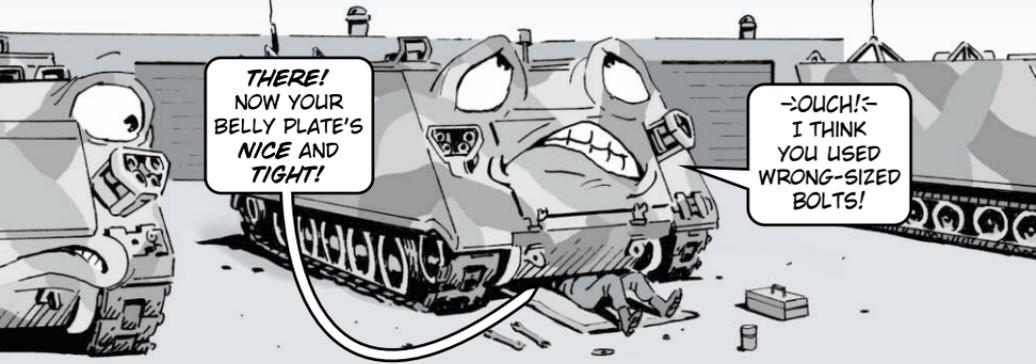


# Cover Connection's Critical



**W**hen it's time to bolt the hull access cover, NSN 5340-00-759-5409, onto an M113-series vehicle, are you one of those mechanics who grabs whatever hardware's handy?

If so, that vehicle may soon be included on your unit's NMC list.

The problem comes when you use a bolt that's 2 inches long or longer. That bolt will hit the transmission oil pan. Eventually, it rubs a hole in the pan.

When the transmission loses enough oil, the clutches burn up and you're left with a vehicle that's going nowhere.

So make sure you use only the 1¼-in bolts, NSN 5305-00-719-5219, that are called out in Fig 208 of TM 9-2350-261-24P and Fig 190 of TM 9-2350-277-24P. They hold the access cover in place without damaging the transmission oil pan.

