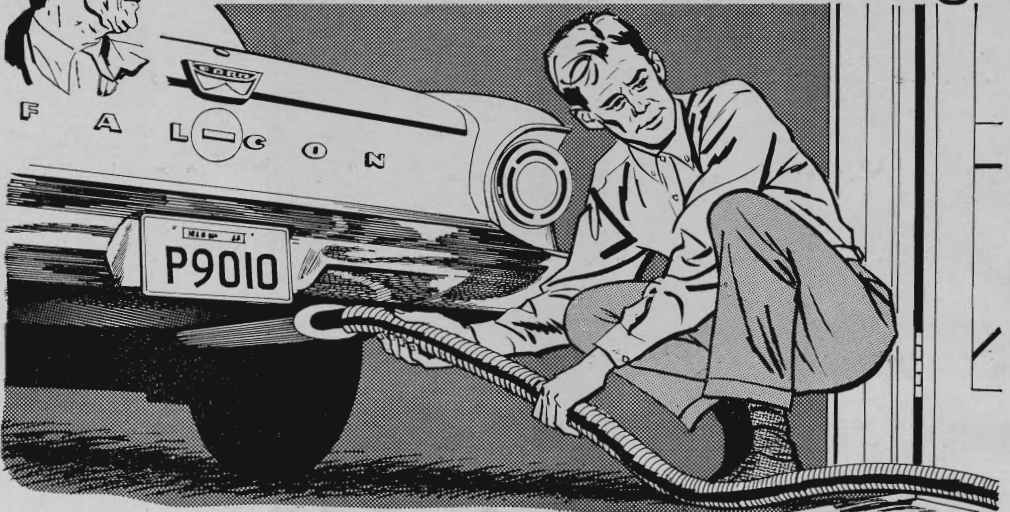




Hints from the Model Garage

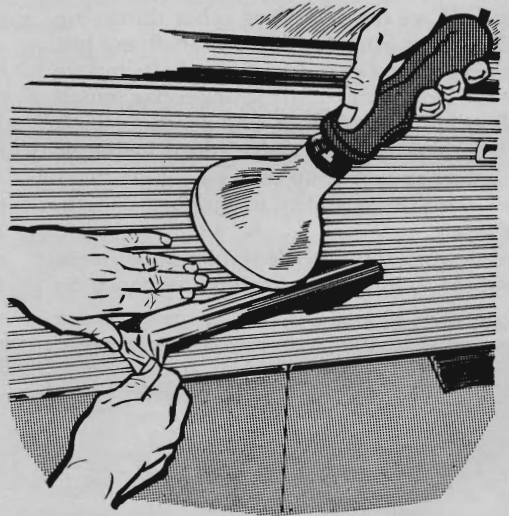


Make your garage a safe place to work in when you tune up your car's engine by venting deadly carbon monoxide exhaust gases outside with a snaking tailpipe extension. A length of flexible steel tubing or an old vacuum-cleaner hose will do the

job. Be sure the diameter of the extension is such that it makes a leak-free fit around the tailpipe. Run the free hose end outdoors—and away from windows and siding: Exhaust fumes can discolor painted woodwork and corrode exposed metal surfaces.



For a long-life inner-tube patch, clean an inch-wide area around the tear with a carbon tetrachloride cleaning fluid (such as Carbona spot remover). The fluid prepares the rubber surface for a patch without the usual preliminary sanding and scraping.



Soften vinyl-plastic upholstery material before covering armrests, by exposing it to an infrared heat lamp for a few minutes. You can easily stretch the softened vinyl around and under the curved ends for a neat, wrinkle-free re-covering job.