

# A LITTLE LUBE'LL DO IT



**M**echanics, a little battery acid in the wrong place will damage more than the batteries. You have to worry about what's **under** the batteries, too.

In the case of your M88A1 recovery vehicle, that's the steering linkage bell crank assembly.

The assembly is to the side and below the battery box, so any battery leakage usually ends up on it, too. If it's not lubed regularly, the resulting corrosion makes the rods brittle. Eventually, they break.

So, before you lube the steering linkage bell crank assembly quarterly with GAA, wipe off any corrosion you find carefully with a rag. If the corrosion is heavy, use a solution of water and baking soda. Wear rubber gloves and safety glasses to protect your hands and eyes.

Next, put a light coat of GAA on the outside of the assembly, then use your grease gun to lube normally. The GAA helps protect the assembly from battery corrosion until it's time to lube again.

AND CHECK THE BATTERY BOX AND ITS CONTENTS FOR CORROSION PROBLEMS, TOO.

