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RETURN TO W.C.D. SHOWING ACTION
WAR DEPARTMENT ^{WCD}
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
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WAR DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Wearing of short overcoats by officers.

1. Herewith is a telegram from the Depot Quartermaster, Atlanta, Ga., requesting that a supply of overcoats be furnished that Depot for sale to officers, and stating that many young officers are badly in need of overcoats, which cannot be obtained from local dealers except at exorbitant rates.
2. Attention is invited to memorandum, of this date, in WCD 8378-35, recommending that officers at training camps or cantonments be permitted to wear the short, moleskin, fleece-lined overcoat authorized by paragraph 92(d), Special Regulations, No. 41, 1917, when, in the opinion of the commanding officer, climatic conditions make it advisable.
3. Action is recommended as indicated in the memorandum for The Adjutant General of the Army herewith.

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Colonel, General Staff,
Acting Chief of War College Division.

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October 31, 1917.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL OF THE ARMY:

Subject: Wearing of short overcoats by officers.

The Secretary of War directs that this communication be returned with indorsement substantially as follows:

1. In view of the fact that the supply of overcoats available is not yet sufficient to provide for the actual requirements of enlisted men, the sale to officers at this time is not approved.
2. Instructions will be issued in the near future permitting the wearing, by officers at training camps, of the short overcoat authorized by paragraph 92(d), Special Regulations, No. 41, 1917.

Sgd. John Riddle

Major General,
Acting Chief of Staff.

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October 30, 1917.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Wearing of short overcoats at Camp Lewis.

1. Herewith is a telegram from the commanding general, Camp Lewis, Washington, requesting authority to sell to officers not over 500 of the 5,000 enlisted men's overcoats recently ordered shipped from Camp Lewis, Washington, to Camp Dodge, Iowa, due to the fact that overcoats cannot be procured by local purchase in less than from three to four weeks.

2. Telegraphic instructions from The Adjutant General's Office, dated September 20th, prohibited the sale, under paragraph 1174, Army Regulations, of clothing to officers.

3. The Quartermaster General states that the 5,000 overcoats ordered shipped from Camp Lewis are required for issue to enlisted men at Camp Dodge, a sufficient supply of overcoats not now being on hand to provide for the needs of the enlisted men.

4. Paragraph 92 (d), Special Regulations, No. 41, 1917 (C.A.R. No. 18, December 3, 1916), authorizes the wearing in the field only of a short double-breasted moleskin cloth overcoat, lined with sheepskin, whenever, in the opinion of the commanding officer, the climatic conditions make it advisable.

5. The Quartermaster General recommends that officers be permitted to wear this coat when, in the opinion of the commanding officer, the climatic conditions make it advisable. He also states that a considerable supply of these coats is available from dealers at reasonable prices.

6. This recommendation is concurred in and it is recommended that action be taken as indicated in the memorandum for The Adjutant General of the Army herewith.

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Acting Chief of War College Division.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL OF THE ARMY:

Subject: Corrections in memoranda.

In connection with the two memoranda to The Adjutant General, dated October 31st (WCD 8378-34 and 8378-35), relative to the wearing of the short, moleskin, fleece-lined overcoats, by officers, in which reference is made to paragraph 92(d), Special Regulations, No. 41, 1917, the Secretary of War directs that these two memoranda be corrected to refer to paragraph 103(d), Special Regulations, No. 41, 1917, instead of to paragraph 92(d), of these Regulations.

(JOHN BIDDLE

Major General,
Acting Chief of Staff.

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