GUARDSMEN SHELL HARBOR ENTRANCE

Two Hundred Shots Fired in Sub-Caliber Practice With Fort Scott Guns.

NIGHT SEARCHLIGHT DRILL

Dozen Great Lights Seek Out Position of the Mythical Enemy on Ocean.

Unusually good scores were made in the practice equipment of National Guard coast artillerymen at sub-caliber practice with the four big batteries at Fort Winfield Scott, Lo Presidio, yesterday morning and in spite of the fact that the shots were fired at four big targets at a maximum range of 1000 yards, the result showed a bigger number of hits than ever before in the history of the enlargement. There was a searchlight night drill in the evening the big guns and regulating the attack and a moonlight drill at midnight.

The men were called from their tents at 4 o'clock, and, with the aid of a dozen electrical searchlights, the guns were trained upon the entrance of the harbor. There was a certain target allowed that the guardsmen, in spite of their drill, they have been at practice drills but a week could, with comparatively little training, be made a most valuable adjunct to the coast artillery corps of the Army in time of war.

As the great searchlights swept the ocean and bay and finally were centered upon the mythical enemy, the place where hostile vessels were supposed to be lying and twelve-inch guns swung their grim muzzles to train upon the mythical warship. While an alarm were fired at eight intervals and a bugle blown, the effectiveness of the searchlights in clear weather in uncovering an enemy.

FIRED BY BATTERIES.

Yesterday morning's sub-caliber practice was conducted satisfactorily. The men fired by batteries at a general rule at distances varying from 1000 yards range at the rate of thirty feet per minute, at times all four of the ballistic Sadler, Crockett, Crockett and Lemaster—fired simultaneously, and the other was somewhat spectacular. The regular officers assigned to the batteries were as follows: Lieutenant J. A. Bailey, Lieutenant Chandler, Lieutenant H. W. Stephenson at Battery Lewis; Lieutenant R. E. Wood, Lieutenant J. H. Harding at Battery Chandler; Lieutenant H. T. Ross at Battery Suffold.

On Monday practice practice will begin with the big guns. In the sub-caliber work the same guns are used, but lighter rules are inserted to reduce the charge. In the service practice the cannon will thunder out the regulation projectile and the practice will be at 8000 yards.

Today will be the big day at the National Guard encampment, for the field work ended at the end of afternoon, and it is expected that several hundred friends and relatives of the regiment will journey out to Fort Scott for the afternoon. There will be dress parade after the mess.

DISCUSS FOURTH CELEBRATION PLAN

North and South of Market and North Beach to Have Fireworks if Plans Hold.

The Fourth of July celebration committee appointed by Mayor Ralph to formulate plans for the celebration of the coming holiday met yesterday and tentatively agreed upon a plan to be submitted as a fund for the celebration, met in the Supervisors' chambers in the afternoon for the purpose of discussing the matter. The committee hopes to be able to report from the United funds at their disposal was the Supervisors' committee meeting.

After a discussion it was decided to put the matter into the hands of a committee of seven to arrange for several days of celebration. This was done at a meeting held in the afternoon until Monday night at 8 o'clock, when the committee reported the plans made to date to be submitted to the Supervisors. This report was presented immediately after the adjournment of the Supervisors and got down to the business at hand.

Supervisor Gallagher was unanimously elected chairman of the larger meeting and stated that the committee appointed, suggested a plan of dividing the city into districts and having three days, one for each of the districts, and one for the South Beach district and one for the North Beach district.

The committee finally adopted this general plan, and it is this plan will be recommended to the Supervisors. It remains for the general committee to report at a subsequent meeting, and the celebration in each of the three districts will be left largely in the hands of committees which will be chosen to take in charge the three districts.

That the committee may be able to show on a basis of $15,000 which the celebration has been made for, the Supervisors have appropriated available on July 1st, was one hundred dollars. This is expected that the women and other downtown people will be invited to contribute to the fund.

MESSENGERS BADLY HURT.

Oliver H. Lyons, messenger of 1449 Polk street, was assaulted as a messenger boy by two men at Pine and Polk streets Friday. Of the Western Union Company, was shot from the house and robbed of two dollars and Green Street, yesterday afternoon. Carlos Cortlee was riding along Van Ness avenue when he was shot by two men who ran up the sidewalk, opened his cashbox and fired three shots at the messenger. He was conveyed to the home and treated by Dr. George W. Lyons of the Butler street for contusions of the chin and contusions and wounds.

WOMAN BEATEN SENTENCED.

Mrs. Ella Wilson, who beat her husband Sherville of 8 Sardeen alley, on the night of April 15, and who was finally convicted of assault with intent to do bodily harm, was sentenced to imprisonment by Superior Judge William P. Lawlor to serve one year in the county jail in the Quantin prison. Warren is said to be a resident of Sacramento and lives in East Oakland Sale. He beat the woman with a rubber hose.

Excursions East and to Europe.

Variable tour excursion tickets will be sold to the East on Saturdays, May, June, July, August and September, 1912, Final return limit of October 31, 1912. Liberal stopovers in both directions. Sleeping cars reserved with electric lights and fans are operated between San Francisco and Chicago, via D. O. Without change. Descriptive literature and information at Ticket Office, Ferry Building. Washington-Street Agency, 673 Market st. (See Ad.)

Last Curtain Falls on Lou R. Stockwell, Old-Time Stage Favorite

L. R. Stockwell, the veteran actor, who died yesterday.

Is Credited With Giving Start to Maude Adams and Other Stars

LOU R. STOCKWELL, one of the most popular of San Francisco's old-time stage favorites and a familiar figure to nearly every local play-goer of a decade ago, died yesterday at the University of California hospital.

For the past six years Stockwell's life had been a pathetic one, though he was not at the age of sixty years. He was his 16 years ago. In 1906 he was stricken blind, and it was but a short time later that the funds with which he had been so generously gave—more than he had lived on money gathered from benefits given for him by theatrical people. The fund thus formed his liberal hand was ever ready to assist another in need, and he died practically penniless, although the amounts from his benefits came to no small sum.

Lou R. Stockwell came to San Francisco Thirty years ago with Jay Hall's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" show. He played the part of Lawyer Marks and became famous in the role. He remained on the Coast and was there when he took over the Alcazar Theater, in conjunction with George Osbourne and George Wallace. Fire destroyed the theater and he slightly successful, but it was later disbanded and Stockwell again went on the road.

He returned to this city in 1897, and, with Alfred Ellingsonne, opened the Stockwell Theater on the site where the old Columbia Theater stood. This soon proved unsuccessful, and then Stockwell took to vaudeville. After his blindness he appeared in several vaudeville sketches especially for him, and of recent years he had been too feeble to health to do anything.

Stockwell was one of the old guard. He was contemporaneous with Edwin Booth, Lotta, Edgar Davenport, Lawrence Barrett and other old-time favorites. He also was credited with giving started such stars as Maude Adams, Florence Roberts and Blanche Bates on the road to success in stagedom.

Arrangements for the funeral have not been made.

CALIFORNIA SAFE DEPOSIT DEMANDS PAY FOR BONDS.

Trustees of El Dorado Lumber Company Oppose Petition.

Representatives of the California Safe Deposit and Trust Company are preparing a petition addressed to Superior Judge Graham, sitting in probate, asking for an order compelling the trustees of the estate of Charles W. Rees to sign checks in favor of the company for the payment of the sum of $48,000 per value of bonds of the El Dorado Lumber Company, which belong to the estate of the trustees.

The trustees of the estate have refused to sign the checks, on the ground that the bonds were given to the Safe Deposit Company in lieu of the owner, but the attorney of the trustees in this matter contended that the bank was the original trustee under the terms of the deed of trust given by the El Dorado Lumber Company to secure its bonds. They have alleged also that the California Safe Deposit and Trust Company never paid any consideration for the bonds.

Referee Kraft has set the hearing on the petition for June 15th.

PROBATIONERS MUST BE REPORTED ON EACH MONTH.

Civil Service Examinations Not to Be Final Test.

Just because a candidate succeeds in passing the field tests of the Civil Service Board and gets a job "on trial" in the city's service, there is no reason why said candidates has earned the right to be on the job permanent, or that he is placed for life on the job and strain himself working.

This is made clear by the new order adopted by the Civil Service Board at its regular meeting Thursday. By virtue of this order, all heads of departments are to report once a month on the discipline and efficiency of every "probationary" employee.

The Board is also considering the establishment of a school for firemen and policemen.

INFANTRY TROOPS ARE ASSIGNED TO STATIONS.

Redisposition of Two Regiments, Now En Route, by Department.

Some shuffling in the disposition of troops on their arrival here have been made by order of the War Department. Headquarters, band, machine gun platoon and the Twelfth and Fifteenth infantry will go to Fort Thomas, Ky., and the Sixteenth infantry will go to Fort Wright, Wash., and the remaining battalions to Fort Mill, Okla. Headquarters, band, machine gun platoon and one battalion of the Sixteenth infantry will go to Fort Meade, S. D., and the other battalion to Fort Keogh, Mont. The Eighteenth to Fort Leavenworth, Kan. The Nineteenth to Fort Riley, Kan. The Twenty-first Cavalry to the Presidio of Monterey, Cal. The Twenty-second Cavalry to Fort Ethan Allen, Vt. The Twenty-fourth Infantry, will arrive soon on the Sixth transport.

TEACHERS DISCUSS NEW PENSION BILL

Meeting Held in Auditorium of Mission High Draws Large Number of Educators.

A. RONCOVIERI PRESIDES.

Committee to Frame New Bill to Be Elected From List of Eighty Candidates.

The teachers of the local School Department, in response to a circular sent out by Superintendent of Schools Alfred Roncovieri, met in the auditorium of the Mission High School yesterday afternoon for the purpose of taking steps toward framing a new teachers' pension bill to be submitted to the people at the next session of the Legislature. It was anticipated that the first meeting should be held for the purpose of collecting a charter adopted providing for a teachers' pension, but the discussion of the proposed measure and the framing of a legislative measure occupied the time.

Superintendent Roncovieri presided and introduced every speaker that came before the house by a rising vote of the teachers.

A motion that a committee of fifteen teachers be appointed to frame the bill was carried by an almost unanimous vote, after a long discussion of the measure as to the manner in which the committee should be named. It was finally decided that the teachers present should place in nomination five candidates and that fifteen of the fifty nominees were to be elected by the committee to be named and sent to the Superintendent's committee.

Roncovieri did not call a ballot until over eighty had been nominated, including himself and Board of Directors Jones and Kinsella.

Another point which caused an abundance of comment was whether the bill should be drawn from the teachers' office containing the names of the earlier odd numbers should state whether the nominees favored a "pension" or "retiring pension." It was decided the matter in favor of having the name of each candidate regarding rate preference printed on the balloting, leaving the choice of the nominees who were endorsed in a whole.

Preliminaries having been decided by vote, Superintendent Roncovieri declared that he would send post cards to the nominees, and that as soon as the ballots were in he would summon the elected committee at a meeting the date of which he would announce later.

WIDOWS GET FORTUNES BY JUDGE GRAHAM'S ORDERS.

Mrs. Benedict and Mrs. Marsicano Are Beyond Fear of Want.

Judge Graham yesterday granted the petition of Mrs. Mary Marsicano for an allowance of $100 a month from the estate of Perrado Marsicano, her husband, who died April 7th. The widow is sole beneficiary under a will disposing of a fortune estimated at upward of $1,000,000. Marsicano died May 29, 1911, at the age of 78. He made his money chiefly from the operation of quarries in Marin county, where he owned salt marshes of great extent. He also for a time was the owner of the greater part of Telegraph Hill.

Emily W. Benedict, widow of Judge Benedict, deceased, was given the final distribution of her former husband's estate in the same court. The estate was inventoried at an estimated value of $650,000, and Mrs. Benedict gets it all. A portion of the will was contested by Courtland S. Benedict, her father-in-law, but after an amicable compromise Courtland S. Benedict has since died and his own will has been probated. The allegation was that he was a victim of undue influence, and that his own wife and son, who were his heirs, had exercised undue influence.

OLD MARRIAGE CONTRACT FILED.

A marriage license which was entered into August 3, 1892, by Harrison McCutchen and Mary Nowlin, has been filed for record here. In the license it is stated that McCutchen was 47 years of age on that date and Miss Nowlin was 21 years old, and that both resided in San Mateo county. The contract is brief, simply declaring that the two engaged to live together during life, to share all lives and to discharge the duties imposed by law on husband and wife. The license expired August 2, 1892, before H. M. Edwards, a notary of San Francisco. H. Ross Sled is in the office of the clerk.

MITCHELL CASE SET FOR TRIAL.

The case of John W. Mitchell, a confidence swindler, with abandonment and neglect of wife, which has been pending in the courts for longer than a year, was set peremptorily for trial yesterday by Superior Judge Lawlor, who said that the case must be decided now. The case will come on for trial today.

POWER COMPANIES FINISH TESTIMONY

Rival Utilities Corporations to End Arguments Before the Commissioners Today.

NEW WITNESSES HEARD.

Four-County Business of the Pacific Gas Company Is Valued at $2,890,000.

The taking of testimony in the State Railroad Commission's hearing on the application of the Great Western Power Company for permission to extend its lines into the south of the bay counties in competition with the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, has continued yesterday, and Attorneys Guy C. Earl and Chester A. Crowell, representing the opposing corporations, will begin their arguments before the Commissioners this morning and the hearing will consume the entire day, and the decision of the Commission probably will not be announced for some days.

Yesterday's proceedings consisted largely in the reading of the sworn evidence which had been introduced at the previous hearings, in which the Pacific and Electric Company was combating the application of the Great Western for district mandates from Santa Rosa, Petaluma and Napa.

The testimony of these men was to the effect that their various clients, which are the sites the Great Western seeks to enter, have already been served, and that every possible consumer in the territory has been emphatically canvassed.

The new witnesses of the day were A. F. Hoefenbauer, secretary-treasurer of the Great Western Power Company, and Electric Company; R. V. Walker, manager of the commercial department, and W. G. Vincent, the company's chief engineer.

TESTIFIES AS TO EXPENSES.

Vincent gave data on the distribution system of the company in the various cities in the four counties embraced in the disputed territory, and gave total of the special campaigns for new business which have been conducted in the district. In cross-examination Attorney Earl elicited the information that the activity had here begun after the Commission had granted the Great Western.

Hoefenbauer gave the Commission data on the amount of money the company has expended in this district in an effort to get new business, and also on the amount of money for extensions, betterments and solicitation in the region, the latter purposes he said the Pacific Gas and Electric Company had spent $225,000 last year and $84,000 for the first four months of this year. In compiling for new business he said it had cost the company $72 for each contract during the last four months. He said the value of the company's properties in the four north-of-the-bay counties at over $2,890,000.

CALIFORNIA DELEGATE TO ARCANUM CONVENTION HERE.

Dr. S. C. Boynton Returns From the South and Is Entertained.

Dr. S. C. Boynton, who returned from California to the thirty-fifth annual convention of the Arcanum, held at the Royal Arcanum at Richmond, in last month, was in the city yesterday on his way to his home in Los Angeles. He was entertained at dinner at the Commercial Club by Grand Master Workman Frank Ellis and by the prominent members of the order here.

"We had a very successful session," said Dr. Boynton, "and considering that while the request to hold the 1913 session at San Francisco was given due consideration, it was decided to hold the next meeting in the city of Quebec. San Francisco is now on the waiting list, and as at every year's session California will have the representative of the order. Grand Master Burke will no doubt be one, a delegate effort will be made to bring the 1915 session of the Supreme Council of to this city."

AGED PHYSICIAN VICTIM OF PTOMAINE POISONING.

Dr. Marion Thrasher Recovering From Serious Spell.

Dr. Marion Thrasher, 75 years of age and for thirty years a practicing physician and surgeon here, is recovering from a serious attack of ptomaine poisoning, which he contracted on the fifth avenue. The attack resulted from eating shellfish a month ago, and for two weeks the aged physician was in a critical condition.

According to Dr. F. Ragan, his attending physician, Dr. Thrasher is rapidly recovering and will be able to resume his practice in about two weeks.

WOMEN BEGIN WAR ON HIGH FOOD PRICES

Militant Housewives Stop the Sale of Meat in Brooklyn

NEW YORK, June 7.—Women joined in a war on high prices of staple foods started a campaign of violence in Brooklyn today, directing the attack against meat dealers.

There were rioting scenes when the price-glass door of one shop was smashed, while other shopkeepers appealed to three or four other shops without immediate attack, but continued knocking from their hands meats which they attempted to sell. The women warned against continuing to offer meat for sale.

Eight shops obeyed the orders of the women and closed their doors. One shopkeeper had to make any further sales to the women.

MORE HETCH-HETCHY DATA NEEDED AT ONCE BY CITY

Big Additional Engineering Force to Be Put to Work.

The City Engineer's office has received a request for the preparation of data for the purpose of preparing authoritative answers to questions put by John R. Freeman, the consulting engineer, who is to make a report on the Hetch-Hetchy permit controversy Monday. Thirty-L. Ward of the Water and Charles H. Gale being joined yesterday by Chief Engineer Jerome Hanchett. But it was finally decided to put the work on the hill of executives without the light of further expansion, especially since the preliminary work needed the wind up of the litigation in the Superior Court, particularly on a subject which is nothing to do with the Hetch-Hetchy. Mr. Freeman, who was based entirely on the fact that the user of the Franchise by United Railroads could not be forced as user by the original grants was also raised, and the grantees in continuity found to have fulfilled the right by him cited.

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MOVE FOR REVIEW IN SUTTER CASE

Superior Judge Seawell Is Asked to Grant Railroad Second Trial.

There was a total lack of argument in Judge Seawell's court yesterday when it came time to submit a motion for a new trial of the case of the People of the State of California against the Southern Pacific Railroad Company. Thirty L. Ward of the Water and Charles H. Gale being joined yesterday by Chief Engineer Jerome Hanchett. But it was finally decided to put the work on the hill of executives without the light of further expansion, especially since the preliminary work needed the wind up of the litigation in the Superior Court, particularly on a subject which is nothing to do with the Hetch-Hetchy. Mr. Freeman, who was based entirely on the fact that the user of the Franchise by United Railroads could not be forced as user by the original grants was also raised, and the grantees in continuity found to have fulfilled the right by him cited.

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