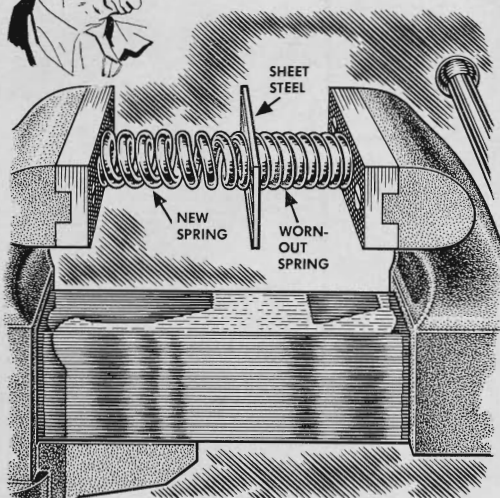
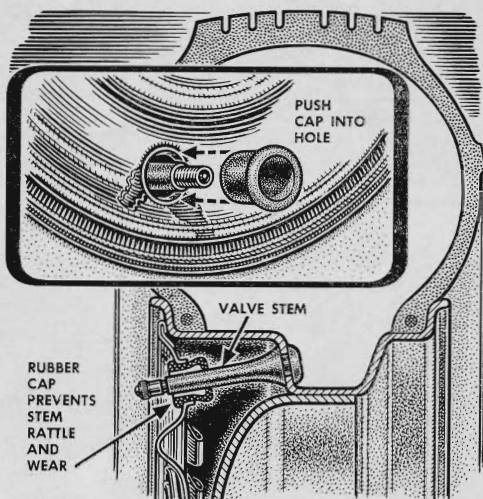




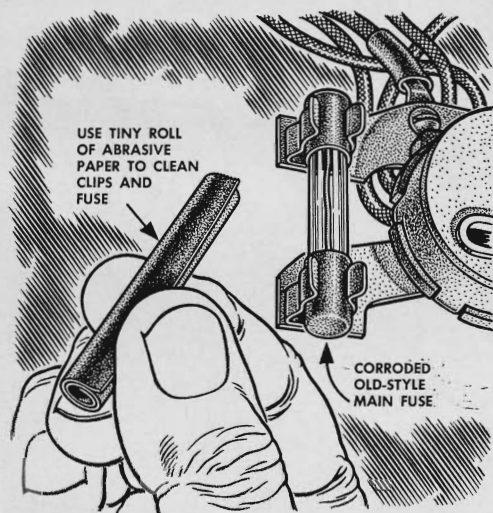
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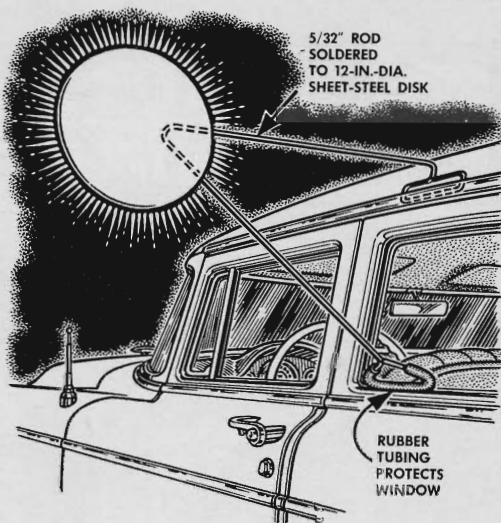
Spring check-up. To find whether a valve spring is too weak for further use, compare it with a new spring like this. Close the vise jaws just enough to support the two springs, then measure the length of each—the new one and the old one.



Valve-stem guard. Valve stems may rattle against the edges of the hole in a wheel cover. Also, the cover itself may shift, cutting the stem. To avoid both annoyances, slip a distributor-terminal nipple over the valve stem.



Light brightener. On an older car where the main fuse has been in place for years, corrosion may be reducing output from the head lamps. Cleaning the clip and fuse with abrasive paper will often make the lights much brighter.



Emergency signal. For night breakdowns along the highway one motorist carries this warning signal in his trunk. The disk can be coated with reflective paint or covered with reflective tape. A pie plate could be used as the disk.