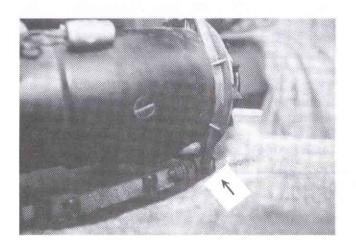
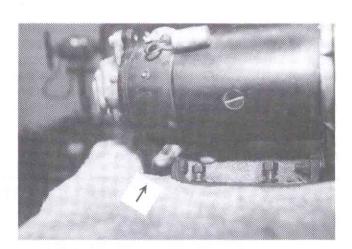
GENERATORS 1955-61

Many owners know how to read the part number and dates, but don't know how to tell the difference between a Corvette and a car generator. I well try to help you to know the difference by using your finger as a tool. First a car having power steering, 1955-61 uses a generator that can be used on a Corvette by removing the rear pump and replacing it with a tack drive assembly. Also many cars used the same belt pulley as Vette if it also had two fours or F.I. Reading the rivetted tag is no guarantee because that can be replaced easily. Only the 1955 and early 1956 two hole exhaust and Hi-po big bearing (rear) generators are not included, because they used a cast iron front and rear support (no rubber mounts). First all Vettes and cars used aluminum on the front plate and the rear was cast iron. A visual appearance of a Vette front plate had no fins but many cars did have fins (see pictures). By using your finger between the generator body and the rear or front plate (Vette) you can not pass your finger between them, but on

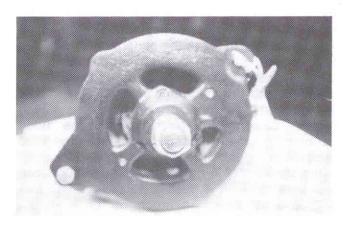
the car you can pass your finger between the generator body and plate. Many times I have surprised owners with this information, finding a car generator on their Vette, so realizing they only go by the tag I thought I would bring this to your attention, (as I know only Corvette uses these plates). Note, the front plate on a car has a part number cast into it #1941168 but the Vette has no number! Note the rear plate is being reproed by Red Roadster (213) 54-Vette, (California) because today bearings are a sealed unit needing no oiling, the oil hole is not drilled all the way through, other than that I find no real difference between them. Now if you ever wondered why a generator was high or low at one end, you know why (because they may have a mix of car and Vette support plates). That is why you see many generators selling without the rear TACK drive assembly (CAR). Judging some day will pick up on this information, so I would start correcting yours now.

- Editor Roy



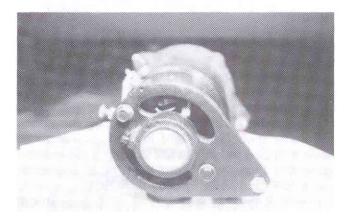


Finger passes under front plate and rear on car generators.



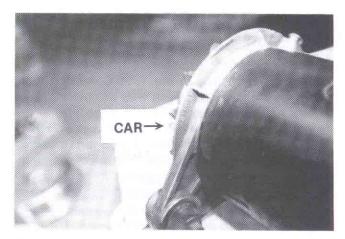
Big bearing (front).

Cast-iron

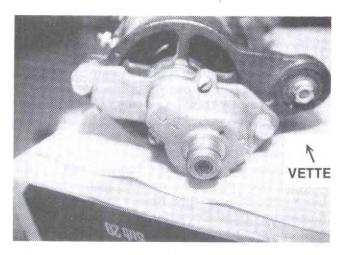


Big bearing (rear).

Cast-iron



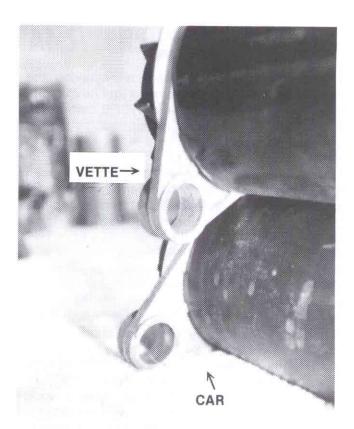
Uses part #1941168 cast into its plate, which Corvette doesn't. Also has fins on plate.



Back of Vette generator shows tach drive and rear plate.



Rear generator plate for Vette only is reproed by Red Roadster.



Finger passes under car plate, but would not pass under Vette plate.

YEAR	STARTER	GEN.	VOLT. REG.
1956		1102043	1119001
1957	1107664	1102043	1119001
1958	1107664	1102043 1102059 (290 HP)	1119001 (30A 1119002 (30A
1959	1107664	1102043 1102059 FI to 3100 1102173 FI from 3100	1119001 1119002
1960	1107664	1102043 Tac Dr. 1102173 FI	1119001 1119002
1961	1107889	1102043 Tac Dr. 1102173 FI	1119001 1119002
1962	1107233 Stick 1107242 Auto	1102174 (250 & 300 HP) 1102268 (340 & 360 HP)	1119002 1119002
Gen.	(Front) Drive Plate	(Rear) Comutator Plate	
1102043	Aluminum	Cast	
1102059	Cast	Cast	
1102268	Cast	Cast (same as 2173)	
1102173	Cast	Cast (same as 2268)	
1102174	Aluminum	Cast	

Compiled with the help of the Red Rooster!