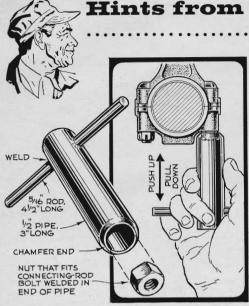
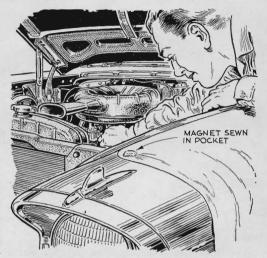
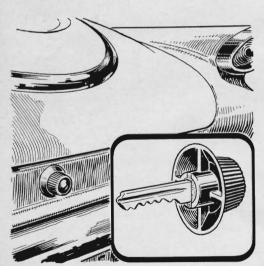
Hints from the Model Garage



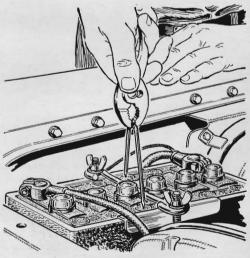
To check the big-end bearing of a connecting rod for looseness, remove one cap nut, and screw this homemade tool on the stud. The T handle affords a good grip that permits you to push the bearing up and down to detect play.



A fender cover won't slip or blow away if you sew a permanent magnet in each upper corner. Fold the corners of the cloth over the magnets, or sew a patch over them, to hold them in place and prevent them from scratching the car fininsh.



If you open the trunk frequently, you might find it more convenient to leave the key in the lock. The key can be concealed by filing its head and cementing it into a TV or stove knob. Paint the knob to match the finish of the car.



Try bridging a dead cell with the pointed ends of a heavy wire, as shown above, next time the battery won't crank the engine. Bridging the dead or open cell will often cause enough current to flow from the good cells to turn over the starter.