

officer without notice. The discharges mentioned above shall be granted by order of the Commander-in-Chief, except that caused by expiration of enlistment; this discharge shall be granted by the commanding officer of the regiment, in the case of signal corps, troop, battery, division or separate company by the commanding officer of the brigade. Enlisted men may be dishonorably discharged pursuant to the sentence of a general court-martial. This section shall be construed to apply to the Naval Brigade also.

SEC. 56. Any enlisted man of the National Guard who has attained the age of sixty-four years may be placed upon the retired list by the Governor. Any enlisted man who shall have served in the National Guard of the State for fifteen years continuously may, upon his own request, be placed upon the retired list and withdrawn from active service by the Governor. Such retired enlisted men shall be available for active service at any time, at the discretion of the Governor and Commander-in-Chief, but such retired enlisted men shall not be entitled to have any uniform or equipment belonging to the State or United States, except when on active-duty.

SEC. 57. Whenever the Board of Police Commissioners of the City of Baltimore or the sheriff of any county shall require a portion of the Maryland National Guard to aid in preventing threatened disorder or opposition to the laws, or in suppressing riots or disorder on election days or at any other times, the said board or the said sheriff shall apply in writing or by telegraph to the Commander-in-Chief, setting forth particularly the necessity for such aid, and if the emergency requires, the said board or the said sheriff may, without waiting for a reply from the Commander-in-Chief, forthwith apply in writing or by telegraph to the commanding officer of the military or naval organization most accessible, and all commanding officers in such cases, whether ordered out by the Commander-in-Chief or applied to as aforesaid by the said board or the said sheriff, shall forthwith assemble their command and take such action as the exigencies of the case may require to prevent the threatened disorder or opposition to the laws, or to suppress the riot or disorder.

SEC. 58. For all purposes under this Act officers and enlisted men of the active militia who entered the United States service in the Spanish-American War shall, on entering the active militia, be entitled to credit for time served in the forces in the United States in that war if this service had been rendered in the active militia.

SEC. 59. The officers commanding the Brigade and Naval Brigade may cause those under their command to perform any