CAN YOU SAVE TWO GALLONS OF GASOLINE?

"If everyone in this country used one less gallon_of gasoline a week, there wouldn't be a shortage..."

That dramatic statement was contained in a newspaper advertisement run by one of the nation's leading oil companies. It seems like an enormous task to cut down on gasoline consumption by more than 200 million, gatlons, a, week, or, 10, plus billion gallons a year. But when the problem is-examined on an individ-ual vehicle-by-vehicle basis, the task is not as overwhelming as it first appears.

Consider this. There is about one motor vehicle in this country for every two persons. Thus, if every vehicle would use two fewer gallons of gasoline a week, there would be noshortage.

According to Champion Spark Plug Company, saving this amount of fuel can be achieved; even-without reducing the amount of driving

THE MAJOR PART of that savings can be achieved by making sure the car's engine is in tune. Tests conducted by Champion in the United States, Canada and Mexico showed what a fuel waster an untuned engine can be.

Cars were tested with an engine overdue for tune-up. (More than 10,000 miles traveled since the last tuneup.) Next cars were checked with new spark plugs installed and then with a complete tune-up.

With new plugs alone, there was an average-fuel savings of 6:2 per cent. Once a complete tune-up was performed, average savings was 8.2 per cent.

Thus between one and two gallons of gasoline per tankful can be saved by a tuned engine. So, if you use a tankful of gas a week, you've almost done your part to help alleviate the fuel shortage.

In addition, a tuned engine starts more easily and considerable fuel is wasted in hard-starting situations.

THERE ARE A VARIETY of ways to help make up the rest of the gallonage to bring weekly savings to over two gallons a week.

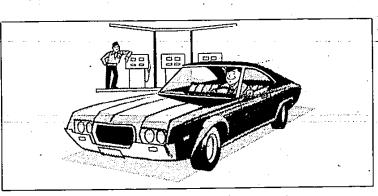
 Make sure your tires are properly inflated. Underinflated tires are gas wasters.

Accelerate smoothly. "Hot rod" type starts consume enormous amounts of fuel.

 "Play" the traffic lights and avoid stop and start driving as much as possible. If you have to spend long periods of time idling, it's better to shut off the engine.

 Watch your speed. You use over 25 per cent more fuel traveling at 70 miles per hour than you do at 50.

Also, don't overfill your gas tank to avoid possible fuel spillage. Avoid unnecessary use of air conditioning and other power consuming-options.



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