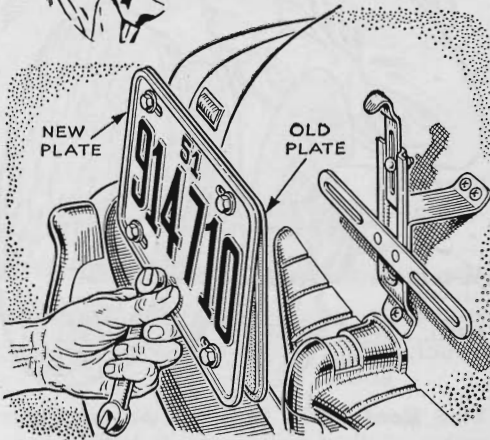
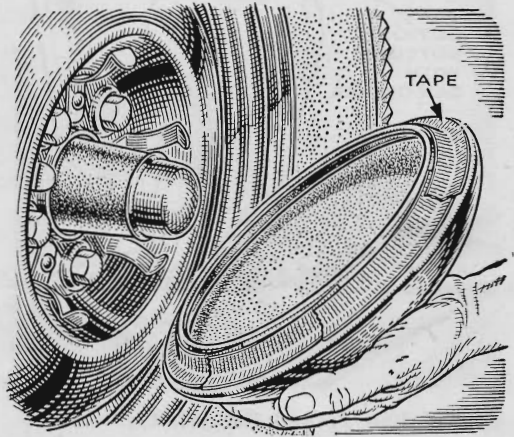




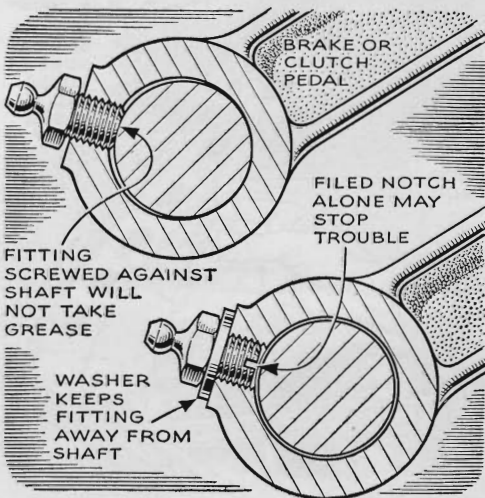
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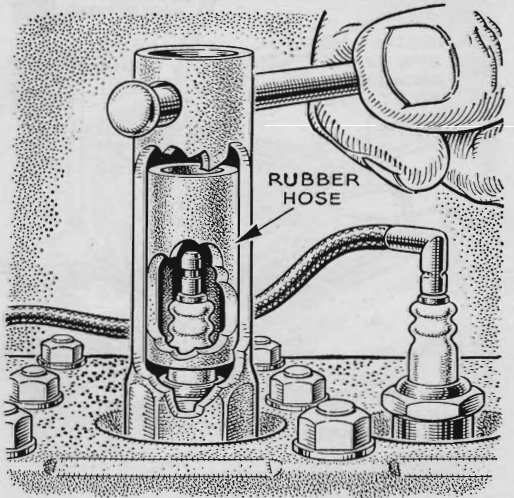
Old Plate Reinforces New One. Some states economize by making their automobile license plates out of thin-gauge metal. You can reinforce these—or any other plates—by reversing your old ones on the bracket behind your new plates.



Tape Protects Wheel Paint. The outer rim of a hub cap sometimes wears paint off the wheel, leaving a rusty ring. J. C. Branstetter, of San Francisco, has found that this can be avoided by placing strips of masking tape around the rim.



Refitting a Grease Fitting. If a grease fitting won't take grease, it may be that the end bears against the shaft, keeping the grease from getting through. Try a new fitting first. If that doesn't work, you can do one of two things—file a notch in the end of the fitting or use a washer as a spacer to hold it away from the shaft.



Hose Protects Spark Plug. When you are removing or replacing a spark plug, the porcelain may be cracked if the wrench slips to a cocked position while you are exerting pressure. To prevent this, Marion L. Rhodes, of Knightstown, Ind., suggests slipping a short piece of rubber inside the wrench to act as a cushion.