

TRUMPET CALLS, ETC.

10. FIRST CALL.

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11. FIRST SERGEANTS' CALL.

12. CEASE FIRING.

APPENDIX.

The following modifications of the Revised Infantry Drill Regulations are prescribed for troops armed with the U. S. Magazine Rifle, Model 1898:

54. 1st. To prevent accidents, the magazine and chamber are opened and examined, when details, detachments, and other bodies of troops are first formed, and again just before they are dismissed. In the commands the word *chamber* refers to both magazine and chamber.

3d. The *cut off* is kept turned down except when using the magazine.

4th. The piece is habitually carried with the trigger pulled, and the safety lock turned to the left except during simulated firings and when the piece is loaded or assumed to be loaded, as in extended order.

59. Being at port arms: 1. *Open*, 2. **CHAMBER**, 3. *Close*, 4. **CHAMBER**.

At the second command, with the right hand open the magazine gate, turn the bolt handle up and draw the bolt back; glance at the magazine and chamber to see that they are empty.

At the fourth command, push the bolt forward, turn the handle down, close the magazine gate, pull the trigger, and carry the right hand to the small of the stock.

69. Being at order arms: 1. *Fix*, 2. **BAYONET**.

Execute parade rest; grasp the handle of the bayonet with the right hand back of the hand toward the body. Draw the bayonet from the scabbard and fix it on the barrel, glancing at the muzzle; resume the order, drop the left hand by the side.

74. Being at order arms: 1. *Unfix*, 2. **BAYONET**.

Take the position of parade rest, grasp the handle of the bayonet firmly with the right hand, press the spring with the forefinger of the left hand, raise the bayonet until the handle is about six inches above the muzzle of the piece, drop the point to the left, back of hand toward the body, and glancing at the scabbard return the bayonet, the blade passing between the left arm and body; regrasp the piece with the right hand and resume the order.

129. At the second command, bayonets are fixed and the cartridge box opened if worn.

Each man as the inspector approaches executes *port arms*, and *open chamber*.

The inspector takes the piece, grasping it with his right hand just above the rear sight (the man dropping the hands by the sides), inspects it, and, with the hand and piece in the same position as in receiving it, hands it back to the man, who takes it with the left hand at the balance, executes *close chamber*, *order arms*, and *unfix bayonet*.

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137. Paragraph 137 of the text does not apply to the United States magazine rifle, model 1898. At the command **CEASE FIRING** the cartridge is drawn or the empty shell is ejected and the trigger pulled.

138. Being in line at order arms: 1. *Squad*, 2. **LOAD**.

At the command *load*, each front rank man makes a half face to the right and plants the right foot so that the heel is about six inches to the rear and two inches to the right of the left heel, the feet making with each other an angle of about seventy degrees; each rear rank man moves forward, plants his left toe near the right toe of his file leader, and brings the right foot to its corresponding position as described for the front rank; the men of both ranks raise the piece with the right hand and drop it into the left at the balance, left thumb extending along the stock, muzzle at the height of the breast, and carry the right hand to the small of the stock. (**TWO**) With the right hand turn and draw the bolt back, take a cartridge between the thumb and first two fingers and place it in the receiver; place palm of the hand against the back of the bolt handle and thrust the bolt home with a quick motion, turning down the handle. *This position is designated for reference as that of load (standing).*

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138a. FILL MAGAZINE.

Take the position of load, if not already there, open the gate of the magazine with the right thumb, take five cartridges from the box or belt, and place them, with the bullets to the front, in the magazine, turning the barrel slightly to the left to facilitate the insertion of the cartridges; close the gate, and carry the right hand to the small of the stock.

140. To continue the firing: 1. **LOAD**, 2. **AIM**, 3. *Squad*, 4. **FIRE**.

Each command is executed as previously explained, except that the piece is not locked after loading.

To load from the magazine the command *From magazine* will

be given preceding that of **LOAD**; the *cut off* will be turned up on coming to the position of *load*.

To resume loading from the belt the command *From belt* will be given preceding the command **LOAD**; the *cut off* will be turned down on coming to the position of *load*.

The commands *from magazine* and *from belt*, indicating the change in the manner of loading will not be repeated in subsequent commands.

The words *from belt* apply to cartridge box as well as belt.

In loading from the magazine care should be taken to push the bolt fully forward and turn the handle down before drawing the bolt back, as otherwise the extractor will not catch the cartridge in the chamber, and jamming will occur with the cartridge following.

143. This fire is used only when preparing for or resisting a charge. 1. *Rapid fire*, 2. **COMMENCE FIRING**.

The bayonets are fixed, the sights are set at point blank, the *cut off* is turned up, and the firing is executed as rapidly as consistent with effective aiming. After the magazine is exhausted the *cut off* is turned down and the firing continued, loading from the belt.

144. CEASE FIRING.

The firing stops; pieces not already there are brought to the position of load, the cartridge is drawn or the empty shell is ejected and the trigger pulled.

Having executed *cease firing*: 1. *Order*, 2. **ARMS**.

144a. Pieces, loaded and being in the position of load; to execute other movements with the pieces loaded: 1. *Lock*, 2. **PIECES**.

At the command *pieces* turn the safety lock fully to the right.

145. Being in any position: **UNLOAD**.

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All take the position of load, turn the *cut off* up, if not already there, turn the safety lock to the left, and alternately open and close the chamber until all the cartridges are ejected. After the last cartridge is ejected the chamber is closed and the trigger pulled. The cartridges are then picked up, cleaned, and returned to the box or belt, and the piece brought to the order.

146. The rifle can be used as a magazine rifle by turning the *cut off* up. The use of the rifle as a magazine rifle is, however, to be regarded as exceptional.

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