

### Land Battleships Are Floated Across River

#### Big Trucks Wrapped in Canvas Tarp Diaper

Everybody has heard of floating jeeps that cross streams while wrapped up in canvas. Field manuals say it should be possible to float all vehicles up to and including two-and-a-half-ton trucks. Co. A of the — Q.M. Bn. has proved that the "big boys" will float.

Last week a detail of men from the company, commanded by Capt. Oliver F. Parker, bundled up the largest model 2½ tonner, with long wheelbase and winch, in a canvas wrapper and floated it across the San Antonio river on Hunter Liggett military reservation.

Using a 28x31 foot tarpaulin made up from two old pieces of canvas, Quartermaster men sped around the truck and in only 10 minutes had it prepared and launched.

Prepared for the floatation on greased planks, the truck was pushed into water 14 feet deep by another vehicle and successfully completed the crossing submerged about to its fenders.

Captain Parker stated at conclusion of the test that regulation size paulins carried in the QM battalion of an infantry division or supply units of Field Artillery are suitable for floating a 2½-ton truck. He recommended the floatation method of crossing for vehicles including that size as being quicker than complete submersion and requiring less equipment than suspension on cables.

Company A has also successfully conducted test floatation of the quarter-ton jeep and half-ton command car.—Camp Roberts Dispatch.

**JEEPS** — The lowest form of a human life. Two grades below a buck private.

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**LATRINE RUMORS** — Misguided information conceived by soldiers who will probably be politicians when the war is over.

**INFIRMARY** — Where everything from a headache to a broken arm is painted with mecurchrome and marked "Duty."

### All New Shavetails in Army Are Not as Dumb As They Sometimes Look

They told it in the last war, so we'd just as well pass it along to the present generation:

A company of veteran campaigners was lined up in the company street at reveille. An officer fresh from officers' school took over. Rather hesitantly he announced, "After breakfast, men, we will take a 10 mile hike." There was deep silence for a second, then from the rear ranks some soldier piped up, "And a little child shall lead them." There was utter silence on the part of the officer this time for several seconds. Then he said, briefly: "Dismissed."

After breakfast, the company was again lined up and again the officer spoke: "Men," he said, "there's been a slight change in orders. Instead of a 10-mile hike, it will be a 20-mile hike. And a little child shall lead them—on a big horse."

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