



Fig. 23—Install Rod into Grommet

bracket slots. Insert column assembly through floor pan opening, being careful not to damage paint or trim.

(2) With front wheels in straight ahead position and master splines on wormshaft and coupling aligned, engage coupling with wormshaft and install the roll pin. **Do not apply end loads to steering shaft.**

(3) Hold column assembly with bracket slots on mounting studs. Install but **do not tighten** the two upper bracket washers and nuts.

(4) After assuring that both breakaway capsules are fully seated in their slots in the column support bracket, tighten the two upper bracket nuts to 110 in. lbs. (12 N·m).

(5) Position floor plate over floor pan opening, centering it around the column, then install and tighten retaining bolts.

(6) Place steering wheel on steering shaft with master splines aligned. Install retaining nut and tighten to 45 ft. lbs. (61 N·m). **Do not drive steering wheel on shaft; draw wheel down with retaining nut.**

(7) Install horn switch parts previously removed from steering wheel. Connect horn switch wire.

(8) Connect wiring connectors at steering column jacket. Connect battery ground cable, test operation of lights and horns.

(9) Connect link rod to shift lever by snapping rod into grommet with pliers (Fig. 23). (Grommet must always be installed into lever before rod is inserted into grommet.) Use MOPAR Multipurpose Grease, Part Number 4318063 or equivalent, to aid installation.

(10) Readjust linkage. **Whenever the column is removed or loosened, linkage adjustment must be checked.** Refer to "Transmission Group" for linkage adjustment.

(11) Connect gearshift indicator pointer in its approximate original location. Slowly move gearshift lever from "1" (low) to "P" (park) pausing briefly at each selector position. The indicator pointer must align with each selector position. If necessary, loosen and readjust to align pointer correctly.

(12) Install lower reinforcement and instrument panel steering column cover.

(13) Connect negative (ground) cable to battery.

For removal of horn switch, See Group 8—Electrical