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Subject: Formula for Water-Proofing Canvas Truck Covers, (Pauline)

1. The following water-proofing and O.D. color restoring data applicable to canvas truck covers is published for the information and guidance of all concerned:
2. Ingredients: The following ingredients are sufficient for treating one (1) average size canvas truck cover. If properly compounded and supplied, one treatment per year should be sufficient.

One (1) pound of paraffin wax, or eight (8) ordinary candles.

Two (2) quarts of boiled linseed oil

Three-fourths (3/4) pint flat olive drab paint; (Enamel Shade 34052)

Six (6) quarts of gasoline; (Non-Ethanol)

3. Preparation: Bring boiled linseed oil to a boil, add shaved paraffin wax, stirring mixture until paraffin is dissolved; remove from stove, add olive drab paint to gasoline and pour into mixture of linseed oil and paraffin. Stir Well.
4. Application: Spread cover over a large table such as a mess table, smoothing it out evenly. Place one man on each side of the table, each with a sponge. Dip sponge in dressing, squeezing out excess moisture. Rub sponge hard to and from the man, exercising care that stroke are all in the same direction, as irregular application will leave streaks. After the entire cover has been treated, spread it evenly on a lawn or other clean service in the open air until dry.
5. Careful adherence to these instructions will result in a clean pliable cover with a new O.D. finish.

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