POCKET GUIDE OF

Uniform Insignia

UNITED STATES ★ BRITISH EMPIRE ★ U.S.S.R.

FRANCE ★ CHINA ★ POLAND
Keep this booklet!

★ it will help you recognize commissioned officers and national colors of the United Nations. You can tell rank of our Army officers by shoulder insignia. Navy rank is indicated by stripes on sleeves of the regular uniform and by shoulder epaulets on the overcoat and summer uniform. Both Army and Navy officers may wear garrison caps bearing insignia of rank. The following charts show equivalent grades of rank.
British Empire. British soldiers salute only when covered and then by raising the hand, palm outward, to the forehead in a circular motion. Noncoms do not salute each other, but salute all commissioned officers. Divisional insignia often appear on the sleeve near the shoulder and may carry the picture of anything from a tank to a Panda.
The only excuse a Soviet soldier has for not saluting while covered is that he is busy firing a gun. Every junior salutes his senior, even in the noncommissioned grades. In the armed forces of the Soviet Union “Hello” is used as a friendly greeting among all ranks and is pronounced and means the same to them as it does to us.