

BRIDGE

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X The Army demonstrates something new for crossing narrow gaps under enemy fire. It's a folding bridge that stands on end while it's being pushed into position. When it nears the stream or ravine, big gears start to unfold it. The bridge unfolds while the tank continues to push it forward. The entire operation -- from folded ^{metal} ~~metal~~ to unfolded bridge -- takes only about ten minutes.

Cross X Uncoupling itself, the tank starts across the bridge it was pushing. Made of steel and aluminum, it supports the heaviest tanks and spans ~~any~~ distances up to forty feet -- a remarkable new sight on the battlefield.