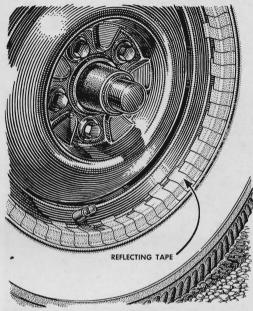
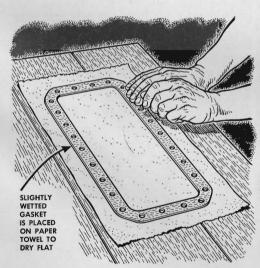


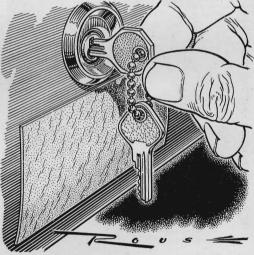
To pinpoint engine noises, use a stethoscope made from a radio earphone. Solder a stiff wire to the diaphragm, and the earphone's magnet to the wire's other end. Touch the magnet to different parts of the engine to listen and trace noises.



Short strips of reflecting tape placed side by side around wheel rims serve two purposes: They reflect an oncoming car's headlights when you drive out of a side street and they eliminate any occasional tendency for the wheel covers to creak.



A cork gasket that has shrunk can sometimes be restored to its original size by dipping in water and laying it flat long enough to absorb the moisture and swell. Don't soak it for a long period of time, as it might come apart or crumble.



The noise of keys jangling against the dash can be silenced by cementing a small square of leather to the metal below the ignition switch. Rubber cement will hold it without damaging the finish. Colored leather can be bought at craft shops.