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Gentlemen - This letter from the Field
portrays a condition which doubtless con-
fronts many of our people.

I have been operating a Studebaker car -
driving to and from work. When the
critical labor shortage presented itself
my wife agreed to go back to work
in the industry where she is so vitally needed.
I do not think it will be possible for her
to continue to work unless I can furnish
her with transportation.

A high percentage of all Studebaker cars
made within the last ten years have
been equipped with a fibre timing gear
which cannot now be bought. A survey
shows that very many Studebaker cars
mine included - in all parts of the
United States are now tied up because of
timing gear failure.

According to information available to me
the Production Board authorized the
manufacture of such accessories some
time ago but because of O.P.A. profit
ceiling figures the manufacturers have
avoided making the parts. If my under-
standing of this is correct such insid-
ious type of "strike", hidden as it is
from the public gaze, should be
brought to light.

For people who really strive to do what they can to aid in this great war effort to be hampered by such things appears to be contrary to principle.

Thanking you for the opportunity of thus addressing you, I am,
with respect,

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