

When the rate of pay allowed by the United States is less than the amount set forth in this Article, then the difference shall be paid out of the militia funds of the State.

Officers shall receive the same per diem pay, including longevity, as officers of the Regular Army of like grade and length of service, except that nothing in this Section shall be construed as authorizing the Ranking Line Officer to draw any salary except that authorized and provided in the budget.

Enlisted men shall be paid the following rates per day: First, second and third grades, two dollars and twenty-five cents; fourth grade, two dollars; fifth grade, one dollar and seventy-five cents; sixth grade, one dollar and fifty cents; and seventh grade, one dollar and twenty-five cents. And in addition to pay, each enlisted man shall receive rations as prescribed by the regulations of the United States Army, or commutation thereof at a rate not exceeding forty cents per day. Each enlisted man, who has served a full term of enlistment and who re-enlists within ninety days after the expiration of his previous enlistment, shall receive an increase of 10 per cent. of his pay during this enlistment, and for each three-year term of enlistment served thereafter an increase of 10 per cent. will be granted, until 40 per cent. is reached; provided, that any man who served in the Army or Navy of the United States during the World War shall receive credit for all former military service in computing the foregoing rates of percentage of pay increase.

And provided further, that all enlisted men who qualify, as prescribed by the Governor, in small arms practice and who shall be present at the annual inspection of his organization next succeeding said qualification, shall be paid the following increase in the pay of their respective grades for a period of one year beginning on January first following such qualification: Experts, 20 per cent.; sharpshooters, 15 per cent.; marksmen, 10 per cent.

For all purposes of this section, officers and enlisted men of the organized militia who entered the military or naval service of the United States in the Spanish-American or subsequent wars, shall be entitled to credit for the time served in such service as if the service had been rendered in the organized militia.

The provisions of this section not to apply when the troops are called or drafted into the service of the United States.