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July 22, 1943

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Dr. Vernon A. Douglas
State Chief, EMS
319 State Capitol Building
Salem, Oregon

Dear Doctor Douglas:

Enclosed herewith are 12 copies of U. S. Office of Civilian Defense design for four-stretcher ambulance bodies to be used on converted 1939, 1940 and 1941 Ford, Chevrolet and Plymouth four-door sedans. These bodies are now being manufactured in California and will soon be ready for distribution.

Will you kindly arrange for distribution of copies of the attached four-stretcher ambulance body design as designated below. It is hoped that with this visual design before them, Defense Councils and Chiefs of Emergency Medical Services will be stimulated in procuring automobiles for this purpose immediately:

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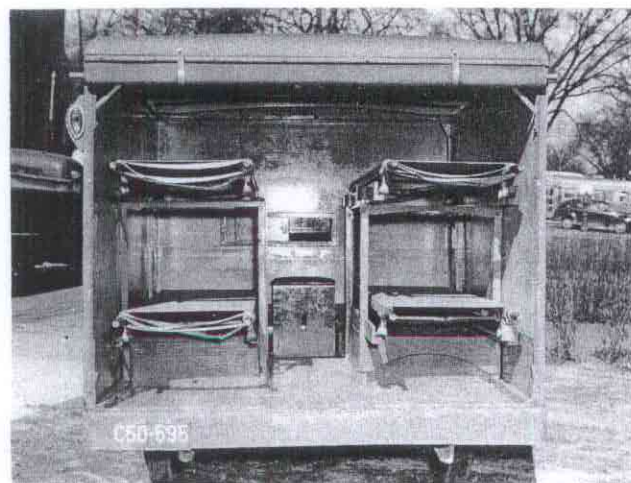
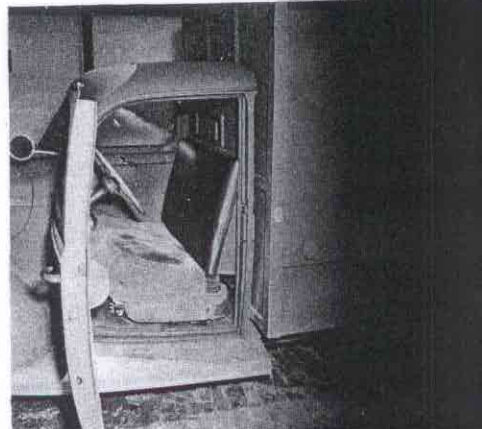
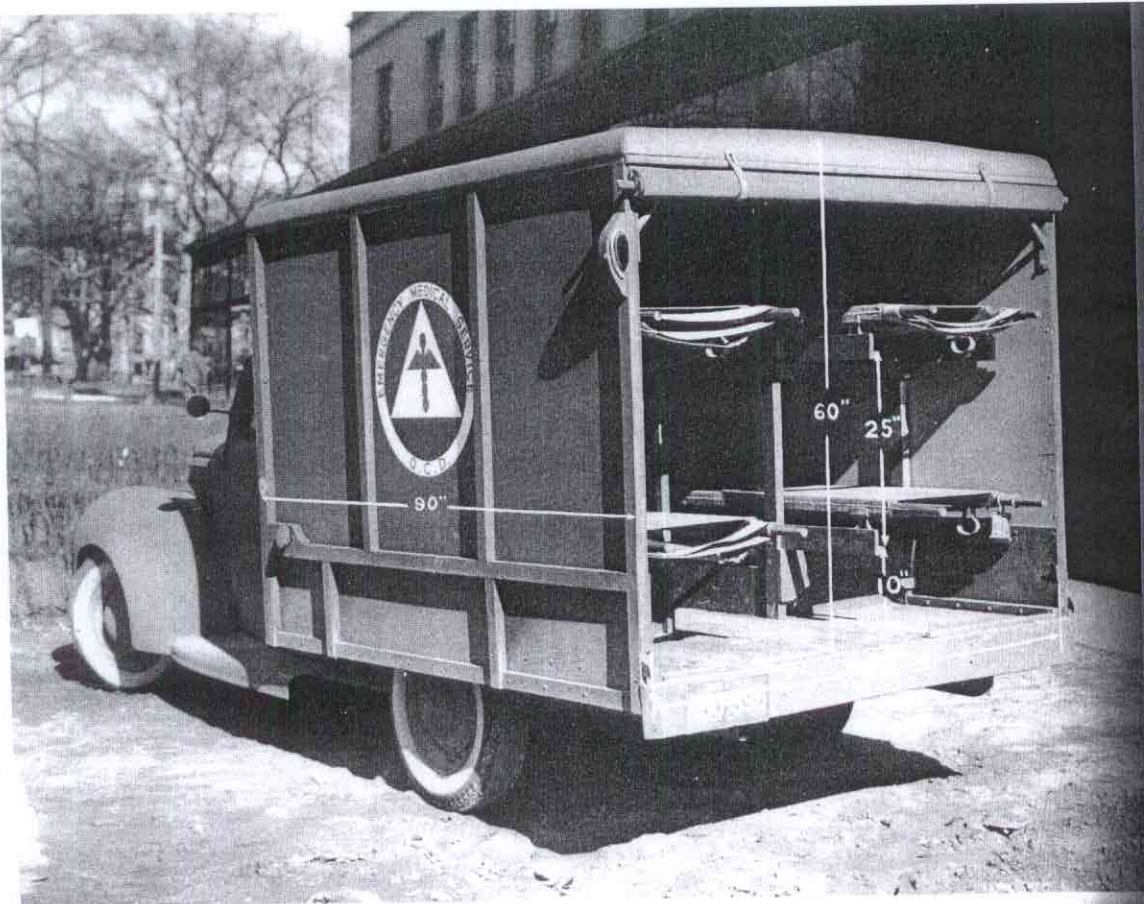
For the Director, Ninth Civilian Defense Region.

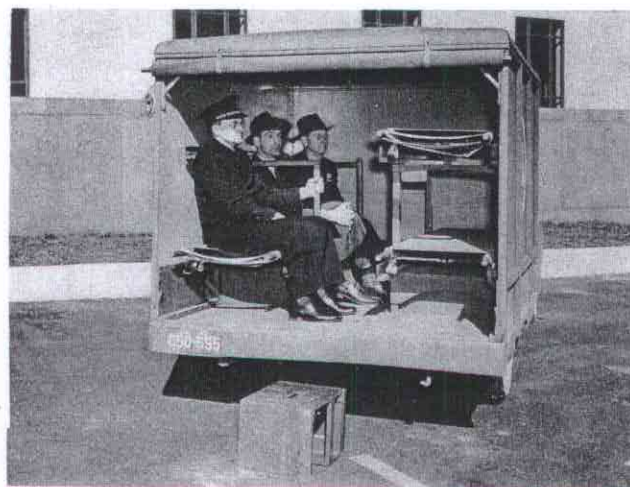
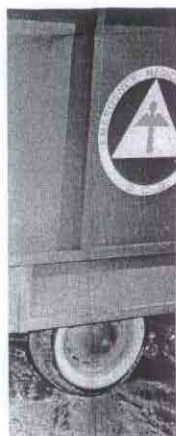
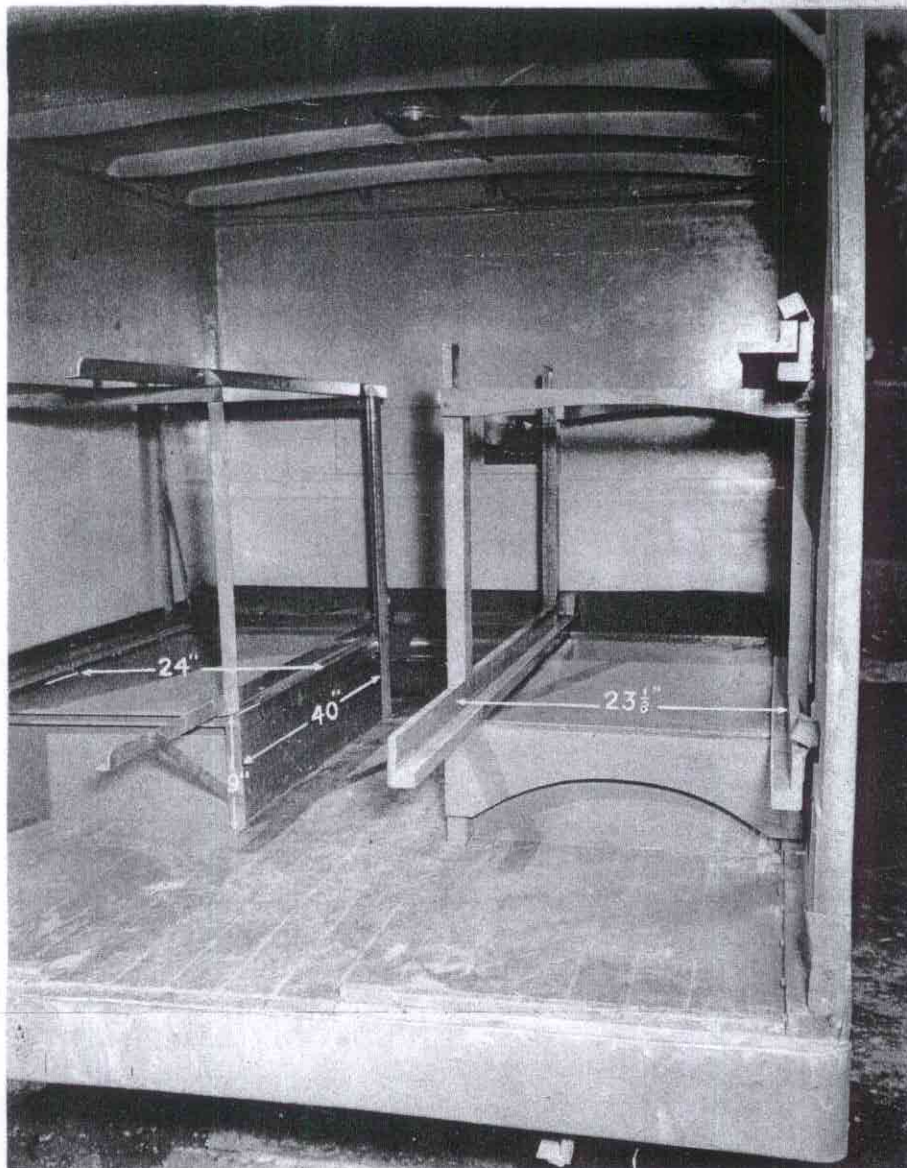
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SHOWING UPPER RAIL REMOVED FOR SITTING CASES

U. S. OFFICE OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE
DESIGN FOR FOUR-STRETCHER AMBULANCE
BODY TO BE USED ON CONVERTED 1939,
1940, AND 1941 FOUR-DOOR FORD, CHEV-
ROLET, AND PLYMOUTH SEDANS

Pictures show conversion of 1939 Ford. Weight as shown approximately 275 pounds more than original sedan body. Rear spring strengthened by insertion of two additional leaves obtained from auto wrecking yard. Chassis frame lengthened by welding on pieces of channel iron obtained from scrap. Body mounted on frame by blocks of sufficient height so wheels have 1/2-inch clearance when body depressed to make contact between frame bumpers and rear axle. Body fastened to frame by pieces of bent iron bolted to body floor and welded to chassis frame. Panels are 1/4-inch hardwood plywood. Stretchers are standard Army size.

For complete specifications write to:
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