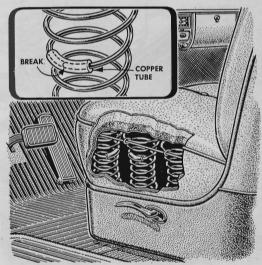


Quieting a Gear Lever. In some older cars, a rattling shift lever on the steering post can be quieted by slipping on one of the rubber hose fittings that come with bathtub sprayers. Force it over the lever and against the steering column.

Washer Keeps Stem in Sight. If you have trouble preventing the valve stem from slipping back into the casing while mounting a tire, put a close-fitting washer on the stem and clamp it in place by screwing on the valve cap.



Repairing a Seat Spring. A coil spring in a car seat may break and let you down. But you can return the spring to service by forming a short piece of copper tubing to the contour of the spring and slipping it on the broken ends.



Hood Pad Protects Spotlight. If your spotlight swings to a position where the opened hood will strike it, pad the hood edge with a strip of rubber cemented in place. The hood then won't cause any damage if it accidentally hits the spot.