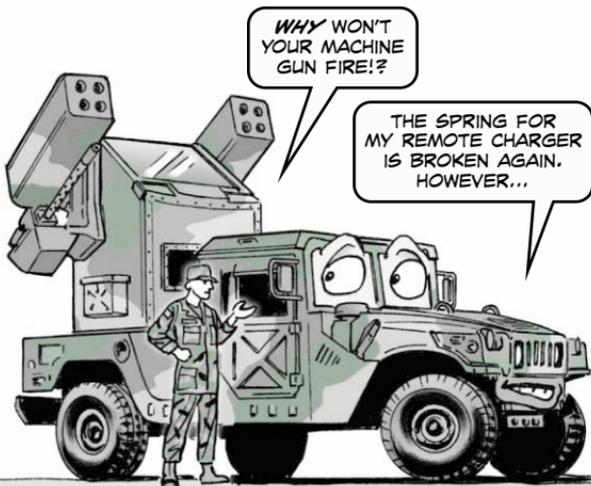


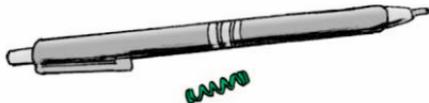
REMOTE CHARGER SPRING BROKEN?



Dear Editor,

As any experienced crew is keenly aware, a trouble spot in the Avenger is the spring for the M3P machine gun's remote charger. It often breaks or disappears. Then you can't fire the M3P.

We've found a good field fix is the spring from an Army ballpoint pen.



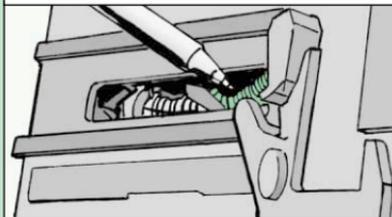
We've substituted the pen spring and kept right on firing. Then we get the spring replaced when we return from the field.

SGT C N

Ft Lewis, WA

Editor's note: As a very temporary fix, the pen spring is OK. But a better way to prevent this problem is to check the remote charger spring before you go to the field. Make sure the spring is in place and is not corroded or weak. And since the spring has a history of breaking, your repairman should take extras to the field.

Make sure spring is in place and in good shape before going to field



Order the spring with NSN 5360-13-116-1983.