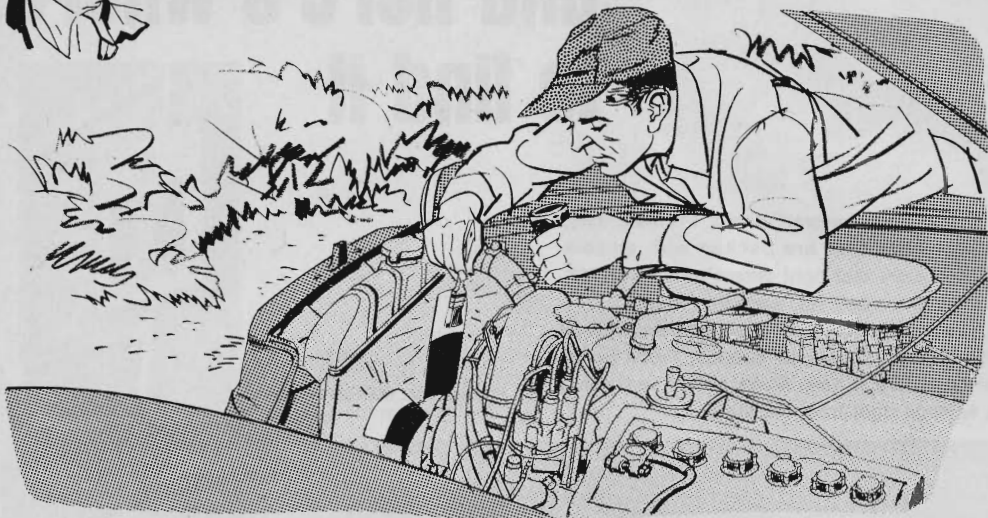


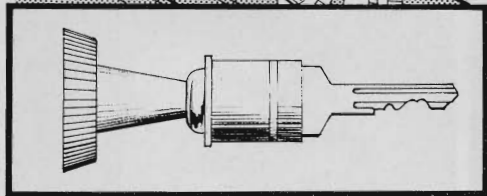
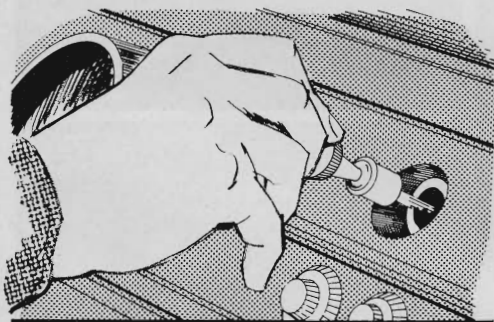


# Hints from the Model Garage



**Working under the hood** of a car while the engine is running — as it must for some checkup and repair operations — can be dangerous. Absorbed in your work, you can forget to keep your fingers out of the way of the revolving fan —

especially if it is a dull, dark color. The solution: Paint the fan-blade tips with a fluorescent paint like Day-Glo. The highly visible bright orange-red will make it safer to work around that running engine.

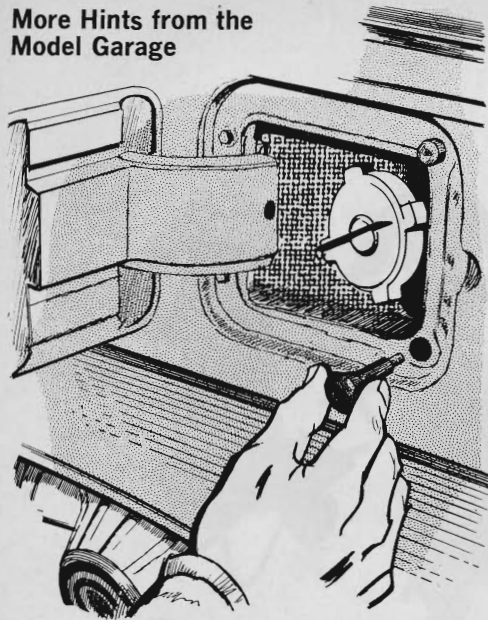


**Need a good spot for the spare key?** Take the guts out of the cigarette lighter, fill it with epoxy glue and stick the key handle into it. Disconnect the wires to the lighter and remove the back of the socket. The knob now keeps the key handy, but still looks like a lighter — fooling potential thieves but keeping the key handy.

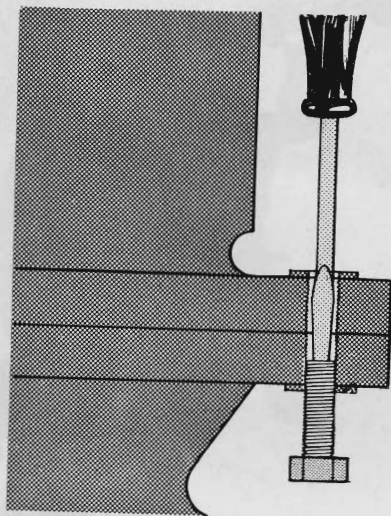


**Coolant containing antifreeze**, drained and stored in a bucket or a can during a repair job, ends up with a film of oil over it. Remove this film before refilling the radiator by placing a sheet of newspaper on the coolant surface — it will readily absorb the oil. A discarded desk blotter will do the job nicely, too.

## More Hints from the Model Garage



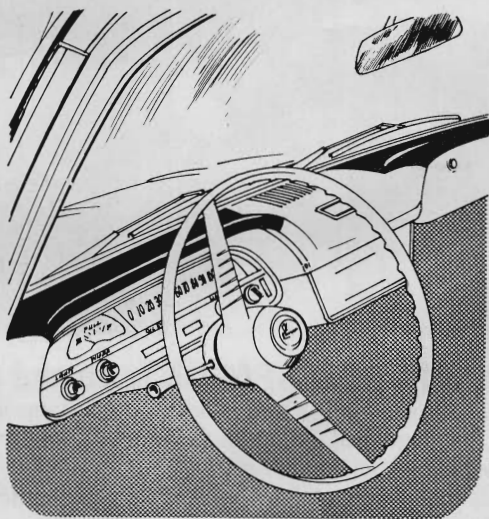
Those small rubber bump plugs on the fender trapdoors covering gas-filler caps often get lost. For a long-lasting replacement job, try this trick: Fit medium-size, tapered tubeless-tire plugs into the holes. Dip the plugs in oil and pull them into place.



Carburetor bolts inserted from below sometimes cannot be reached with a wrench. But they can be easily loosened or tightened from the top with a screwdriver if the bolt ends have a slot in them. For the final tightening, use a wrench on the screwdriver handle.



You won't forget the setting for your ignition points any more if you punch the specifications on a piece of "Dymo" tape and stick it on the coil where they can easily be read. Other reminders can be made up and stuck in proper places in the garage as well as in the car.



Sunlight reflections of the instrument panel in the windshield bothering you? Here's an effective remedy: Put a coating of flat black enamel on top of the dash. Mark off a symmetrical area with masking tape, and cover it with the reflection-absorbing paint.