

Adj^t & Inspect^r Gen^l Office

Washington January 6th 1864

General [McColloch]

I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to forward to you the enclosed orders and to direct your immediate attention to the same.

The Law directs that the persons designated in the accompanying orders shall be enrolled and ordered to their respective Companies, Battalions and Regiments, in time to join their respective Companies before the expiration of the Six Months term of service of said Companies and to participate in the organization contemplated by the Law. It is therefore important that you will cause the enrollment to be made without delay and no time should be lost in ordering the persons enrolled to their respective commands now in the service.

In counties remote from your Head Quarters you might issue your order in advance directing the persons enrolled to join their respective commands, and in trust it to the Enrolling Officer to be read on the day of enrollment. The Law makes no provision for the organization of the persons enrolled prior to their arrival at their respective companies, nor does it provide for the transportation and subsistence of such persons from their homes to their respective commands.

There is no doubt however that their claims to commutation if transportation is not furnished in kind will be recognized and paid by the Confederate Authorities upon their arrival at their respective commands.

His Excellency has conferred with the Major General commanding this District upon this subject and it is expected that an order will be issued by him to Quarter Masters and Commissaries to provide the necessary trans-

transportation and Subsistence

In the absence of an order from him upon this subject, there may be cases especially in Brigades remote from the field of Service that will require you to provide transportation and Subsistence to a limited number of men from the inability of the Soldier otherwise to obtain them. If such necessity should exist in your Brigade, you will not hesitate to provide the necessary transportation and Subsistence which should in all cases be procured during the enrollment, in order that no time may be lost after the enrollment is completed in forwarding the troops to the field. In as much as the Service for such transportation will be temporary no purchase of Wagons and Teams will be made. Contracts for the hire of Wagons at reasonable rates for such purposes will be approved and paid.

In providing transportation and Subsistence for the purposes indicated, you will have an eye to the strictest economy, and will only furnish them in cases of necessity, as the Law makes no provision for supplying them.

Persons enrolled should be sworn into the Military Service of the State for the term of Six Months unless sooner discharged by proper authority; you can direct the enrolling officers to administer the oath at the time of enrollment.

In communicating with Enrolling Officers you will employ couriers whenever in your judgment it will save delay.

Very Respectively
Your Obedt^l Servant
David B. Culberson

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Adjutant&& Inspector Genl. Office
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