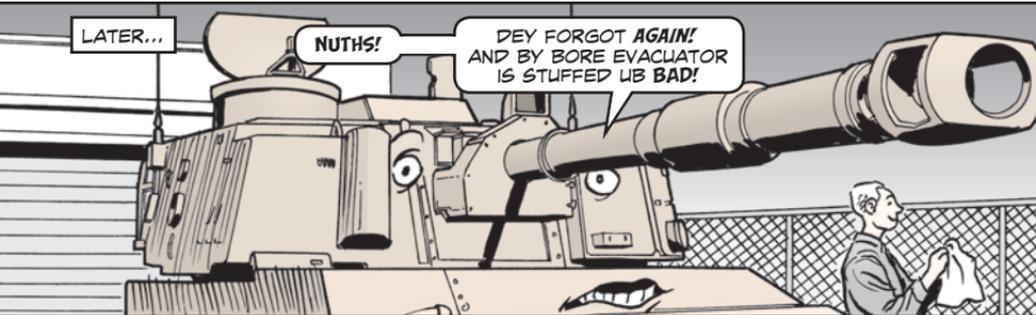
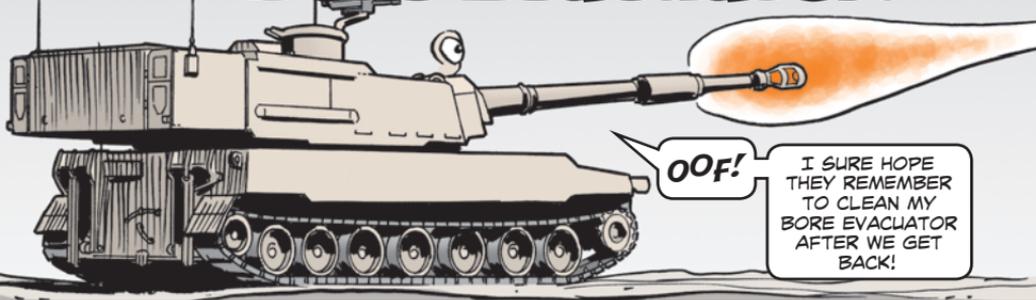


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# Don't Forget the Bore Evacuator!



After a long, hot day of firing on the range, you may not feel like doing all of your Paladin's after-operation PMCS, crewmen. That would be a **big** mistake!

For example, after firing you're supposed to slide back the bore evacuator, inspect for damage and then clean, clean, clean!

Unfortunately, that's not always happening, especially when it comes to the prereservoir. After you've cleaned and lubed the cannon tube, evacuator orifices, and metering holes, you've still got to separate the prereservoir. That allows you to clean and lube the evacuator ball valves, tube surface, tube threads and prereservoir orifices.

Neglect any of these areas and the surface of the cannon tube will begin to rust and pit. Not only will the cannon tube have to be condemned early, but the damage can let carbon monoxide back into the crew compartment during firing.

So make sure you follow **all** of the instructions in Check 58 of the after-operation PMCS. It starts on Page 2-55 of TM 9-2350-314-10 (Feb 99, w/Ch 8, Apr 11).

Tube will rust and pit if bore  
evacuator is not cleaned

