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Yeah, we got a wheel... where's yer DA Form 1546?

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Connie Rodd's BRIEFS



AS A RESULT OF YOUR POORLY MAINTAINED BINOCULARS HEATHCLIFF, WE GOTTA HAUL THIS BUSTED ENGINE RIGHT BACK TO WHERE WE STARTED!



Stubborn starter

If you break a starter part on your stubborn M274 Mule, check its serial number. Mules with numbers from 10,001 through 10,974 (except 10,282) — and 10,954 through 10,964 — have an out-dated starter. So . . . if one breaks, ask Ordnance support for the new one described in TB 9-2320-213-35/1 (1 Apr 60).

A powder case

The upper locking hatch on the rear door of your M44-series 155-mm SPH is something you need to keep in good shape. To make sure the locking latch stays that way, look at MWO 9-2350-203-20/3 (16 Nov 59). This urgent **MWO** tells how to do a welding job on the hold-open lock.

Take it off!

How about passing word along that some .22-cal target rifles are being sent back for repair with the adjustable rear sights still on 'em? And that means the sights get banged up. The main idea is to make sure each sight is removed, cushioned and attached with tape or fine wire to the trigger guard before they're shipped out.

Lock it

When your M48A2 medium tank is rolling cross rough country, the M1 commander's cupola is a mighty shak-k-y position. So it might save you some trouble to make sure the azimuth lock assembly is secured. If this azimuth lock is left loose while traveling, it could cause the locking pin in the interlock assembly to bend and crack. This is so even if the interlock assembly is engaged.

SS-10 flare

A real important safety caution you anti-tank men must remember is that the SS-10's flare won't stand still for any rough handling.

While uncrating, lifting or mounting the missile, for instance, take great care to protect it from any severe jolt or shock.

All you have to remember is that when the flare is attached you handle the SS-10 with the same respect you handle any other live ammo.

**Would You Stake Your Life on
the Condition of Your Equipment?**