

Fig. 15—Remove or Install Shift Tube

Steering Shaft Pot Coupling (Fig. 17)

Removal

- (1) Pry cover tangs out from coupling body and lift seal and cover from body.
- (2) Drive the small short dowel pin at edge of coupling body, down into coupling and discard. A new pin will be required for reassembly.
- (3) Pull body off the shaft and shoe assembly.
- (4) Separate and clean all parts.

Column Inspection

After cleaning, inspect all parts for wear or

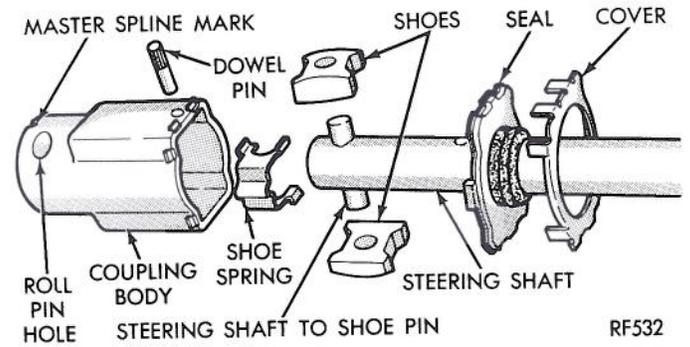


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damage. Inspect turn signal switch for distortion, broken or damaged parts. Inspect wiring insulation for worn or bare spots.

Inspect steering shaft bearings for smooth operation, and lubricate with Multipurpose Grease NLGI Grade 2 E.P. If bearing has any signs of roughness or wear, it should be replaced.

Inspect floor plate grommet and replace if damaged.

Reassembly (Fig. 18)

During reassembly, apply a thin coat of Multipurpose Grease NLGI Grade 2 E.P. such as Multi-mileage Lubricant, Part Number 4318062 or equivalent, to all friction surfaces.

- (1) Clamp column in a vise so that both ends of column are accessible.
- (2) Check column tube-to-mandrel rivets for tightness. Replace if necessary, using 1/8 inch diameter by 1/4 inch long (1/8 inch grip) aluminum "blind" rivets.

CAUTION: Never use steel rivets as the rivets at this joint must shear upon impact.

- (3) Install the floor plate and grommet on lower

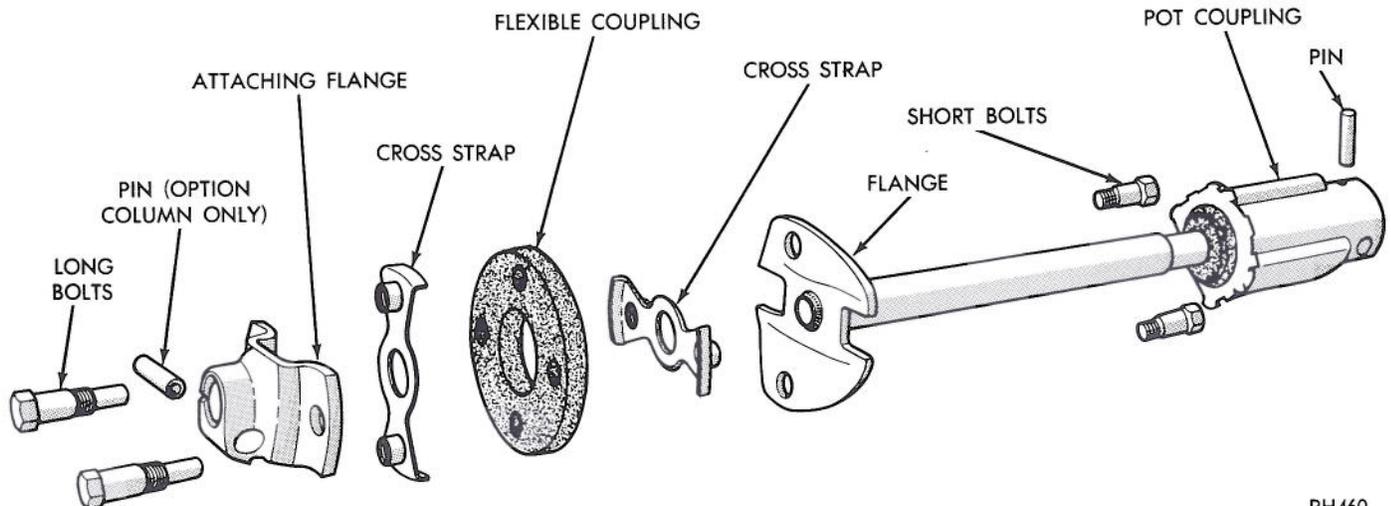


Fig. 16—Steering Shaft Flexible Coupling