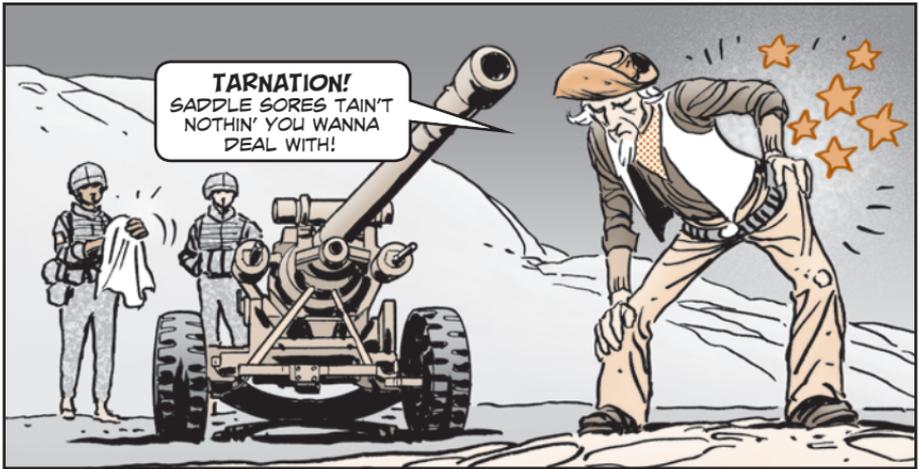


CLEANING FIRST PREVENTS SADDLE SORES

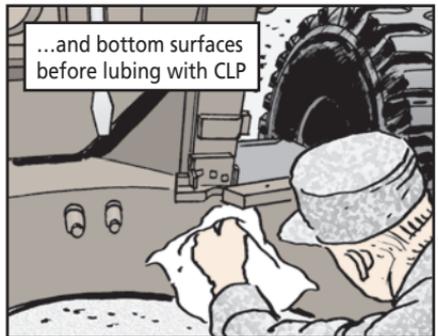


Daily lubing of the saddle bearing surfaces on your M119A2 howitzer is wasted effort if you don't clean them properly first, operators.

It's easy to remember to clean the bottom surfaces. They face up, so they're in plain sight. It's the top surfaces—the ones that face down—that are usually forgotten.

Dirt, sand and oil collect there, too. If you don't clean them off, the combination acts like sandpaper. Soon, those smooth metal surfaces are scratched, pitted and covered with corrosion. That leads to damaged saddle pads which will make your howitzer NMC.

Use a clean cloth to wipe off all of the surfaces. You'll have to get down on your hands and knees to make sure the top surfaces are clean.



When the gunk is gone, cover all the surfaces—top and bottom—with a light coat of CLP, NSN 9150-01-054-6453.