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# ARMY PAYMASTERS' MANUAL.

## PAY DEPARTMENT.

The Pay Department was established as such by the act of April 24, 1816.—*3 Stat., 297.*

The Pay Department shall consist of—

1 brigadier-general, Paymaster-General.

3 colonels, Assistant Paymasters-General.

4 lieutenant-colonels, Deputy Paymasters-General.

20 majors, paymasters.

25 captains, paymasters.—*Act Feb. 2, 1901, 31 Stat., 754; G. O., 9, 1901.*

Vacancies occurring in the office of Paymaster-General shall be filled by selection from officers holding permanent appointments in the Pay Department. Other vacancies which can not be filled by promotion by seniority shall be filled by detail from the line of the Army from the grade in which the vacancies exist for periods of four years.—*Act Feb. 2, 1901, 31 Stat., 755; G. O., 9, 1901.*

When volunteers are called into the service of the United States the President may appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, additional paymasters with the rank of major, not to exceed one for every two regiments of volunteers.—*R. S., 1184.*

"Officers of the Pay Department shall not be entitled in virtue of their rank, to command in the line or in other staff corps."—*R. S., 1183.*

"An officer of the Pay or Medical Department can not exercise command, except in his own department; but any staff officer, by virtue of his commission, may command all enlisted men like other commissioned officers."—*A. R., 19, 1908.*

"The Pay Department has charge of the supply and distribution of and accounting for funds for the payment of the Army, and such other financial duties as are specially assigned to it."—*A. R., 1272, 1908.*

"Manuals issued by the staff departments and approved by the Secretary of War, when not in conflict with any of the provisions of Army Regulations, will have equal force therewith."—*A. R., 1588, 1908.*

## ADVANCE OF PUBLIC MONEY.

1. "No advance of public moneys shall be made in any case whatever. It shall, however, be lawful, under the special direction of the President, to make such advances to the disbursing officers of the Government as may be necessary to the faithful and prompt discharge of their respective duties and to the fulfillment of the public engagements. The President may also direct such advances as he may deem necessary