SECTION 2-D CYLINDER HEAD AND VALVE MECHANISM SERVICE

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2-13 CYLINDER HEAD AND VALVE SERVICE

a. Removal of Cylinder Head

- 1. Drain the radiator and cylinder block.
- 2. Remove air cleaner and silencer, then disconnect all pipes and hoses from carburetor and intake manifold.
- 3. Disconnect wires from accelerator vacuum switch, remove coil, remove throttle return spring.
- 4. Remove intake manifold and carburetor as an assembly. Remove manifold gaskets.
- 5. When removing RIGHT cylinder head; (1) remove oil gauge rod, (2) disconnect automatic transmission filler pipe bracket from head, (3) remove generator mounting bracket, (4) remove air conditioning compressor, if present.
- 6. When removing LEFT cylinder head; (1) remove power steering gear pump with mounting bracket if present, and move it out of the way with hoses attached.
- 7. Disconnect wires from spark plugs.
- 8. Disconnect water manifold from both cylinder heads and disconnect exhaust manifold from head to be removed.
- 9. With air hose and cloths, clean dirt off cylinder head and adjacent area to avoid getting dirt into

engine. It is extremely important to avoid getting dirt into the hydraulic valve lifters.

10. Remove rocker arm cover and remove rocker arm and shaft assembly from cylinder head. Lift out push rods.

NOTE: Due to the close clearances in the engine compartment it is necessary to leave some of the bolts and push rods in the head during removal. The push rods should be pulled up and taped in position while cylinder head is being removed. These same parts must be in the head during installation.

- 11. Slightly loosen all cylinder head bolts then remove bolts and lift off the cylinder head. Remove gasket.
- 12. With cylinder head on bench, remove all spark plugs for cleaning and to avoid damage during work on the head.

b. Reconditioning Valves and Guides

- 1. Place cylinder head on Holding Fixture J-5251 with valve springs straight up. Compress valve springs with fixture lever and remove the spring cap keys, then remove the springs and caps. See Figure 2-19A.
- 2. Carefully roll cylinder head away from holding fixture until one edge rests on bench, then remove valves. Place valves in a stick with numbered holes to keep them in order for reinstallation in original positions.

- 3. Scrape all carbon from combustion chambers, piston heads, and valves. Clean all carbon and gum deposits from valve guide bores. When using scrapers or wire brushes for removing carbon, avoid scratching valve seats and valve faces.
- 4. Inspect valve faces and seats for pits, burned spots or other evidences of poor seating. If a valve head must be ground until the outer edge is sharp in order to true up the face, discard the valve because the sharp edge will run too hot.
- 5. Check fit of valve stems in guides. If clearance is excessive replace the guides, as follows:
- (a) Remove center crossbar from Holding Fixture J-5251, place cylinder head in fixture so that inlet port side rests against the fixture lower bar, then drive

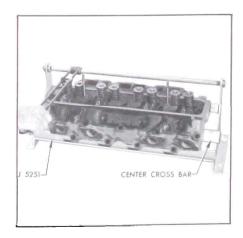


Figure 2-19A—Removing Valve in Holding Fixture J 5251

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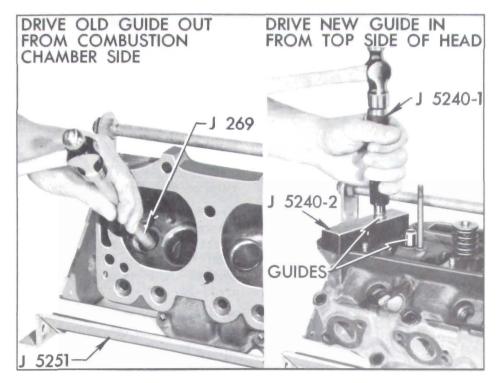


Figure 2-20—Removing and Installing Valve Guide

guides out from combustion chamber side using Driver J-269. See Figure 2-20 on 300 cu. in. engine use J-267.

- (b) Place cylinder head on holding fixture with valve cover studs straight up, remove cover gasket and clean gasket surface of head.
- (c) Place Valve Guide Aligner J-5240-2 over guide hole in head, insert the valve guide either end down, and use Installer J-5240-1 and hammer to drive guide down into head until the shoulder on the installer contacts top of the aligner. See Figure 2-20. Repeat for each guide.
- (d) Use Valve Guide Reamer J-129-3 to finish ream inlet and exhaust guides. Replacement guides are not finish reamed to size On 300 cu. in. engine use Reamer J-8814.
- 6. Reface valves and true up valve seats to 45 degrees. Cutting a valve seat results in lowering the valve spring pressure and increases the width of the seat. The nominal width of a valve seat is 3/64" to 5/64" (1/16" average).

If valve seat is over 5/64" after truing up, it should be narrowed to specified width by using the proper 20 degree and 70 degree cutters.

Improper hydraulic valve lifter operation may result if valve and seat have been refinished enough to allow the end of valve stem to raise approximately .050" above normal position. In this case it will be necessary to grind off end of valve stem or replace parts.

The normal height of the valve stem above the valve rocker arm cover gasket surface of the cylinder head is 1.540.

- 7. Lightly lap valves into seats with fine grinding compound. The refacing and reseating operations should leave the refinished surfaces smooth and true so that a minimum of lapping is required. Excessive lapping will groove the valve face and a grooved valve will not seat tightly when hot.
- 8. Test valves for concentricity with seats and for tight seating. Valves usually are tested by

lightly coating the valve face with prussian blue and turning the valve against its seat. This indicates whether the seat is concentric with the valve guide but does not prove that valve face is concentric with the valve stem. or that the valve is seating all the way around. After making this test, wash all blue from surfaces. lightly coat valve seat with blue and repeat the test to see whether a full mark is obtained on the valve. Both tests are necessary to prove that a proper seat is being obtained.

9. Reinstall center crossbar in holding fixture, install valves in guides, then install valve springs, caps and keys. Place ends of springs having closed coils against cylinder head.

c. Replacement of Rocker Arms (401 & 425 cu. in. Engines)

- 1. Remove cotter pin, flat washer and spring washer from each end of the rocker arm shaft and remove bolts from brackets. Remove rocker arms, brackets and springs from shaft.
- 2. Clean and inspect all parts and replace those that are excessively worn.
- 3. Assemble springs, rocker arms and brackets on shaft as shown in Figure 2-21. Note that the long spring is at middle of shaft, the valve ends of all rocker arms slant toward middle of

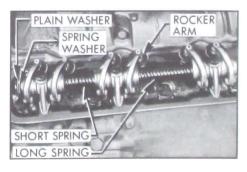


Figure 2-21—Rocker Arm and Shaft
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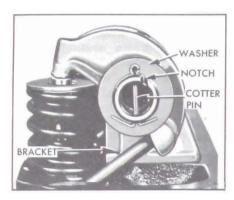


Figure 2–22—Rocker Arm Shaft End View

shaft, and a bracket is located between each pair of rocker arms.

- 4. Install spring washer, flat washer, and cotter pin on each end of shaft in the order named.
- 5. Install bolts with plain washers through brackets and shaft so that the notch on one end of shaft is upward in line with bolt heads. This places the oil holes on lower side of shaft in proper relationship to rocker arms. See Figure 2-22.

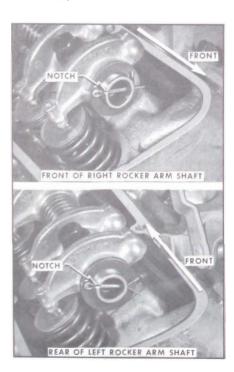


Figure 2-23—Rocker Arm Shaft Installation

d. 300 cu. in. Engine

Install bolts with plain washers through the brackets and shaft so the notch in the right assembly is up and to the front and the notch in the left assembly is up and to the rear. See Figure 2-23.

e. Installation of Cylinder Head (401 & 425 cu. in. Engine)

Make certain that gasket surfaces and all parts are absolutely clean, then install cylinder head by reversing the procedure for removal, paying particular attention to the following points.

- (1) When handling thin crimped steel gaskets use care to prevent damage to the lacquered surface coat and to prevent kinking at sealing rings stamped in gasket. The lacquered gasket should not be coated with any type of sealing material when installed. Always use a new steel gasket because the stamped sealing rings are flattened in a used gasket.
- (2) Right and left cylinder heads are identical except that the water inlet port is open at front end and is plugged at rear end as installed on engine.
- (3) After installation of cylinder head, tighten all bolts a little at a time about three times around in sequence shown in Figure 2-24, then finally tighten in same sequence to 65-75 ft. lbs. torque.

Always use an accurate torque wrench when tightening cylinder

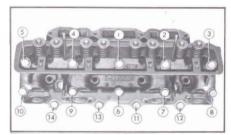


Figure 2-24—Cylinder Head Bolt Tightening Sequence

head bolts, to insure uniform and proper torque on all bolts. Uneven or excessively tightened bolts may distort cylinder bores, causing compression loss and excessive oil consumption.

- (4) Install locking plates with exhaust manifold bolts, tighten bolts only to 10-15 ft. lbs. torque, then bend one tab of plate against a flat on each bolt head.
- (5) When rocker arm and shaft assembly is installed, make certain that the notch in one end of shaft is upward in line with bracket bolt heads. See Figure 2-22.
- (6) Install intake manifold gaskets so pointed end of each gasket is "IN" toward center of engine.
- (7) After installation is completed and engine has been warmed up to operating temperature, recheck cylinder head bolts for 65-75 ft. lbs. torque.

f. Installation of Cylinder Head (300 cu. in. Engine)

CAUTION: Aluminum parts can be damaged by careless handling. Be particularly careful of gasket surfaces.

- 1. Wipe off engine block gasket surface and be certain no foreign material has fallen in the cylinder bores, bolt holes, or in the valve lifter area. It is good practice to clean out bolt holes with an air hose.
- 2. Install new head gasket on cylinder block. Dowels in the block will hold the gasket in position. Always handle gaskets carefully to avoid kinking or damage to the surface treatment of the gasket. Do not use any type of sealing material on head gaskets. The gaskets are coated with a special lacquer to provide a good seal, once the parts have warmed up.

3. Assemble exhaust manifold to cylinder head with bolts and locking plates as shown in Figure 2-25. Torque bolts to 10-15 ft. lbs.

NOTE: Automatic transmission filler tube bracket fastens to rear bolt, right side.

- 4. Clean gasket surface of cylinder head and carefully set in place on the engine block dowel pins.
- 5. Clean and lubricate the head bolts with "Perfect Seal" sealing compound. Install bolts as shown in Figure 2-26.
- 6. Tighten the head bolts a little at a time about three times around in the sequence shown in Figure 2-26, then torque the bolts in the same sequence to 65-70 ft. lbs.

NOTE: Damage to the cylinder block threads can result if bolts are not lubricated with "Perfect Seal" prior to installation, or if the bolts are tightened excessively.

Use an accurate torque wrench when installing head bolts and do not overtighten. Uneven tightening of the cylinder head bolts can distort the cylinder bores, causing compression loss and excessive oil consumption.

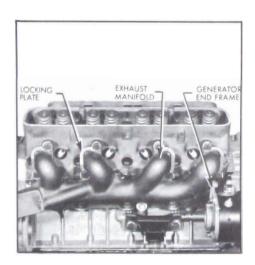


Figure 2-25—Exhaust Manifold
Installation

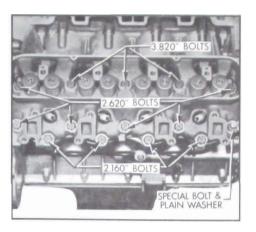


Figure 2-26—Cylinder Head Bolt Installation

2-14 HYDRAULIC VALVE LIFTER SERVICE

a. Removal of Valve Lifters

- 1. Remove air cleaner and silencer, then disconnect all pipes from carburetor and intake manifold.
- 2. Disconnect wires from the accelerator vacuum switch and remove the throttle return spring. Remove ignition coil and equalizer shaft bracket from intake manifold and move these parts out of the way.
- 3. Remove intake manifold and carburetor as an assembly. Remove manifold gaskets.
- 4. With air hose and cloths, clean dirt from cylinder heads, valve lifter cover and adjacent area to avoid getting dirt into engine. It is extremely important to avoid getting dirt into the hydraulic valve lifters.
- 5. Remove rocker arm cover, rocker arm and shaft assembly, and push rods from bank where valve lifters are to be removed.
- 6. Remove valve lifter cover and remove the valve lifters that require service. Place lifters in a wooden block having numbered holes or used other suitable

method of identifying them according to original position in engine.

If less than a full set of lifters is being removed, immediately disassemble and inspect one or two for presence of dirt or varnish (subpar. c). If lifters contain dirt or varnish it is advisable to remove all lifters for cleaning and inspection; otherwise it will be satisfactory to service only those lifters that are not operating properly.

7. Examine the cam contact surface at lower end of each lifter body. If this surface is excessively worn, galled, or otherwise damaged discard the lifter assembly. In this case also examine the mating camshaft lobe for excessive wear or damage.

b. Cleaning Tank J 5093 and Cleaning Fluids

Cleaning Tank J-5093 is designed to permit a systematic and thorough cleaning of hydraulic valve lifter parts. It provides three compartments for cleaning fluids, two 16-compartment cleaning trays, one small tray for special tools and a removable cover. The two cleaning trays allow one set of lifters to be soaking while another set is being worked on. The cover, placed on bench in front of tank, provides an easily cleaned working surface. See Figure 2-27.

The <u>left hand</u> compartment of tank is for cleaning solvent in which parts are soaked after disassembly. The solvent required should either dissolve the varnish deposit on lifter parts or soften the varnish so that it can be removed by wiping, after soaking for not longer than one hour. Gulf Motor Flush, or an equivalent solvent, will effectively clean lifter parts.

When selecting a cleaning solvent, careful consideration should

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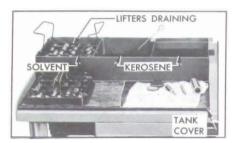


Figure 2-27—Tank J-5093 Set Up for Cleaning Lifter Parts

be given to its effect upon the hands. The directions and safety precautions of the manufacturer should be understood and observed to avoid personal injury. A wise safety rule is to wear rubber gloves when handling parts that are wet with cleaning solvent.

The <u>middle</u> compartment of tank is for clean kerosene to be used for cleaning parts after removal from the cleaning solvent. The <u>right hand</u> compartment is for clean kerosene to be used exclusively for final rinsing of parts just before assembly.

When the cleaning tank is not being used the cover should be installed to exclude dirt from the cleaning fluids. As a further precaution, do not use the tank for any parts except hydraulic valve lifters.

To avoid early contamination and deterioration of the cleaning solvent a separate pan of suitable size should be provided so that a tray of lifter parts can be flushed in kerosene before it is placed in the solvent.

c. Disassembly and Cleaning of Lifters

1. Disassemble each valve lifter by using a push rod to hold down the push rod seat while removing the plunger retainer from the lifter body, using Retainer Remover J-5238. See Figure 2-28, View A. Remove push rod seat and plunger from lifter body.

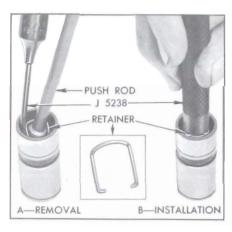
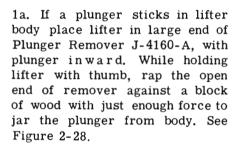


Figure 2-28—Removing and Installing
Plunger Retainer



- 2. Drain oil out of body into a waste can and then remove the ball, retainer and spring. A strainer placed over waste can will prevent dropping these parts into can.
- 3. Place all parts of each lifter in a separate compartment of a tray from Cleaning Tank J-5093. The body and plunger are selectively fitted to each other and must not be interchanged with parts of other lifters. Keeping all parts of the lifter together until cleaned and inspected will aid in diagnosing cause of improper operation.
- 4. Rinse the tray full of lifter parts in a pan of kerosene to remove as much oil as possible. This will reduce contamination of the cleaning solvent and extend its effective life.
- 5. Submerge the tray and parts in the cleaning solvent in <u>left</u> hand compartment of Cleaning Tank J-5093 and leave to soak for

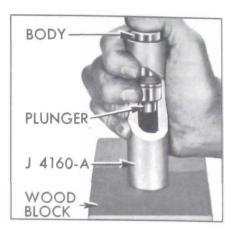


Figure 2-29—Removing Stuck Plunger with J-4160-A

approximately one hour. The time required will depend on the varnish on lifter parts and the effectiveness of the solvent.

- 6. After the varnish has dissolved or has softened sufficiently to permit removal by wiping, raise the tray and suspend it above the solvent by means of the hooks on tray handles. Allow tray and parts to drain so that solvent will be saved.
- 7. Rinse the tray of parts in the pan of kerosene to cut the solvent and avoid injury to hands, then place tray on the tank cover located on bench in front of cleaning tank.
- 8. Working on one lifter at a time and using CLEAN lint-free cloths, thoroughly wipe off all parts. Clean the plunger and the external and internal surfaces of the body with a hard wiping action to remove any varnish deposits. Rinse the parts in the kerosene contained in the middle compartment of cleaning tank, using Cleaning Brush J-5099 in the bore of lifter body.

NOTE: To insure absolute cleanliness of a reconditioned lifter assembly, it is advisable to inspect and assemble each (lifter subpar. d, e, f) before cleaning the next lifter. ENGINE HEAD AND VALVES 2-29

d. Inspection of Hydraulic Lifter Parts

(1) Lifter Body. Inspect inner and outer surfaces of body for blow holes and scoring. Replace lifter assembly if body is roughly scored or grooved, or has a blow hole extending through the wall in position to permit oil leakage from lower chamber. The promiment wear pattern just above lower end of body should not be considered a defect unless it is definitely grooved or scored; it is caused by side thrust of cam against body while the lifter is moving vertically in its guide.

Inspect the cam contact surface on lower end of lifter body. Replace the lifter assembly if this surface is excessively worn, galled, or otherwise damaged. A lifter body that has been rotating will have a round wear pattern and a non-rotating lifter body will have a square wear pattern with a very slight depression near the center. Either condition is normal and such bodies may be continued in use if the surface is free of defects. See Figure 2-30.

(2) <u>Lifter Plunger</u>. Using a magnifying glass, inspect the check ball seat for defects. Inspect outer surface of plunger for scratches or scores. Small score marks with a rough, satiny finish will cause the plunger to seize

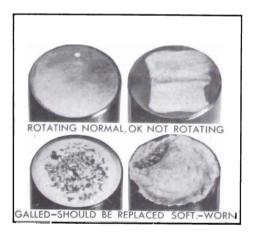


Figure 2–30—Lifter Body Wear
Patterns

when hot but operate normally when cool. Defects in check ball seat or scores or scratches on outer surface of plunger which may be felt with a fingernail are causes for replacing the lifter assembly. This rule does not apply to the slight edge which may sometimes be present where the lower end of plunger extends below the ground inner surface of the body. This edge is not detrimental unless it is sharp or burred.

A blackened appearance is not a defective condition. Sometimes the discoloration serves to highlight slight grinder chatter marks and give the outer surface of plunger a ridged or fluted appearance. This condition will not cause improper operation, therefore it may be disregarded.

- (3) Push Rod and Seat. Replace the push rod seat if the area where the push rod contacts is rough or otherwise damaged. Replace any push rod having a rough or damaged ball end.
- (4) Check Ball. Using a magnifying glass, carefully examine the check ball for nicks, imbedded material or other defects which would prevent proper seating. Such defects would indicate the cause of intermittently noisy lifter operation. Even though no defects are found it is always advisable to discard the old ball and use a new one when reassembling the lifter.
- (5) <u>Ball Retainer</u>. Replace a retainer which is cracked or which has a heavily pounded area between the two holes. A small bright spot where the ball contacts the retainer is the normal condition.
- (6) Plunger Spring. Replace the plunger spring only if it is distorted or damaged. Exhaustive tests have shown that plunger springs seldom break down in service.

e. Check Ball Travel

Any ball retainer now used will hold ball travel within satisfactory limits unless the retainer is badly worn or damaged. Therefore, it is not necessary to measure travel of the check ball.

f. Assembly of Hydraulic Lifters

All parts must be absolutely clean when a hydraulic lifter is assembled. Lint and dust may adhere to the parts if they are blown off or wiped with cloths; therefore they should be rinsed in CLEAN kerosene and assembled without drying.

- 1. Rinse lifter plunger in the kerosene in middle compartment of cleaning tank and then give it a thorough final rinsing in the kerosene in right compartment.
- 2. Hold plunger in vertical position with feed hole up, then rinse and install the check ball, ball retainer, spring, and body over the plunger. See parts in Figure 2-31.
- 3. Rinse push rod seat and plunger retainer, place these parts in end of body and depress with handle of Remover J-5238 until retainer engages groove in body. See Figure 2-28, View B.
- 4. Wrap the lifter in clean paper or otherwise protect it from dirt

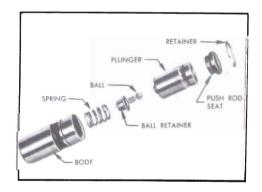


Figure 2-31—Hydraulic Valve Lifter Parts

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while reconditioning the other valve lifters, preparatory to testing all lifters for leakdown rate.

g. Testing Lifter Leakdown Rate

After a hydraulic lifter has been cleaned, inspected, and assembled it must be tested before it is installed in an engine. Lifter Test Fixture J-5095 has been designed to test the leak-down rate of a lifter to determine whether it is within limits which assure satisfactory lifter operation.

The following procedure must be carefully followed to obtain an accurate test.

- 1. Thoroughly clean the cup of test fixture, install cup on fixture, and fill it to within 1/2" of the top with "Hydraulic Lifter Test Fluid," which is available through Kent-Moore Organization, Inc. under K-M number J-5268.
- 2. Remove rubber washer (used for larger lifters) and install Gauge Sleeve J-5180-5 in the cup; also install Buick V-8 Gauge Rod Nose J-5180-15 in the ram.
- 3. Swing the weight arm up out of the way, raise the ram and place the valve lifter (top side up) in Sleeve J-5180-5. The lifter must be completely covered by the fluid during test.
- 4. Lower the ram to rest in the lifter push rod seat, then lower the weight arm to rest on the roller or ram as shown in Figure 2-32.
- 5. Operate the lifter plunger through its full travel to force all air out of the lifter by using a vigorous pumping action on the weight arm. Continue the pumping action until considerable resistance is built up in the lifter and a definite grab point is felt at the top of the stroke, when the indicator pointer is at the bottom of the scale.

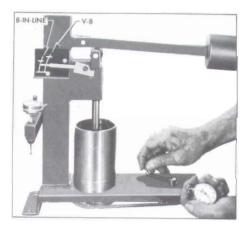


Figure 2–32—Checking Leakdown

Finally, pump vigorously for approximately 10 additional strokes to make sure all air is removed from the lifter. NOTE: If one stroke offers noticeable weak resistance during the last 10 pumping strokes replace the check ball in lifter and repeat the leakdown test to this point.

- 6. Raise weight arm to allow the lifter plunger to come up to its retainer, then lower the arm to rest on the ram roller. As the pointer starts moving upward start rotating the fluid cup by turning the handle one revolution every two seconds. See Figure 2-32.
- 7. Use a stop watch to check the time required for the pointer to move from the lower to the upper mark on scale where marked "BUICK V-8." The cup must be rotated during this test. See Figure 2-32.
- 8. The leak-down rate (time between marks) must be between 12 and 40 seconds to assure satisfactory lifter performance. A doubtful lifter should be tested three or four times. Replace any lifter which does not test within the specified limits.
- 9. After all lifters have been tested, place the cover over the test fixture to keep dirt out of the

cup and fluid. The fluid should be discarded and the cup should be thoroughly cleaned after a few sets of lifters have been tested.

h. Installation of Valve Lifters

Make certain that valve lifter guide holes and adjacent area of cylinder block are clean, then oil and install valve lifters. Each lifter must slide freely in its guide hole; if a lifter is tight in one guide hole fit it to another hole.

Complete the installation of all parts by reversing the procedure for removal. An initial adjustment for clearance is not required, therefore, the valve train does not have any provision for adjustment after assembly.

2-15 TIMING CHAIN COVER AND CAM-SHAFT SERVICE

A. 401 and 425 cu. in. Engine

a. Remove and Install Timing Chain

- 1. Drain engine cooling system, then remove radiator core, shroud (if so equipped), fan belt, fan and pulley, and crankshaft balancer.
- 2. Remove all bolts that attach the timing chain cover and the water manifold to the upper and lower crankcase and the cylinder heads. Do not remove five bolts attaching water pump to chain cover. Remove cover and manifold, using care to avoid damaging lower crankcase (oil pan) gasket.
- 3. Remove oil slinger from crankshaft and remove the bolt, lockwasher and plain washer that attaches the fuel pump operating eccentric and the camshaft sprocket to front end of camshaft.

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- 4. If there has been doubt about the valve timing, turn crankshaft until the camshaft sprocket keyway is straight down toward the crankshaft and the "0" timing marks on both sprockets are toward each other and in line with shaft centers. See Figure 2-33.
- 5. Using two large screwdrivers, alternately work the camshaft and crankshaft sprockets outward until the camshaft sprocket is free of camshaft. Remove this sprocket and timing chain, then remove other sprocket from crankshaft.
- 6. Thoroughly clean all sludge from timing chain cover and front face of crankcase. Inspect crankshaft oil seal in chain cover and replace if worn (subpar. b, below).
- 7. When ready to install timing chain, turn crankshaft until Nos. 1 and 4 pistons are on top dead center. Turn camshaft so that the sprocket key points straight down toward crankshaft. See Figure 2-33.
- 8. Place timing chain over the camshaft and crankshaft sprockets so that the "0" marks stamped on front faces of sprockets are nearest each other and aligned between the sprocket hubs. Install sprockets with chain on the two shafts. See Figure 2-33.
- 9. If fuel pump operating eccentric is detached from camshaft sprocket, install it so that the keyway fits over key in camshaft, then install plain washer, lockwasher and bolt to hold eccentric and sprocket to camshaft.
- 10. Install oil slinger on crankshaft with concave side outward then reinstall all parts by reversing the procedure for removal.

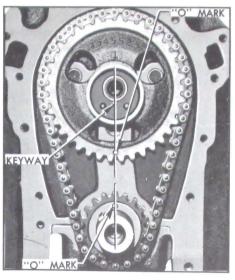


Figure 2-33—Timing Chain and Sprockets Properly Installed

b. Replacement of Crankshaft Oil Seal in Timing Chain Cover

- 1. With timing chain cover on bench, remove the braided fabric packing with a screwdriver and then tap the pressed steel shedder out of the cover.
- 2. Work new packing into the shedder, then drive shedder into recess in timing chain cover, using Installer J-5250-1. See Figure 2-34, View A.
- 3. Push Packing Expander J-5250-2 through the seal to expand the packing into place and size the opening for the crankshaft. See Figure 2-34, View B. Apply a light coat of vaseline to the packing.

c. Camshaft Bearings

The five steel-backed babbitt-lined camshaft bearings are pressed into the crankcase. Going from front to rear, each bearing is bored .030" smaller than the preceding bearing, and each camshaft journal is correspondingly reduced in diameter.

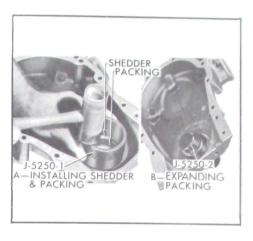


Figure 2-34—Installing Crankshaft
Oil Seal

The camshaft bearings must be line reamed to size after being pressed into the crankcase. Since this operation requires special reaming equipment the original bearings should be retained unless severely damaged. Slightly scored camshaft bearings will be satisfactory if the surface of camshaft journals are polished and bearings are cleaned up to remove burrs, and the fit of shaft in bearings is free and within the clearance limits of .0015" to .004".

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B. 300 cu. in. Engine

a. Timing Chain Cover Removal

- 1. Drain radiator and block.
- 2. Disconnect upper radiator hose and heater return hose at water pump, disconnect lower radiator hose. Remove attaching bolts and brackets and remove radiator core
- 3. Remove fan, fan pulleys and belt(s).
- 4. Remove fan driving pulley (crankshaft) and pulley reinforcement.

- 5. Remove harmonic balancer to crankshaft bolt and washer 15/16" socket. Remove harmonic balancer. It may be necessary to tap the balancer with a plastic mallet to start it off the crankshaft.
- 6. If car is equipped with power steering, remove steering pump bracket bolts attached to timing chain cover and loosen or remove other bolts to allow the brackets and pump to be moved out of the way.
- 7. Disconnect fuel lines and remove fuel pump.
- 8. Remove Delcotron generator and brackets.
- 9. Remove distributor cap and pull spark plug wire retainers off brackets on rocker arm cover. Swing distributor cap with wires attached out of the way. Disconnect distributor primary lead.
- 10. Remove distributor. If timing chain and sprockets are not going to be disturbed, note position of distributor rotor for reinstallation in same position.
- Loosen and slide front clamp on thermostat by-pass hose rearward.
- 12. Remove bolts attaching timing chain cover to cylinder block. Remove two oil pan to timing chain cover bolts. Remove timing chain cover assembly and gasket. Thoroughly clean the cover, taking care to avoid damage to the gasket surfaces.

b. Crankshaft Oil Seal Replacement

- 1. Use a punch to drive out old seal and shedder. Drive from the front toward the rear of the timing chain cover.
- 2. Coil new packing around opening so ends of packing are at top. Drive in new shedder using suitable punch. Stake the shedder in place in at least three places.

3. Size the packing by rotating a hammer handle or similar smooth tool around the packing till the balancer hub can be inserted through the opening.

c. Timing Chain Cover Replacement

Reinstall timing chain cover by reversing removal procedure, paying particular attention to the following points.

- 1. Remove oil pump cover and pack the space around the oil pump gears completely full of petroleum jelly. There must be no air space left inside the pump. Reinstall cover using new gasket. This step is very important as the oil pump may "lose its prime" whenever the pump, pump cover or timing chain cover is disturbed. If the pump is not packed, it may not begin to pump oil as soon as the engine is started.
- 2. The gasket surface of the block and timing chain cover must be smooth and clean. Use a new gasket and be certain it is positioned correctly.
- 3. Position timing chain cover against block and be certain dowel pins engage dowel pin holes before starting bolts.
- 4. Lube the bolt threads before installation and install.

NOTE: If the car is equipped with power steering the front steering pump bracket should be installed at this time.

5. Lube the O.D. of the harmonic balancer before installation to prevent damage to the seal during installation and when the engine is first started.

d. Timing Chain and Sprocket Removal

1. With timing chain cover removed (subpar. a above) temporarily install harmonic balancer

bolt and washer in end of crankshaft. Turn crankshaft so sprockets are positioned. Doing so will make it easier to reinstall parts. Remove harmonic balancer bolt and washer using a sharp rap on the wrench handle to start the bolt out without changing position of sprockets.

- 2. Remove front crankshaft oil slinger.
- 3. Remove bolt and special washer retaining camshaft distributor drive gear and fuel pump eccentric to camshaft forward end. Slide gear and eccentric off camshaft.
- 4. Use two large screwdrivers to alternately pry the camshaft sprocket then the crankshaft sprocket forward until the camshaft sprocket is free, then remove the camshaft sprocket and chain and finish working crankshaft sprocket off crankshaft.
- 5. Thoroughly clean the timing chain, sprockets, distributor drive gear, fuel pump eccentric and crankshaft oil slinger.

e. Timing Chain and Sprocket Installation

- 1. Turn crankshaft so number one piston is at top dead center.
- 2. Turn camshaft so with sprocket temporarily installed, timing mark is straight down. Remove sprocket.
- 3. Assemble timing chain on sprockets and slide the sprocket and chain assembly on the shafts with the timing marks in their closest together position and in line with the sprocket hubs.

NOTE: It will be necessary to hold spring loaded timing chain damper out of the way while sliding chain and sprockets into position.

4. Assemble slinger on crankshaft with I.D. against sprocket. (Concave side toward front of engine).

- 5. Slide fuel pump eccentric on camshaft and Woodruff key with oil groove forward. See Figure 2-36.
- 6. Install distributor drive gear. See Figure 2-36.
- 7. Install drive gear and eccentric bolt and retaining washer. Torque to 40-45 ft. lbs.
- 8. Reinstall timing chain cover (subpar. c above).

f. Camshaft Replacement

- Remove rocker arm and shaft assemblies, push rods and valve lifters.
- 2. Remove timing chain cover, timing chain and sprocket subparagraphs a and d above.
- 3. Slide camshaft forward out of bearing bores carefully to avoid marring the bearing surfaces.

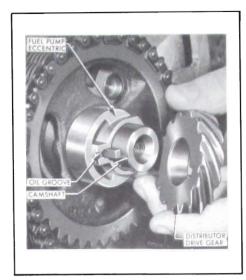


Figure 2–36—Fuel Pump Eccentric and Distributor Drive Gear Installation

4. Replace camshaft by reversing removal procedure, taking particular care to avoid damage to the camshaft bearings.

g. Camshaft Bearings

The steel-backed babbitt-lined camshaft bearings are pressed into the crankcase. Going from front to rear, each bearing is bored. 030" smaller than the preceding bearing, and each camshaft journal is correspondingly reduced in diameter.

The camshaft bearings must be line reamed to size after being pressed into the crankcase. Since this operation requires special reaming equipment the original bearings should be retained unless severly damaged. Slightly scored camshaft bearings will be satisfactory if the surfaces of camshaft journals are polished and bearings are cleaned up to remove burrs, and the fit of shaft in bearings is free and within the clearance limits of .0015" to .004".