

Section V

COMMAND REVEILLE

10-19. General

Command reveille was conducted as **Troop** in 1812 and designed to muster the unit or for roll call.

10-20. Meaning

Today, command reveille is conducted with all members of the command present. Normally, command reveille is conducted by a battalion or larger unit.

10-21. Sequence of Events

- a. The unit is formed in line formation facing the flag, if possible. Subunits may be in mass formation.
- b. Subunits are commanded to attention at the approach of the commander and his staff.
- c. The commander of troops takes his post two steps in front of and centered on his staff, commands ***Forward, MARCH*** and marches his staff to a position centered on and in front of the line of troops. The commander of troops gives the proper commands to halt his staff in a position facing the line of troops.
- d. As soon as the staff is halted by the commander of troops, the adjutant moves (without command) from his position with the staff to a position midway between the commander of troops and the line of unit commanders.
- e. The adjutant commands ***Present, ARMS***, faces the commander of troops, salutes, and reports ***"Sir, The battalion (regiment) is formed."***
- f. The commander of troops returns the salute and directs the adjutant to receive the reports.
- g. The adjutant faces about and commands ***Order, ARMS*** and **REPORT**.
- h. Unit commanders salute and report in succession from right to left ***"Sir, _____ company, all present or accounted for."***
- i. The adjutant returns each unit commander's salute.
- j. After all unit commanders have reported, the adjutant faces the commander of troops, salutes, and reports ***"Sir, All present or accounted for."***

k. The commander of troops returns the salute and directs the adjutant to publish the orders.

l. The adjutant faces about without saluting and commands **ATTENTION TO ORDERS**. The adjutant then reads any orders or makes any announcements the commander of troops desires to publish.

m. The adjutant, on completion of the publishing of orders, faces about and takes his post with the staff without saluting.

n. When the adjutant is in position, the left flank staff member commands ***Right, FACE; Forward, MARCH; Column left, MARCH; Column left, MARCH***. When the staff is centered on the commander of troops he then commands ***Staff, HALT; Left, FACE***. About 30 seconds before the sounding of reveille, the commander of troops commands ***Present, ARMS***, executes about face and commands ***Staff, Present, ARMS***. Reveille is then sounded either by record, field music, or band as the flag is raised. At the first note of "Reveille," the morning gun is fired. After the last note of music, the commander of troops commands ***Staff, Order, ARMS***, executes about face, and commands ***Order, ARMS***; he then directs, **TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR UNITS**. The unit commanders salute. The commander of troops returns all salutes with one salute. He then marches his staff away or dismisses them. This terminates the ceremony.