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THE AMERICAN MARINE IN FRANCE



TO BEAT THE WAY TO BERLIN

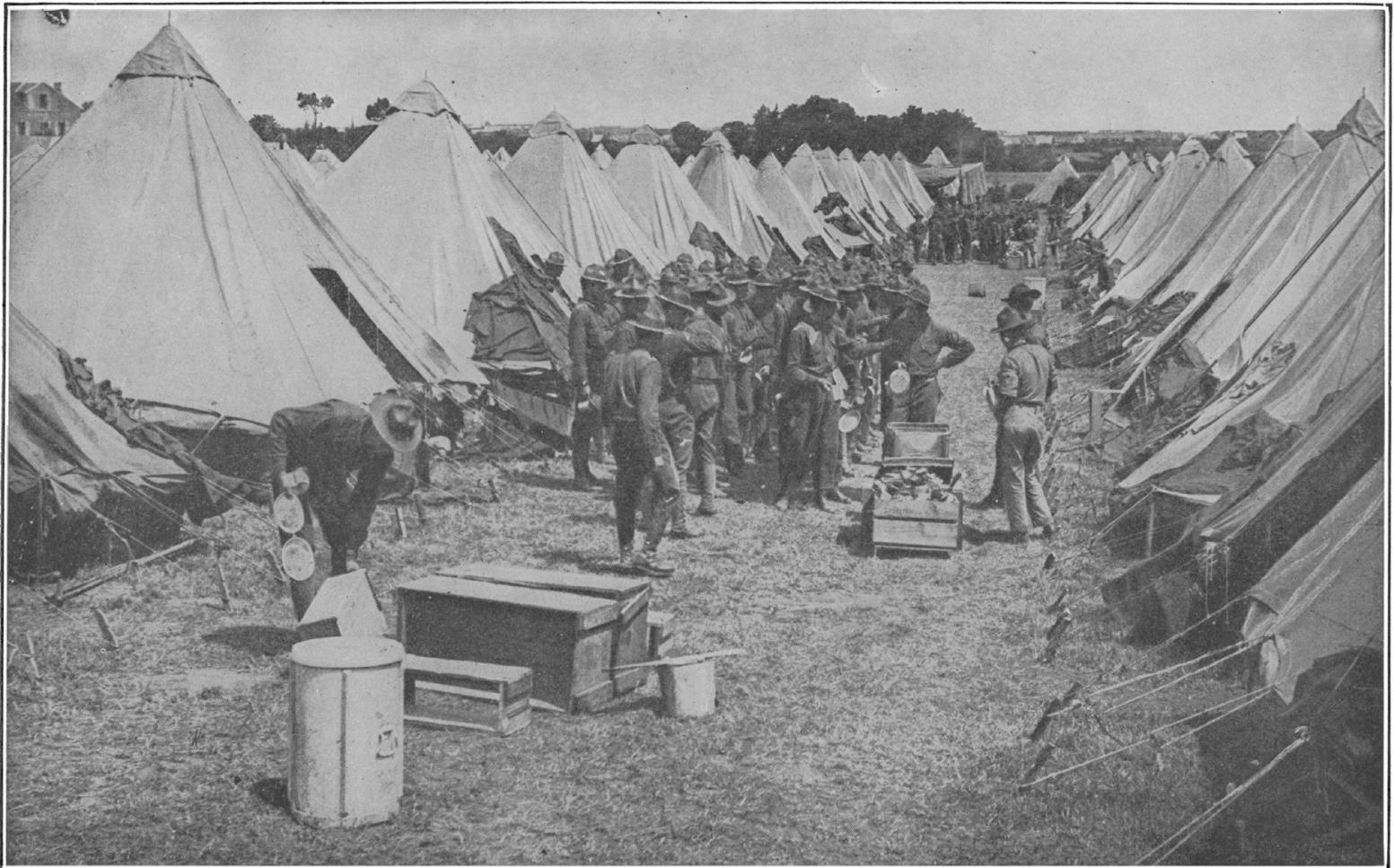
The marines, who always take great pride in their initiative and in being first on the ground, are now enthusiastic over their \$60,000 subscription to the French War Loan. They are making up for their small numbers in their "esprit."



MESS TIME FOR THE SOLDIERS OF THE SEAS

The American troops in France are probably the best fed of the soldiers of any of the belligerents. Virtually all the supplies are sent from the United States. Thousands of cases of canned goods and sides of beef are required weekly to supply

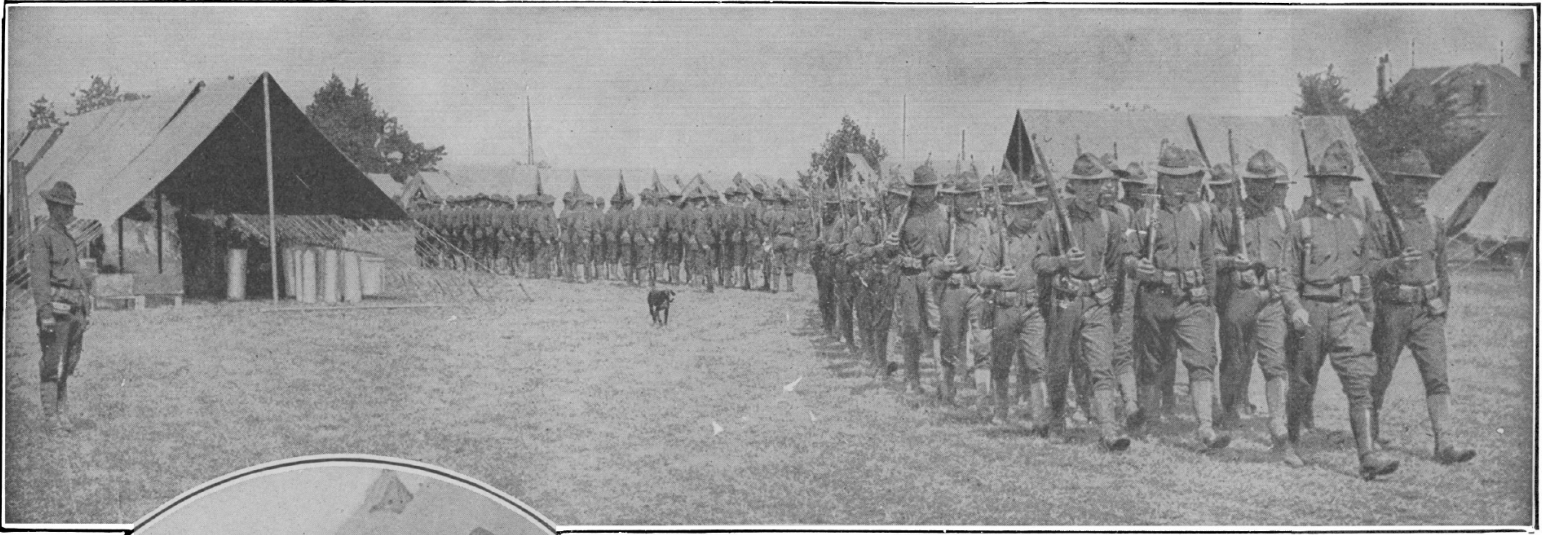
the first division in France. One of the greatest problems in waging war against Germany is that involved in maintaining the open waterway to France in order to carry supplies to the army and the allied countries.



LINING UP FOR MESS

The soldiers of this company fill the company street, ready to make a run on the "bank" with their tin cups, plates, knives and forks. Troops in France are putting in eight hours a day hard work at trench digging, sham

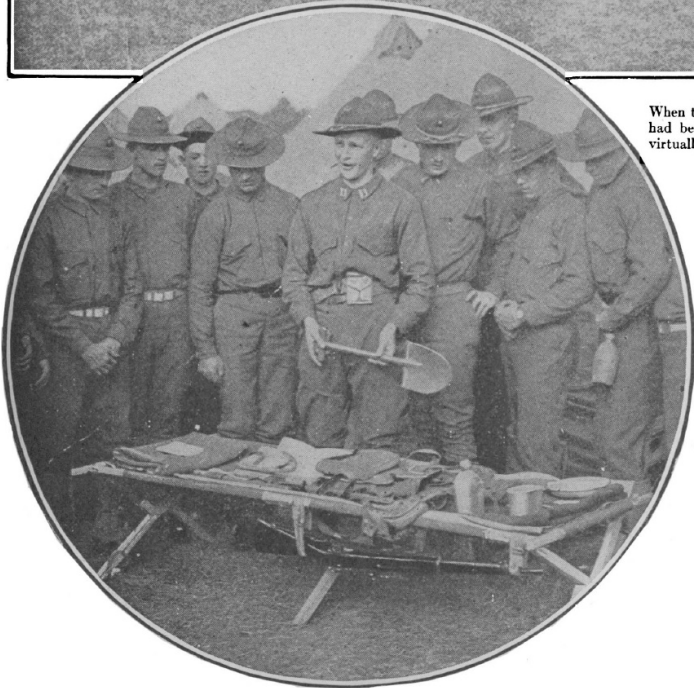
battles and active field work in addition to long hikes. The result of all this work is that the mess is well patronized. Incidentally the mess would arouse the envy of many of us who have remained at home.



REVIEW IN CAMP

When the American army went into camp in France the weather had been exceedingly disagreeable and ceremonials had been virtually dispensed with. But there was never a let up in the

intensive training of the men. Officers and non-commissioned officers received particular instruction in "scientific" work in the trenches and the men were put through sham battles.



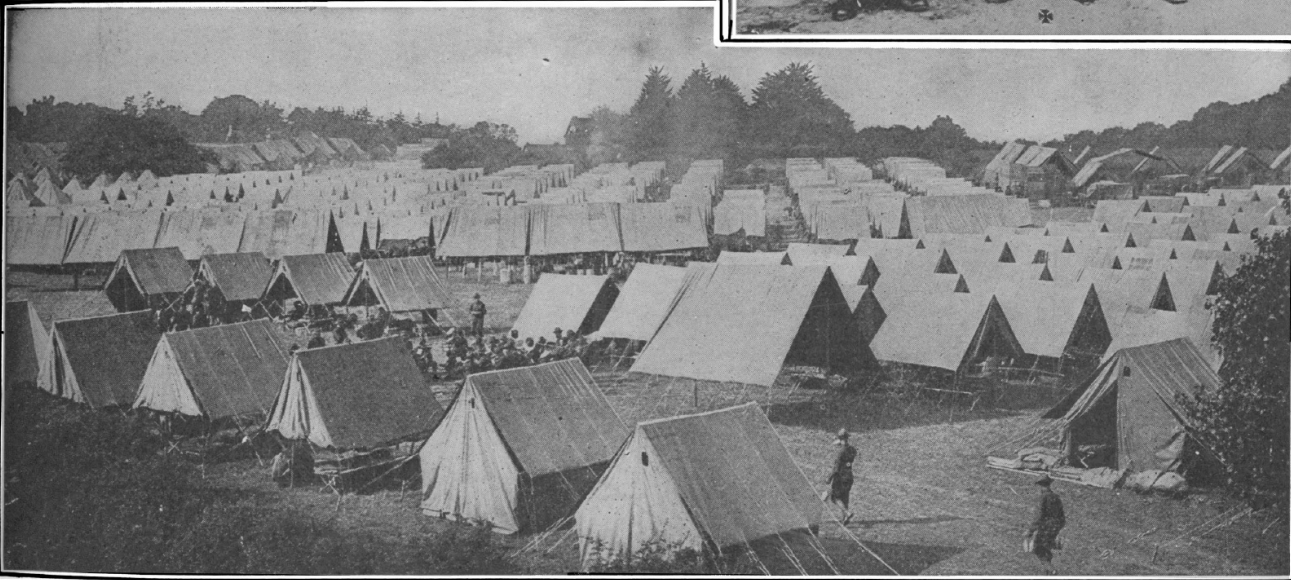
THE MARINE'S OUTFIT

The Marine's outfit does not differ greatly from that of the infantryman's. Without rifle, the complete load amounts to about 32 pounds. It is divided into the pack, the belt and articles attached to it, and the haversack.



AMERICAN AND FRENCH OFFICERS

Major-General Sibert, commander of the American troops at the front in France, is seen here in the center surrounded by American and French officers. He has just finished making an inspection of the American camp. Both General Pershing and General Sibert have urged the men of the new army to forget individual liberties and subordinate themselves to discipline. We do not want automatic soldiers, says General Pershing, but we want every soldier to realize that he is a potential officer and to make a good commanding officer he must preserve his initiative and executive ability and think for himself.



THE AMERICAN CAMP

The area of the American camp is constantly being enlarged and now covers several square miles. The United States Marines are dejected over the order which will necessitate their

adoption of khaki in place of their more distinctive uniform of forest green. This is because the green uniform looks like the German field gray after it has been in service a short time.