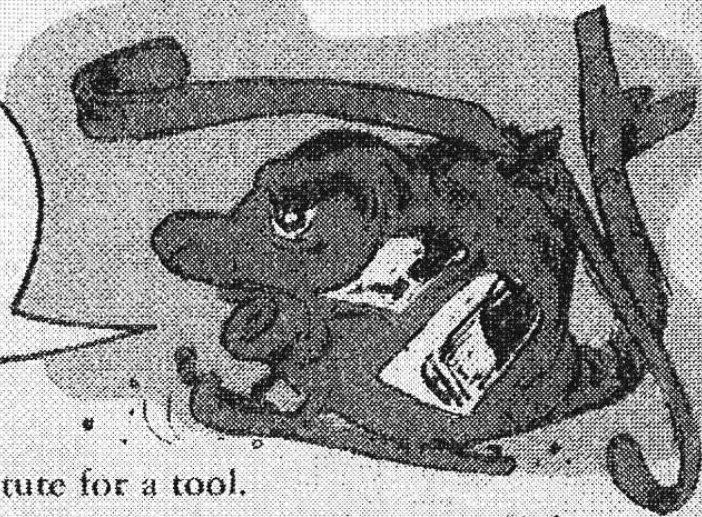


HANDS OFF!

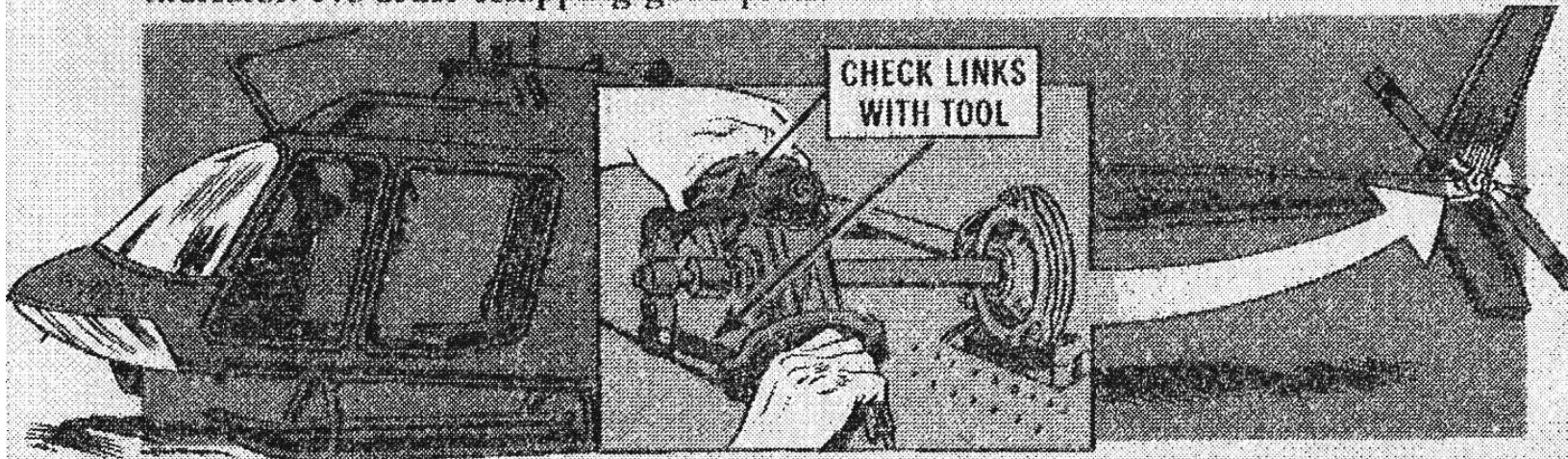


Hands are used for feeling but they're no substitute for a tool.

Like—if you Kiowamechs plant your mitts on the tail rotor pitch change links. Sure, the links will move on you but that doesn't mean the bearings are worn beyond limits and the links need replacement ... no, sir!

Chances are, if you don't have a tail rotor high freq the bearings are OK.

When you're in doubt, tho, take the links off the bird and check 'em on a dial indicator. No sense scrapping good parts.



If the bearing radial play (up and down) or the axial play (in and out) is over 0.010 inch, replace both links.