NINE HUNDRED TO LAND FROM THOMAS

More than 800 military passengers with destination as Honolulu are en route from San Francisco in the United States army transport Thomas, now predicted to reach a berth at Pier 6 or 7 at an early hour on Friday morning and to remain here for 24 hours before continuing the voyage across the Pacific to Guam and the Philippines.

Twenty-seven cabin, 11 second class and 761 troop passengers embarked from the coast in the Thomas for station in Hawaii. It is stated that the troops are to be assigned to various companies in the 2d Infantry.

In addition to 50 tons of general cargo and supplies, 25 tons of refrigerated meat and provisions for the quartermaster department will be discharged while the vessel remains at the port. The announcement was made today that the Thomas would probably sail on Saturday for Manila.

Arrangements have been completed to supply the troopship with 700 tons of coal.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED

Per P.M.S.S. Mongolia, from San Francisco, March 11.—For Honolulu: J. H. Anderson, Mrs. J. H. Anderson, S. Bainbridge, Mrs. S. Bainbridge, Miss L. Bernstein, Mrs. E. Bierkman, Miss E. Beakbane, J. Cashell, H. K. Castle, Mrs. H. K. Castle, Mrs. F. L. Clark, J. Cooper, B. Clifford, R. Dean, Mrs. H. M. Dougherty, Master J. Dougherty, Miss M. Dougherty, H. Dreyfus-Barney, Mrs. H. Dreyfus-Barney, C. du Rol, Mrs. C. du Rol, Mrs. H. H. Elgin, Miss H. Ellis, H. Edmunds, Miss M. E. Frost, W. L. Goodkind, Mrs. W. L. Goodkind, Miss T. Graham, R. W. Gregg, Mrs. R. W. Gregg, W. J. Gorham, A. Hecksher, Mrs. A. Hecksher, Miss B. Howland, Richard Ivers, Mrs. Richard Ivers, Mrs. E. Ivers, F. L. Kidder, Mrs. F. L. Kidder, E. C. Klinker, Mrs. E. C. Klinker, N. A. Kuder, Mrs. N. A. Kuder, P. L. Kellerman, Miss D. McAtee, Miss M. McClary, Miss F. McKay, H. McRae, Mrs. H. McRae, Master H. O. McRae, Miss E. O'Neill, V. Paul, Master J. Paul, Miss M. Peacock, E. W. Raphael, Mrs. E. W. Raphael, C. Rowan, Mrs. C. Rowan, A. W. Roche, C. G. Ridley, Mrs. C. G. Ridley, Mrs. G. W. Rodolph, Miss M. Rodolph, Miss H. Rodolph, R. Roselle, R. Reiter, Miss B. Shade, Dr. H. M. Simmons, Mrs. H. M. Simmons, E. S. Spalding, L. E. Shepherd, Mrs. L. E. Shepherd, H. P. Showen, A. R. Teachout, Mrs. A. R. Teachout, C. W. Thode, H. B. Whoe Tong, Miss E. Whoe Tong, Master P. Whoe Tong, Miss M. Trimble, Miss C. Thompson, Miss C. Varain, Miss M. Wolcamp, Mrs. L. Warrington, A. Watt, Judge A. A. Wilder, K. White, Miss B. Yeager, Miss S. A. Young. For Yokohama: Mrs. H. Andrews, Miss M. G. Blains, Rev. C. E. Cowman, Mrs. C. E. Cowman, Miss C. C. Cronise, Miss C. Cherbuliez, P. H. Davis, Mrs. P. H. Davis and nurse, Miss E. Davis, F. B. Duveneck, Mrs. F. B. Duveneck, J. L. Demonville, C. H. Dorman, E. M. Darrow, Mrs. J. Goldschmidt and maid, E. W. George, R. Guest, Miss M. Henderson, Mrs. S. E. Howarth, E. L. Kilbourne, D. S. Kirk, Miss O. E. Kelley, T. Morioka, Mrs. T. Morioka, A. L. Moody, B. K. Mumford, M. Nagai, J. S. Nuttall, Miss L. A. Nachtsheim, Mrs. F. Rosenheim, H. L. Runkle, Miss H. Runkle, A. H. Snow, Mrs. A. H. Snow, F. A. Sterling, G. D. Watson, Mrs. J. Walker. For Kobe: W. H. Aldridge, Hon. J. H. Arnold, Mrs. J. Arnold, Master M. Arnold, Master H. Arnold, H. A. Cobb, C. J. Donnell, Dr. I. Lebelson. For Nagasaki: Mrs. Ren Yin S. Mei, H. Remillard, A. B. Smith, D. C. Stewart. For Manila: J. Blomgren, H. E. Collins, Mrs. H. E. Collins, Lieut. W. C. Farr, Mrs. A. Fitzsimmons, Miss M. L. Gillman, W. D. Harris, F. McCann, Mrs. W. G. Moore, Miss D. Moore, Miss R. Moore, R. G. Ross, Lt. J. B. Steffee, Mrs. W. A. R. Tenney, Mrs. P. B. Young, Master W. Young. For Hongkong: Mrs. J. Akers, F. Behrens, C. A. Baldwin, E. D. Beylard, W. P. Beaver, Mrs. W. P. Beaver, E. Baruch, Mrs. E. Baruch, F. D. Cheshire, F. J. Churchill, Miss I. Coles, D. Dack, Mrs. D. Dack, Mrs. L. P. Frost, Dr. L. C. Frost, Mrs. E. D. Goss, C. Herstenstein, C. H. Harrold, Mrs. C. H. Harrold, Miss M. A. Harrold, E. B. King, Mrs. E. B. King and maid, Miss J. King, Miss M. E. Lott, R. Mather, Miss G. Millard, Mrs. J. P. Morrison, O. D. Norton, Mrs. O. D. Norton, J. M. Perry, Mrs. J. M. Perry, Mrs. H. B. Perkins, A. Rulofson, Mrs. A. Rulofson, Mrs. D. F. Robertson, Dr. H. J. Reynolds, Mrs. H. J. Reynolds, G. H. Rector, Mrs. G. R. Rector, Miss W. Rector, Mrs. M. A. Stratton, Miss S. Segsworth, J. W. Scott, Mrs. G. R. Taylor, Miss M. L. Walker, Mrs. M. Weldon, T. Weldon, Miss F. Withrow, J. S. Yates, Mrs. J. S. Yates.

A large mail was received from the mainland with the arrival of the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia today.

TIDES—SUN AND MOON

Date	High Tide Large	Ht. of Tide Feet	High Tide Small	Low Tide Large	Low Tide Small	Sun Rises	Sun Sets	Moon Sets
Mar.	a.m.		p.m.	p.m.	a.m.			
9	2.04	1.9	2.26	7.49	9.08	6.11	6.09	Sets 4.31
10	2.43	1.9	3.10	8.43	9.33	6.10	6.09	5.16
11	3.20	1.8	3.53	a.m. 9.36	p.m. 9.58	6.09	6.09	Rise
12	7.55	1.6	4.37	10.24	10.31	6.09	6.10	7.06
13	p.m. 5.24	1.6	a.m. 4.22	10.91	11.34	6.08	6.10	8.09
14	6.15	1.7	5.01	11.16	—	6.07	6.10	9.14
15	7.09	1.7	5.32	11.43	a.m. 0.43	6.06	6.10	10.21

Full moon Mar. 11, 5:47 p.m.

HARBOR NOTES

The schooner-yacht Luka has been brought from Pearl Harbor to Honolulu harbor, preparatory to sailing for the South Seas in command of Judge Henry E. Cooper.

Large signs are now posted at the entrance to all territorial piers warning automobile owners and drivers that machines will not be permitted to enter the wharves.

Honolulu society was well represented at Pier 15 at the departure of the Matsonia for the Coast this morning. Leis and streamers added greatly to the picturesque scene.

A quick dispatch is to be given the British freighter Harpalyce in the discharge of about 5000 tons of Australian coal, brought to the port from Newcastle, N. S. W.

The Inter-Island steamer Helene, from Mahukona and Kawaihae, has been discharged of 8000 sacks of sugar. This vessel brought 74 head of island cattle for the Honolulu market.

What is said to be a record list of passengers departed for the coast in a Matson Navigation liner, the Matsonia, 190 travelers sailing for San Francisco at 10 o'clock this morning.

Officers in the steamer Helene, an arrival at the port, state that 3080 sacks of sugar are awaiting shipment at Honokaa. The product is destined for the Pacific Coast by the way of Honolulu.

Special attention will be given by officers in the employ of the harbor commission to violators of the regulation against smoking on piers assigned to the Inter-Island and freight steamers.

Chief Officer F. Edwards, formerly in the Matson steamer Lurline, has been assigned to a berth in the new liner Manoa. He will visit Honolulu on the maiden voyage of the vessel on March 24.

Mail forwarded to the coast in the Japanese liner Hongkong Maru is reported to have arrived at San Francisco early yesterday morning. A few lay-over passengers joined the T. K. K. vessel at Honolulu.

Joining the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia at Honolulu will be a score or more round-the-world travelers who have been spending some weeks in the islands and have now decided to resume the journey to the Orient. More than 100 Asiatics have been booked for Japan and China in the steerage.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED

Per M. N. S. S. Matsonia for San Francisco, Mar. 11: Mrs. M. E. Alexander, A. Albert, Mrs. S. Armour, E. R. Adams, Mrs. Lawrence Archer, Mr. and Mrs. G. Adams, Chas. Barron, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Barnes, C. H. Brick, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Baker, Mrs. E. G. Bishop, Miss Ethel Bishop, R. A. Beebe, Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Bentley, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Brundage, Mrs. J. A. Bishop, Miss A. Bishop, Miss Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bartlett and maid, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Boalt, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Broderick, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Baumgartner and chauffeur, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cross, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Chapin, Miss D. Chapin, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Culver, W. D. Cullmann, Miss M. Copeland, P. R. Cheatham, Mrs. W. A. Day, Miss I. Davison, E. F. Deinert, N. Dennis, J. F. Dillon, Mrs. W. F. Dillingham, Mrs. John Ewing, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Emerson, Mrs. F. Enos, Miss M. Edner, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. E. Frank, H. Gladfelty, Miss E. Gignoux, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Gilliam, Mrs. W. H. Goetz, Mrs. M. Goldberg, Mrs. W. M. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Gerould, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Griffin, Mrs. C. A. Higby, Allan M. Hyde, Miss Holladay, Miss C. A. Hall, Mrs. L. S. Hubbard and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. W. Harris, Master H. J. Harris, Miss Hotaling, Mrs. Max Houser, Master J. Houser, Miss Lena Harold, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jermann, W. H. Jackson, Mrs. Julia Jacobs, Miss L. Kelaula, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kyle, Hon. and Mrs. F. B. Kellogg, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Kelley and son, Lawrence Kelley, J. R. Kettler, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Keyser, Dr. and Mrs. L. W. Lyons, Bishop N. Luccock, Mrs. Low, Master Low, Mrs. M. L. Leonard, Miss E. M. Little, Miss M. B. Lose, Mrs. B. I. Mead, Miss Sadie Morrill, Capt. and Mrs. Wm. Matson, Miss Lurline Matson, L. R. Metz, Mrs. G. R. Miller, Miss Marie McDonald, Miss E. McLean, Miss Mossman, Miss McCanna, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Mather, Miss M. Mercer, R. W. Maples, J. H. Mee, Mrs. C. H. Macaulay, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Morgan, Miss A. Mitchell, Miss M. Mitchell, J. Murrin, E. E. McMullen, Mrs. Ada A. Moll, L. Nockels, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Oudin, J. W. O'Connor, Miss B. O'Connell, T. A. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Peet, Miss Dorothy Peet, Miss Gladys Peet, Miss C. H. Protzman, Mrs. C. B. Ripley, Miss I. Ripley, Mrs. F. H. Ransome, Miss H. Ransome, Master R. Ransome, Miss Frances K. Rollins, Mrs. M. E. Ring, Geo. Rose, Col. and Mrs. T. H. Rees, Mrs. C. W. Saunders, Mrs. W. L. Spaulding, H. Siddon, R. M. Siemon, E. J. Searles, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Severio, Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Slick, Dr. Ralph Skillen, Maj. C. M. Skillen, L. Scrutton, G. E. Stall, Miss F. Tarbell, Maj. and Mrs. C. L. Tilden, C. L. Tilden, Jr., Miss M. L. Tyson, Miss L. Upton, D. B. Valentine, Miss E. R. Valentine, Miss A. Vance, Mrs. H. B. Winne, Miss M. Waterhouse, Mrs. R. L. Wilcox and child, Mrs. J. A. Walton, Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Woodworth, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Weber, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. C. Wakefield, G. N. Wilcox, Mrs. M. Scott Wise, T. L. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Weyerhauser.

MOVEMENT OF PINES TO COAST ALMOST STOPS

The shipping of fresh pineapples to the mainland has practically stopped during the past few weeks, owing to unduly heavy losses which have been sustained by the shippers recently. It was stated by a prominent pineapple man this morning that the coast dealers have refused to renew their contracts, because of the difficulty in disposing of the large quantities of damaged fruit which they had been called upon to handle. While the business is expected to revive before long, it is felt that it has had a serious set-back.

The trouble is largely due, it is claimed, to the fact that none of the steamships on which the pineapples have been shipped, are fitted for carrying fresh fruit. They have no system for ventilating the holds where the perishable products are carried, and when stormy weather compels the close battening of hatches, pineapples heat and deteriorate very rapidly. The past two months have been unusually stormy, and in a number of cases the voyages have been several days longer than scheduled, which accounts almost entirely for the havoc wrought in the pineapples on board. Bananas are also reported to have been badly damaged by the same cause.

Development Under Handicap.

The fresh pineapple business from the islands has been slowly growing for a number of years, but under serious handicap, due principally to inadequate transportation facilities. During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1913, the value of pineapples thus shipped was $58,422. This was an increase from $50,136 for 1912; while the 1911 shipments amounted to $40,411. That the lack of ventilation is the prime cause of the difficulties, seems well established, especially when it is realized that successful shipments of pineapples from Hawaii have been made to the Atlantic seaboard, and even to Europe when conditions were favorable.

Until the steamship lines can see their way clear to provide their vessels with adequate fruit compartments, it does not seem likely that the fresh fruit business of the islands can be expanded very much. In view of the fact, however, that this business could undoubtedly be developed very much more than it ever has been, it would seem that it is not too soon for steps to be taken looking to such improved service.

Big Business Possible.

The banana business, although receiving no attention to speak of, had increased over one-third in the past three years, last year totaling in value $150,907. In 1911 the shipments amounted to $99,917. The value of the pineapple and banana shipments combined, averaged last year, almost $17,500 per month.

With the low prices of pines for canning, growers are anxiously looking into the possibilities of fresh fruit marketing, and undoubtedly could build up a very large business in very short time, could the transportation problems be solved. One man who has been interested in fresh fruit shipping for some time, stated this morning that his company would be able to sell practically all of the fruit it now produces, could it escape the terrific losses in transit, which it now has to put up with. He stated that last month these losses, in the case of a number of shipments amounted to 60 per cent or more.

VESSELS TO AND FROM THE ISLANDS

[Special Cable to Merchants' Exchange]

Wednesday, March 11.

SAN FRANCISCO — Sailed, March 11, 1 p. m., S.S. Wilhelmina, for Honolulu.

Arrived, March 10, 10 p. m., S.S. Honolulan, hence March 3.

HANA — Sailed, March 10, schr. Honolpu, for San Francisco.

Aerograms

U.S.A.T. THOMAS — Arrives from San Francisco Friday at daylight, and proceeds to Manila Saturday.

ARRIVED

Tuesday, March 10.

Newcastle, N. S. W.—Harpalyce, Br. str., p. m.

Wednesday, March 11.

San Francisco—Mongolia, P. M. S. S., a. m.

Kauai ports—W. G. Hall, str., a. m.

DEPARTED

Tuesday, March 10.

Kona and Kau ports — Mauna Loa, str., p .m.

Maui, Molokai and Lana• ports—Mikahala, str., 5 p. m.

Mahukona and Kawaihae—Likelike, str., p. m.

Honokaa and Kukuihaele—Wailele, str., p. m.

Kauai ports—Kinau, str., 5 p. m.

Wednesday, March 11.

San Francisco—Matsonia, M. N. S. S., 10 a. m.

Hilo via way ports—Mauna Kea, str., 10 a. m.

PROPOSALS will be received at the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Navy Department, Washington, D. C., until 10 o'clock a. m., April 14, 1914, and publicly opened immediately thereafter, to furnish at the naval station, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, a quantity of refrigerators, door mats, window shades, ranges. Applications for proposals should refer to Schedule 6470. Blank proposals will be furnished upon application to the navy pay office, Honolulu, Hawaii, or to the Bureau. T. J. COWIE, Paymaster General. U. S. N. 3-3-14.

5800-Mar. 11-18.

CARE SHOWN IN SELECTING JURY TO TRY MARSHALL

(Continued from page one)

R. Grace, Elmer T. Winant, Edward A. Jacobson, Walter C. Love, Frank A. Batchelor, John Nunes, Donald M. Ross, Charles Freeman and Rodney K. Burgess.

The special venire of 15 ordered to appear tomorrow morning consists of Gladstone S. Leithead, Louis R. Medeiros, William W. Chamberlain, Charles Butzke, Henry B. Bailey, John Effinger, James P. Lynch, Frederick C. Bailey, Robert M. Morton, Spencer Bickerton, Rudolph von S. Domkowicz, Archibald A. Dunn, William D. McIntire, Reynold B. McGrew and John S. Walker.

The jurors challenged for cause were Cecil A. McIntosh, John Traut, Herman Bechert and Edward E. Bodge. Those challenged peremptorily by the defense were Charles A. Simpson, Charles A. Reynolds, W. Spencer Bowen and John H. Jones.

The fight to save Marshall promises to be a hot one. While the prosecution is said to have a powerful array of witnesses and evidence against the accused man, and promises to leave no fact undeveloped that will show his criminal intent, the defense already has shown its intention to bring to bear every legal point and technicality, as well as evidence, in the prisoner's favor.

When 12 men had finally been passed for cause and the point for the exercise of peremptory challenges was reached Attorneys Thompson and Milverton strenuously objected to the method of using these. The law requires that these challenges shall be exercised alternately by counsel for defense and prosecution. But as the defense is entitled to twelve challenges and the prosecution to only six, the local court has interpreted the law to mean that the prosecution shall exercise one, then the defense two, then the prosecution one, and so to the end.

Thompson and Milverton declared the law must be interpreted literally—that the prosecution must actually exercise every alternate challenge. The effect of this would be, in the present case, that when the government had used its final challenge the defense would really have seven challenges remaining. The court overruled their objection, to which the defense noted an exception. This gives them a point on which, if they lose in the trial, they may appeal to the supreme court.

Charles A. Reynolds, owner of rent automobiles, and who was removed from the jury box on peremptory challenge by the defense, had been first challenged by them for cause. In answer to queries he said he had heard at first-hand from Eddie Miller the story of the shooting affray at Madam Puahi's hula-house, which occurred the night of August 10 last. Miller was a member of Charles R. Guertler's party that night, and at present is in Reynolds' employ as chauffeur. He probably will be one of the witnesses in the present trial.

Cecil A. Mackintosh, who was excused for cause, said he didn't believe in capital punishment. He also said, however, that he believed an indictment against a man had some weight, and that it was up to the defendant to explain his actions.

John Traut, a linotype operator, confessed an abiding aversion to capital punishment, saying he had fought against the capital punishment law in the states before coming to Hawaii 10 years ago.

Charles A. Simpson, an employe of A. E. Arleigh's stationery store, caused some argument between Cathcart and Thompson over the definition of the words "impression" and "opinion." Simpson said Eddie Miller had told him the story of the affray shortly after it occurred, and that he had gained an impression of the affair at that time. He didn't think it was strong enough to be an opinion. He was finally passed for cause, but was the first man peremptorily challenged by the defense later.

Herman Bechert, a German 62 years of age, was removed for cause, when Attorney Thompson, by a series of diverting tests, proved that he was afflicted by deafness to an extent that would prevent him from hearing some of the testimony of witnesses.

Edward E. Bodge was removed for cause when he declared that after a talk with a member of the Guertler party he had formed a firm opinion which would require much evidence to remove.

For bites and stings of insects a salt solution is helpful.

ARMY AND NAVY

Two colonels of the army—Colonel Lea Febiger, commanding the 6th Infantry, Presidio of San Francisco, and Colonel William A. Nichols, chief of staff of the western department, yesterday were advised by telegraph from Washington a few days ago, according to latest mail advices, that they have been placed on the retired list on the recommendation of the retiring board, of which Brigadier-general John J. Pershing is president, which recently examined the officers at the Letterman general hospital, the Presidio. Both the officers are retired from the active service for disability incident thereto, Colonel Febiger having applied for retirement some weeks ago.

Colonel Febiger was appointed a 2d lieutenant from civil life on August 15, 1876, and was commissioned a colonel January 19, 1911. He was first attached to the 6th Infantry when a lieutenant-colonel in December, 1899. He served on the general staff from April 16, 1910, to February 1, 1911. Prior to the time he was obliged to take a sick leave of absence six months ago in the hope of regaining his health he was commanding officer at the Presidio.

Colonel Nichols also was appointed a 2d lieutenant of infantry from civil life, his commission dating from May 7, 1877. He became a colonel of infantry March 11, 1911. He served on the general staff in 1911 and graduated from the infantry and cavalry school in 1887. Colonel Febiger was born January 4, 1858, and Colonel Nichols was born May 1, 1856.

Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels is taking up the problem of lessening punishments meted out to sailors and men of the marine corps for offenses that are not particularly grave. He has issued the following statement:

"About 1000 officers and men of the navy and marine corps are employed in connection with naval prisons and prison ships in guarding, drilling and instructing the prisoners. The annual cost of prisons and prisoners is approximately $1,200,000.

"In view of the above the department has under consideration a change in the form of punishment for the one offense of unauthorized absence in time of peace. By this deliberate unauthorized absence from station and duty in excess of 24 or 48 hours would be punished by summary discharge from the service, as would be done in any commercial firm in civil life, instead of by imprisonment.

"In view of the radical nature of this change and its far-reaching effect, I considered it advisable, before taking action, to refer this question to a large number of prominent officers in the service. This was recently done, but all the replies not having been received, no action whatever has been taken, nor has any except tentative consideration been devoted to the question.

"My earnest desire is to take such action as will secure in the navy willing, cheerful and happy service. The enlistment now being full for the first time in many years, the time is ripe for the consideration of plans to lessen punishments upon boys and young men who do not deliberately violate the regulations."

Four officers of the national guard of California have been placed on the supernumerary list, which is the same as being dropped from the service in the performance of the duty of Adjutant-general E. A. Forbes to live up to the provisions of War Department Circular No. 8, which places the national guard organization on exactly the same basis as that of the regular military establishment and eliminates all officers who are superfluous under the reorganization scheme. The officers who are dropped from the militia of the state for this reason are as follows:

Major William P. Humphreys, assistant judge advocate; Major George E. Heber, assistant quartermaster; Captain C. F. Armstrong, ordnance department, and Dr. Joseph Butler, medical corps.

There is nothing whatever against the records of any of these officers, and there is much regret at the news that they will have to leave the service of the state. It merely, however, is proof that the state of California intends to live up to the letter of the Dick militia law, no matter what some of the Eastern states intend to do about it. Hawaii had its militia reorganization on the first day of the year.

It seems possible that other officers will have to be dropped, for the California militia is about to consolidate the quartermaster, commissary and pay departments under the head of the quartermaster corps, something that was done in the army a year or more ago. By so doing some officers will have to be eliminated.

As the result of the mix-up in Washington recently whereby a federal employe was threatened with the loss of his position if he devoted too much time to the duties of the organized militia of the District of Columbia, the postoffice department is notifying postmasters in the various cities to encourage their men to affiliate with the militia if they so desire in the following language:

Leaves of absence without pay, in addition to the leaves of absence with pay authorized by law, will be granted to postal employes who are members of the national guard when called upon to perform military duty by competent authority.

In order to correct a misapprehension that seems to exist as to the attitude of the department in regard to enlistment and service in the national guard by employes in the postal service, the above order has been issued.

The department believes that the national guard should be encouraged in every way, and that it is feasible for postmasters to so arrange the duties of employes that leaves of absence may be granted without detriment to the service.

In cases of emergency, where the entire guard is called out, and to grant leaves of absence to all of the employes of the postoffice who are members of the national guard would seriously embarrass the postal service, it is believed, upon proper representation by the postmasters, that commanding officers will relieve from duty those employes whose services are imperatively needed in postoffice work.

Captain Clarence Deems, 1st Field Artillery, who has been under treatment at the Letterman general hospital at San Francisco, is on his way to rejoin his battery at Schofield Barracks. He is on the transport due here day after tomorrow.

Midshipman C. L. McClure of Kansas has been dismissed from the United States naval academy "for the good of the service," the allegations against the young man being that he cheated at examinations. It is understood that Senator Thompson of Kansas will make an effort to have the midshipman reinstated through congressional action.

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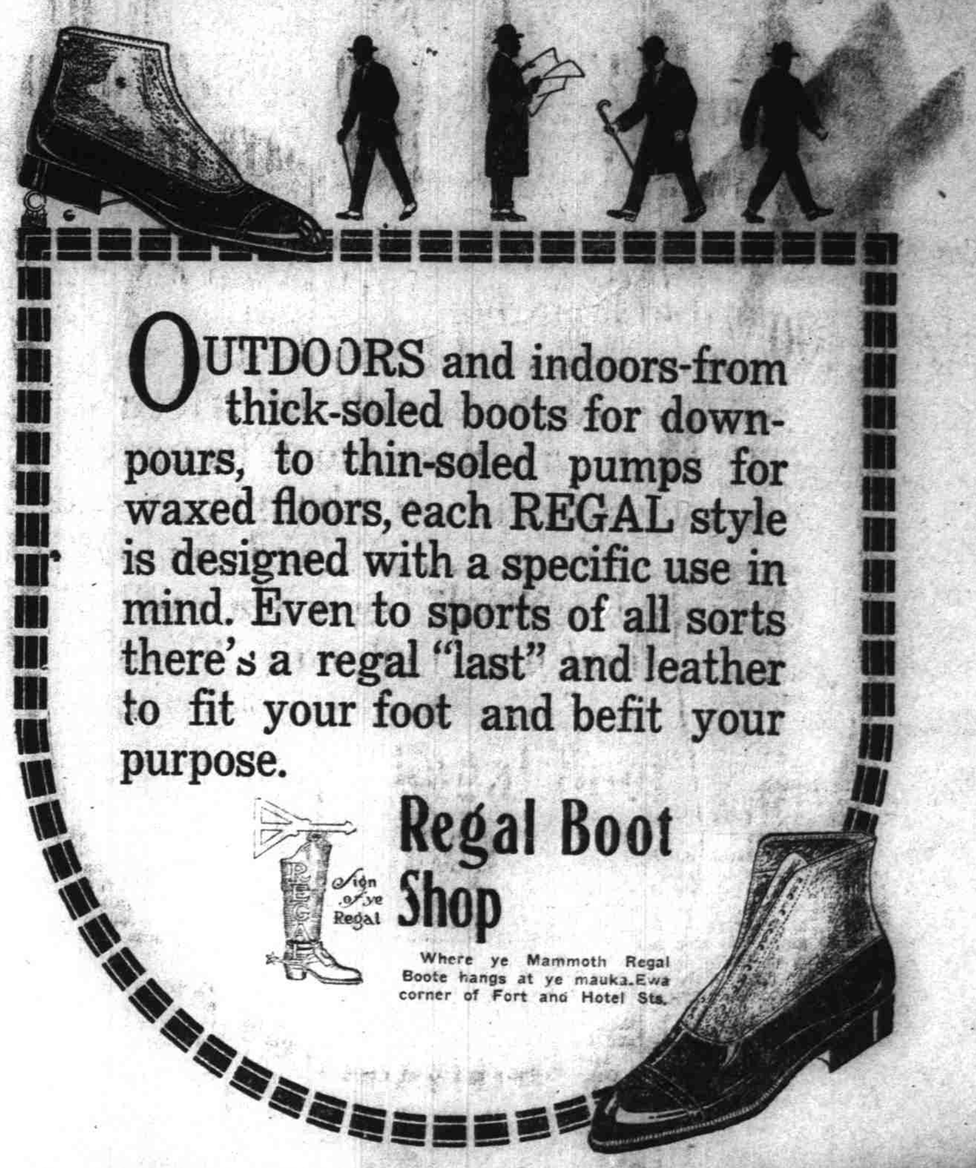
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