

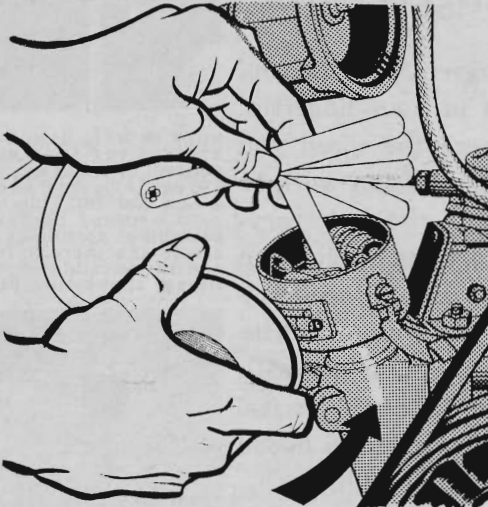


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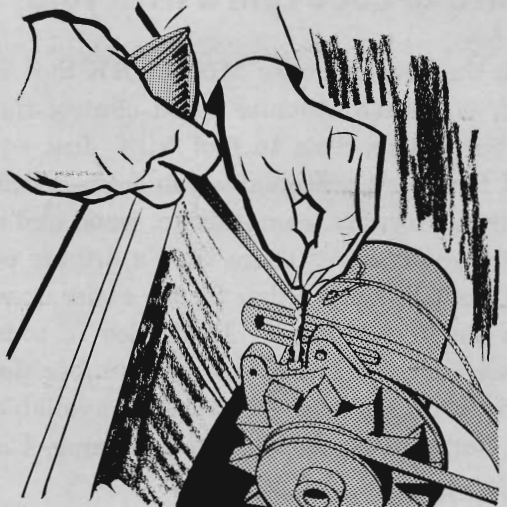


An automobile handy light with its 12-foot plug-in cord is a fine way to save your flashlight batteries. However, the cord always presents a storage problem. Here's a solution: Instead of trying to keep it wound on the cardboard it was purchased on, try

storing it on one of those big spools of the kind that's used for surgical adhesive tape. Bend one side of the spool into a lip so that the lamp and plug can remain outside. You will find that the bothersome cord cannot loosen or become unwound.

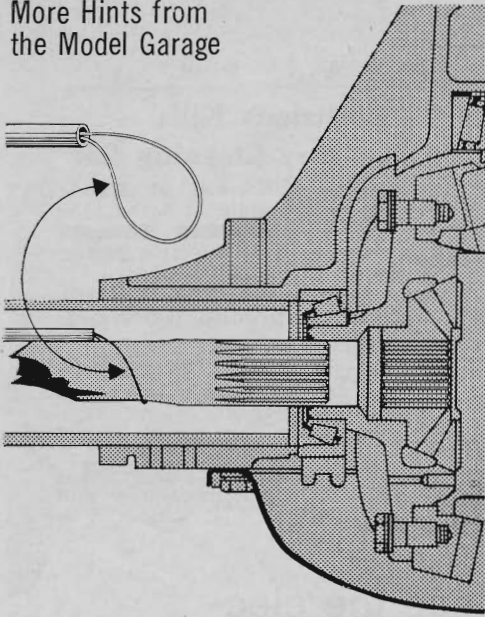


When adjusting point gap, it's easier to position the rubbing block on the cam lobe by turning the distributor. Mark the distributor base. Loosen locking bolt, rotate distributor until gap is maximum. Adjust points, return distributor to mark, and lock.

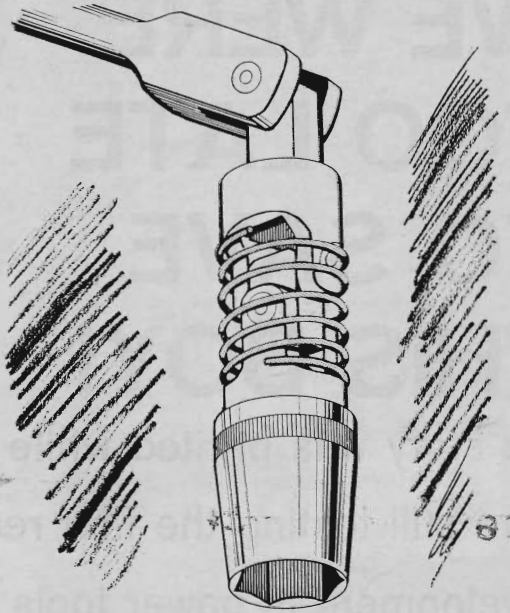


To keep from over-oiling a generator with the customary squirt can, introduce the point of a nail into the spring-covered oil tubes. Let the spring cap hold the nail in place. Then let one or more drops of oil run down the side of the nail.

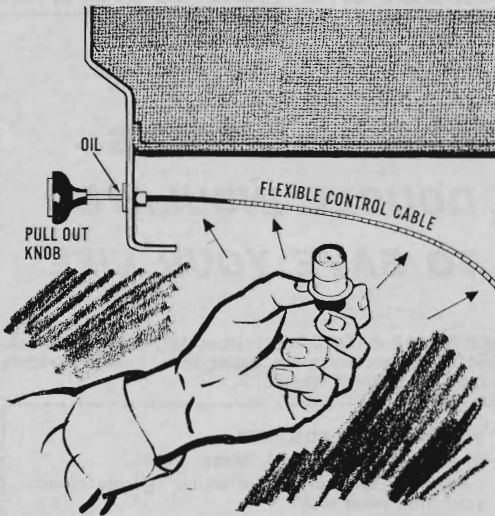
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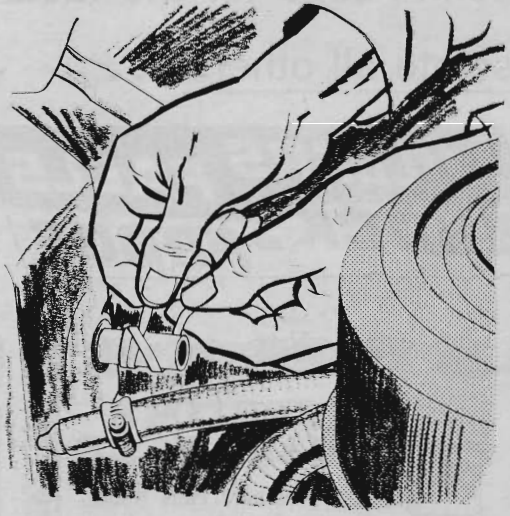
Pieces of a broken axle can be removed with a snare without taking off the differential cover. Slip a flexible wire, looped on the end, through a piece of tubing. Insert in the housing. Move it around to locate the broken part, tighten the wire, and pull.



Universal-joint socket wrenches get wobbly when they wear. Strengthen them with an old spring off a brake cylinder or master brake unit. Force the spring over either end until it supports the socket and the drive ends. Cut the spring to suit.



To lubricate sticking flexible cables on dash controls, pull out the knob and apply oil where the wire enters the dash fitting. Heat the cable behind the dash with the cigarette lighter. Oil will be attracted to the heated portions of the cable.



A leaking heater hose can often be fixed with a broad, sturdy rubber band. Disconnect the hose. Wrap the heater pipe connection tightly with the rubber band, spacing the turns evenly under the half-inch area occupied by the hose clamp.