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Memorandum regarding Circular No. 10, February 13, 1917

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MEMORANDUM:
The Adjutant General's Office
Augusta, February 13, 1917

1. Circular No. 10, Militia Bureau, August 18, 1916, provides as follows:

INFANTRY INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT.

Quartermaster property:
- For each enlisted man-
  - 1 hat, service
  - 1 hat cord, infantry
  - 1 coat, o. d., wool
  - 2 shirts, o. d., flannel
  - 1 breeches, o. d., wool, pair
  - 1 leggings, canvas, pair
  - 1 waist belt
  - 1 overcoat, o. d., wool
  - 2 blankets
  - 1 poncho, for dismounted men
  - 1 shelter tent, half, complete

Ordnance property:
- For each enlisted man-
  - 1 cartridge belt suspenders, pr.
  - 1 haversack (except individually mounted men)
  - 1 canteen
  - 1 canteen strap
  - 1 knife
  - 1 fork
  - 1 spoon
  - 1 meat can
  - 1 cup
  - 1 pouch for first-aid packet

For each enlisted man armed with the pistol-
- 1 pistol, caliber 45
- 1 pistol holster
- 1 magazine pocket, double, web
- 2 extra magazines
- 1 pistol belt (except for men armed also with the rifle)

For each enlisted man armed with the rifle-
- 1 rifle
- 1 gun sling
- 1 bayonet (except individually mounted men)
- 1 bayonet scabbard (except individually mounted men)
- 1 cartridge belt, caliber .30

For each enlisted man-
- 1 first-aid packet

ORGANIZATIONAL EQUIPMENT.

Quartermaster property:

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**Signal property:**

- Kits, flag, combination—Infantry: 2

**Medical property:**

- Litter, with slings: 1

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**COAST ARTILLERY INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT.**

**Quartermaster property:**

For each enlisted man—

- 1 hat, service,
- 1 hat cord, artillery,
- 1 hat, blue denim,
- 1 coat, o. d., wool,
- 1 coat, blue denim,
- 2 shirts, o. d., flannel,
- 1 breeches, o. d., wool, pair,

1 trousers, blue denim, pair,
1 leggings, canvas, pair,
2 blankets,
1 overcoat, o. d., wool,
1 poncho,
1 waist belt,
1 shelter tent, half, complete.

**Ordnance property:**

For each enlisted man—

- 1 cartridge belt suspenders, pair,
- 1 haversack,

1 canteen,
1 canteen strap,
COAST ARTILLERY INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT—Continued.

Ordnance property—Continued:

1 knife,
1 fork,
1 spoon,
For each enlisted man armed with the pistol in addition to the above—
1 pistol, caliber .45,
1 pistol holster,
1 magazine pocket, double web,
For each enlisted man armed with the rifle—
1 rifle,
1 gun sling,
1 bayonet,
1 meat can,
1 cup,
1 pouch for first-aid packet.
2 extra magazines,
1 pistol belt.

Medical property:

For each enlisted man—
1 first-aid packet.

ORGANIZATIONAL EQUIPMENT (Company)

Quartermaster property:
2 bugles, with slings,
9 surplus kit bags,
1 shoe stick,
9 housewives,
6 whistles and chains, N.C.O.,
1 tape measure.

Ordnance property:
1 stencil, personal equipment,
1 marking outfit, for stamping metal,
24 drift slides.

Signal Corps property:
6 combination flag kits, standard.

Medical property:
1 litter with slings.

Commanding officers of companies will submit requisitions at once for the articles necessary to fulfill the above requirements except that only such clothing will be required for as is needed for the present enlisted strength.

2. Form No. 88, A.G.O., Individual Record of Clothing Sizes, will at once be completed for each enlisted man and in future this form will be completed for each man on enlistment. Attention is directed to Instructions for Measurements on the back of the form.