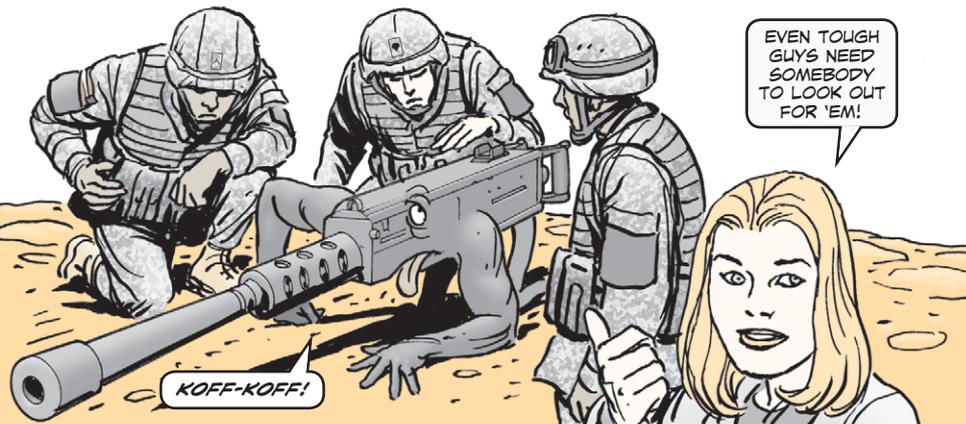
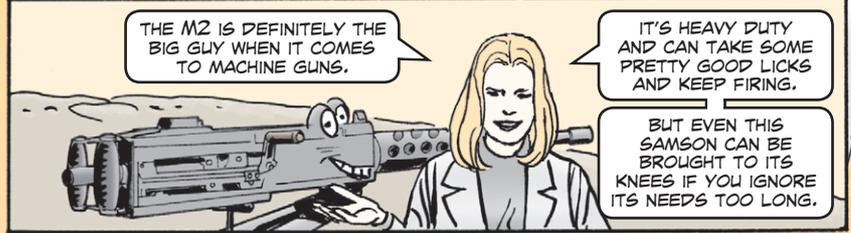


KEEP THE BIG GUY GOING



EVEN TOUGH GUYS NEED SOMEBODY TO LOOK OUT FOR 'EM!

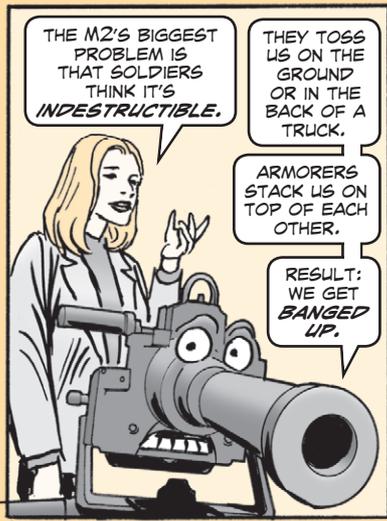
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THE M2 IS DEFINITELY THE BIG GUY WHEN IT COMES TO MACHINE GUNS.

IT'S HEAVY DUTY AND CAN TAKE SOME PRETTY GOOD LICKS AND KEEP FIRING.

BUT EVEN THIS SAMSON CAN BE BROUGHT TO ITS KNEES IF YOU IGNORE ITS NEEDS TOO LONG.

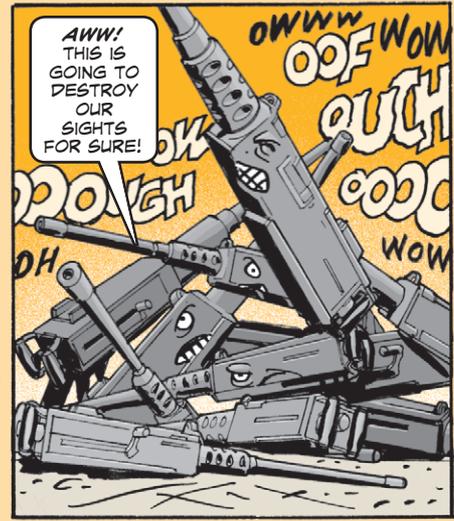


THE M2'S BIGGEST PROBLEM IS THAT SOLDIERS THINK IT'S INDESTRUCTIBLE.

THEY TOSS US ON THE GROUND OR IN THE BACK OF A TRUCK.

ARMORERS STACK US ON TOP OF EACH OTHER.

RESULT: WE GET BANGED UP.



AWW! THIS IS GOING TO DESTROY OUR SIGHTS FOR SURE!

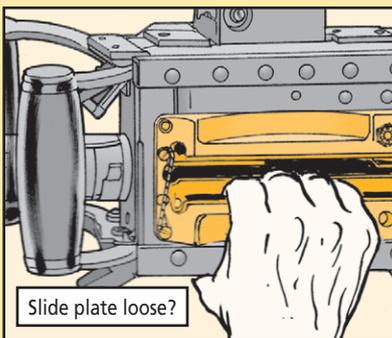
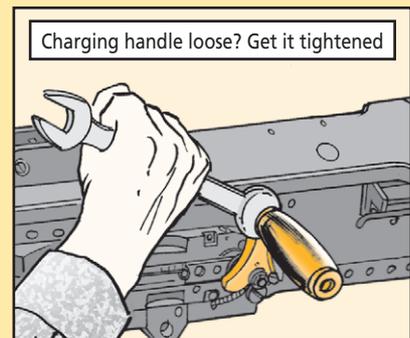
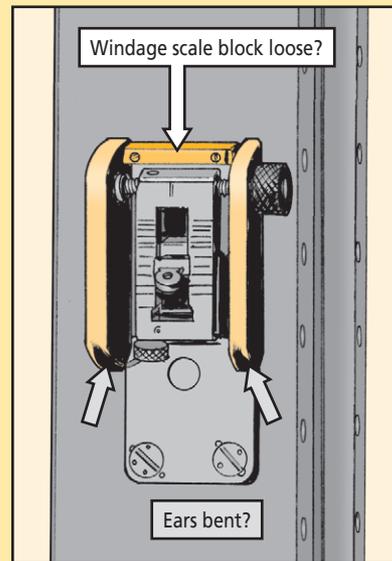
OWWWW OOF WOW OUCH OOOO OOH WOW

Never drop an M2 on the ground. Lay it down. Never toss it in a truck. Lay it in a truck. Whenever possible, get help carrying an M2. Help makes it less likely the gun takes a sudden fall.

Armorers, the best way to store M2s is in the universal rack. If your unit can't afford the rack and you must store them in a locker, store them upright, not on top of each other.

Gunners, before you go to the field check the sight and charging handle for problems. Make sure the rear sight's ears aren't so bent that the sight can't be raised. Check that the block for the rear sight's windage scale isn't loose. If it is, the scale won't stay in position.

Feel the charging handle for looseness. If it gets too loose, it can come off completely during firing. Your armorer can quickly tighten the handle with a 3/4-in wrench. Also feel the charging handle's slide plate for looseness. If it has any play, it could cause charging problems.



Eyeball the cartridge stop for wear and cracks. A worn stop is often a sign that a feed pawl is out of adjustment. That could cause the M2 to lock up.

Report any problems you find to your armorer.

