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Issue 1 — 1951

We're in the midst of the Korean War. Winning depends on well-maintained vehicles and equipment. Will Eisner creates *PS: The Preventive Maintenance Monthly* as a way to make Soldiers simultaneously "laugh and learn" about keeping their gear combat-ready. The magazine's title means *post script*, as in it supplements, corrects and clarifies technical manuals. Pvt. Joe Dope is born and is joined by MSG Half-Mast and Connie Rodd.

Issue 103 — 1961

John F. Kennedy becomes president in Jan 1961. Tensions between the U.S. and Soviet Union are rising, particularly in Europe and especially Berlin. The building of the Berlin Wall commences and the U.S. initiates a massive buildup of troops in Europe. Readiness of vehicles and equipment remains Priority #1 and PS Magazine is there to help.

Issue 223 — 1971

The Vietnam War is raging. There's growing unrest at home, public support for the war is tanking and troop morale is collapsing. Through it all, PS Magazine continues to remind Soldiers the importance of PMCS and provides them the information they need to do it right. PVT Joe Dope has departed the PS Team and Bonnie has come on board.

Issue 343 — 1981

PS Magazine has reached middle age—30 years—and proudly announces that in addition to informing Soldiers about PM, it also serves a "few good Marines, Sailors and Airmen." Under President Ronald Reagan, the military undergoes a major buildup and PS Magazine is there to help Warfighters maintain their equipment to the highest standards of readiness.

Issue 463 — 1991

The Gulf War (Desert Shield & Desert Storm) is a few months in the rearview mirror. Technological advancements in digital components, cyber-electronics and handheld devices means new maintenance opportunities and challenges. PS Magazine, now a full-fledged Technical Bulletin, is there to assist, even as it stresses basic PMCS and always performing before-, during- and after-operations checks and services per the -10 TM.

Issue 583 — 2001

A new century. PS Magazine, having relocated to Redstone Arsenal, AL, in 1993, celebrates its "golden" 50th Anniversary with a new look that comes from partnering with a new art contractor, a partnership that will last nearly 20 years. The magazine continues to be published monthly, in print, and distributed to Army and sister service units across the globe. Soon it will start delivery to Afghanistan (OEF) and Iraq (OIF).

Issue 703 — 2011

TB 43-PS-Series may be 60 years old, but its readiness information remains timely and essential. Through all these years, MSG Half-Mast constant question has been: *Would you stake your life (right now) on the condition of your equipment?* With forces still deployed to the world's hot spots, PS tailors its content to meet the often extreme conditions Soldiers face, whether in the desert or the Arctic.

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