

imminent danger thereof, the Governor may temporarily suspend the operation of this section, and direct the Acting Quartermaster General to purchase such military property as may be required in open market. He shall report such action, with the reasons therefor, and a statement of the property purchased and the price paid therefor, to the Legislature at its next session. (g) The Adjutant General (as Acting Quartermaster General) shall render annually to the Governor a statement in detail, showing the disposition of all clothing, ordnance, arms, ammunition, armories and other military property on hand or issued.

1916, ch. 311, sec. 20.

18. No officer of the militia shall incur any expense whatever to be paid by the State, except such as authorized in this Article, without first obtaining the authority of the Commander-in-Chief. In extreme emergencies, however, the commanding officer of any organization or detachment of the National Guard may make purchase of such necessities as are absolutely required for the immediate use and care of his command, taking receipts in duplicate therefor; a report of such action, containing a statement of the articles purchased and the price thereof, with the receipts attached, must be made forthwith through the regular channels to the Acting Quartermaster General. The Comptroller of the State shall be the auditor of all accounts for property purchased by the Adjutant General (as Acting Quartermaster General), and copies of the orders or contracts under which such purchases are made shall be filed in the office of the Assistant to the Acting Quartermaster General, subject to his inspection. All other military accounts payable by the State shall be audited by the Adjutant General. Military accounts thus audited shall be paid by the Treasurer of the State from a proper appropriation made by the Legislature, upon the warrant of the Adjutant General, under and by direction of the Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

1916, ch. 311, sec. 21.

19.\* The Maryland National Guard shall consist of a Brigadier General; Adjutant Generals Department; Inspector General's Department; Ordnance Department; Quartermaster's Corps (consolidating as at present organized the Quartermaster's Department, the Subsistence Department, and the Pay Department); Judge Advocate General's Department; Medical Department; Engineer Corps, Signal Corps; Coast Artillery Corps; Infantry, Cavalry, Field Artillery, the existing military organizations and the Naval Brigade. The organizations authorized by this Section shall constitute a Brigade and a Naval Brigade, to consist of such tactical units officered and with an enlisted strength as may be determined in the manner provided for in this Article. The Governor shall have power in case of war, insurrection, invasion or im-

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\*The act of 1916, chapter 660, authorizes the Governor to commission the members of the faculty of St. John's College as officers in the national guard