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WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF ORDNANCE,
Washington, November 13, 1909.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL,
United States Army.

SIR: 1. I have the honor to submit herewith, for approval by the honorable the Secretary of War, as provided for in section 1167, Revised Statutes of the United States, manuscript compilation of Ordnance Property Regulations.

2. These regulations are intended to supersede the Ordnance Property Regulations of 1877, which have become obsolete.

Respectfully,

JNO. T. THOMPSON,
Lieutenant Colonel, Ordnance Department, U. S. Army,
Acting Chief of Ordnance.

[First indorsement.]

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, November 16, 1909.

Respectfully returned to the Chief of Ordnance, approved by the Secretary of War.

HENRY P. McCAIN,
Adjutant General.

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ORDNANCE PROPERTY REGULATIONS.

ARTICLE I.

LAWS.

1. The Chief of Ordnance, or the senior officer of that corps for any district, shall execute all orders of the Secretary of War, and, in time of war, the orders of any general or field officer commanding an army, garrison, or detachment, for the supply of all ordnance and ordnance stores for garrison, field, or siege service. (*Sec. 1166, Rev. Stat.*)

2. Hereafter the United States shall furnish mounts and horse equipments for all officers of the Army below the grade of major required to be mounted. (*Act of May 11, 1908.*)

3. Upon the request of the head of any department, the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to issue arms and ammunition whenever they may be required for the protection of the public money and property, and they may be delivered to any officer of the department designated by the head of such department, to be accounted for to the Secretary of War, and to be returned when the necessity for their use has expired. Arms and ammunition heretofore furnished to any department by the War Department, for which the War Department has not been reimbursed, may be received for under the provisions of this act. (*Act of Mar. 3, 1879.*)

4. The War Department may furnish the District Commissioners for the use of the police, upon requisition, such unserviceable horse equipments as may be required. (*Act of May 26, 1908.*)

5. The purchase or manufacture of arms, ordnance stores, quartermaster stores, and camp equipage for the militia under the provisions of this act shall be made under the direction of the Secretary of War, and they shall be received for and shall remain the property of the United States, and be annually accounted for by the governors of the States and Territories and by the commanding general of the National Guard of the District of Columbia, for which purpose the Secretary of War shall prescribe and supply the necessary blanks and make such regulations as he may deem necessary to protect the interests of the United States. (*Sec. 1661, Rev. Stat., as amended by act of June 22, 1906, sec. 3.*)

6. The Secretary of War is authorized to procure, by purchase or manufacture, and issue from time to time to the organized militia, under such regulations as he may prescribe, such number of the United States service arms, together with all accessories and such other accoutrements, equipments, uniforms, clothing, equipage, and military stores of all kinds required for the Army of the United States, as are necessary to arm, uniform, and equip all of the organized militia in the several States, Territories, and the District of Columbia: Provided said property shall remain the property of the United States, except as hereinafter provided, and be annually accounted for by the governors of the States and Territories as required by law. (*Sec. 13 of the act of May 27, 1908.*)

7. When any property furnished to any State or Territory, or the District of Columbia, has been lost or destroyed, or has become unserviceable or unsuitable from use in service, or from any other cause, it shall be examined by a disinterested surveying officer of the organized militia, to be appointed by the governor of the State or Territory, or the commanding general of the National Guard of the District of Columbia, to whom the property has been issued, and his report shall be forwarded by said governor or commanding general direct to the Secretary of War, and if it shall appear to the Secretary of War from the record of survey that the property has been lost or destroyed through unavoidable causes, he is authorized to relieve the State from further accountability therefor. If it shall appear that the loss or destruction of property was due to carelessness or neglect or that its loss could have been avoided by the exercise of reasonable care, the money value thereof shall be charged against the allotment to the State under section 1661 of the Revised Statutes as amended. If the articles so surveyed are found to be unserviceable or unsuitable, the Secretary of War shall direct what disposition, by sale or otherwise, shall be made of them, except unserviceable clothing which shall be destroyed, and if sold the proceeds of such sale shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States. (*Sec. 1661, Rev. Stat., as amended by act of June 22, 1906, sec. 4.*)

8. The uniforms, arms, and equipments of the national guard shall be the same as prescribed and furnished to the army of the United States. Every organization of the national guard shall be provided with such ordnance and ordnance stores, clothing, camp and garrison equipage, quartermaster's stores, medical supplies, and other military stores, as may be necessary for the proper training and instruction of the force and for the proper performance of the duties required under this act. Such property shall be issued from the stores and supplies appropriated for the use of the army, upon the approval and by the direction of the Secretary of War, to the commanding general, upon