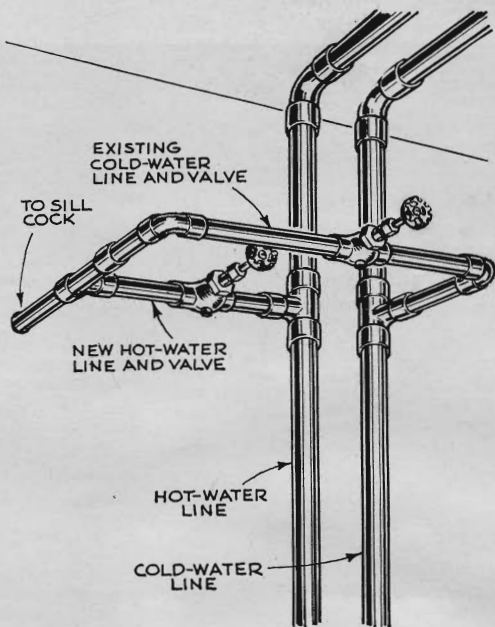
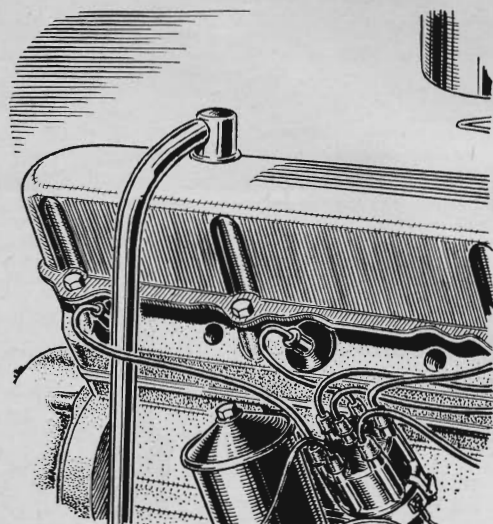


Keep tools and parts handy in a small tray made of wood scraps when you work under the hood. Drill a hole in the center to accept the air-cleaner bolt; fasten with the original wingnut. This works fine—except when the carb needs attention.



When washing your car in wintertime, the water can get numbingly cold if your garage has only a cold-water line. By connecting a hot-water line from the basement you can have warm water. A shutoff valve lets you turn off hot water in the summer.



An engine that wouldn't crank fast enough to start because of cold—this was one reader's problem. He removed every other spark plug to gain cranking speed. The engine started, soon warmed up. He shut it off, replaced the plugs, restarted easily.



If you've mislaid your ice scraper, an ice-covered windshield isn't the most pleasant sight to see first thing in the morning. Look around the house for a spare electric-outlet cover; it makes an effective and nonscratching substitute.