

the Secretary of War shall be charged with the investigation, development, manufacture, or procurement and supply to the Army of all smoke and incendiary materials, all toxic gases, and all gas-defense appliances; the research, design, and experimentation connected with chemical warfare and its material; and chemical projectile filling plants and proving grounds; the supervision of the training of the Army in chemical warfare, both offensive and defensive, including the necessary schools of instruction; the organization, equipment, training, and operation of special gas troops, and such other duties as the President may from time to time prescribe. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 12, 41 Stat. 768.)

223. Employment of chemists, etc., in office of chief.—The services of chemists and such other services as the Secretary of War may deem necessary may be employed only in the office of the Chief of the Chemical Warfare Service to carry into effect the appropriation for Chemical Warfare Service, to be paid from such appropriation: *Provided*, That the Secretary of War shall each year in the Budget report to Congress the number of persons so employed, their duties, and the amount paid to each. (Feb. 12, 1925, c. 225, 43 Stat. 916.)

Chapter 13.—CHAPLAINS.

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231. Appointment and qualifications of chaplains.

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237. Service credits for purposes of promotion.

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Section 231. Appointment and qualifications of chaplains.—Appointments as chaplains shall be made from among persons duly accredited by some religious denomination or organization, and of good standing therein, between the ages of twenty-three and forty-five years. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 21, 41 Stat. 774.)

232. Examination for appointment.—No person in civil life shall be appointed a chaplain until he shall have passed satisfactorily such examination as to his moral, mental and physical qualifications as may be prescribed by the President. (Mar. 2, 1899, c. 352, § 7, 30 Stat. 979.)

233. Number of chaplains in Army.—There shall be one hundred and twenty-five chaplains in the Regular Army. (June 30, 1922, c. 253, 42 Stat. 721.)

234. Chief of chaplains; appointment, rank, term of office, and duties.—One chaplain of rank not below that of major may be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to be chief of chaplains. He shall serve as such for four years, and shall have the rank, pay, and allowances of colonel while so serving. His duties shall include investigation into the qualifications of candidates for appointment as chaplain, and general coordination and supervision of the work of chaplains. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 15, 41 Stat. 769.)

235. Status of chaplains as officers of Army.—Chaplains shall have rank without command, and shall be on the same footing with other officers of the Army, as to tenure of office, retirement, and pensions. (R. S. § 1122.)

236. Rank of chaplains; promotion on completion of specified term of service.—Chaplains shall have rank, pay, and allowances according to length of active commissioned service in the Army, or, since April 6, 1917, in the National Guard while in active service under a call by the President, as follows: Less than five years, first lieutenant; five to fourteen years, captain; fourteen to twenty years, major; over twenty years, lieutenant colonel. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 15, 41 Stat. 769.)

237. Service credits for purposes of promotion.—For purposes of future promotion, persons appointed to fill vacancies existing on July 1, 1920, shall be considered as having had, on the date of appointment, sufficient prior service to bring them to their respective grades under the rules of promotion established in section 236 of this title. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 15, 41 Stat. 769.)

238. Duty as to religious services.—All chaplains shall, when it may be practicable, hold appropriate religious services, for the benefit of the commands to which they may be assigned to duty, at least once on each Sunday, and shall perform appropriate religious burial services at the burial of officers and soldiers who may die in such commands. (R. S. § 1125.)

239. Facilities for performance of duties.—It shall be the duty of commanders of regiments, hospitals, and posts to afford to chaplains, assigned to the same for duty, such facilities as may aid them in the performance of their duties. (R. S. § 1127.)

Chapter 14.—CAVALRY.

Sec.

251. Composition of Cavalry.

252. Cavalry dismounted.

253. Negro regiments.

Section 251. Composition of Cavalry.—The Cavalry shall consist of one Chief of Cavalry with the rank of major general, six hundred and sixty-five officers in grades from colonel to second lieutenant, inclusive, and eight thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight enlisted men, organized into Cavalry units as the President may direct. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 18, 41 Stat. 770; June 30, 1922, c. 253, 42 Stat. 723.)

252. Cavalry dismounted.—Any portion of the Cavalry force may be armed and drilled as Infantry or dismounted Cavalry, at the discretion of the President. (R. S. § 1105.)

253. Negro regiments.—The enlisted men of two regiments of Cavalry shall be colored men. (R. S. § 1104.)

Chapter 15.—FIELD ARTILLERY.

Sec.

261. Definition of Field Artillery.

262. Composition of Field Artillery.

CROSS REFERENCE

Field Artillery School; see chapter 28 of this title.

Section 261. Definition of Field Artillery.—The Field Artillery is the artillery which accompanies an army in the field, and includes light artillery, horse artillery, siege artillery, and mountain artillery. (Jan. 25, 1907, c. 397, § 4, 34 Stat. 861.)

262. Composition of Field Artillery.—The Field Artillery shall consist of one Chief of Field Artillery with the rank of major general, one thousand three hundred and thirty officers in grades from colonel to second lieutenant, inclusive, and sixteen thousand five hundred and eighteen enlisted men, organized into Field Artillery units as the President may direct. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 19, 41 Stat. 770; June 30, 1922, c. 253, 42 Stat. 723.)

Chapter 16.—COAST ARTILLERY CORPS.

Sec.

271. Definition of Coast Artillery.

272. Composition of Coast Artillery Corps.

273. Detail of warrant officers or enlisted men to office of Chief of Coast Artillery.

274. Army Mine Planter Service established; composition of mine planter crews.

275. Number of warrant officers in Army Mine Planter Service.

Section 271. Definition of Coast Artillery.—The Coast Artillery is the artillery charged with the care and use of the fixed and movable elements of land and coast fortifications, including the submarine mine and torpedo defenses. (Jan. 25, 1907, c. 397, § 3, 34 Stat. 861.)

272. Composition of Coast Artillery Corps.—The Coast Artillery Corps shall consist of one Chief of Coast Artillery with the rank of major general, eight hundred and forty officers in grades from colonel to second lieutenant, inclusive, the warrant officers of the Army Mine Planter Service as authorized by law, and thirteen thousand three hundred and ninety-three enlisted men, organized into such Coast Artillery units as the President may direct. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 20, 41 Stat. 770; June 30, 1922, c. 253, 42 Stat. 723.)

273. Detail of warrant officers or enlisted men to office of Chief of Coast Artillery.—Not to exceed eight warrant officers or enlisted men of the Coast Artillery Corps may be detailed upon duties of a technical or military nature in the office of the Chief of Coast Artillery. (Mar. 3, 1921, c. 121, § 1, 41 Stat. 1279.)

274. Army Mine Planter Service established; composition of mine planter crews.—There shall be in the Coast Artillery Corps of the Regular Army a service to be known as the Army Mine Planter Service, which shall consist, for each mine planter in the service of the United States, of one master, one first mate, one second mate, one chief engineer, and one assistant engineer, who shall be warrant officers appointed by and holding their offices at the discretion of the Secretary of War, and two others, four firemen, four deck hands, one cook, one steward, and one assistant steward, who shall be appointed from enlisted men of the Coast Artillery Corps under such regulations as the Secretary of War may prescribe. (July 9, 1918, c. 143, subchapter IX, 40 Stat. 881.)

275. Number of warrant officers in Army Mine Planter Service.—The number of warrant officers in the Army Mine Planter Service shall not exceed forty. (June 30, 1922, c. 253, Title I, 42 Stat. 723.)

Chapter 17.—INFANTRY.

Sec.

281. Composition of Infantry.

282. Negro regiments

283. Porto Rico regiment made part of Regular Army.

Section 281. Composition of Infantry.—The Infantry shall consist of one Chief of Infantry with the rank of major general; two thousand nine hundred and forty officers in grades from colonel to second lieutenant, inclusive, and forty-nine thousand one hundred and seven enlisted men, organized into such Infantry units as the President may direct. All tank units shall form a part of the Infantry. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 17, 41 Stat. 769; June 30, 1922, c. 253, 42 Stat. 723.)

282. Negro regiments.—The enlisted men of two regiments of Infantry shall be colored men. (R. S. § 1108.)

283. Porto Rico regiment made part of Regular Army.—The Porto Rico Regiment of Infantry and the officers and enlisted men of such regiment shall become a part of the Infantry branch of the Army. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 21, 41 Stat. 770.)

Chapter 18.—AIR SERVICE.

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291. Establishment and composition of Air Service.

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297. Aviation students enlisted or appointed as flying cadets; number.

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299. Commissioning flying cadets on completing course; discharge before completing course.

300. Additional pay for flying duty.

301. Additional pay for military aviators and junior military aviators.

302. Officers entitled to additional pay for aviation duty.

303. Base pay of flying cadets.

304. Allowances of flying cadets.

305. Mileage of officers travelling on aviation duty.

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306. Per diem allowance for additional expenses of fliers making aerial surveys of rivers, harbors, etc.

307. Bond for indemnity against injuries caused by exhibition flights.

308. Compensation for death by aviation accident.

309. Employment of draftsmen and engineers in Air Service.

CROSS REFERENCES

Airplanes; contracts for production and purchase; see Title 50, War. Aviation fields; see section 1311 of this title.

Expenses of air travel by officers and contract surgeons without troops; see section 750 of this title.

Section 291. Establishment and composition of Air Service.—There is created an Air Service. The Air Service shall consist of one Chief of the Air Service with the rank of major general, one assistant with the rank of brigadier general, one thousand and sixty officers in grades from colonel to second lieutenant, inclusive, and six thousand two hundred and fifty enlisted men, including not to exceed five hundred flying cadets, such part of whom as the President may direct being formed into tactical units, organized as he may prescribe: *Provided*, That not to exceed 10 per centum of the officers in each grade below that of brigadier general who fail to qualify as aircraft pilots or as observers within one year after the date of detail or assignment shall be permitted to remain detailed or assigned to the Air Service. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 13, 41 Stat. 768; June 30, 1922, c. 253, 42 Stat. 724.)

292. Number of officers detailed to duty involving flying.—Exclusive of the Army Air Service, the number of officers detailed to duty involving flying shall not at any one time exceed one-half of 1 per centum of the total authorized commissioned strength of the Army. (June 10, 1922, c. 212, § 20, 42 Stat. 632.)

293. Educational qualifications for Air Service.—No person otherwise qualified for service as a flying cadet, pilot, or other officer in the aviation service, shall be barred from such service by reason of not being equipped with a college education. (July 9, 1918, c. 143, 40 Stat. 819.)

294. Command of flying units.—Flying units shall in all cases be commanded by flying officers. (June 4, 1920, c. 227, subchapter I, § 13, 41 Stat. 768.)

295. Aerial operations controlled by Army Air Service.—The Army Air Service shall control all aerial operations from land bases for construction and experimentation and for the training of personnel. (June 5, 1920, c. 210, 41 Stat. 951.)

296. Aviation schools; instruction for aviation students.—The Secretary of War is authorized and directed to establish and maintain at one or more established flying schools courses of instruction for aviation students. (July 11, 1919, c. 8, 41 Stat. 109.)

297. Aviation students enlisted or appointed as flying cadets; number.—Aviation students shall be enlisted in or appointed to the grade of flying cadet, Air Service, which grade is hereby established: *Provided*, That the total number of flying cadets shall not at any time exceed one thousand three hundred, of whom five hundred may be enlisted. (July 11, 1919, c. 8, 41 Stat. 109; June 30, 1922, c. 253, Title I, 42 Stat. 721.)

298. Detail of officers for instruction in aeronautic engineering.—The Secretary of War is authorized to detail such officers of the Army as he may select, not exceeding twenty-five at any one time, to attend and pursue courses of aeronautic engineering or associate study at such schools, colleges, and universities as he may select, and to pay tuition for the officers so detailed and to provide them with necessary text-books and technical supplies from any moneys available for the Air Service of the Army not otherwise specifically appropriated. (May 10, 1920, c. 175, §§ 1, 2, 41 Stat. 594.)

299. Commissioning flying cadets on completing course; discharge before completing course.—Upon completion of a course prescribed for flying cadets, each flying cadet, if he so desire,