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CARE OF THE MECHANICAL BRAKE RUBBER BOOT

An old friend of mine who has been in restoration business for years tells me to coat the rubber boots with liquid silicone otherwise they will rot away before you get the car finished restored!

I found some at a wall tile store for use on cleaning and protecting ceramic tile grout. Why I do not know but I was told do not use spray silicone. I was told you can use "armor-all" but you will have to treat them more frequently.

HOLDING THE RUBBER BRAKE BOOT IN PLACE

The original rubber boots were held in place on the outer flex cable locking nut and onto the fork by use of a heavy washer. Mine were still on the brake cable assembly but I could no way get the rubber threaded through the special washer and then the washer and rubber slide only the parts -- I guess the rubber boots I have are a little thicker rubber than the original. (even the grease trick would not work)

If anyone has the answer, please let me know so I can re-publish this part of the newsletter!

