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PART ONE—VEHICLE OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Section I

INTRODUCTION

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1. SCOPE.

a. This technical manual is published for the information and guidance of the using arm personnel charged with the operation, maintenance, and minor repair of this materiel.

b. In addition to a description of the Heavy Wrecking Truck M1A1, this manual contains technical information required for the identification, use, and care of the materiel. The manual is divided in two parts. Part One, section I through section VIII, gives vehicle operating instructions. Part Two, section IX through section XXXV, gives vehicle maintenance instructions to using arm personnel charged with the responsibility of doing maintenance work within their jurisdiction.

c. In all cases where the nature of the repair, modifications, or adjustment is beyond the scope of facilities of the unit, the responsible ordnance service should be informed so that trained personnel with suitable tools and equipment may be provided, or proper instructions issued.

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Section II

DESCRIPTION AND TABULATED DATA

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2. DESCRIPTION.

- a. The following models of vehicles are covered by this manual:

Kenworth Model 573

Ward LaFrance Model 1000, Series 5

b. The Heavy Wrecking Truck M1A1 is used for towing, salvaging, and recovering heavy equipment as well as for numerous repair operations away from a base shop, where heavy hoist and winch equipment is needed. It is a wheeled vehicle powered by a 6-cylinder, water-cooled, gasoline engine. Power is delivered through a five-speed transmission and two-speed transfer case to one front and two rear axles, thus providing driving traction on all wheels. Single pneumatic tires are used on the front axle, and dual pneumatic on the rear. However, provision is made for mounting dual wheels and tires on the front axle. The vehicle is equipped with a full-power driven crane, and front and rear mounted winches.

3. SERIAL NUMBER PLATE.

- a. This plate gives pertinent information, such as model, serial number, weight, fuel and oil recommendations, and publications covering the truck, and is attached to the instrument panel (fig. 6).

4. TABULATED DATA.

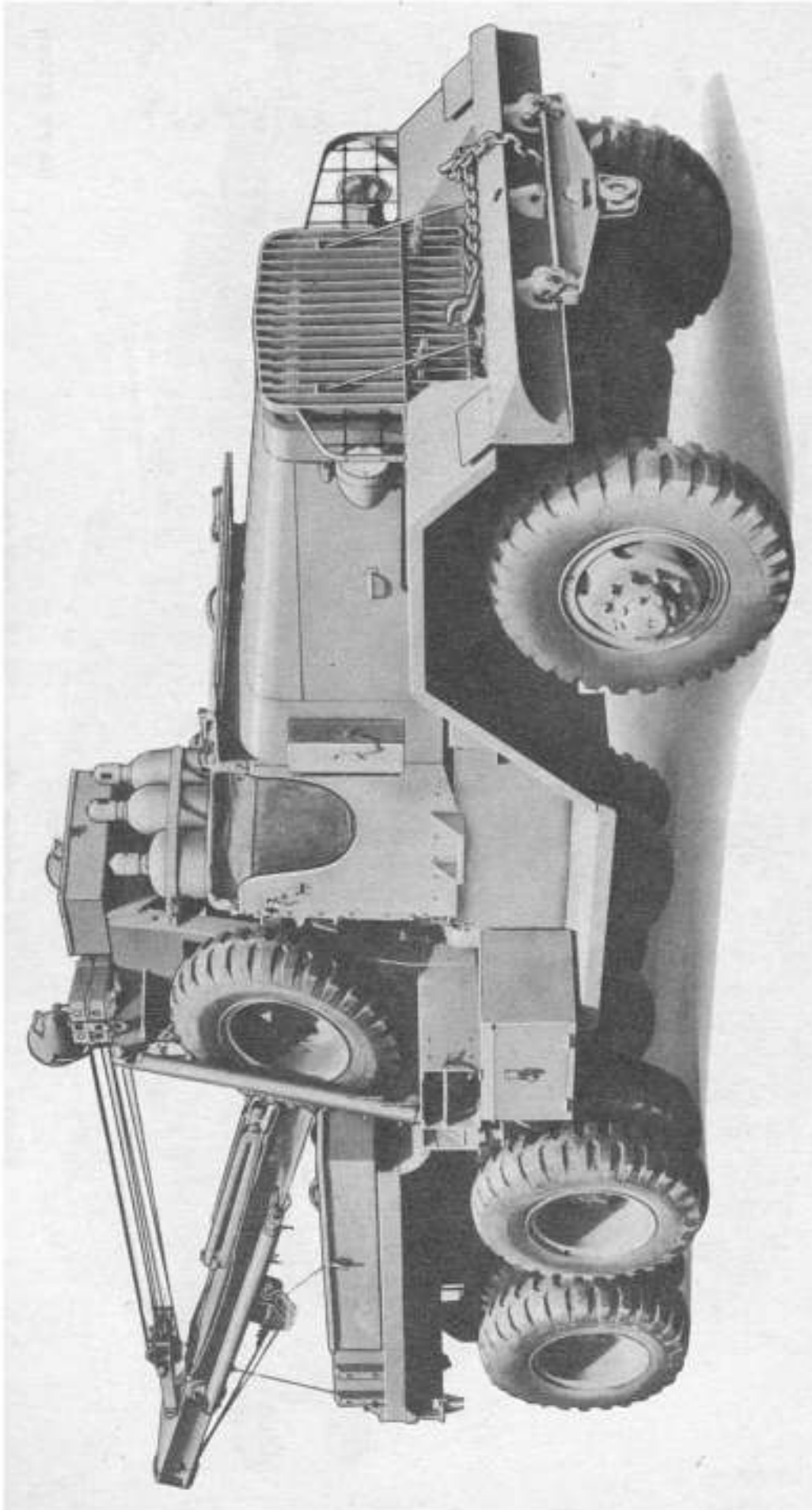
a. Engine.

Engine, type	Valve in head
Number of cylinders	6
Bore	4½ in.
Stroke	5¼ in.
Piston displacement	501 cu in.
Governed speed	2,400 rpm

b. Chassis.

Wheelbase	181 in.
Weight	31,200 lb
Length, over-all	280¾ in.
Width, over-all	99½ in.

DESCRIPTION AND TABULATED DATA



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Figure 1—Truck, Wrecking, Heavy M1A1—Right Front View