GENERAL ORDERS

1916

HEADQUARTERS,

1st March, 1916.

The following Regulations, General Orders, etc., are promulgated to the Militia by the Honourable the Minister of Militia and Defence in Militia Council.

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INSTRUCTIONS, REGULATIONS, ETC.

PAY AND ALLOWANCE REGULATIONS.

Outfit Allowance, Officers.

An outfit allowance of \$100.00 is authorized for G.O. 17 officers of the Militia (non-permanent) who have been 1916. placed on active service in Canada since war broke out, payable after three months' service.

Outfit Allowance, Warrant Officers, C.E.F.

An outfit allowance of \$100.00 is authorized for Warrant Officers appointed as such in the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

(H.Q. 96-53-27.)

ORGANIZATION.

General Order 59-(1) of April, 1911, and all orders G.O. 18 referred to therein are hereby cancelled, and the following is substituted therefor :-

1. In pursuance of the authority contained in Section 21-(a) of the Militia Act the hereinafter mentioned portions of Canada are formed into Military Districts as hereinafter described, namely,-

2. The Counties of Essex, Kent, Lambton, Elgin, Middlesex, Oxford, Waterloo, Wellington, Perth, Huron and Bruce are formed into a Western Ontario Military District, to be known as the "Military District No. 1," with Headquarters at London, Ontario.

3. The Counties of Lincoln, Welland, Haldimand, Norfolk, Brant, Wentworth, Halton, Peel, York, Ontario, Grey, Dufferin, Simcoe: the Districts of Musko-ka, Parry Sound, Algoma and Nipissing, north of the Mattawa and French Rivers (including the Townships of Ferris and Bonfield) are formed into a Central Ontario Military District to be known as the "Military District No. 2," with Headquarters at Toronto, Ontario.

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4. The Counties of Durham, Northumberland, Victoria, Peterborough, Hastings, Prince Edward, Lennox, Addington, Frontenac, Haliburton, Carleton, Dundas, Glengarry, Renfrew, Russell, Stormont, Grenville, Lanark, Leeds, Prescott, the District of Nipissing south of Mattawa River (exclusive of Townships of Ferris and Bonfield), in the Province of Ontario, and the Counties of Wright, Labelle and Pontiac, in the Province of Quebec, are formed into an Eastern Ontario Military District, to be known as "Military District No. 3," with Headquarters at Kingston, Ontario.

5. The Counties of Jacques Cartier, Hochelaga, Laval, Vaudreuil, Soulanges, Napierville, Beauharnois, Chateauguay, Huntingdon, Laprairie, Argenteuil, Terrebonne, Two Mountains, Montcalm, L'Assomption, Joliette, Berthier, Maskinonge, St. Maurice, Three Rivers, St. John, Iberville, Mississquoi, Brome, Shefford, Rouville, Chambly, Vercheres, St. Hyacinthe, Bagot, Drummond, Richelieu, Yamaska, Nicolet, Arthabaska, Sherbrooke and Stanstead are formed into a Western Quebec Military District to be known as the "Military District No. 4," with Headquarters at Montreal, Quebee.

6. The Counties of Wolfe, Richmond, Compton, Beauce, Bellechasse, Bonaventure, Dorchester, Gaspé. Kamouraska, Levis, L'Islet, Champlain, Charlevoix, Chicoutimi, Montmorency, Quebec, Portneuf, Saguenay, Lotbiniere, Montmagny, Megantic, Rimouski and Temiscouata are formed into an Eastern Quebec Military District, to be known as the "Military District No. 5," with Headquarters at Quebec City, Quebec.

7. The Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island are formed into a Maritime Military District, to be known as the "Military District No. 6," with Headquarters at Halifax, Nova

8. The Province of Manitoba and the Territory of Keewatin and the Districts of Thunder Bay and Rainy River, in the Province of Ontario are formed into a Manitoba Military District, to be known as the "Military District No. 10," with Headquarters at Winnipeg,

9. The Province of British Columbia is formed into a British Columbia Military District to be known as the "Military District No. 11," with Headquarters at Victoria, British Columbia.

General Orders—(Organization)—continued.

10. The Province of Saskatchewan is formed into a Saskatchewan Military District, to be known as the "Military District No. 12" with Headquarters at Regina, Šaskatchewan

11. The Province of Alberta and the Territory of Mackenzie are formed into an Alberta Military District. to be known as the "Military District No. 13," with Headquarters at Calgary, Alberta.

12. General Order 58 of 1915, and all orders referred to therein are hereby cancelled, and the following is substituted therefor,-

(a) Subject to the regulations and to the instructions issued from time to time from Militia Headquarters, a District Officer Commanding will exercise military command over all troops within his District; within that area he is the representative of the Minister of Militia and Defence and he is charged with and respon-

1. The efficiency, discipline and interior economy of the troops;

2. The military training of the officers and men under his command;

3. The arrangements for mobilization and the maintenance of mobilization equipment;

4. The maintenance of the armament, works and buildings;

5. The economical control of all expenditures whether of money, supplies or stores within the

6. The proper conduct of all departmental ser-

7. The compilation of the necessary estimates for such services;

8. Recruiting and discharges:

9. The inspection of barracks, armouries and other government buildings, arms, ammunition, equipment, clothing and stores of every description in charge of units of the Active and Permanent Militia, except technical artillery, engineer and medical stores;

10. The issue and return to stores of arms, amunition, equipment and other stores required by units within his District according to the scales

laid down in Militia Regulations.

11. The collating, compiling and forwarding to Headquarters of all returns, states, &c, necessary for the administration of units of the Active and Permanent Militia within his District.

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(b) A District Officer Commanding is hereby empowered to convene district courts martial for the purpose of trying any man of the Militia who is within his district and who is subject to military law and to the Military Act, the Army Act and the regulations made under the authority of those Acts, and who is charged with any offence under either of said acts, and he is hereby empowered to confirm the findings of such Courts, and to approve, confirm, mitigate or remit the sentence of such courts, and to cause such sentences to be put into execution according to the provisions of the Militia Act, the Army Act, and the regulations made under the authority of those Acts; and, further, he is empowered to appoint Judge-Advocates and such Judge-Advocates shall have authority to exercise the powers and perform the duties set out in No. 103 of the Rules of Procedure made under the authority of Section 70 (1) of the Army Act, and to exercise generally the functions which by said rules are allotted to a Judge-Advocate in relation to a court martial convened under the authority of the Army Act.

(c) The officer duly appointed in Militia Orders to administer a District during the absence of the District Officer Commanding, is hereby given the same powers as a District Officer Commanding has to convene District Courts martial, to appoint Judge-Advocates, to confirm the findings of such courts, and to approve, confirm, mitigate and remit their sentences, and to cause such sentences to be put into execution.

(H. Q. 9939—1—13.)

2ND DIVISIONAL AREA. The 51st Regiment (Soo Rifles) is re-organized on a 4-company system as laid down in Infantry Training, 1914.

(H.Q. 32-1-154.)

4TH DIVISIONAL AREA. — Reserve Militia. The Montreal Home Guard is organized as a unit of the Reserve Militia, and will be designated the "1st Regiment Reserve Militia, Montreal Home Guard." A mounted company, consisting of 1 Captain, 4 Lieutenants and 50 men is also authorized to be included in this formation.

(H.Q. 32-1-266.)

MILITARY DISTRICT No. 10.—The organization of a unit of Reserve Militia, with headquarters at Winnipeg, to be designated the "1st Winnipeg Infantry Regiment Reserve Militia," is authorized.

(H.Q. 262-1-6.)

General Orders-(Decorations and Medals-Rifle Associations.)

MILITARY DISTRICT No. 13.—Alberta University Contingent, Canadian Officers' Training Corps. With reference to General Order 202, 1915, the Alberta University Contingent, C.O.T.C., is re-organized on a 4 company system as laid down in Infantry Training, 1914.

(H.Q. 7429-6-1.)

DECORATIONS AND MEDALS.

1. THE COLONIAL AUXILIARY FORCES LONG SERVICE MEDAL.

The undermentioned are awarded the Colonial G.O. 19 Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal, under the pro- 1916. visions of the Royal Warrant, dated 18th May, 1899, and General Order 132 of November, 1901:-

Rank.	NAME.	Corps.
Regtl. SergtMajor Bugle-Sergt	Frederick Ker Albert Hebner	48th Regiment (Highlanders). 2nd Dragoons. 13th Royal Regi- ment. 77th Wentworth Regiment.

RIFLE ASSOCIATIONS.

DISBANDMENT.

The disbandment of the undermentioned rifle asso- G.O. 20 ciations, is authorized :-1916.

Civilian.

No. 350, Greenwood, with headquarters at Greenwood, B.C. (H.Q. 29-138.)

By command,

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Major-General, a/Adjutant-General.