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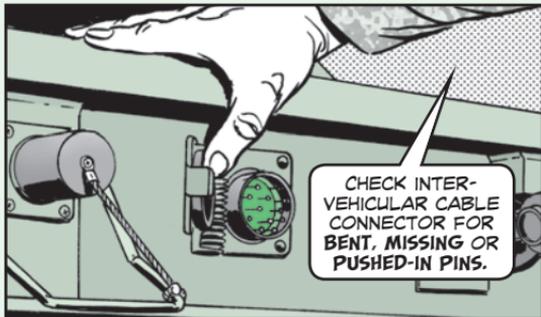
## TIPS KEEP TRAILER ON THE TRAIL



Dear Editor,

A Patriot system that has trailer problems is a Patriot that's not going anywhere. Here are a few tips to keep your Patriot trailers on the trail:

- If the trailer's brakes won't release, check the air pressure. It needs to be at least 120 psi. If that's not the problem, the glad hands for the trailer may be leaking from dry rot. Get your repairman to check it out.
- If the trailer lights won't come on, check the pins for the inter-vehicular cable connections. If pins are missing or bent, your repairman will need to be called in. But if the pins are just pushed in, you can use needle-nosed pliers to pull them out far enough so they make contact when the cable is plugged in.



If the pins are OK, the problem may be a bad ground. Check that the nuts for the grounding wires are screwed down tight and aren't rusted or painted over.

- Before you hook up trailers to their trucks, make sure the truck headlights are turned off. If the headlights are on when you plug in the inter-vehicular cables, arcing can burn out pins. That means no trailer lights.

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*Editor's note: Terrific trailer tips,  
Corporal. Thanks for sharing.*