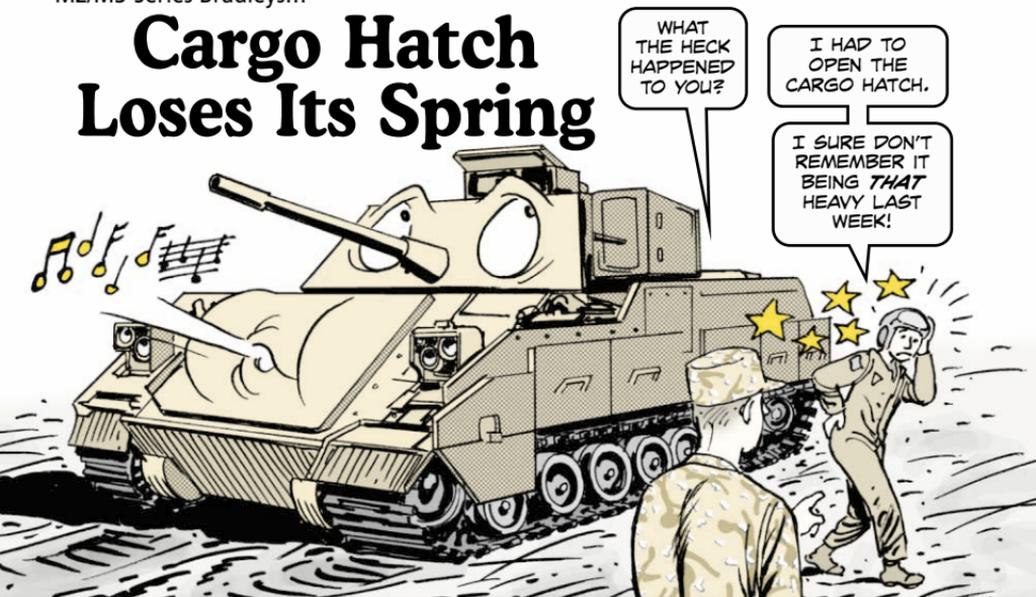


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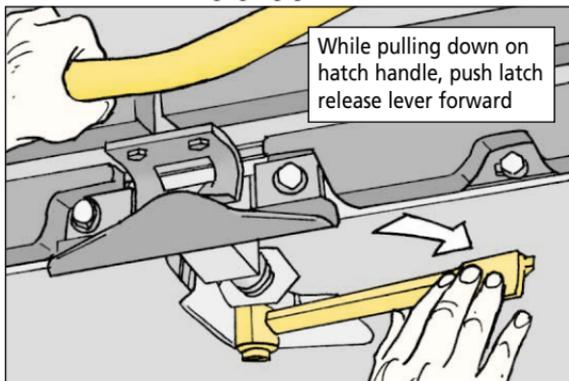
Cargo Hatch Loses Its Spring



Crewmen, the cargo hatch on your M2/M3-series Bradley is quite heavy. That's why it comes equipped with a leaf spring system to help open it to the pop-up, TOW load, upright and full-open positions.

Unfortunately, like everything else, those leaf springs are going to wear out or break. When that happens, the leaf springs don't pick up any of the weight. And you can hurt your back trying to do it all on your own.

To test the leaf springs, pull down on the hatch handle and push the latch release lever forward. Slowly release the downward pressure on the hatch handle. The hatch should move to the pop-up position.



IF THE HATCH *DOESN'T* MOVE TO THE POP-UP POSITION, LET YOUR MECHANIC KNOW. HE'LL REPLACE THE LEAF SPRINGS USING NSNs 5360-01-388-1565 AND 5360-01-388-1523.

