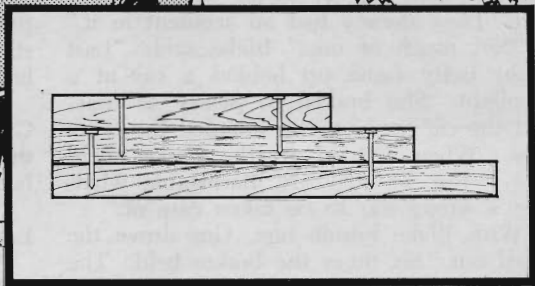
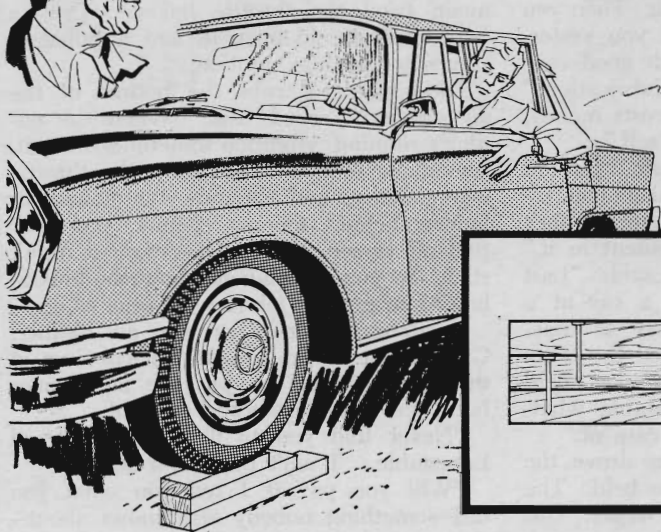
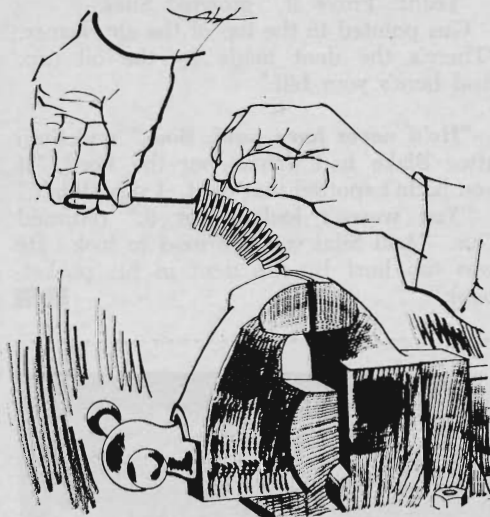


# Hints from the Model Garage

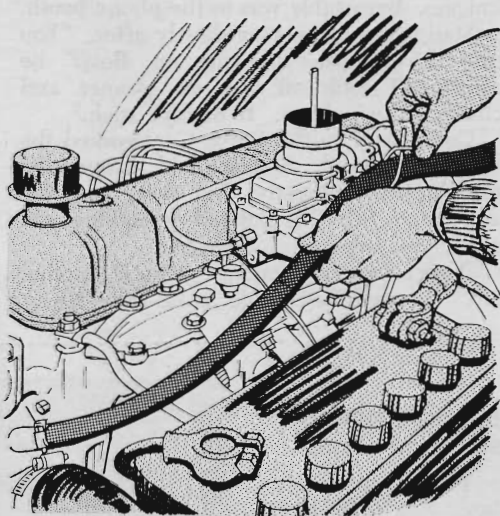


Lifting your car off the ground so you can work under it comfortably need not be hard. Auto-lift blocks assembled by nailing scrap two-by-fours or, better yet, two-by-sixes or two-by-eights, to form ramps with flat tops do the trick. If you plan to lift only one

wheel, two-by-fours will do, but for both front or rear wheels, the wider ramps are less apt to topple and are safer. The blocks shown are 17, 22, and 27 inches long. They raised the car off the ground enough to make dropping the pan easy.



Expanding a heavy spring that works under tension, like a Chevrolet clutch-return spring, calls for a special tool. Bending the spring and wedging it open with flat washers does it. With the spring in place, depress the clutch and the washers will fall out.



Improve short-trip economy by rerouting a heater hose so it touches the choke thermostat housing. Heat from the hose keeps the choke from closing during the short pause between errands so the engine uses less fuel and cylinder bores wear less rapidly.