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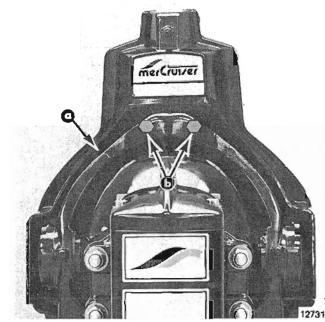
A. SQUARE UPPER SWIVEL SHAFT REMOVAL TOOL

(Attach Bulletin Reference Sticker to P. 9B-3 of Your Service Manual.)

The MerCruiser I transom assembly (Models 120-thru-260) upper swivel shaft design will change to a square connection between the swivel shaft and gimbal ring starting with 1980 production. Transom assemblies can be identified by 2 stainless steel bolts (located at top of gimbal ring). (Figure 1)

Tool C-91-63616 is used (in conjunction with slide hammer) to remove the upper swivel shaft.

This tool also is used to remove the drive shaft from the MerCruiser II-TR and TRS gear housing.



a - Gimbal Ring

b - Stainless Steel Bolts

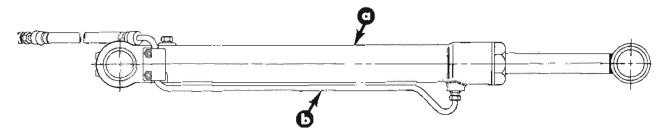
Figure 1. Stainless Steel Boits at Top of Gimbal Ring

B. EXTERNAL RETURN LINE TRIM CYLINDERS (IN-LINE)

(Attach Bulletin Reference Sticker to PP 2A-4, 2B-4 and 2C-6 of Your Service Manual.)

A new style trim cylinder (Figure 2), which utilizes an external return line, will be used on Mer-Cruiser 120, 140, 165 and 470 new transom assemblies, in addition to the currently-used style trim cylinder.

Trim cylinder installation hardware and procedure will not change.



a - Trim Cylinder

b - Stainless Steel Return Line

Figure 2. Trim Cylinder with External Return Line

C. EXTERNAL CONTINUITY SPRINGS

(Attach Bulletin Reference Sticker to PP 2A4, 2B4 and 2C6 of Your Service Manual.)

External continuity springs (B-24-86687A1) will <u>no longer</u> be included in stern drive unit shipping carton. These external springs are not needed on trim cylinders which <u>do not</u> have nylon coated rod ends; however, the internal springs (B-24-46312) still must be installed.

D. UNIVERSAL JOINT LUBRICANT - NEW SIZE (C-92-90622A1)

(Attach Bulletin Reference Sticker to P. 9A.9 of Your Service Manual.)

Universal Joint Lubricant now is available in a NEW 14 oz. (414ml) cartridge (C-92-90622A1) which includes four (4) cartridges. These cartridges fit standard grease guns available at local sources.

The original Universal Joint Lubricant Gun Kit (C-91-74057A1) and its replacement 3 oz. (89ml) cartridges (C-92-74058A1) will remain available.