—Frank & Sonja; British Isles.

"30 STUDENTS HAVE ANSWERED AN AD we put up in the University asking for translators." —Abraham; Thailand. (Hope you give 'em all something to do!—Dad.)

"WELL PTL, LIKE YOU SAID DAD, FORSAKING ALL NEVER STOPS. About three months ago my son Andrew-14 went back to my hometown to live with his system Dad. This was a shock as he didn't tell me. He just left one day & his sister Meaghan who was very close to him told me of it. She was upset for a while but with lots of love & plenty of Word I thought she was happy. About three weeks ago my mother who is fighting me all the time sent a letter to Meaghan's school & arranged to pick her up there. It's like having your limbs torn off. But PTL, His love always sustains me & makes me realise the importance of our work & our love & compassion for the lost. I still have with me my youngest daughter Angel, a true little trouper for the Lord, a faithful witness with a heart full of love for lost souls. 'The Lord giveth & the Lord taketh away', but He does it in love."

—Gypsy; Australia.

(How sad!—But it probably wouldn't have happened on the mission field.—M&M.)

"JEHO SANG IN A VIDEO-EQUIPPED BAR where the owner filmed & recorded a half-hour of Family music that he is playing regularly in two different bars & has been a witness to 100s of customers!" (Great idea!)

—Jeho & Naomi; Europe.

"IN SINGAPORE JUST THE LOCALS ARE ABLE TO LITNESS because of gov't. restrictions. In this case we wondered if it would be ok for foreigners to letterbox litness, as it would be better than no litnessing at all. Formerly we had a lot of fruit from letterboxing here: the start of our mail ministry & 1 TRFer. But we don't want to do it unless cleared by Dad." —Zeb & Shiloh. ("According to your faith!" —Mat. 9:29. It's very dangerous & illegal & could land you in jail in the USA—a Federal offence!—But may not be so serious where you are. Do what works & is fruitful.—D.)

VICTORY: "FF'ING BY ADS!" The Lord inspired me to put an ad in the newspaper: 'Young affectionate woman would meet a lonely man.' I received 28 answers & found 5 of the most desperate & potential ones to feed. Among these 5 there is one, age 55, divorced, very precious who loves Jeus & who fell in love with me. He's very intelligent & influential. God help me to win him to the Family." (Good idea! Why —Rachel; Europe. split w/ESS?—D.)

"WE SAW AN EXCELLENT MOVIE, 'The Blue Lagoon'. It beautifully illustrates the Letter 'Child Brides'." (Amen!—D.)

—Peter & Faithful Piper; U.S.A.