

Parts Turn-in...

'Twas the Week Before Christmas

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and all through Fort Blue,
Not a mechanic was happy,
awaiting some clue.
While the orders sat on the
ULLS clerk's chair,
In hopes that some parts
soon would be there.



The parts had been ordered but supplies
there were none,
Though the Army folks said there were
parts by the ton;
But depots were empty
and workers were idle,
Because some parts rooms kept parts
as if they were idols.

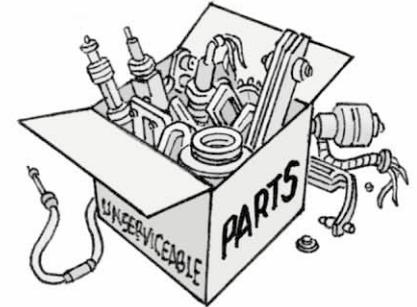
And none were so mean,
or so nasty, or vile,
As the grinch who held on to
each part in his pile;
His supply room a warehouse
so he'd feel no pinch,
His Highness,
the dishonorable,
Hoarder Grinch!



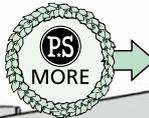
GET THE PARTS WHILE I CAN,
THAT'S WHAT I SAY,
TAKE A CHANCE I'LL
HAVE TO WAIT SOME DAY,
NO WAY!

So he ordered more extras
enlarging his stash,
And couldn't be bothered
with what he called trash.

But that trash, the unserviceables,
were a key to supply,
Depots could fix,
and to requisitions reply;
But Hoarder couldn't be bothered
with mere readiness,
Of hoarding and trash piles
he couldn't care less.



The commander called for the help that he needed
And forthwith a jolly old elf his call heeded;
Half-Mast the elf was so lively and quick,
He visited supply rooms with a speed that was slick.
More rapid than reindeer his friends made a raid,
"Hi, Connie! Hi, Bonnie! Hello, Sergeant Blade!
Let's find those old grinchos
who hoard and who stow,
And find those unserviceables adrift
like the snow."



“What ho? Stand fast!”
cried the master elf, Half-Mast,
As he spied Hoarder Grinch and
his stockpile so vast;
“What meaneth this hoarding
and what of this trash?
Many soldiers await those
supplies in your stash.”



So Connie and Bonnie, Blade and Half-Mast
Turned in extras and repairables,
they had quite a blast.

The depots received those unserviceables with glee,
and the workers were happy as happy could be.



So Christmas arrived and mechanics were glad,
New parts were available, and repaired parts had;
No one was hoarding and turn-ins were made,
Commanders were pleased when repairables paid.
So don't be a hoarder, turn in all that stuff,
The supply chain depends on it, sure enough!

