

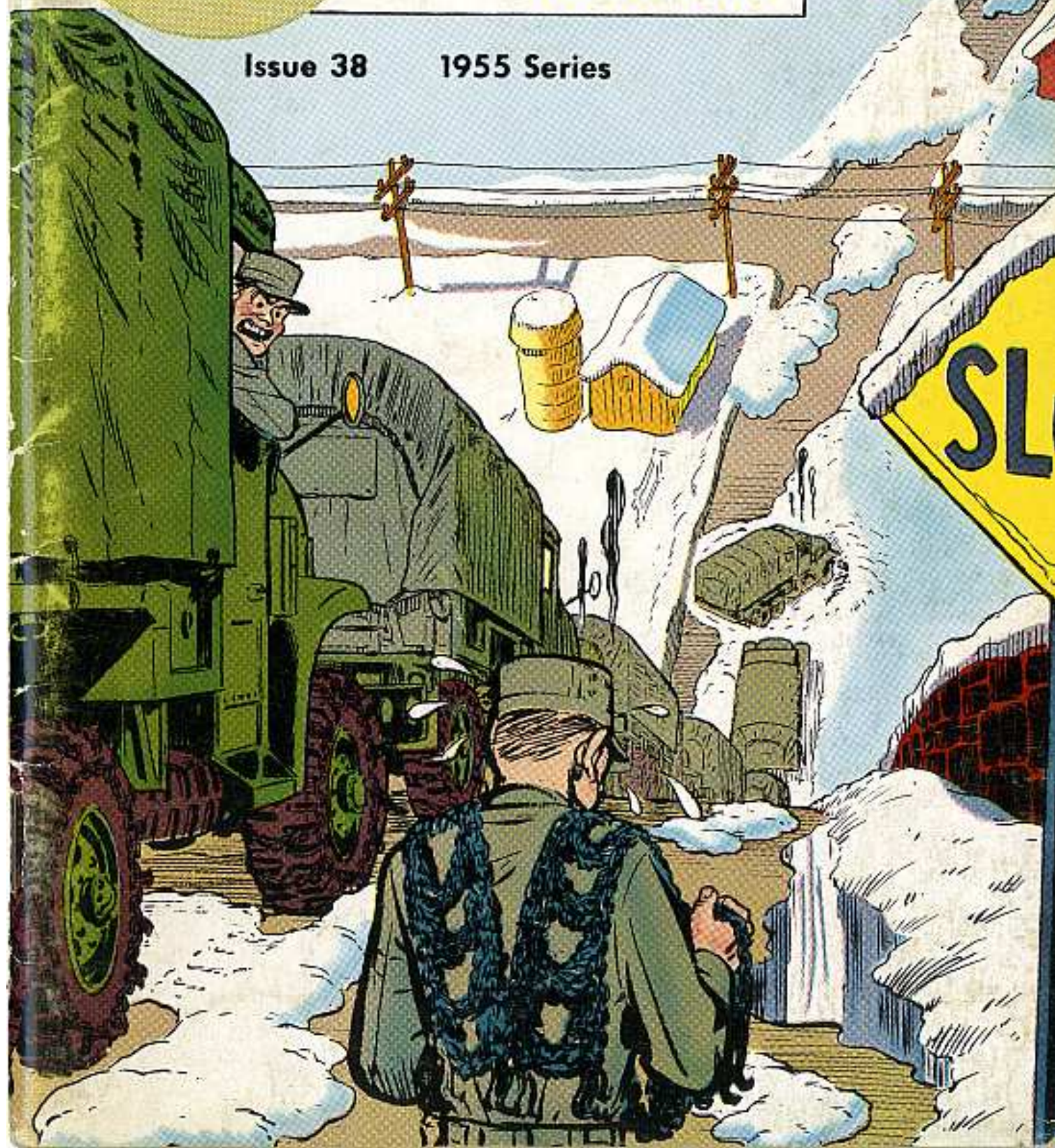
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GET HIP TO THIS BORE



NO MIXERS, NO CHASERS—

JUST STRAIGHT BORE-CLEANER

It's a sad, sad story, but it seems some Joes have been diluting their rifle-bore cleaner with water when they get a little short on the stuff. Which just don't make good sense or good maintenance.

Bore-cleaner is the best solution around for cleaning powder deposits and such from rifle bores. That's what it was cooked up for. But in addition to that, it's also a pretty good rust inhibitor and preservative just by itself. A light coating of bore-cleaner left in the barrel after it's cleaned will protect your piece up to 72 hours under normal conditions. It's really good stuff.

But, when you mix water with it, you completely destroy its preservative qualities and greatly reduce its value as a cleaner.

When water's added, you've gotta dry the barrel like mad and then add

preservative oil. As long as you're gonna do that, you may as well use hot, soapy water. It'll do a better job than diluted bore-cleaner.

So you just don't gain anything by adding water to your cleaner. You're actually losing ground. Go ahead and use up all your bore-cleaner as it is and then switch to hot, soapy water.

Better still, try to keep a good supply of bore-cleaner on hand all the time. It's new name is Cleaning compound, solvent: rifle-bore cleaner (CR) (Jan-C-372.) Stock Numbers are:

ORD STOCK NUMBER	FEDERAL STOCK NUMBER
51-C-1313-392 (2-oz can)	6850-224-6656
51-C-1313-396 (6-oz container)	6850-224-6657
51-C-1313-400 (qt can)	6850-224-6658
51-C-1313-405 (gal can)	6850-224-6663

CLEANING KNOW-HOW



WATER CAN DO YA' DIRT

So you've been cleaning the bore of your BAR with warm, soapy water, huh? Good deal. Fine. Gung Ho. There's nothing like warm, soapy water for the job **when you can't get bore-cleaner.**

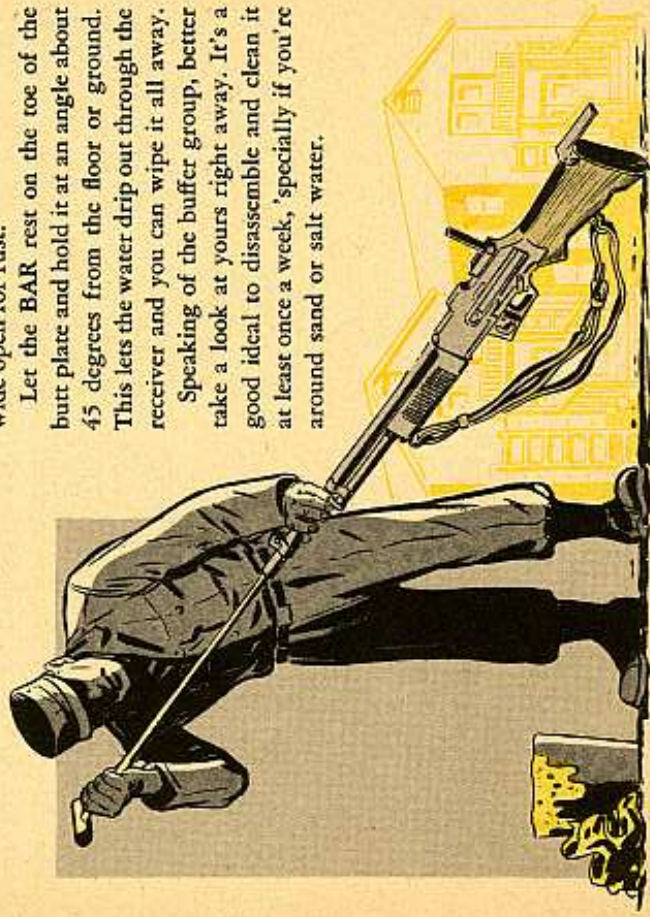
But there's just one thing you've got to watch. Don't let any of that water drip down into the buffer group of

your BAR. It'll cause all kinds of corrosion and corruption.

But there's a neat way of getting around it. It's all a matter of angle. When using water to clean with, don't stand your BAR straight up and down. The water that's squeezed outta the patch drips right down into the buffer and rate-reducing group, leaving you wide open for rust.

Let the BAR rest on the toe of the butt plate and hold it at an angle about 45 degrees from the floor or ground. This lets the water drip out through the receiver and you can wipe it all away.

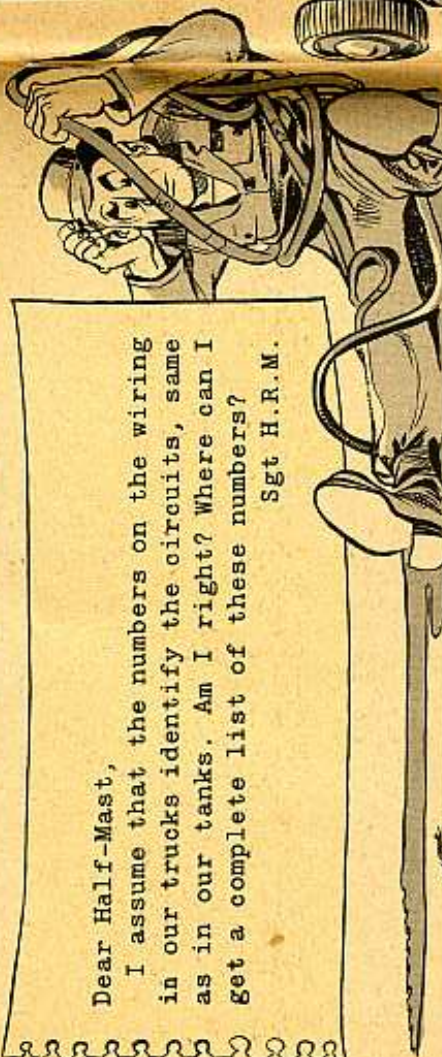
Speaking of the buffer group, better take a look at yours right away. It's a good ideal to disassemble and clean it at least once a week, 'specially if you're around sand or salt water.



HOW'RE YOU AT NUMBERS?

Dear Half-Mast,
I assume that the numbers on the wiring in our trucks identify the circuits, same as in our tanks. Am I right? Where can I get a complete list of these numbers?

Sgt H.R.M.



Dear Sgt H. R. M.,
Right you are, the numbers on the wires on any military equipment identify the circuit. And these numbers are always the same, for instance No. 1 circuit is the generator field circuit wherever you find it, No. 2 is the armature lead, no matter what Ordnance equipment you find it in, except the M4 tank and vehicles built upon the M4 chassis.

But, if you want to cut out and keep the list, here it is. You might find it handy when working with your equipment.

Half-Mast

The Old Sarge gives you a run-down on the electrical circuit

Wire Number	Circuit Description
1	Generator Field Circuit
2	Generator Armature Circuit
3	Generator Ground Circuit
4	Generator regulator to Ammeter or shunt
5	Ammeter or shunt to starter terminal block or battery connected
6	Battery to starter
7	Battery ground including master switch if in this circuit
8	Shunt to ammeter positive
9	Shunt to ammeter negative
10	Ammeter or shunt to instrument panel circuit breakers
11	Ignition switch feed or magneto ground (L.H.)

Wire Number	Circuit Description
12	Ignition switch to ignition coil or booster switch to booster coil
13	Magneto ground (R.H.)
14	Starter switch circuit (including feed) to relay or solenoid
15	Main light switch feed
16	Light switch (HT) to service headlamp or dimmer switch
17	Dimmer switch to upper beam
18	Dimmer switch to lower beam
19	Light switch (BOD) to blackout driving lamp, including resistor
20	Light switch (BHT) to blackout marker lamps
21	Light switch (HT) to service tail lamp
22	Light switch (S) to service stop lamp

numbers you find in your Army Ordnance equipment

Wire Number	Circuit Description
23	Light switch (BS) to blackout stop lamp
24	Light switch (BHT) to blackout tail lamps
25	Horn switch (including feed) to horn or horn relay
26	Horn relay feed and horn relay to horn
27	Instruments feed (instruments with polarity)
28	Fuel gage to sending unit, or left upper tank gage to selector switch
29	Fuel selector switch to right upper tank
30	Fuel selector switch to left lower tank
31	Fuel selector switch to right lower tank
32	Oil level sending unit to gage or selector switch
33	Water and oil temperature gage to sending unit

Wire Number	Circuit Description
34	Low engine oil pressure warning light circuit, including feed
35	High water temperature warning light circuit, including feed
36	Oil pressure gage to sending unit
37	Outlet socket
38	Domo lamp circuit, including breaker and switch
39	Map light circuit
40	Instrument light circuit
41	Interphone #1
42	Interphone #2
43	Interphone #3
44	Interphone #4

Wire Number	Circuit Description
45	Interphone #5
46	12 Volt radio circuit, including radio master switch
47	Slip ring feed
48	24 volt radio feed
49	Receptacle, aux, power outlet, positive lead
50	Receptacle, aux, power outlet, negative lead
51	Interphone #7
52	6 Volt tap on tail light dropping resistor to tail light
53	Electric brake control circuit
54	Fuel cut-off circuit
55	Flame primer low tension circuit
56	Flame primer high tension circuit
57	Instrument panel ground
58	Compass light circuit
59	Hull ventilating fan circuit
60	Interphone #6 (extra)
61	Aux. Generator Field
62	Aux. generator armature
63	Aux. generator ground
64	Aux. gen. regulator to battery (incl heater transfer SW.)
65	Aux. generator starter relay circuit, including switch and feed
66	Aux. gen. starter to transfer switch incl. starter or relay
67	Emergency stop switch ground
68	Battery interconnecting cables
69	Resistor to ground terminal on trailer coupling
70	Regulator ground (L.H.)
71	Windshield wiper circuit
72	Low transmission oil pressure indicator circuit, with feed (L.H.)
73	Radio terminal box to ground
74	Starter solenoid circuit (actuating) including switch or relay
75	Stop switch circuit (SW to SS on main light switch)
76	Fuel pump control feed
77	Fuel pump switch to fuel pump left
78	Fuel pump switch to fuel pump right
79	Fuel tank ground
80	Ignition coil to distributor
81	Battery to starting motor terminal block, including master switch
82	Starter motor terminal block to starter motor left
83	Main Light switch (TT) to tail light connection on trailer receptacle
84	Main light switch (SS) to spotlight connection on trailer receptacle
85	Low air pressure indicator light
86	Ground on series parallel SW, to ammeter, incl. circ. BR.
87	Spotlight circuit for trucks and wreckers
88	Winch torque limited control
89	Automatic choke
90	Trailer receptacle to ground

Wire Number	Circuit Description
91	Headlamp to ground
92	Parking lamp to ground
93	Starter relay grounding circuit
94	Starter relay aux. grounding circuit
95	Tail lamp to ground
96	Speedometer sending unit feed
97	Tachometer sending unit feed
98	Interphone #8
99	Interphone #9
100	Turret Feed
101	Impulse relay feed IL terminal on impulse relay
102	Large cal. gun firing solenoid to impulse relay (S terminal)
103	Small cal. gun firing solenoid to firing switch
104	Traverse motor feed
105	Recoil circuit on gyro control, through recoil switch
106	Gyro control (#3 on an connector) to motor stabilizer control, yellow post
107	Gyro control (#1 on an connector) to motor stabilizer control, green post
108	Stiffness circuit including disengage switch
109	Gyro stab. SW. feed. incl. circ. BR. & SW. to gyro motor or anti-backlash SW
110	Gun firing and lights, circuit breaker feed
111	Gun firing SW. feed from circ. BR. (incl. safety SW)
112	Gun, firing safety switch indicator light
113	Firing SW. to large gun firing sol. or impulse relay (F term)
114	Gyro control resistors feed
115	Firing relay feed
116	Gyro indicator light feed
117	Positive lead to gun firing switches
119	Normally open side of anti-backlash SW. to circuit #107
120	Normally closed side of anti-backlash SW. to gyro control resistors feed
121	Junction of Circ. #114 & 120 to gyro motor feed
122	Firing switch to loaders safety relay
123	Loaders safety relay to shell primer
124	Firing switches to selector switch
125	Feed to loaders trip button
126	Loaders trip button to feed on test relay
127	Test relay to loaders safety relay coil
128	Loaders trip button through loaders setting button to controlled side of test relay
129	Loaders ready to fire indicator circuit
130	6.5 inch selector light
132	Ammunition hoist circuit
133	Parallel disconnect circuit.
137	Outlet socket
138	Dome LP. spot LT. and reel circuit
141	Interphone #1
142	Interphone #2
143	Interphone #3
144	Interphone #4

Wire Number	Circuit Description	Circuit Description	Wire Number
145	Interphone #5	Equilibrator motor feed including switch and indicator light	168
146	12 Volt radio circuit	Gun, How-firing area control circuit	169
147	Light for periscope and sighting devices	Radio terminal box to ground	173
148	24 volt radio feed	Rammer, control circuit	174
149	Commander's master control circuit	Interphone #8	198
151	Interphone #7	Interphone #9	199
152	Commander's master control circuit feed	Generator field circuit	201
154	Rammer motor control circuit, including switch & indicator	General armature circuit	202
155	Elevating motor feed through circuit breaker and main switch and indicator light	Generator ground circuit	203
156	Brake solenoid feed through brake relay	Generator regulator to ammeter shunt	204
157	Elevating lead from reversing relay to elevating depressing motor	RH ignition switch feed	211
158	Depressing lead from reversing relay to elevating depressing motor	RH ignition switch RH coil	212
159	Turret vent fan	Starter switch or relay feed circuit	214
160	Interphone #6 (extra when used)	Temperature gauge to sending unit	233
161	Feed for elevating & depressing control mechanism thru circuit breaker	Oil pressure pilot LT	234
162	Elevating relay control thru control switch and limit switch	Water temperature pilot LT	235
163	Depressing relay control thru control switch and limit switch	Oil pressure gauge to sending unit	236
164	Brake relay control thru brake switch and ground	Flame primer low tension circuit	255
165	Elevating and depressing relay mechanism to ground	Flame primer high tension circuit	256
166	Automatic elevation control through resistor & limit switch	Emergency stop switch	267
167	Automatic depressing control through resistor & limit switch	Regulator ground RH	270
		Transmission oil pressure pilot circuit-right	272
		Starter solenoid circuit-right	274
		Ignition coil to distributor	280
		Starter motor lead feed RH	282
		Starter relay grounding circuit	293
		Starter relay aux. grounding circuit	294

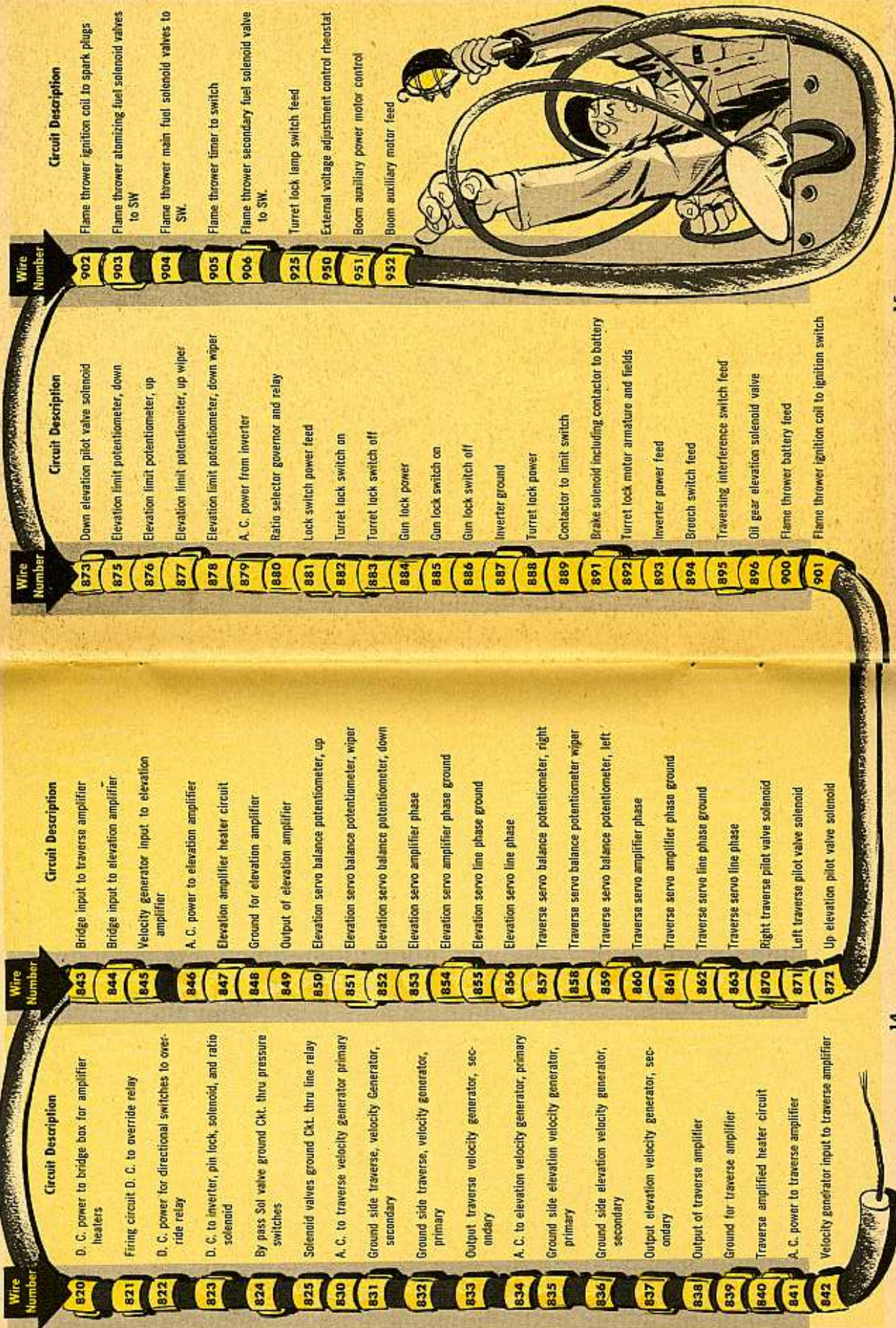
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300	Air Pressure gauge to sending unit	Transmission lube pressure gage circuit	321
301	Ignition SW. to throttle sol. through feed term in term box	Transmission temperature gage circuit	324
302	Throttle solenoid to throttle out switch (H)	Red flasher light with switch indicator and flasher	325
303	Throttle out switch to brake throttle switch (H)	Differential low oil pressure warning light	326
304	Feed term in term box to feed on clutch SW. (D) & normal range SW. (E)	Transmission high oil temperature warning light	327
305	Normal range switch to low range (F) & high switches (G)	Feed to transmission and steering control	329
306	Hi-range SW. on low range-Hi range shift to SW. on Hi-range-norm. range shift SW. (K)	Transmission high range control	330
307	SW. on Hi-range-norm. range feeding direct sol. & converter sol.	Transmission low range control	331
311	Brake governor switch (C) joining 312 to low side of governor	Transmission reverse range control	332
312	Converter solenoid to brake governor switch (C)	Transmission clutch lockup control	333
313	Common lead on brake governor switches to high side on governor	Steer control right	334
314	Brake governor switch (B) to direct solenoid	Steer control left	335
315	Low range switch (F) on low range-Hi shift to Hi range solenoid	Converter low oil pressure	336
316	High range solenoid ground	Pilot control indicator circuit	337
317	Clutch switch (D) to clutch solenoid	Co-pilot control indicator circuit	338
318	Clutch sol. to clutch sol. ground SW. (J) on converter direct shift	Converter low lubricating oil pressure	339
319	Common side of throttle cut-off SW. & clutch sol. grounding SW. to grounding term in term box	Speed selector switches feed, pilot	340
320	Brake throttle switch to grounding terminal in terminal box	Steer selector switches feed, pilot	341
		Speed selector switches feed, co-pilot	342
		Steer selector switches feed, co-pilot	343
		Inlet fan — right	344
		Inlet fan — left	345
		Circulating fan — right	346
		Circulating fan — left	347

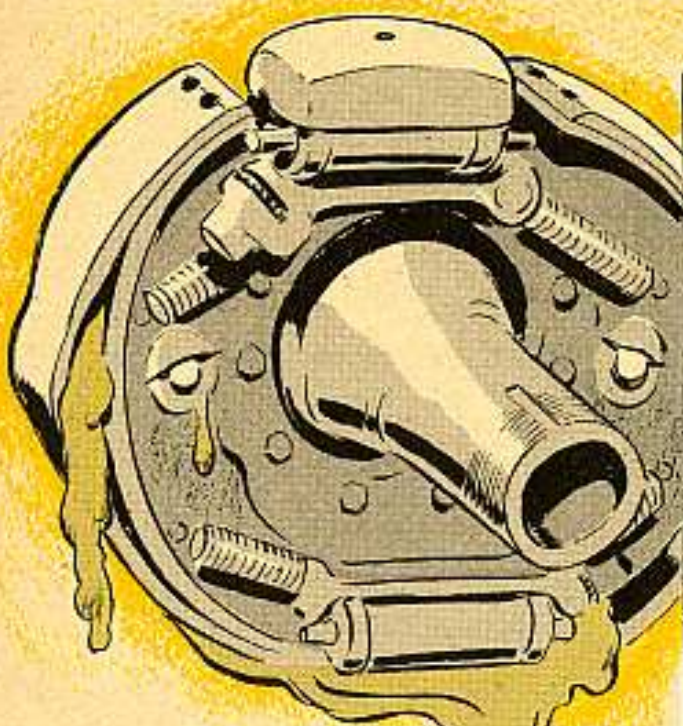
SPECIAL EQUIPMENT AND WINTERIZATION CIRCUIT NAMES

Wire Number	Circuit Description	Wire Number	Circuit Description
400	Heater feed	420	Auxiliary engine oil pressure gage circuit
401	Heater starting switch to coil & indicator light	421	Auxiliary engine fuel cut-off valve
402	Heater starting switch to pump and solenoid valve	422	Auxiliary engine magneto ground
403	Running switch to thermal switch	423	Signal lamp aux. interphone
404	Thermal switch to heater starting switch	424	Field telephone aux. interphone
405	Heater starting switch to motor & indicator light if used	425	Field telephone aux. interphone
406	Heater ignition circuit, and indicator light if used	426	Ground aux. interphone
407	Heater in operating position indicator circuit	427	Tachometer, electric, "A" terminal, send to receive
408	Oil heater circuit, including indicator	428	Tachometer, electric, "B" terminal, send to receive
409	Compartment heater circuit, including control unit	429	Tachometer, electric, "C" terminal, send to receive
410	Safety valve reset circuit	430	Tachometer, electric, "D" terminal, send to receive
411	Ventilation fan load	431	Speedometer, electric, "A" terminal, send to receive
412	Aux. generator transfer switch to battery heater & indicator	432	Speedometer, electric, "B" terminal, send to receive
413	Heater relay control circuit	433	Speedometer, electric, "C" terminal, send to receive
414	Auxiliary gen. voltage control rheostat to voltage regulator	434	Speedometer, electric, "D" terminal, send to receive
415	Feed to special ventilating fan or rotoclane	435	Rear door emergency warning light
416	Ground lead for special ventilating fan or rotoclane	436	Comp. feed incl. relay
417	Auxiliary shunt to auxiliary ammeter-positive	437	Comp. relay contr. circuit incl. SW
418	Auxiliary shunt to auxiliary ammeter-negative	450	Blige pump switches feed & jumper between switches
419	Main feed to auxiliary control box		

Wire Number	Circuit Description	Wire Number	Circuit Description
451	Blige pump switch to rear blige pump	474	Front end fuel tank solenoid
452	Blige pump switch to front blige pump	475	Rear end fuel tank solenoid
453	Ignition retard circuit, starter to solenoid through normally closed switch	476	Transmission fan clutch circuit
454	Ignition retard circuit, battery to normally open side of switch	477	Differential filter pressure circuit
455	Two-speed generator control circuit	478	Generator equalizer circuit, interpolate type
456	Aux. gen. disconnect control circuit, including the switch	479	Battery heater control circuit
457	Interphone #10	480	Wrecker solenoid valve control circuit
458	Engine fan clutch circuit	481	Feed to magneto switch
459	Control circuit for master relay, and indicator light	482	Feed to auxiliary engine magneto grounding relay
460	Turn indicator circuit, right, service	483	Turn indicator, right blackout
461	Turn indicator circuit, left, service	484	Turn indicator, left blackout
462	Generator equalizer circuit, shunt type	485	Cab feed
463	Interphone #11	486	Manifold heater main engine
464	Interphone #12	487	Manifold heater aux. engine
465	Range finder, feed	488	Control, rectifier, to master relay circuit
466	Range finder, ground lead	489	Clearance lamp service feed
468	Bulldozer, actuator, armature feed	490	Clearance lamp B. D. feed
469	Bulldozer, actuator, field & clutch feed	491	Parking lights to light switch
470	Bulldozer control, solenoid valve circuit	492	Ignition ground (GR mag. SW)
471	Winch control switch feed	493	Aux. Gen. temp. (indicator circuit)
472	Winch reverse solenoid circuit	494	Engine decompression control circuit
473	Winch forward solenoid circuit	495	Trans. oil level gage circuit
		496	Spotlight or flood lamp ground
		497	Red flasher ground







HOW FULL IS PACKED?

"Packed" fits Marilyn to a "T". Not too full and not too little—just the right amount to keep you in a constant spin.



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WHEEL-BEARINGS AND HUBS IN TRUCKS, TRAILERS AND TOWED ARTILLERY PIECES SHOULD BE PACKED THE SAME WAY. TOO FULL AND THE GREASE'LL SQUISH OVER AND RUIN YOUR BRAKES.

2



TOO LITTLE GREASE AND THE BEARINGS WILL GRIND THEMSELVES TO BITS.

3



PACKED FULL APPLIES ONLY TO THE BEARINGS THEMSELVES. SQUEEZE IN AS MUCH GREASE AS SHE'LL TAKE. GET THAT GREASE BETWEEN THE BALLS OR ROLLERS WHERE IT DOES THE MOST GOOD.

Now here's where fully packed is misunderstood and usually causes grease to leak on the brakes. "HUB" IS THE KEYWORD.

4



WHEN YOU PUT TOO MUCH GREASE IN THE HUBS AND THEY GET HOT, THE GREASE GETS A LITTLE THIN AND EVENTUALLY RUNS THROUGH YOUR SEALS ONTO THE BRAKES.

SO—WHAT DO YOU DO?

5

BEFORE PACKING MAKE SURE ALL OLD LUBE IS CLEANED OUT OF BEARINGS AND FROM INSIDE THE HUBS WITH VOLATILE MINERAL SPIRITS OR DRY-CLEANING SOLVENT.



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DRY THE HUB AND PARTS REAL GOOD. YOU CAN USE COMPRESSED AIR ON THE HUBS BUT NOT ON THE BEARINGS. IT COULD DAMAGE THEM.

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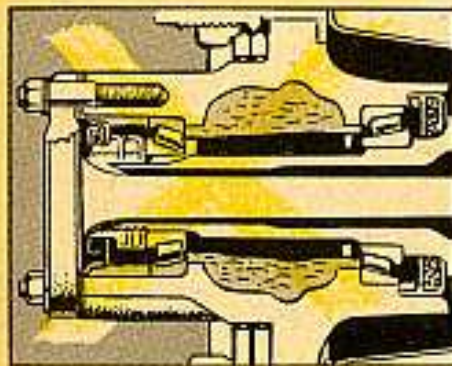


PACK BEARINGS BY HAND OR WITH BEARING PACKER. GET GREASE BETWEEN THE BALLS OR ROLLERS. KEEP DIRT, GRIT AND OTHER CONTAMINANTS AWAY WHEN PUTTING ON THE GREASE.

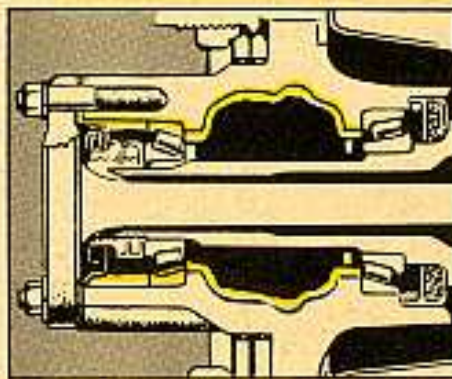


NOW—ABOUT THOSE HUBS

TB 9-2835-12, which deals with repacking wheel-bearings in vehicles, trailers and towed artillery, has been rescinded. Now the rules laid down in the TM's are the rules to follow.



ALL TM'S TELL YOU TO PUT A THIN SMEAR OF GREASE, USUALLY NO MORE THAN 1/16 OF AN INCH, EVENLY 'ROUND YOUR WHEEL-HUBS. ALL THIS DOES IS PREVENT YOUR HUBS FROM RUSTING. REMEMBER—THIS LAYER OF GREASE SHOULD BE AS THIN AS THE HAM YOU GET IN SANDWICHES—JUST ENOUGH TO COVER THE SURFACE.



As far as what grease to use, you've got that Super GAA No. 2 on the market now. This is the one you'll use, in most cases. If you can't get Super GAA, use General Purpose Grease No. 2 (WB).



But, before you do, make sure all the old grease is cleaned out, 'specially if that old grease is Old Stuff GAA No. 1. WB and GAA just won't mix. By the way, you'll never use Old Stuff GAA to repack wheel-bearings on fording vehicles. When you check your brake-linings at your D service, see if the Super GAA you've used is thinning out. If it has and you've thoroughly cleaned your bearings and hubs before using it, send in a UER. Then, clean and repack the wheel.

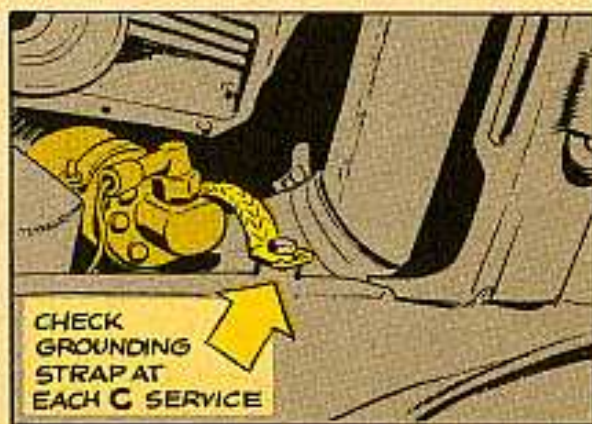
One more thing. Look over your TM's and lube orders for your piece of equipment. These'll give you the amount of grease to use and the type to use under unusual conditions. These publications'll also give you the poop on how often to repack your bearings. In most cases, this'll be once a year or every 12,000 miles (D2 service) whichever comes first. Give those bearings a good supply of the right amount of stuff at the right time and they'll go all the way for you.



HOW'RE Y'CONNECTIONS?

Got a good ground connection on your M48 tank's auxiliary engine? Ever consider what can happen if the ground-strap breaks and Li'l Joe's juice grounds out to the hull through the metal in the flexible fuel-line?

Better check that strap at each "C" service, pal. (Or else check out some asbestos drawers . . . !) Make sure the strap strands are not broken and that there's no paint lousing up the contact surfaces.





A safety tip

Here's a tip that'll make your vehicle safer to drive:

If your inside door handles are pointing toward the rear of the vehicle and open the door by downward pressure, you've got danger, especially if your passenger likes to be comfortable. He may forget himself for a minute and rest his arm on the handle. Before you can say "Hey," he's dribbling his head along the cobblestones.

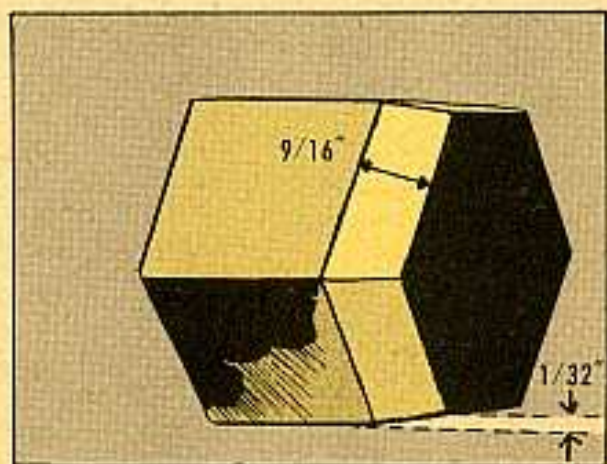
Most of these inside door handles can be made safety-sure by pulling out the retaining lock or pin which holds the handle in place. Then, rotate the handle a half-turn so it's facing toward the front of the vehicle. Put the retaining lock or pin back in.

Now to open the door, you swing that handle up.

You can read more details on this in TB Ord 603 (29 Apr 55).

Had any trouble removing torsion-bar end plugs on your M48 tanks?

On some early 48's there's a slight taper in the hex-head plug opening. Makes 'em tough to handle with your plug wrench tool (41-W-1961-125) as is.



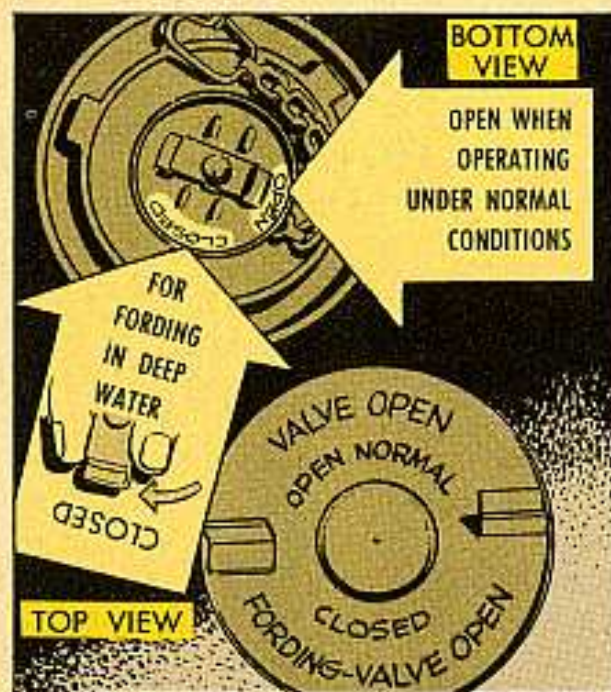
But y'can handle 'em by grinding a taper on one end of the wrench. Make the taper 9/16 inch long. Vary its cut from 0 to 1/32 inch at the end. On all six sides of the wrench, o'course.

That'll give you the fit you're looking for.

Capping it right

If you're puzzled when it comes to using that new fuel-tank filler-cap (Ord Stock No. G744-8333722), puzzle no more.

When you're operating under normal conditions, turn the internal-vent valve on the inside of the cap to OPEN. When you're getting ready to take a ford in deep water, turn the valve to CLOSED.



The instructions are stamped on the outside of the cap, so you can't go wrong.

The cap's now being passed out, so if you haven't gotten yours yet, bide your time—it won't be too long coming.

Take it and stick it

The new straight NEOPRENE gaskets for the M38A1 Jeep's air-cleaner will give you less cause for hollerin' if you'll clean all the parts up clean and dry and then shellac the gaskets into

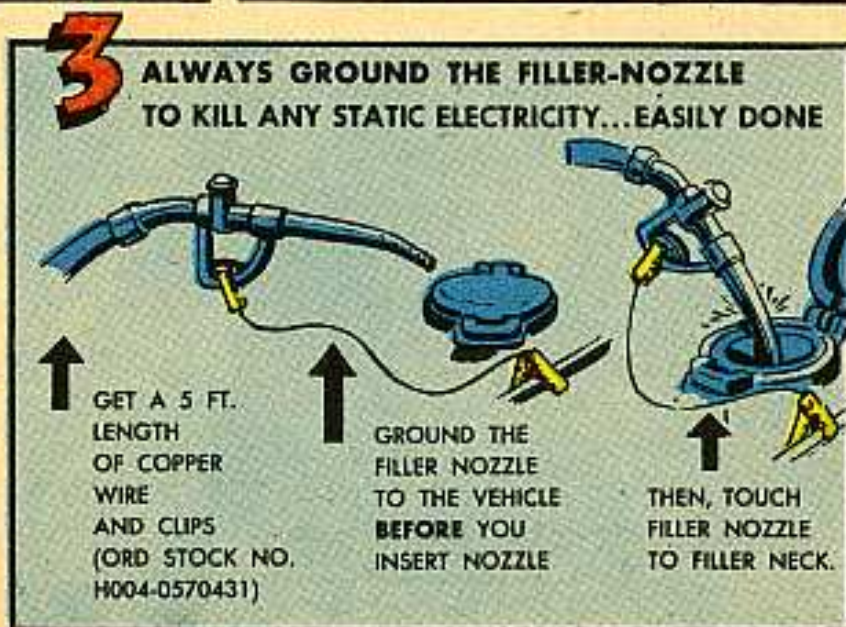
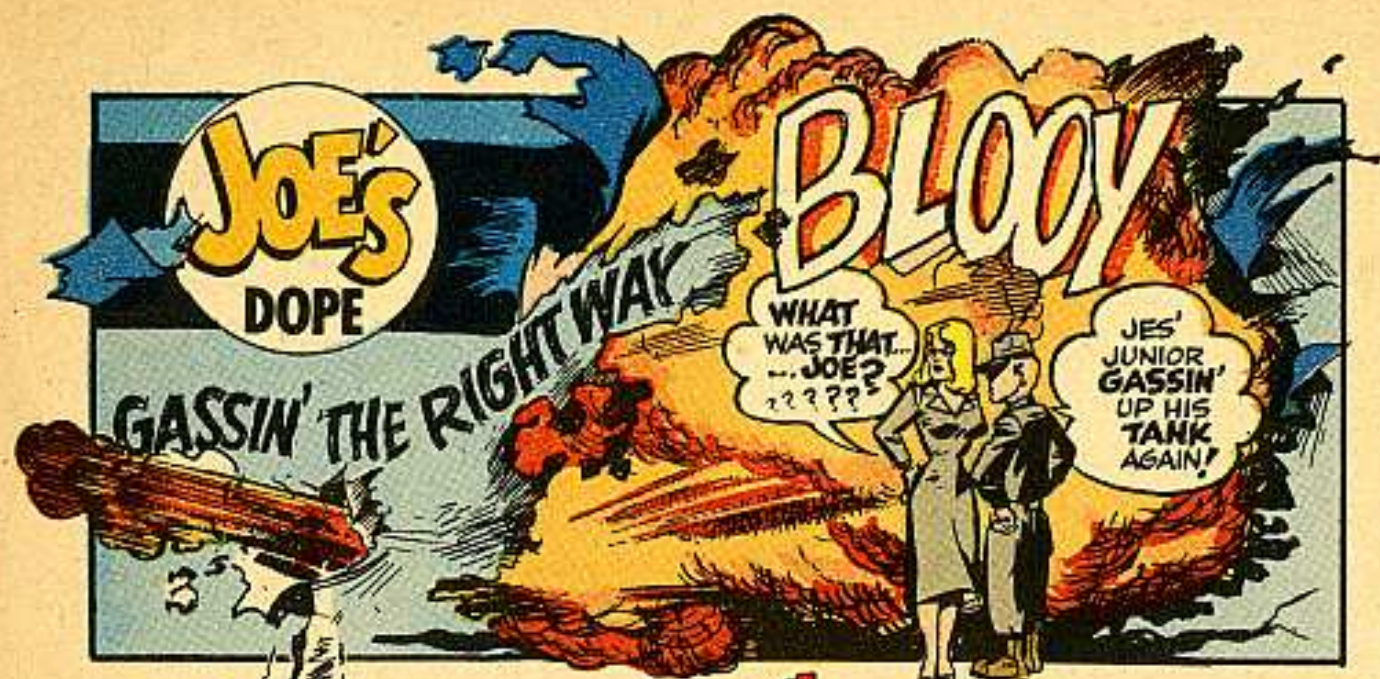


the grooves. This'll keep the gasket from getting stretched and distorted when you clean the air-cleaner. Then you won't have oil sloppin' out of the cleaner and getting you a gig five minutes after you service it.

Tester gone blooie?

If you've been having any trouble with the ammeter and the meter multiplier on your low voltage circuit tester, FSN 17-T-5575 or 17-T-5575-50 make sure you send in a UER (Form 468) to Chief of Ordnance, Washington 25, D.C. That is, if the trouble is in the tester. If you goof and connect the leads wrong so you burn it up yourself, then you need a report of survey, not the UER.

Be very careful in connecting these testers for high amperage tests to be sure you have the big shunt and are putting the tips in the right jacks for the largest amperage you expect. If you are in any doubt, check first with the 1000-amp scale. Then move down to the 500-amp scale if necessary.





SHUT-OFF VALVES

GASSIN' **LIGHT TANKS**... FIRST SET THE FUEL SHUT-OFF VALVE TO EITHER... **BOTH ON OR BOTH OFF!**



PARKED SIDEWISE ON A SLOPE?

SET FUEL SHUT-OFF VALVE TO **LEFT ON** OR **RIGHT ON**... AND FILL EACH TANK SEPARATELY



...AND KEEP IT ON THAT POSITION 'TIL YOU'VE USED UP ABOUT $\frac{1}{2}$ THE TANK'S GAS... OR 'TIL Y'GET BACK ONNA LEVEL.

IF YOU'RE GASSIN' UP A **MEDIUM TANK**, SET THE TWO FUEL SHUT-OFF VALVE HANDLES TO **OFF** POSITION BY PUSHING DOWN.



AND...AS FOR GASSIN' A **MEDIUM TANK** ON A SLOPE... FILL IT THE SAME WAY AS YOU DO ON **LEVEL GROUND**. IF YOU'RE FILLING FROM **DRUMS** Y'LL FIND A HAND PUMP IN THE **RIGHT REAR STOWAGE BOX**.



THAT'S IT... OH, YES, IF YOU'RE FILLIN' FROM **DRUMS** DON'T FORGET **GROUND CONNECTIONS**

GOTCHA...




...AND I FORGOT TO ADD... KEEP **GASOLINE OFF YOUR CLOTHES**... OR DON'T **SMOKE** TILL YOU CHANGE 'EM!



A yellow circle containing the word "Joe's" in a stylized, white, cursive font.

Dope Sheet

A cartoon illustration of a soldier in a green uniform and cap, looking towards a tank that is on fire. The tank is emitting large plumes of orange and red smoke. The soldier's face is in the foreground, looking slightly to the right.

These tags came from a guy on our post
Who got fried like crisp bacon or toast
In filling our tanks
It's the safe man who ranks.
In this deal you are sharp....or you roast.

RULES FOR GASSIN'-UP

- 1 PUT A FIRE GUARD NEARBY
- 2 KEEP GAS CLEAN
- 3 "GROUND" FILLER NOZZLE
- 4 FILL ONLY TO 8½" FROM TOP
- 5 AVOID SPLASHING GAS
- 6 TIGHTEN FILLER CAPS "GOOD"
- 7 WATCH FOR GAS LEAKS
- 8 KEEP SMOKING BYSTANDERS AT LEAST 50 FEET AWAY

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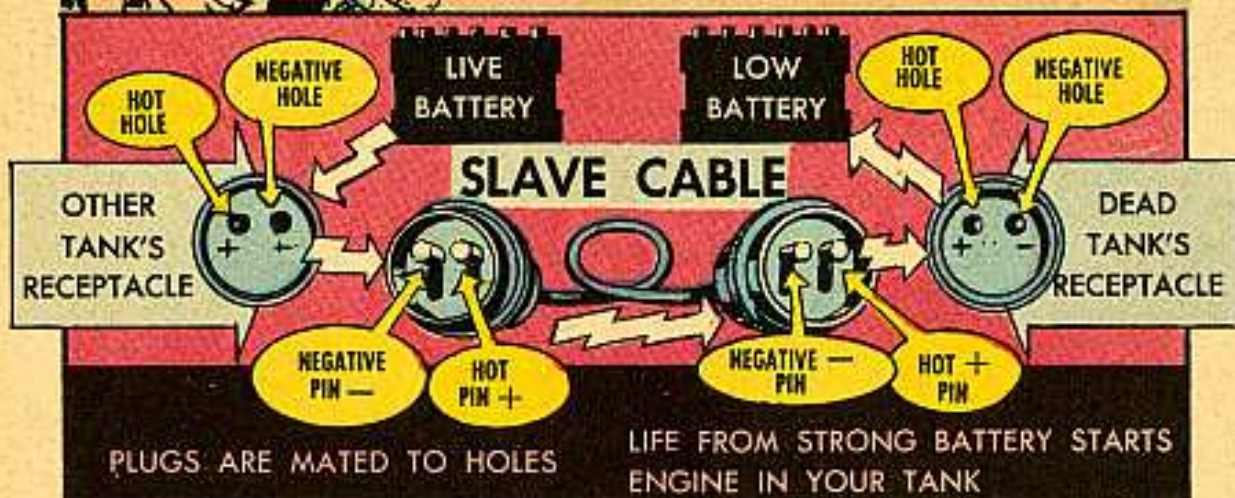
JOE'S
DOPE

KNOW YOUR SLAVE KIT





HEY CONNIE, MIND IF WE HITCH THIS CABLE TO THE SLAVE RECEPTACLE IN YOUR TANK? OUR BATTERY NEEDS A CHARGE.



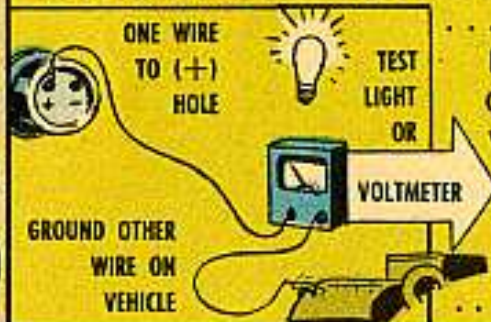
HOLD IT FELLAS! HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR SLAVE CABLE FIRST? IF THE WIRES INSIDE HAPPEN TO BE SWITCHED, YOU'LL GET REVERSED POLARITY...WHICH COULD STOP YOUR ELECTRICAL SYSTEM COLD AND END ITS WORKING DAYS.



A FEW'VE BEEN FOUND WITH THE NEGATIVE LEAD WIRE IN THE POSITIVE HOLE AND VISA-VERSA ... AND THAT'S MURDER!

CHECK YOUR RECEPTACLE

IF IT REGISTERS ... Y'R OK. IF IT DOESN'T REGISTER ... POLARITY OF VEHICLE IS BACKWARDS OR RECEPTACLE IS INSTALLED WRONG!



IF DASH INDICATOR SHOWS WHEN YOU RACE ENGINE ... RECEPTACLE IS N.G.!


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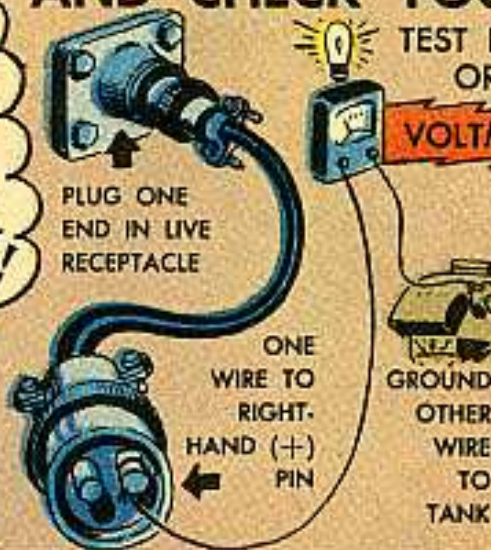
1. TAKE OUT 4 SCREWS.
2. SWITCH WIRES.
3. SCREW BACK ON.



AND CHECK YOUR SLAVE CABLE

SOME MAY'VE GOT THEIR WIRES TWISTED INSIDE SO THE CURRENT COMES OUT REVERSED!





PLUG ONE END IN LIVE RECEPTACLE

ONE WIRE TO RIGHT-HAND (+) PIN


GROUND OTHER WIRE TO TANK

TEST LAMP OR
VOLTMETER

IF IT REGISTERS . . . Y'R OK.
IF IT DOESN'T REGISTER
LINES ARE CROSSED

TO SET 'EM STRAIGHT:

1. UNSCREW 2 SCREWS.
2. PULL OUT CONTACTS AND EXCHANGE 'EM IN HOLES SO HOT WIRE'S ON RIGHT



ANOTHER THING.... SHOOTING 24 VOLTS INTO A 6-VOLT SYSTEM COULD BLOW A BATTERY OUT OF ITS SHELL!

REMEMBER —

A 24-VOLT KIT IS FOR 24-VOLT VEHICLES ONLY

*YOU'LL SEE A TECH. BULLETIN ON THIS SOON.



ALL SET!!.. YOUR SLAVE IS READY! ALAKAZAM... NEW LIFE FOR YOUR BATTERY!!



WE'RE GENERATIN'! NOW OUR ENGINE'LL CHARGE UP THE BATTERY PRONTO! ♪ HEY ERNIE... WADDAYA DOIN' ???



I'M RUBBIN' THAT GENIE BACK.... SHE TOOK OFF BEFORE I HAD A CHANCE TO ASK HER FOR A DATE!





MORE ON THE TRIP TICKET

Dear Half-Mast,

The more I mess around with that DD Form 110 (trip ticket), the more questions pop into my mind.

Take this one, for example: If a convoy leaves the same area, covers the same route and returns to the same area, is one trip ticket sufficient for the whole convoy?

Or this one: Is one trip ticket enough to cover the movement of a prime mover towing a trailer or should each of these vehicles have its own ticket?

My crystal ball's kinda misty. How's yours?

Sgt R. J. C.

Dear Sgt R. J. C.,

Receiving loud and clear. But you don't need a crystal ball when it comes to this DD Form 110. All you need is a keen eye when reading the authorities covering the subject.

AR 700-5 says that operators and crew chiefs are personally responsible for their vehicles. Squad, section and platoon leaders are responsible for the supervision of vehicles in their com-

mand. And unit and organization commanders are responsible for seeing that the vehicles in their command are properly cared for and used.

Which all means that each vehicle is treated individually, whether it's used alone or as part of a convoy. If you assign one trip ticket to a convoy of 20 trucks, how're you going to record starting and ending mileages for all those vehicles on one ticket? How're you going to record on one ticket the extent of damage if a couple of those 20 vehicles break down?

In order for all the people responsible for a vehicle to keep an accurate, up-to-date record of that vehicle, that vehicle



has to have its own trip ticket—even when it's in convoy.

To go a little further, TM 9-2810 (October 1953) "Tactical Motor Vehicle Inspections and Preventive Maintenance Services" sets up a **daily** service for each vehicle. This includes before-operation service, during-operation service, at-the-halt service and after-operation service. If you send 20 vehicles out in convoy, how're you going to record all these things on one trip ticket? You can't. Which again leads us to the



conclusion that you need a trip ticket for each vehicle.

Some people'll argue that FM 25-10 (February 1953) "Motor Transportation Operations" says to use only one ticket for a convoy. Here're the exact words from the FM: "Dispatch is normally exercised through the scheduling and recording of driver and vehicle assignment and by the issuance of a **ticket** covering each trip of a vehicle or **group of vehicles.**"

This manual's talking about dispatch and the ticket the dispatcher issues to a convoy commander before the convoy takes off. This ticket in a sense, is not a trip ticket. It covers such things as time of departure of the convoy, place of departure, destination, time of arrival, number of vehicles in the convoy, etc. It has nothing to do with preventive maintenance like the individual vehicle trip ticket does. It's sort of a dispatching record, so don't let that tricky phrase toss you.

The same explanation can be used for your question about the prime mover and trailer. These're two distinct and individual vehicles and have different types of preventive maintenance services performed on them each day. If one prime mover had 15 trailers to tow, the driver would have 16 trip tickets—one for the prime mover and one each for the trailers.

This is the only way a true, accurate record of maintenance services can be kept.

Half-Mast

FIGURIN' SNL'S

Dear Half-Mast,

What gives between the allowances in the new Ord 7's and the items listed in the new Ord 8's available to the using unit? Are the new Ord 8's to be used by the using unit? Or, what explains the following:

New Ord 8's (under explanation of symbols) say that items marked with the # symbol may be issued to the

using unit for direct replacement when required for organizational maintenance. Still, the 7 manuals make no mention of this.

What's the score, anyway?

Mr. J. W.

Dear Mr. J. W.,

Nope, the new Ord 8's are not meant for the using unit any more than the old Ord 8's are. The using unit sticks to Ord 7's.

Here's the explanation to your question:

That # symbol in Ord 8 is to guide your Ordnance support unit. It tells them what parts the using organizations are authorized—or what items are listed in the Ord 7's.



Of course, there may be certain differences between the items marked with a # symbol in the Ord 8 and items authorized in the Ord 7 if the publications were put out at different dates. However, these differences are to be corrected as rapidly as possible by SNL revisions or changes. Where the differences exist, using units will still follow the Ord 7.

Half-Mast

DE-PICKLING DOPE

Dear Half-Mast,

What's the guide for deprocessing track vehicles—such as the M48 tank and M59 personnel carrier—before issue to an armored unit?

Shouldn't Ordnance sort of take off some of the cosmoline and give 'em a final-type inspection—such as changing some of the protective oils and grease to the proper grade—and checking out the gun prior to issue? Where can I find this information?

Pvt J. K. H.

Dear Pvt J. K. H.,

Y'might start with a look at TB Ord 385 (with Change 2, 15 Aug '51). Para 14a says: "A technical inspection will be made by the issuing installation in accordance with AR 700-105 . . . Use Form 462 for full track and tank-like vehicles . . . Refer to the pertinent technical manuals for inspection criteria and requirements. All defects disclosed by the inspection, which affect and impair satisfactory operation and safety, must be corrected."

Seems like that would imply that Ordnance should give the item a final-type inspection. And see that it's got the proper grade of oil, etc. Right?

But then SB 9-4 (9 June '52), which spells out some of the details of deprocessing duties, says "Deprocessing is the responsibility of the consignee." (Para 4b.)

And just who-n-ell is the consignee? It's not defined in the SB, but SR 320-

5-1 (Dictionary of U.S. Army Terms) gives consignee as "officer or other persons to whom the last carrier turns over the shipment. A consignee is not necessarily the person to whom the property is invoiced or for whose use it is intended."



In practice this leaves the responsible Ordnance officer in local areas some latitude for deciding how and where the deprocessing can best be done. As consignee (of shipments from depots and arsenals) he'll usually set up SOP for deprocessing materiel before it's issued to using units.

But sometimes it may be decided that the users would make good consignees—at least as regards some of the depickling chores. Justification might be shortage of Ordnance personnel or facilities in the area or expediency.



'Course, it's nice to have your stuff delivered ship-shape and ready to roll. But—doesn't always work out that way. And TM 9-2810 and current vehicle manuals are pretty definite about organizational duties "Upon Receipt of Materiel."

Take TM 9-7012, fr'instance. It says you first inspect to see that the tank's been properly prepared for service "by the supplying organization" and delivered in "condition to perform any mission to which it may be assigned when placed in service." (Chap. 2, sec 1, para 7.)



And what if y'find it was not? Then—deficiencies will be corrected "in the usual way; that is, by the using organization" or by a higher echelon. (Para 10.)

Be sort of hard to squeeze outta that one, wouldn't it? Even with the cosmoline.

Half-Mast



CUTTING TRACK ADJUSTING SWEAT

Dear Sgt Dozer,

Our shop recently got in a D7 Caterpillar tractor with the track-adjusting nuts frozen solid to the screws. Three hefty men leaning on the wrench couldn't break the seizure, so we gave up.

With the track-adjusting nuts and screws exposed to all kinds of muck and water (and the pile-up of caked mud kept from washing or falling off by the track guard) the corrosive grime worked itself in between the parts.

The only way we could free the seizure was with lube. We drilled a hole

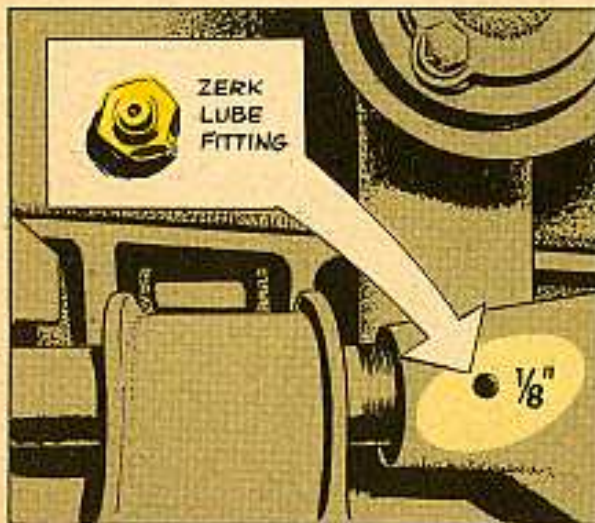
in the large nut (we used a 21/64-in drill and tapped in a 1/8-in thread) and put in a 1/8-in zerk lube fitting (like in picture). After several shots of chassis grease the adjusting nut gave way to the pressure of one man on the wrench.

The lube fittings have reduced track adjusting sweat and cut down on the man-hours for the job.

The Gang
Heavy Equipment Maintenance Shop
Post Engineers
Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland
Dear Gang,

Looks like you've solved a tough problem and got yourselves an ease-of-maintenance idea to boot. But all this trouble could've been eliminated if the guy performing organizational maintenance had given it a drop or two of oil now and then. Incidentally, that must be an early D7, 'cause the later models are equipped with grease fittings at that very point. It's a good idea, though, to add the fitting to the machines that don't have it.

Sgt Dozer



BURNED IS RIGHT

Dear Sgt Dozer,

We find it a tough job to remove the shielded-wire nut without unscrewing the sparkplugs on the 400-cycle Hobart generator. We used to get burns on our arms trying to keep the plugs in place while removing the wire. But we've got it beat now. We came up with a tool that'll hold the plug in place while the shielded-wire nut's being loosened.

We took an old box-end wrench (5/16-in and 1-in) and sawed a 3/4-in opening at each end. It slips over the plugs easily and the length of it makes the plugs easy to reach. Now we don't have any burns or unscrewed plugs to delay a job.

B. H. J.



Dear B. H. J.,

Your idea'll work OK, but you're liable to get more than your arms burned for cuttin' up that wrench. A standard open-end wrench or the crescent wrench from the first echelon tool kit'll do the job. Either of 'em will help you reach over the hot exhaust manifold to hold the plugs steady.

Sgt Dozer

WHO'S RIGHT?

Dear Sgt Dozer,

I'm a little bit mixed up about when to change the oil filter on the HF 30G-400 cycle generator. The instructions on the generator door say "Change element every 50 hours." But TM's 5-5072 and 5-5166 tell you to clean and renew the element every two weeks.

And there's also another one. "Operating Instructions, T-982," which is furnished with the generator by Hobart Brothers, gives the following information on page 11, para 16 f: "Every 300 hours of operation replace cartridge."

Now, do you see why I'm confused? Which one's right?

H. P. L.



Dear H. P. L.,

It's easy to see why you're confused. You called your shots right down the line, but what you read in the TM is the right dope.

You see, LO's 5-5072 and 5-5166 are reprinted in the TM's. They cover the Continental model M-330 engine—and that's the one that gives the Hobart generator set its power.

Instructions for changing the filter element are based on a normal 8-hour daily operation. The best time to change the filter element is at 112 hours. You get that figure by multiplying 8 hours a day by 14 days. And that's two weeks on any calendar.

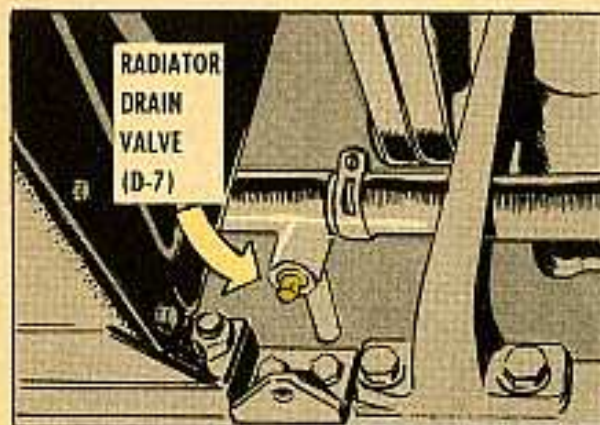
If you'll take a look at para 16 of AR 312-20, you'll see that LO's are manda-

tory to all users of Engineer equipment and have to be physically attached to the equipment. So, you see, the LO gives you the last word as to when to change the filter element. And—the LO supersedes any other instructions or directives that might've been issued.

Sgt Dozer

DRAIN—DON'T BUST

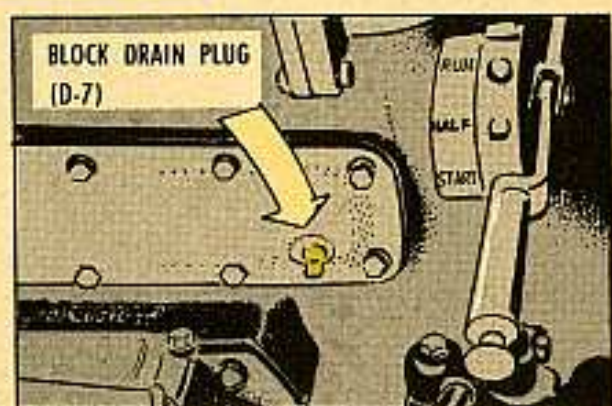
Of course, it shouldn't happen to you. But just in case you're ever caught short of antifreeze for your equipment, now's a good time to take out your TM or manufacturer's maintenance manual and make sure you know which plugs to pull to completely drain the entire cooling system.



Some people think that getting the water outta the radiator does the job. But, tain't so. They're sure to end up with a busted block, and maybe worse.

The plugs you have to remove or open to relieve your equipment of its potential belly fulla ice are:

1. Radiator drain-valve.
2. Cylinder-block drain-plug.
3. Starting-engine drain-plug (in some cases).



Radiator drain-valves and cylinder-block drain-plugs are located differently on different pieces of equipment. Even different models of the same type of equipment may have the drains located on different sides of the radiator or at different spots on the block. Your manual will tell you where each hole is under the section marked "Cooling System Draining."

And here're a couple of cautions for when you're feeding your baby antifreeze:

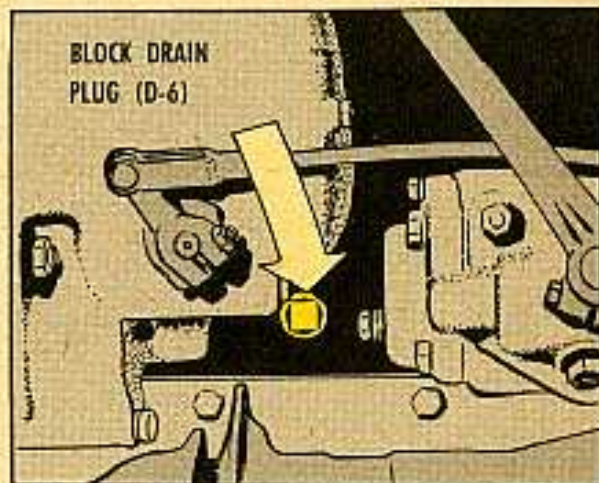
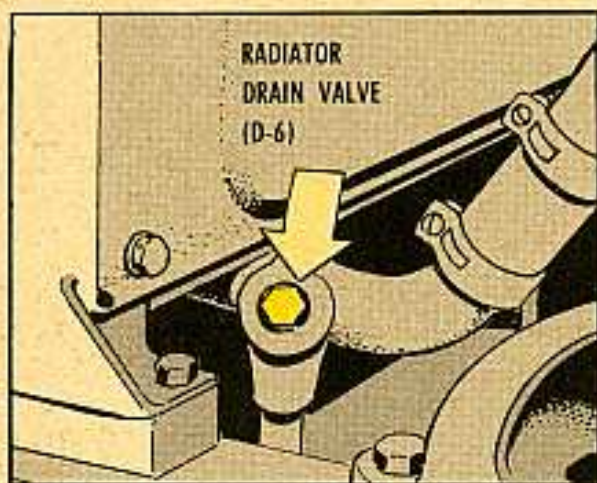
Before adding antifreeze look for leaks at the hose, hose clamps and gaskets. After adding antifreeze, look 'em over again. Antifreeze can seep through places that're too tight for water.

Then, after you've operated for about half a day, check the crankcase oil-level

in the engine and in the starting engine (where applicable) to make sure anti-freeze hasn't snuck in there.

If antifreeze does leak into the crank-

case, the oil will be black and sticky. Only thing you can do is stop operation, trace the leak, get it stopped and yell for some fresh oil.



BUTTERFLY DE-ICER

Don't get all shook up if the butterfly valve ices up on the carburetor of your 400-cycle generator. Some of the boys at the fire control units have been running into this problem under certain temperature and moisture conditions. It generally occurs when the thermometer's a little above freezing.

You don't need a blow torch to elimi-

nate the ice. All you gotta do is run the set with the side covers down. If you'll open the small doors on either side of the canopy behind the radiator, that'll give the necessary ventilation.

Naturally, you wouldn't want to use this method of ventilating the generator set in warm weather, but the idea'll work real well when the north winds blow.

NEVER MIND SULKING

There may be times when sufferin' in silence is a virtue and trying to set things right without help commendable—but,



the day you discover defective construction or some incorrect assembly on a new piece of Engineer equipment, just isn't the time to be a quiet little fellow.

The action that'll really help on that occasion is to wrap up your findings in a DA Form 468 (UER-Unsatisfactory Equipment Report) and get your boss to send it to Office, Chief of Engineers, Attn: Maintenance Division, Washington 25, D. C. And shoot off a note to PS about it. And the quicker the better for all concerned.



Remember that article, "Cat Stake-Out," back in PS Issue #25 (page 43)? Man, the mail's been flyin' hot and heavy on that 'un, especially about the last sentence. It said on all Cat tractors—When you knock off for the day, make sure that master clutch is disengaged so's to keep the clutch plates from stickin'.

Several men say they don't agree with this. That sent Sgt Dozer scurryin' for his manuals and operator handbooks. He even checked with the Office, Chief of Engineers, and found out that it's the basic policy of the Corps of Engineers to advise disengaging the master clutch on a tractor when you shut 'er down for the day.

The manufacturer's manual, under the subject, "Stopping the Tractor," says to engage the master clutch **if the engine's to continue running.** There's no argument on that count. A pilot bearing seizure could cause the tractor to move away if the operator had left it in gear with the clutch disengaged. That's when the engine's running, though.

But when the tractor's shut down for the day, the master clutch should be disengaged. Just try and find an operator's handbook that tells you to engage the clutch when you shut your tractor down for the night. Dozer's been stayin' up

nights tryin' to find this bit of information, but he hasn't bumped into it yet.

Some say if you leave the clutch disengaged while hot that the clutch plates'll warp.

If an operator had been moving stumps and had the clutch almost on fire, there's a good possibility the clutch plates'd warp if he'd immediately stop the machine. But you can't straighten out warped plates by merely engaging the clutch when the machine is parked.

Now—here's something else to consider. When an operator shuts down his tractor after a day's work, he doesn't know for sure how soon he'll be back on the job again. Bad weather might keep him from working for days or weeks.

If a machine is left parked in damp weather for—let's say two weeks—with the clutch engaged, there's a good chance the clutch plates will stick. Rust from dampness'll cause the clutch plates to stick together in some cases. One veteran mechanic working for a Caterpillar dealer tells of an instance when this happened and he had to use a bar to separate the plates.

So remember, when you park your tractor and shut 'er down for the night, disengage the master clutch. If you do, you'll be following the basic policy of the Corps of Engineers.



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- 5-2081 Pump, Carver mod 1-1/2-WHL, 14 Apr 55
- 5-5005 Generator, DED, 30-kw Hill Diesel mod 5K, 13 Apr 55
- 5-5398 Compressor, air, 500-cfm, Worthington-500, 11 Apr 55
- 5-2029 Pump, 480 GPM, Carter mod 504CW, 6 Apr 55
- 5-5325 Generator, 1/4-kw, Atlas Aircraft mod 7A1, 5 May 55
- 5-2020 Pump, cent. Carter mod 501-LE-1-1/2, 4 May 55
- 5-6087 Camera, copying, Rutherford mod MAC, 2 May 55
- 5-5219 Pump, pet RLM pipeline, Swiss mod GP60 w/Continental engine mod T-427, Apr 55
- 5-5222 Pump, pet RLM pipeline, Peerless mod and Barnes mod CE 4-P4, 3 May 55
- 5-9234 Sawmill, Corliss mod 1-C, 29 Mar 55
- 5-9487 Carrier, crane, 6 x 4, mod HC-70X, 3 May 55
- 5-5011 Generator, 15-kw, Hill Dsl mod 4-F, 2 May 55
- 5-5012 Generator, 3-kw, Hollingsworth mod JH-3, 30 Mar 55
- 5-9428 Pump, cent, Gorman Rupp mod OG-H-260, 18 Apr 55
- 5-5057 Generator, 100-kw, Buda mod DC 100 A3CE, 21 Apr 55
- 5-6122 Spirit process map reproduction, A. B. Dick mod 299, 9 May 55
- 5-9057 Trailer chassis, generator, ACF Drill mod M-200, 18 May 55
- 5-9477 Air cond unit, skid-mtd, 70,000-BTU, Typoon mod SA-500

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- 5-9482-1 Air cond unit, base mtd, for camera in darkroom, 6150 BTU, Chrysler Airtemp mod R-176, 24 May 55
- 5-4035-1 Drifter drill, pneu, wagon mtd, Ingersoll-Rand mod X-71 WD, 14 Jun 55
- 5-5398-1 Compressor, air, 13-cfm, Rix mod 1262, 3500 psi, 13 Jun 55
- 5-5626-1 Conveyor, drag type, Barber-Greene mod 554, 13 Jun 55
- 5-3301-1 Tractor, whld, MRS mod 125, 22 Jun 55
- 5-5261-1 Generator, 10-kw Reiner mod GGC-10AC, 27 Jun 55
- 5-3351-1 Gen Set, 30-kw, Consolidated Dsl Elec mod RD-144, 22 Jun 55
- 5-5053-1 Generator, 30-kw, Reiner mod GGC-30AC, 26 Apr 55
- 5-4047-1 Paving breaker, Cleco mod RC80, 12 May 55
- 5-4033-1 Sharpener, rock-drill bit, Ingersoll-Rand mod JSD-60, 6 Jun 55
- 5-9516-1 Crane-shvl pwr unit, trk-mtd, Thew-Lorain mod MC-414, 19 May 55
- 5-1129-1 Dist. wtr, trk-mtd, 1,000-gal, Vic mod 73, 25 May 55
- 5-2063-1 Pump, cent, Marlow mod 34-PV, 6 Jun 55
- 5-5452-1 Compressor, Westinghouse Air Brake mod 1-BYCH-33, 6 Jun 55
- 5-9147 Generator, Gidder mod 32-4027, 27 May 55
- 5-9315-1 Plow, snow, Sicard Sno-Master BH-10, 25 May 55
- 5-5019-1 Generator, 1/2-kw, Homelite mod 20-5028-23A, 11 Jun 55

- 5-5077-1 Generator, 1-1/2-kw, Homelite mod 24A320-23A, 6 Jun 55
- 5-5250-1 Engine, Continental mod AU7, 6 Jun 55

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- 5-3088-1 Tractor, Caterpillar mod D7, 31 Mar 55
- 5-5349 Engine, Continental mods ZD-129, GD-157, GD-181, ED-201, AD-260, JD-382, 14 Apr 55
- 5-5351 Engine, Klekhaefer mods KB7W and KB7W1, 14 Apr 55
- 5-2942 Pump, deep well, Peerless High-Lift mod 42, 14 Apr 55
- 5-5084 Generator, 5kw, Onan mod GWC4-55, 1 Apr 55
- 5-9523-1 Crane-shvl, trk-mtd, Koebling mod 304, 19 Apr 55
- 5-1090 Router, LeTourneau mod H-3, 9 May 55
- 5-1225 Router, 3-tooth, LeTourneau-Westinghouse mod K-30, 9 May 55
- 5-2019 Pump, sump, Chicago Pneu mod CP-4, 9 Jun 55
- 5-2059 Distillation unit, Mech Equip Co mod PD-300C, 9 May 55
- 5-3088 Pumping unit, Hale mod FZP, 9 May 55
- 5-5086 Generator, 5-kw, mod JB50C, 9 May 55
- 5-5371 Generator, 1-1/2-KVA, Kohler mods 1A21 and 1M21, 9 May 55
- 5-9032 Trailer, 8-ton, Fruehauf mod CPT-8, 9 May 55
- 5-9449 Trailer, dump, LeTourneau mod E-16, 25 Apr 55
- 5-9129 Mower, tractor-drawn, Case mod D-37, 9 May 55
- 5-9254 Truck, garbage, load packer, Garwood mod, 18 May 55
- 5-9519 Conveyor, drag type, Heiss mod 486 PM, 17 May 55
- 5-1017 Feeder, Pioneer mod 30-G, 26 May 55
- 5-1201 Scraper, road, air transportable, Murray mod 75-A, 31 May 55
- 5-2079 Pump, deep well, Johnston mod 6EC, 31 May 55
- 5-5608 Gen Set, DED, 15-kw, Ready Power Mod RD-4A
- 5-5332 Generator, 60-kw, Consolidated Dsl mod 1697, 17 May 55
- 5-9136 Sawmill, American mod #3, 9 May 55
- 5-4035 Drifter drill, pneu, wagon-mtd, Ingersoll-Rand mod X-71WD w/FM-3 wagon, 12 Jun 55
- 5-4406 Vibrator, concrete, DED, Mail mod, 14 Jun 55
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- 5-3094 Compressor, air, 16-cfm, Johnson mod 252-R, 15 Jun 55
- 5-5221 Engine, aero-jet general, Crosley mod 8, 14 Jun 55
- 5-6134 Machine, printing and developing, Paragon-Revolt mod Meltor 55200, 14 Jun 55
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- 3151-1 Class 530 fire truck
- 5012-1 C2 Generator, 3-kw, Hollingsworth SH-3, 11 May 55
- 5031-1 C2 Generator, 5-kw, Hollingsworth CE-51-DC & CE-51-CC/WK2, 6 May 55

- 5053-2 C1 Generator, 30-kw, Reiner GDC 30 AC, 12 May 55
- 5065-1 Compressor, 210-cfm, LeRoi mod 210-C1, 12 May 55
- 5081-1 C2 Generator, 5-kw, Kohler mod 5reh11, 9 May 55
- 5103-1 C1 Engine, gas, Wisconsin mods VE-4 and VF-4, 9 May 55
- 5107-1 C1 Engine, gas, Wisconsin mods AEN-AENS, 12 May 55
- 5256-1 C1 Engine, Briggs & Stratton, mod 2, 9 May 55
- 5361-1 Generator, 5-kw, Master mod EQ-144, 6 May 55
- 5036-2 Tank, wtr, 1500-gal, Columbia Steel Tank Co, 17 May 55
- 5007-1 Trailer, 2-whl, 3-ton for clamshell bucket, 1 Jun 55
- 1127-1 Distributor, wtr, 1000-gal, Butler mod 6743, 2 Jun 55
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- 3040-4 Tractor, Caterpillar D8, 12 Jun 55
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- 9485-1 Air cond unit, trk-mtd, 26,500 BTU, Raco mod TA 5226, 18 Jun 55
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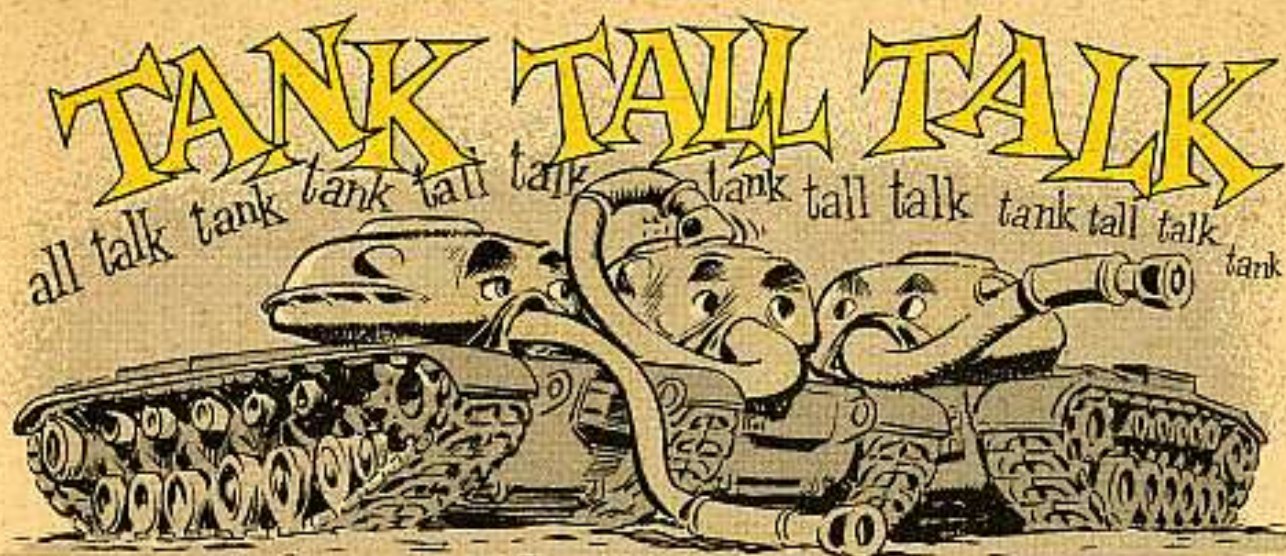
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- 4875 Pneu Drill, Hardsoc mod D-45, 15 Apr 55
- 5242 Boiler, sbm, 100-psi, 35 hp, 18 Apr 55
- 6134 Machine, prlg & dyng, Paragon-Revolule Meltor (special) 19 Apr 55
- 5262 Generator, 15-kw, DED, 28 Apr 55
- 6007 Camera, copying, Mobile Rutherford Machinery Type MAC, 28 Apr 55
- 5263 Generator, 50-kw, International-Ferment mod M 500AG-W, 9 May 55
- 5266 Generator, 10-kw, International-Ferment mod M 100GT-SH4
- 9585 Conveyor, drag type, Barber-Greene Mod 680, 10 May 55
- 1187 Kettle, asph repair, Littleford mod US 84HD-2, 27 May 55
- 2049 Pump, fire trk mlg, Darley type, mod F-300, 25 May 55
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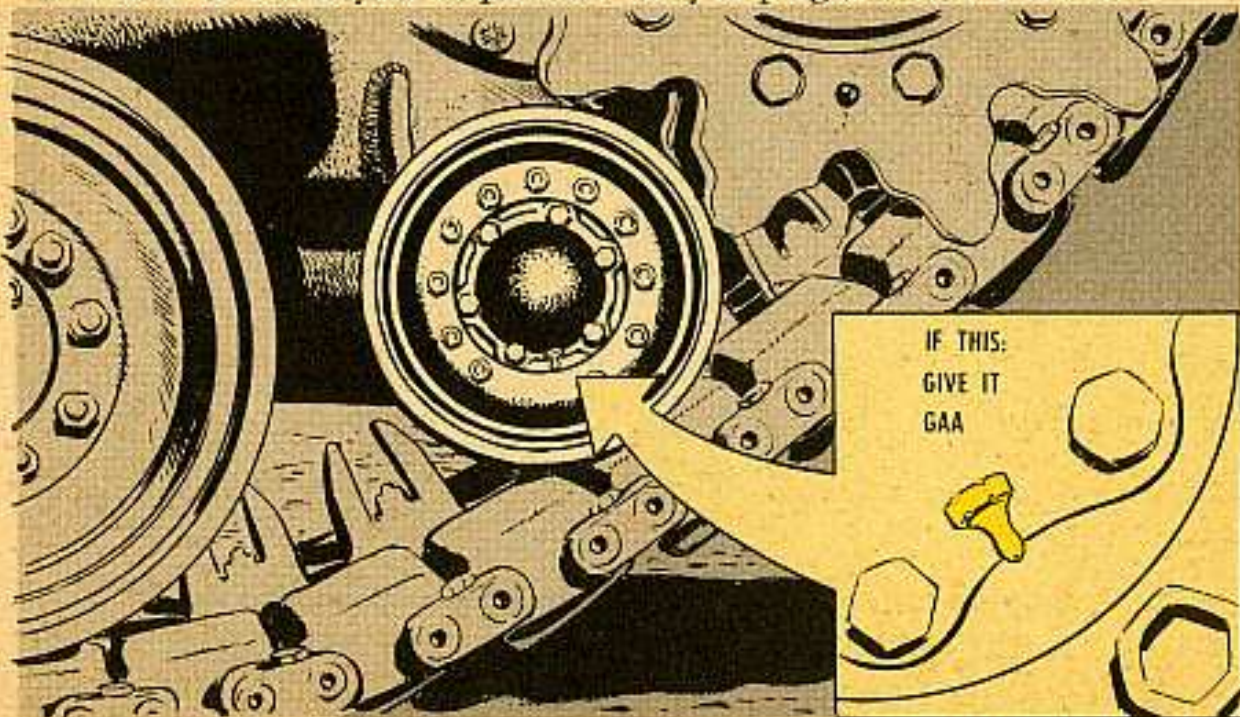
M48 TENSION IDLERS

Some early M48 tanks could throw a track like Rapid Robert Feller cutting loose with a fast one. The ol' gal's "wing" was clipped, though, when she got fitted out with tension-idler-wheels. They're the same as "compensating idlers" on the M47.

When you ramble over the terrain, keep a close check on these tension-idlers—as well as the rest of your suspension.

See that the idlers get what they need in the way of lubing. You'll find grease fittings or oil plugs (on later models) there on the hubs—just screamin' for attention.

There'll soon be a directive out modifying caps to take just one type of lube. But—meanwhile—give 'em the good ol' GAA (if they're Zerk) or OE 10 (if they're plugs) at each C service.



M17 PERISCOPE POOP

Putting in and taking out the driver's periscopes in your M41 or M41A1 tank can be pretty much of a job. Or had you noticed?

What with weld spatter and stuff, some of those periscope liners aren't exactly as smooth as a baby's cheek. Which makes it sorta rough all the way around.



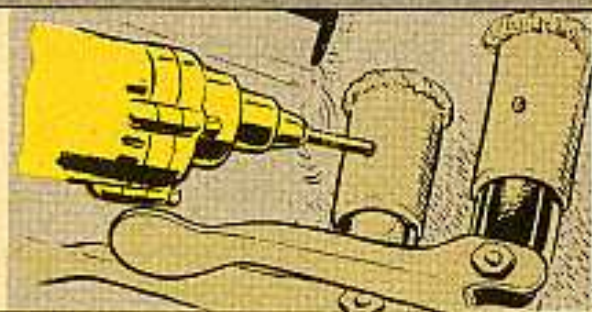
IF YOU'RE HAVING TROUBLE WITH BUMPY LINERS, DRAG OUT THE OLD EMERY WHEEL AND GIVE 'EM A FACE LIFTING.

IF YOU CAN'T SLIP 'EM IN EASY LIKE, SMOOTH OFF THE SHARP EDGES AND CORNERS OF YOUR PERISCOPES WITH A FILE.



AFTER THAT YOU MAY HAVE TO FLEX THE LOCATOR ARM ON THE PERISCOPE LATCH MECHANISM A LITTLE SO IT'LL LET THE PIN SLIP IN THE RECESS IN THE PRISCOPE MOUNTING BOSS.

ALSO DO A LITTLE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE ON THOSE PERISCOPE CATCH PLUNGER SLEEVES. SO THEY CAN GET A LITTLE LUBRICATION, PUT A 1/8" HOLE IN EACH OF THE PLUNGER SLEEVES 2" FROM THE END OF THE SLEEVES.



And then shoot some lubricating or penetrating oil into the mechanisms.

A technical bulletin'll cover this one one of these days.

Play it cool with this

OIL COOLER FAN CHECK

Hot power plants in medium tanks can be caused by faulty oil-cooler fans.

If and when this happens, you'll find your hi-temp indicators won't pin-point the trouble. Power pack items are so close together that an over-heating engine'll usually give you an over-heating transmission, too—and vice versa.

A simple check, though, can help pin it down.



FIRST... WITH TANK ON LEVEL GROUND, CHECK FOR RIGHT AMOUNTS OF OIL IN YOUR ENGINE AND TRANSMISSION. MOST COMMON CAUSE OF OVER-HEATING IS LOW OIL.



OIL RADIATORS AND AIR PASSAGES SHOULD NOT BE CLUTTERED UP WITH TARPS, DEBRIS AND STUFF. OVERFLOWED AND SPILLED OIL GATHERS DIRT AND DUST FAST, CLOGS UP THE WORKS, CHOKES OFF AIR CIRCULATION.

NOW START THE ENGINE

Y'can tell whether or not an oil cooler fan's operating by checking the air flow over the triangular grill openings at the extreme right-rear and left-rear of the engine compartment. But—here's a way to tell if it's running up to snuff:

HOLD RAG—ABOUT SIX OR EIGHT INCHES SQUARE—IN FRONT OF COOLER... SIX TO EIGHT INCHES AWAY.



RUNNING RIGHT AT FULL SPEED—RAG'LL GET SUCKED IN



IF RAG HANGS, FAN'S ON BLINK

Keep in mind that a vehicle should not be moved on its own power after either warning light comes on—until the cause is found. Either unit (engine or transmission) can be cooked by continued operation when she's over-heating.

ARMAMENT

Making Hay With



SING NO SAD SONG

A little dust...that slowly grows and grows...the kind that blows and blows...can really do you dirt.

It hardly seems possible, but those little bits of dust can gang up on you and put your M33 FCS completely out of whack. Just like the straws did on the camel's back.

It can clog the air filters of the ventilating system, causing the electronic components—like the acquisition magnetron—to burn out.

It can gather in the radar and computer cabinets and keep the heat from passing off like it should, giving you a hot operation.

The dirty little sneakers can also congregate on the vanes of the ventilation blowers and set 'em off balance. This in turn causes vibrations and lots of wear and tear on the bearings of the blower motors. The vibrations then cause other parts of the equipment—like the acquisition automatic-frequency-control unit—to go on the blink.

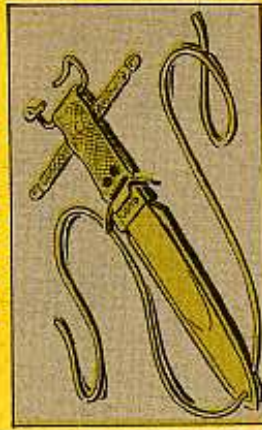
So a little cloth...that wipes away the stuff...and one that's used enough...is all it needs from you.

TAMING A BLOW

If you're in for a big blow of winds from 60 to 100 miles per hour and you've got to keep your M33 acquisition antenna on its feet, 20 100-lb bags of sand on each antenna mounting leg will do the trick. Be sure to put steel bars in the legs so they won't be bent. And, if you've got the time, lashing and strapping the legs to the ground will also help.

In winds that high, it's also time to completely depress the track antenna and lash it to the trailer-lifting-bracket. The lashing should be fastened to the lens mounting brackets and **not** the lens—the lens'll bend.

WHATZZIT???



Just one clue. You'd better look long and close 'cause it's not as simple as it looks. For answer see page 44.

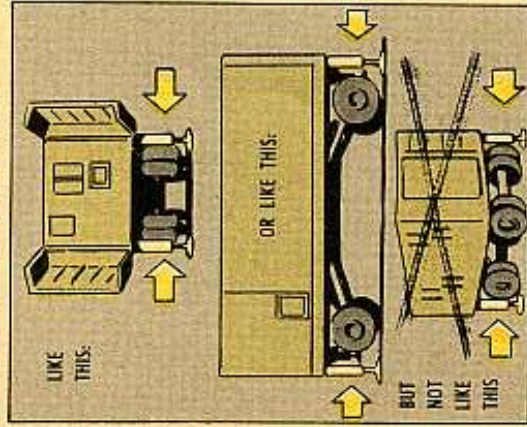
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Your AAA

ON THE LEVEL, JACK

Leveling the M242 trailer and components of your M33 fire-control system is a pretty ticklish job under the best of conditions. It can become well-nigh impossible if the trailer frame is bent or distorted by improper jacking.



The secret of quick and curseless leveling lies in keeping the weight pretty evenly distributed on all four jacks at all times. This keeps the strain off the frame and prevents any bending or distortion.

Which means you should operate all four jacks at the same time, or two adjacent jacks at the same time. And it also means you should never put too much weight on one jack or on two diagonal jacks (the right front jack and the left rear jack, for instance). This puts a terrific strain on the frame, causing it to bend just enough to play hob with the leveling process.

When doing a leveling job, follow para 55 i of TM 9-6092-1 to the letter.

BALKY JACK

Before you AAA men get caught in a real cold spot with your 120-mm AA gun (M2A1 or M1A1 mounts) make sure the gun's hydraulic jacks have been worked on like it says in MWO Ord D32-W'18 (July 54).

Until the jacks get larger oil tanks, larger holes in the cylinders, their pumps and oil-tubing guard-plates reworked and a few other things altered, they're going to balk at lifting the old girl into position when you're in zero weather.

The MWO'll give you jacks that'll work at all temperatures, so if it isn't recorded in your gun's book...better let Ordnance see what can be done.

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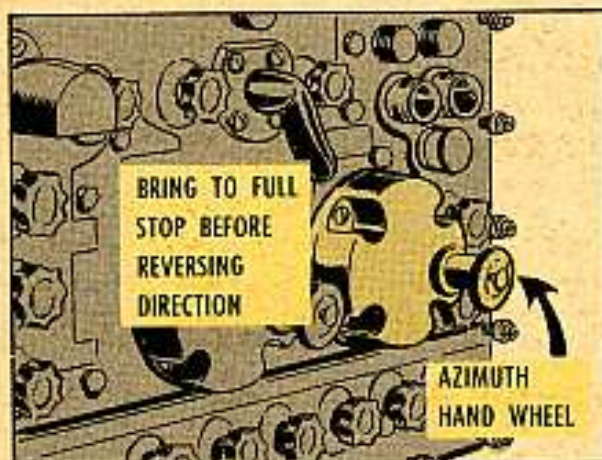
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE PAYS



Deadman Sector Scanning...

SERVO-MOTOR KILLER

From Skysweeper units here, there and yonder are coming loud wails about azimuth servo-motors getting hot under the collar and burning out sudden-like. Which isn't surprising, considering what those motors have to put up with sometimes.



Most of the failures can be traced back to the over-use and mis-use of the motors during manual azimuth sector-scanning. In this operation, the movement of the scanner is controlled by the azimuth handwheel.

Each time the direction of the radar is reversed to re-search the sector, the servo-motor armature has to "brake" suddenly and start twirling the other way. It does this by a reversal of power flow. During the switch-over, a high current is applied to the armature. It's this extra-large current that causes the motor to burn out in pretty short order.

Right now the T38 system is being redesigned to include automatic sector-scan in azimuth to do away with the necessity of manual sector scan. Units in the field will be modified, too.

But, until that happy day comes along, the best thing you can do to preserve those servo motors is to use 'em as little as possible in manual sector scan. 'Course, you can't get away from it entirely, but you can take a few precautions.

When you do have to scan a sector with the azimuth handwheel, always let the scanner come to a stop before reversing the direction. This will help to cut down the high current through the armature of your motor. And your motor will last a heck of a lot longer.

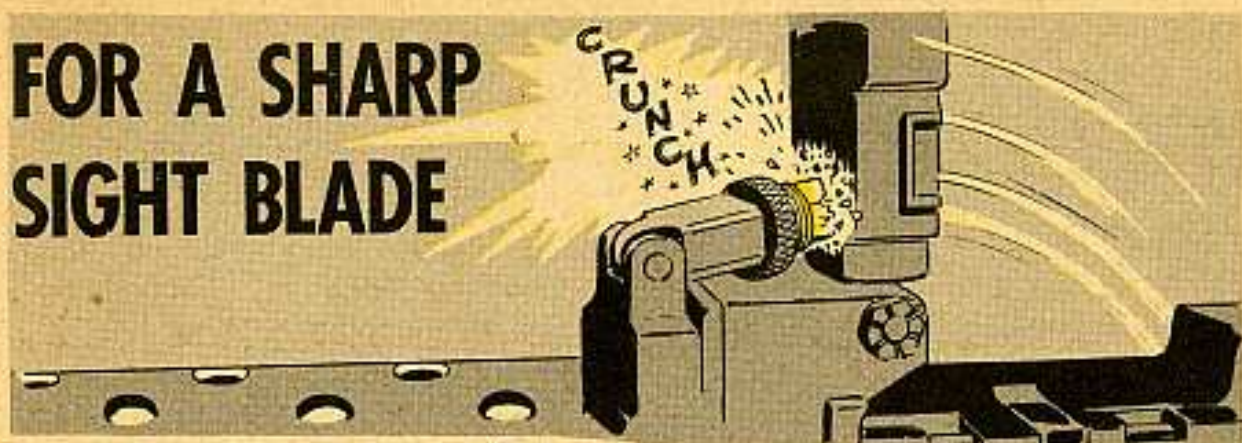
WHATZZIT ANSWER



Fooled you, didn't it? That's really an M8A1 scabbard, even tho it's stamped M8. When the metal belt hook was added to the M8 it became an M8A1. But it was too impractical to re-stamp 'em, since there wasn't space for the new letters. So they still say M8. The real, honest-to-goodness M8 looks like this:



FOR A SHARP SIGHT BLADE



If MWO Ord A6-W13, w/change 1, has been applied to your .30-cal. machine gun (M1919A4, A4E1 and A6) you may have a little trouble with the front sight post assembly.

Unless the sight blade is screwed down to its lowest position, it'll get banged up when the cover is opened. You gotta always make sure the front sight post is standing straight up before opening the cover.

The newest guns coming out have a milled slot in the cover which keeps the blade from being damaged.

The big question now is how're you gonna tell whether your gun's been modified or not. Well, the best way is to check your front sight post assembly.

There are three different assemblies in use now. Fig 1 shows the oldest type, which is on the unmodified guns. Fig 2 shows the sight authorized by MWO Ord A6-W13. Fig 3 shows the optional sight as authorized by change 1 of MWO Ord A6-W13. If you have either type B or C, your gun's been modified so you'll have to be careful about banging up the sight blade.

If you have type A on your gun, better turn it in to your repairman to be modified. He can order a new sight and put it on like it says in the MWO.

But here's somethin' to keep in mind. The parts of Post, front-sight, assembly, Fig 2 (Ord Stock No. A006-7162616) are not interchangeable with the parts of Post, front-sight, assembly, Fig 3 (Ord Stock No. A006-8401980). So when ordering replacement parts for your front sight, be sure to identify the type of sight assembly you have. Use the stock number as listed above.





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TB 9-17868-1 Aux trans, 13-ton H-S tract M5A4, F Jun 55

TB Ord 444-11 2-1/2-ton 6x6 trk-rted Sig Corps rep shops M185, M238: Install of load, D Jun 55

TB Ord 533 Tact trans veh: Alter light harness, switch to make master light switches interchangeable, F Jun 55

TB Ord 597-10 Degreaser (40-C-1008-400 and 40-C-425): Rebid standards, D Jun 55

TB Ord 597-11 Util grid, buff mach (40-D-138): Rebid standards, D Jun 55

TB Ord 597-12 Util grind mach (40-D-142-5, 40-G-144-5): Rebid standards, D Jun 55

TB Ord 597-13 Vert ham forg mach [Little Giant, mod 100] (3330-241-8284): Rebid standards, D Jun 55

TB Ord 597-14 1/4-hp bench type tool and cutter grinder (Roan Mfg Co mod 20) (Deyere Co Mod 70) (40-G-148-45) Rebid standards, D Jun 55

TB Ord 611-1 Micro-finish crankshaft mach (Storm-Vulcan, Inc, mod 135A) (40-N-26-375): Oper inst, F Jun 55

TB Ord 612 20-mm and 30-mm ammo: Re-chambering of cartridges prohibited Jun 55

TB Ord 613 2-1/2-ton 6x6 shop van trks, M109, M120: Rebid stepladder mt brackets, F Jun 55

TB Ord 597-8 Elec drills (40-D-341, 5130-473-6223, 40-D-345, 5130-473-6226), elec drill w/ horiz stand (5130-473-6227), elec drills w/vert stand (5130-473-6224, 40-D-354, 40-D-355, 5130-473-6228): Rebid standards, D May 55

TB Ord 597-9 Engine lathes (40-L-22, 40-L-25, 40-L-25-10, 40-L-26, 40-L-26-25, 40-L-26-25, 40-L-27-125, 40-L-28-10, 40-L-28-88, 40-L-28-89): Rebid standards, D Jun 55

TB Ord 597-15 Pedestal type floor grinder (Delta mods 23-560, 1676) (40-G-107-32): Rebid standards, D Jun 55

TB Ord 597-16 Port press sander (National Air Sander, Inc, mods 300, 300A) (40-S-35-50): Rebid standards, D Jul 55

TB Ord 597-17 (To 3442-2-1-2) Portable flex shaft grinder (Wynnebeck and Staff Inc, Mod 27A, 27AC) (40-G-107-25): Rebid standards, D Jul 55

TB Ord 597-23 Vapor-solvent type degreaser (Tapper Equip Co, Circo Products Co, Optimus Equip Co, and C-90-E) (4940-255-8246): Rebid standards, D Jul 55

TB Ord 611-2 Cam and main bearing boring mach (Cedar Rapids Engineer Co mod L-200) (4910-261-7918): Oper instr, D Jul 55

TB Ord 614 Peris M20 (T35), M20A1: Install protective filler, F Jul 55

TB 9-637-9 5-t bridge erect trk XM326: Proceed for refuel from 5-gal fuel cont, D Jul 55

TB 9-1013-2/T Elev add trawlers sys for M43 tank: Procedure for adjust turret trawlers mech output pinion idler arm stop, F Jul 55

TB Ord 516 Tanks M46A1, M47: Remove, install and maint of nylon-type bearings, F Jul 55

LUBE ORDERS

LO 9-U347 Semitrailer, refig van (Hyde) 5-t, 2-wb Apr 55

LO 9-6082 AA FCS M33 Jun 55

LO 9-8024 Trk, 2-1/2-t, 6x6, M135, M211, M215, M217, M220, M221, M222 Jun 55

LO 9-7418 Carrier, personnel, armor, M75 (T10E1) Jun 55

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TM 9-3093 155-mm how M45 (T166E1), 155-mm how mt M60 (T167) for sp 155-mm how M44 (T194) Aug 55

TM 9-6010 Inst lights M2, M12, M13, M18, M22, M28, M46 Jun 55

TM 9-7403 Misc corps for armored personnel carrier M59 (T59) Jul 55

TM 9-7408 Earth moving task ming dozer M4 Jul 55

TM 9-6072-1 1/4-in cap, single-phase, 60-cy, 115-v, 1/4-hp, bench, type, upright drilling mach (high speed hammer, mod 853) (40-P-1163) Jun 55

TM 9-6038-4 200-amp pto driven DC elec arc welder w/equip for ming on 1/4-t 4x4 trucks (Valentine Welder And Manufacturing, model 2080) (17-W-1756) May 55

TM 9-6012-1 Univ-curr 110-v axle-ming-type brake lining grind mach Barrett mod D-115A (40-G-99-990) Jun 55

TM 9-2190 Cal.50 basic aircr Mach-gun AN-M3 May 55

TM 9-3027 75-mm gun T83E6 or T83E7, 75-mm AA gun mt T69 May 55

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D32-W28 120-mm Guro M1A2, M1A2, M1A3 on 120-mm AA gun mounts M1A1, M1A2: Modify power rammer M9 to prev in-advertent loosening of the firing interlock oper cable clamp and mt brkt and the breach to clutch lever interlock cable clamp, F Jun 55

F342-W2 AA FCS M33C, M33D, T33C, T33D: Apply field changes to corr defl and to insure optimum perf of systems, F Jun 55

G1-W64 2-1/2-ton 6x6 Trucks M135, M211, M215, M217, M220, M222, Truck Tractor M221 and armored carrier M59: Modify trans front and rear planetary units, D May 55

G1-W66 Tanks M46, M46A1, M47, M48, T43E1: Modif end covers on CD 850-4 trans, D Jun 55

G254-W7 Tanks M48, M48A1, M48C, T67: Install new springs in engine cooling fan drive clutch, F Jul 55

G254-W11 Tanks M48, M48A1: Install hand protector bars on power plant access door handles, F Jun 55

G260-W19 Armor carrier M75: Right roof door support arm modif, F Jun 55

G268-W2 4x4 Heavy gun-lifting front lk M249: Install lubri fit in winch trans shift lever clevis pin, F Jun 55

G268-W5 4x4 heavy gun-lifting front lk M249: rear track M250: Reinforce engine compartment cover panels, D Jun 55

A43-W4 60-mm mort M2: Convert mortar M2 to mort M19, convert muzzle cover M308 to muzzle cover M308A1, F Jul 55

D38-W21 90-mm AA gun mls M2, M2A1: Provide batteries to insure op of the breakaway system at all temps, F Jun 55

D38-W23 Recoil mech M17 series on 90-mm gun and mt M2 series: Provide a lubri fitting for the hinge pin on the constr valve bar assy, F Jul 55

D48-W6 75-mm AA gun mt T69: Modifi and relocate conduit on drawbar, provide shock absorber assys with drain holes, provide welds to brackets on wht susp arms, F Jul 55

G1-W83 1/4-t 4x4 bks M38, M38A1, M170, 3/4-t M37, M42, M43, XM152, M201, 2-1/2-t M34, M35, M36, M47, M49, M50, M59, M108, M109, XM110, M135, M211, M215, M217, M220, M222, and V16A/NTQ: 5-t M41, M51, M54, M55, M52, M64; 10-t XM122, XM125; 3/4-t

chassis M16; 2-1/2-t chassis M44, M45, M46; 5-t chassis M40, M61, M63, M139, M139C; 2-1/2-t trk-tract, M48, M221, M275; 5-ton trk-tract M52, M248; 10-t trk-tract M121: replace oil and/or air pressure gage, F Jun 55

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Ord 5-3-8 List of all items, pricing guide—K-Group mal Jun 55

Ord 8 SNL A-4 Gun, mach, cal.30, Browning, M1919A4, flex: M1919A4E1, M1919A4; tri, mach gun, cal.30, M2 May 55

Ord 9 SNL D-38 Gun, 90-mm, M2, M2A1, M2A2; mech recoil, 90-mm, M17, M17A1, M17A2, M17A3; Set ram, fuze, comb M20; mt, gun, AA, 90-mm, M2, M2A1 May 55

Ord 2 SNL F-1 Fire control maj items, maj combos, for use with small arms, auto guns, mortars, field art May 55

Ord 9 SNL F-315 Sec 2 System, local contr, M16A1E1 May 55

Ord 9 SNL F-320 MI, sight, M74C; Sight, front, M26 Jun 55

Ord 9 SNL G-268 Dozer, trlr-ming, T8E4 May 55

Ord 7-8 SNL G-800 Dolly, trlr converter, G-1, 2-whl, M197, 8-ton, 2-whl, M198 Jun 55

Ord 7-8 SNL G-813 Trlr, cable reel, 3-1/2-ton, 2-whl, M1310 (Sig Corps mod M378) May 55

Ord 6 SNL J-8 Tool set, maint (field); ammun remov plat (41-T-3499-85) Jun 55 Sec 4

Ord 6 SNL J-8 Sec 11 Tool set, field maint, mob arc weld (41-T-3537-500) Jun 55

Ord 7-8 SNL J-187 Grind mach, brake lining; axle restng type, 110-v, 60-c, sale-ph (Barrett Equipment mods B-120, B-120A) (4910-222-2440) May 55

Ord 7-8 SNL J-503 Buff mach, tire tread; prec type, 7-1/2-hp, 220/440-v, 60-c, 3-ph, (Re-treading Equipment mod 7-1/2-hp) (40-D-938) Jun 55

Ord 7-8 SNL J-733 Wrench, elec, 110-v, 60-c, sale-ph, reversible, impact type, 1-in. sq-drive, 1-1/4-in. bolt cap (Ingersoll-Rand, mod 34U) (40-W-1010-705) Jun 55

Ord 9-3-7 List of all items, pricing guide—H-Group material Jun 55

Ord 7 SNL A-4 Rifle, auto cal.30, Browning, M1918A2 Apr 55

Ord 8 SNL A-73 Gun, auto 20-mm, M24A1 May 55

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SB 9-121 Rebuild of road wheels, idler wheels, and susp supp roller for track vehs; and tires and whls for mat handling equip, F Jul 55

SB 9-30 Standard rebid cost of Ord materiel, D Jun 55

SB 9-117 Repair and repl of parts for commmer shotguns, D Jun 55

SB 9-119 Cleaning rocker arms, Reco engine, D Jun 55

SB 9-120 Hitch 2540-449-6580 (B-H-1825) add of kit B-H-450 to make hitch 2540-735-8343 (B-H-1826), D Jun 55

NOTE—On TB's, SB's and MWO's:
O—Organizational Maintenance
F—Field Maintenance
D—Depot Maintenance

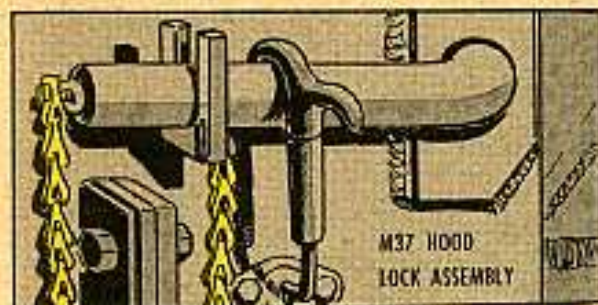
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SECURIN' THE SECURIN'

Dear Editor,

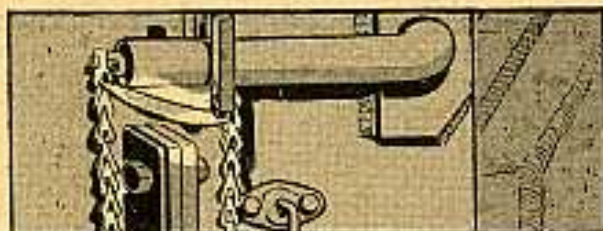
Gravity is the only thing that's holding the four outrigger securing-pins of the M62 wrecker in place. A loose pin really jumps around when traveling over rough roads. If any jump out of their moorings, the outriggers can slide out and you can have a serious accident.



We've come up with an idea that'll hold these pins in place. We got four M37 hood-lock-assemblies and bolted them to the M62, right below the securing-pins. Then, all you've got to do is flip the lip of the hood-lock over the pin. But, make sure you use the inverted lip of the lock, because the lip that holds the M37 hood in place won't fit over the securing-pins.

CWO Sherman E. Neblett
Missouri National Guard

(Ed Note—This problem has been recognized and the ball is now rolling to correct the hazard. Until the official fix

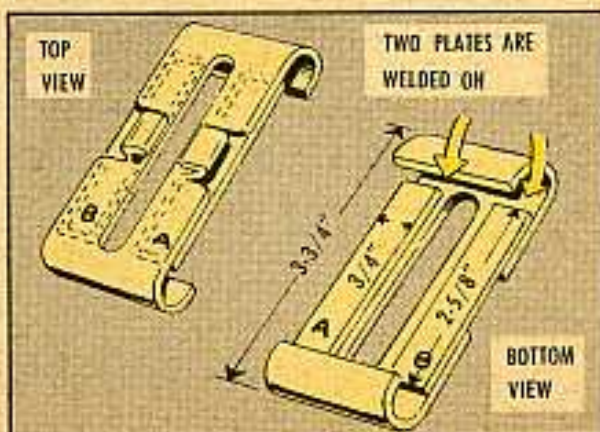


comes out, thread a piece of safety wire through both ends of the chain and tie the pin down by twisting both ends of the wire together.)

REO TRANSMISSION INTERLOCK

Dear Editor,

After several of our G-742 series vehicles (M34 Reos) gave us trouble by getting their transmissions into two gears at once, due to bent transmission-shifter-interlock plates, (Ord Stock No. G742-7521063) our supporting Ordnance unit worked out a fix for us.



They took new plates and reinforced them by welding on two flat bars, 2-5/8-in x 3/4-in x 1/8-in as shown. That did it. We haven't had a failure of a modified plate yet.

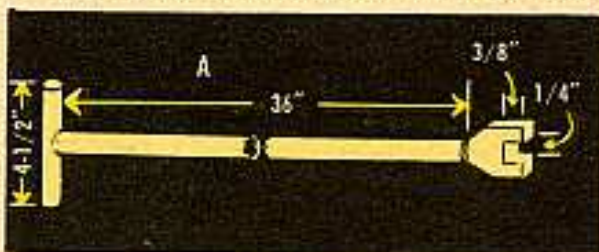
Mr. R. F. R. and F. F. S.

(Ed Note—Undoubtedly this will work, but why bother? If you write Service Division, Reo Motors, Lansing, Michigan, Attn: Military Service Engineer, and tell them you have an M44 series Reo that is shifting into two gears at once, they'll send you the new parts free. You will be sent one Transmission Interlock Plate, Ordnance Part No. 7521063, and one Reverse-First Shift Bracket, Ordnance Part No. 7521094, for each defective transmission.)

AIR TANK BLEEDER

Dear Editor,

Here is a sketch of a tool we have developed to get at the petcocks on the brake air-tanks on our 2 1/2-ton



trucks. Ours are made of scrap pipe, and cost next to nothing. To use 'em you have to rotate the petcock 90 degrees, more or less, so the tool can reach the valve handle.

We find this tool makes all the difference in the world in getting our drivers to purge the air tanks. With it, they willingly bleed 'em every day. When we've got to have drivers looking spot-

less and presentable at all times, it's a real headache to make the boys crawl down under the truck, particularly when she's soupy beneath.

M/Sgt Lawrence Miller
Cpl Joe Contreras
771st Ordnance Bn.

(Ed Note—Been some argument as to how necessary this tool is. Stands to reason that if all the gas stations bought 'em in the Model-T days, they must have been useful. Besides, we never had any one offer to prove how easy it was to drain an air tank **without** the tool when the truck was hub down in a Korean rice paddy, did you? No cost, no trouble, and doesn't change the vehicle, so why not? Here's a slightly different tool for the same purpose. You make it



out of a piece of 1/8-in strap iron 1/2-inch wide and 36 inches long, or any strap near that size you have handy. Just slot one end and drill a hole in the other. You can shove a screwdriver through the hole to form a handle. Use whichever tool you prefer and can get the stuff to make. About turning that petcock—a 90-degree loosening turn would in most cases make the fitting too loose—a 90-degree tightening turn may break the fitting. Best thing to do is to remove the petcock and coat the threads with any sealing compound (like white lead paint) and reinstall it to the desired position.)

CONNIE'S BRIEFS



Longer clutch life

For longer clutch life in your 5-ton 6x6 trucks lay off the double-clutch technique. Those 5-tons were built with synchro-mesh transmissions and should be clutched just once when shifting into any gear—whether you're carrying a load or not. And on these heavy birds—always start off in 1st gear.

Can clean and dry?

'Fore you start welding or brazing partitions in a carbide can to store electric welding rods (p. 3, PS Issue 34), better make sure there's no carbide left. Check corners, crimps and even the cover to make sure there's none. Heat, water, and old carbide's no combination to fool with—could be just as dangerous as a rattlesnake.

Winch reminder

To save the guts in your truck's winch housing and drum from being chewed to pieces, put the drum-lock knob in the unlocked position before operating your winch. The knob is located on the winch-end-bearing frame above the center of the drum shaft and has to be rotated 90 degrees when unlocking. Keep TM 9-8022 handy for front winch operation.

Canned engines?

Should you ever make an emergency replacement of your tank engine, you may find it comes in one of the new pressurized metal containers. If so, be sure to release the pressure by opening the air valves at each end—before y' start to work on those closure flange bolts. Else she might pop in your face. And keep this in mind, too: when the bum engine's turned in (in the same container) make sure it's tagged and the container's marked like so: CODE-6-NOT PROCESSED FOR LONG-TERM STORAGE. You'll see a Supply Bulletin on this soon.

Light tank edition

You can still get that special light tank issue, PS No. 14. Just drop me a card or letter in care of PS Magazine, Raritan Arsenal, Metuchen, N. J. Tell how many copies you need. They'll be mailed right to you as long as they last.

Forget those crystals

Forget about what Page 49 of PS 32 told you about those 1N23B crystals. It seems that there's no salvage on 'em after all. So, forget it.

**...OOH, MY
ACHIN'...**

**...CRYSTAL
BALL!**



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