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MILITARY VEHICLE COLLECTOR'S CLUB

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PARADES

As you can tell from our schedule of activities, we have 10 paid parades tentatively lined up for this year. Of the ten, we have signed contracts for only 4, but this is normal. Some parade committees do not really start working until a month or so before the parades take off.

Picatinny Arsenal

I have had an inquiry from Picatinny Arsenal (lined up by Jim Vanderpoel) requesting that we participate FOR FREE in their Armed Forces Day Parade on Saturday, May 15th. forming up at 8A.M. at the Arsenal. O.K. - it's for free, but I think it would give us good coverage and we might get an "in" with the army. In addition, the Arsenal puts on a great show that day with all kinds of displays of current vehicles, artillery, small arms, etc. So if you are planning on visiting the Arsenal anyway, you can come just a little earlier- with your vehicle- and N.J.C. can make its showing in the parade. For those interested in attending, let me know as soon as possible and I'll set it up.

New Parade Sign

There is a need for a new design for our parade sign. Our present one, mounted on a jeep trailer, shows "North Jersey Chapter" very prominently on top of the sign, but it's hard to see the "Military Vehicle Collectors Club" painted on the bottom. So most of the people see that we are the North Jersey Chapter- but of what?

I feel that somebody out there could come up with a good design of a sign to be made out of a 4 X 8 sheet of 3/8" plywood, which will tell people out there which club the NJC belongs to. So give it some thought, all ideas will be appreciated. Also, a volunteer is needed to make the sign. (Ollie Kenen made and altered the original one.)

Bayonne Parade

For the Bayonne Parade, Memorial Day, May 31st, we have a special request to come looking as military as possible because the uniforms and weapons idea was what really sold their Parade Committee on having us there.

That is not to say, however, that anyone in civies will be turned away. I feel that one of the main purposes of our club is to have fun and that too damn many rules and regulations can spoil that. So what I am saying is - if you have some OD clothes and maybe a helmet liner, wear it. It will add to our display. But if you only have civies and your vehicle, come that way. The big thing is to participate. It is fun. (cont.)



N.J.C. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	May	2	Trailer Work Party (John Marko's)	11:00 A.M.
Monday	May	10	N.J.C. Chapter Meeting	8:00 P.M.
Saturday	May	29	Little Ferry Memorial Day Parade	10:30 A.M.
Sunday	May	30	East Brunswick Memorial Day Parade	12:00 Noon
Monday	May	31	Caldwell Memorial Day Parade	9:30 A.M.
Monday	May	31	Cedar Grove Memorial Day Parade	11:00 A.M.
Monday	May	31	Bayonne Memorial Day Parade	10:00 A.M.
Monday	June	14	N.J.C. Chapter Meeting	8:00 P.M.
Saturday	July	3	Fairfield Independence Day Parade	
Sunday	July	4	Montclair Independence Day Parade	11:00 A.M.
Sunday	July	4	Florham Park Independence Day Parade	
Monday	July	5	Milltown Independence Day Parade	10:00 A.M.
Thursday	Nov.	11	Belleville Parade	

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE

Low Voltage Circuit Tester, RAM, 62F151, FSN 4910 092 9136. Government Surplus. A Collectors Must. \$125.00 ea.
Carryall, 1945 WC 3/4 Ton Dodge. Motor rebuilt by Dodge dealer. Body has some rust. Combat rims, new tires, clear Delaware title. Firm Price \$1100.00 .
M38 Windshield Frame, less glass, good condition \$70.00.
M38 Front Axle, including hubs and brake drums \$125.00.
M38 Rear Axle, with brake drums \$100.00.
M151 Turn Signal Boxes (early style) , Clipper International with handle (take-off) \$20.00 ea.
Contact T.W. Murray, Jr., P.O.Box 214, Dover, Delaware 19901. (302) 736-1790.

M715, 1968, needs a motor and wiring work, and a windshield glass. Body excellent. \$1200.

M101 Side Rack & Top Bow sets. Complete and in excellent condition. \$40.00/set

M416 Trailer (1/4 Ton) Body & Frame. No axles, wheels, or springs. Good condition with N.J. title. \$300 firm. M416 Body only, no title \$200.

Jeep Engines for rebuilding L-134 & F-134 \$100-150.

MB Parts. Front Axle. Rear Axle. Transmission. Transfer Case. \$100 each.

M37 Hard Cab original G.I. issue. \$300. Front Axle. Rear Axle. Transmissions. Transfer Case. \$75.00 each.

Contact Robert Hauck, 33 Kingwood Drive, Little Falls, N.J. 07424 (201) 785-2092

1942 Chevrolet 1 1/2 ton Rack body truck in good condition, w/o winch and battery box \$1300 or best offer. Phone 832-2184 evenings or 467-6005 days.

1942 Ben Hur 1 Ton trailer. Make offer. Contact Greg Griffith at 879-5687 evenings or 285-8326 days.

Don't be left wondering about what they're using to recapture the Faulklan Islands! Portrayal Press has in stock the new book on BRITISH ARMY EQUIPMENT. Just published. As current as today's news Contact Dennis Spence P.O.Box 1913, Bloomfield, N.J. 07003 (201) 743-1851.

WANTED

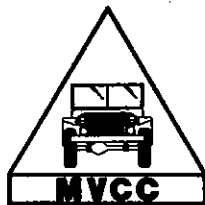
GPA Parts. Especially Decking and odds and ends. What have you got. Other Chapter take note.... new GPA owner. Contact Robert Hauck, 33 Kingwood Drive, Little Ferry, N.J. 07424. (201) 785-2092.

1/4 TON TRAILER TIPS

(reprinted from the Houston Area Chapter's newsletter "Non-Directional Tracks")

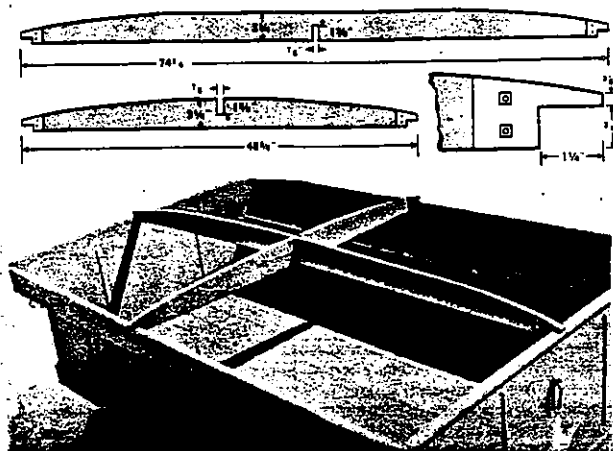
Dear Ed,

We've designed and built wooden floors to protect the floors of our 1/4-ton trailers. The entire floor of the trailer was designed to support the payload, but if you put a barrel or some other heavy object in it, the full payload may be carried in a small area, denting and bending the floor - perhaps busting it through thus seriously destroying the trailer's seaworthiness. Why not equip all 1/4-ton trailers with removable wooden floors?

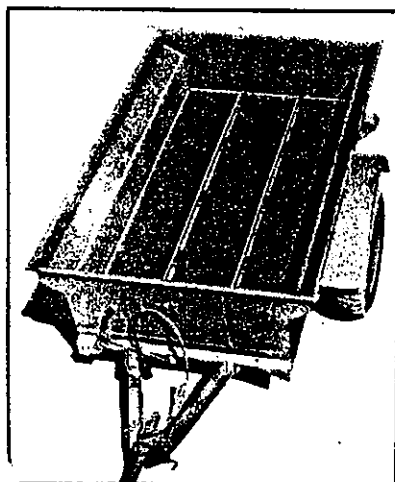


Stanley M. Brewster
1st Lt., Air Corps
Transportation Officer
7th Tow Target Squadron
March Field, California

(Ed. note - The Tank-Automotive Center declared a half-holiday and all the chittlins' you could eat, upon viewing Lt. Brewster's idea. Said the TAC, a slatted framework, should be used to allow air circulation between the two floors to prevent rusting. The wood floor should not be held to the steel floor by bolts, etc., otherwise the water-tightness of the body will be impaired. Clips welded to the steel body could be used - if it is felt that the floor must be secured down at all.)



Drainage system for 1/4-ton trailer, complete with dimensions.



Dear Editor,
I thought you might be interested in this method I have of keeping water from leaking through the canvas on my 1/4-ton trailers. I built cross braces (see Fig.), which run the water off the canvas before it can soak through, using nothing more than two pieces of wood. Pieces of L-shaped metal can be put on the ends to strengthen them.

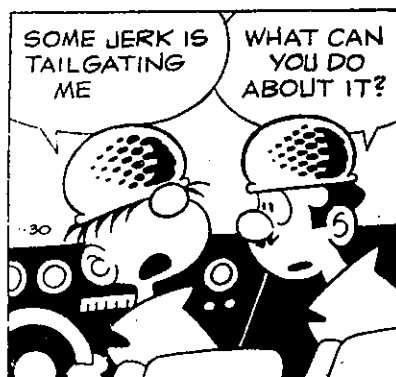
Lt. D. E. Menown
APO 17685

Ed. Note - M/Sgt. W. T. Booth, 94 Cml. Bn. Mtz., rigged up and sent in a similar idea.

***** SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE *****

Due to unforeseen space and scheduling restrictions, the meeting which was planned to be held at John Marko's house has been cancelled. The N.J.C. Chapter meeting will be held on May 10, Monday, at the Bonanza Steak House as usual. A trailer work party is scheduled at John Marko's for Sunday, May 2, to get the Club trailers ready for the upcoming parade season. Please come and help.

Beetle Bailey



Uniforms and Weapons (cont. from page 1)

Everyone has different feelings about wearing uniforms and packing weapons in a parade. The feelings range from "Gung Ho" as per Big Lou and yours truly, to a very quiet "HO Hum" attitude, with most people falling somewhere in between.

My own feeling is that the uniforms and trappings compliment your vehicle, and the kids along the parade route get the biggest charge out of it. "Is that a REAL hand grenade?" they ask. So why not oblige them, cause parades are for kids, you know.
- Harold Ratzburg

Editors Note : While Harold and Lou are well aware of MVCC policy, and therefore always willingly comply with its rules, some of our newer members may not be as aware and thus this letter, sent to the 1st Carolinas Chapter at their request, and printed in their newsletter "Behind the Lines", bears reprinting here.

"M.V.C.C. Policy governing the display of weapons, uniforms and vehicles has been and remains as follows:

"No weapons which are capable of discharging any form of ammunition shall be displayed or otherwise possessed on the convention site. Additionally, all weapons shall conform to all Federal, State and local ordinances. No live munitions of any type shall be possessed on the convention site. Fake, dewat, demilled, and real weapons (which have been rendered inoperative) may be displayed with static displays and/or vehicles. They must not be carried casually around the convention site. Uniforms worn by other than active military personnel must be displayed in conjunction with a static display only. When leaving the immediate vicinity of a display such items of clothing and equipment must be removed. No uniforms of unique political significance shall be worn.

Vehicles must not be driven or transported on site in such a manner as to endanger property or people. Vehicles may be moved only to their display or parking areas as designated by club officials. No action shall be taken which will jeopardize the National insurance policy."

Sincerely,

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