

## Thorough tune-up essential

Better gasoline mileage, more pep, surer starting are all benefits to be derived from an engine tune-up. But to get the maximum the service offers, a spark plug company suggests the motorist should become acquainted with what a good tune-up is and insist on receiving all ingredients.

Before having a tune-up performed, make sure that the engine is in condition to benefit. The engine should be in generally good mechanical condition, critical parts lubricated, the cooling system and exhaust functioning. An engine with burned valves, worn or damaged piston rings cannot be tuned properly until worn or damaged parts are repaired.

So, it is important that cylinder balance and compression checks be performed to help detect any serious malfunctions.

Basics of any tune-up include changing spark plugs and points and condenser in cars so equipped. Some cars have electronic ignition without points and condenser. Checking all ignition components is recommended and if replacement of items that come in sets (such as plugs and plug wires) becomes necessary, then change the whole set.

Installing one or two plugs or wires is false economy since if several units need replacing, then their mates will probably wear out soon.

The carburetor, which delivers the proper mixture of air and fuel to the intake manifold, should be checked for leaks in the gasket area. Excessive dirt and varnish, improper choke and faulty linkage also are possible carburetor defects.

Related areas such as fuel pump, air filter, fuel line and fuel filter should be checked as part of the tune-up procedure.

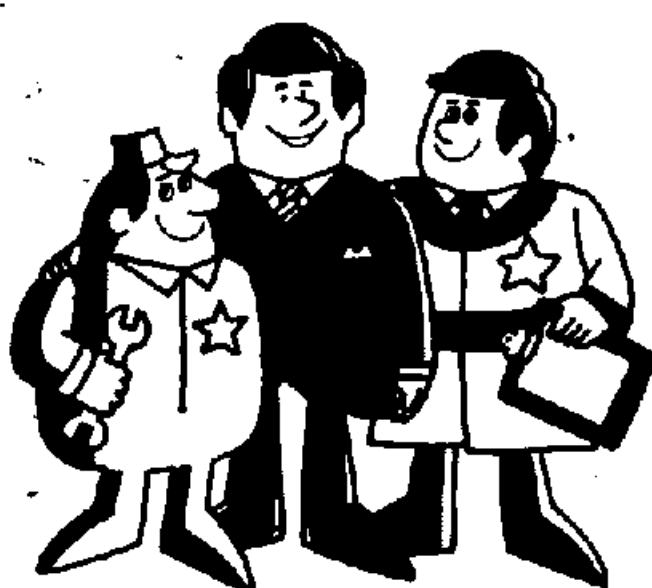
Various emission control devices have been introduced into cars in the past few years. Each of these devices must be checked to make sure it is properly functioning for best performance, dependability, economy and reduced exhaust emissions.

So, when you see an ad for a tune-up at an unbelievably low price, check what you are getting for that price.

Does it include parts or merely labor? Is the shop equipped with devices like engine oscilloscopes, exhaust gas analyzers and other sophisticated equipment? A good tune-up that will save you money and help your car to top performance won't come cheaply. But a cheap tune-up is no bargain.

### Commencing

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — John Crittenden Sawhill, president of New York University, will be the principal commencement speaker at the State University of New York at Albany May 30. Sawhill holds a doctorate in economics, finance and statistics.



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