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### "Jinx" Rifle Redeems Itself: Night Firing at Fort Ruger Thursday About 8 P. M.

Better luck attended the firing of the new 14-inch coast defense rifle in Battery Randolph, Fort De Russy, this morning, when additional target practice was held at that fort.

The big weapon, which shattered its telescopic sights twice when fired a week ago and thus put itself temporarily out of commission, worked perfectly and fired seven record shots out to the target, making an apparently good percentage of hits.

Spectacular success greeted the work of Battery Dudley, the 6-inch rifles of De Russy. This battery fired nine record shots at the target at a distance of 6000 yards, and after the first shot, which went a little to one side of the target, plumed the remaining eight apparently square in to the target one after another with startling accuracy. Those who saw the smaller weapons work declared it the best shooting they have yet seen 6-inch guns perform on Oahu.

Commencing at about 8 o'clock Thursday night, the Fort Ruger mortar batteries will hold night firing, shooting at a target far out at sea, while the searchlight batteries of Forts Ruger and De Russy play their powerful beams on the target which will be towed along by a tug past Diamond Head.

The Ruger mortar batteries will fire a total of 28 shots, and their work will conclude the annual target practice of the coast defenses of Oahu required each year by war department regulations.

## ENSIGN STROUD ACTING HEAD OF NAVAL MILITIA

Naval Militia order No. 4, issued today, announces that the resignation of Lieut. Richard E. A. Lambert, N. M. H., as an officer of the Naval Militia of Hawaii, is accepted, to date from August 18.

Ensign William H. Stroud thus becomes acting commander, succeeding Lieut. Lambert, because Stroud is senior line officer of the Naval Militia. The order also announces that Ensign Stroud is appointed recruiting officer for the 1st and 2nd Divisions, Naval Militia of Hawaii.

Plans for their first annual two-weeks' cruise aboard the U. S. first-class cruiser St. Louis, around the islands of the territory, leaving here September 14 and returning September 26, have been completed. A number of drills will be held in the next two weeks in preparation for the cruise, during which nearly all the islands of the Hawaiian group will be visited.

## ORDERS RELATIVE TO RESERVE CORPS COME TO HAWAIIAN DEPT.

A general order embracing that part of the national defense act relative to the establishment of the officers' reserve corps has been received from Washington at Hawaiian department

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## ORDER DIRECTS COL. LENIHAN TO REMAIN ON OAHU

### Department Cancels Moves of Three Army Officers to Mainland Stations

After he had shipped all his household goods, amounting to 72 boxes, and his riding horse, on the transport Dix, which sailed Monday afternoon for Seattle, Lieut.-Col. Michael J. Lenihan, 32d Infantry, chief of staff of the Hawaiian Department, this morning was directed by cable order from the War Department to cancel his journey to Washington to enter the War College, until further orders.

Late today an order will be issued from department headquarters relieving the colonel from station at Fort Shafter, where he and his family have been living, and directing him to take station in Honolulu until more definite instructions are received from Washington. A cable order last month directed him to proceed to Washington and enter the War College in September. Today's order nullifies it.

This morning's cable also instructs 2d Lieut. William Nalle, 4th Cavalry, to defer making arrangements to proceed to Fort Riley, Kansas, for duty with the Mounted Service School, until further definite instructions are received, as the necessity for instructors for the National Guard in the Southern Department, in which thousands of regulars and guardsmen are encamped at the Mexican border, may cause the War Department to postpone the opening of this school.

The order directs that in addition to Lieut.-Col. Lenihan, Capt. John Randolph, 2d Infantry, Fort Shafter, be instructed to cancel his journey to Washington to enter the School of the Line, as directed in previous orders. Both the terms of the War College and School of the Line are apparently to be given up or their openings postponed because of the Mexican situation.

## POOR HEALTH AMONG GUARDSMEN TO MEAN IMMEDIATE DISCHARGE

Members of the National Guard, both officers and men, must maintain themselves in a physically fit condition for service, and if physical examinations disclose unfitness when guard organizations are called into the service of the United States, such unfit persons must be discharged from the service, says a recent opinion rendered by the judge advocate-general of the United States army.

Many guardsmen recently reached the border in poor physical condition, and had to be discharged and sent home. The national defense act provides that "every officer and enlisted man of the National Guard who shall be called into service of the United States as such shall be examined as to physical fitness." The opinion adds it is clear that no officer or enlisted man of the guard can remain a member of the National Guard unless he is physically qualified for federal service.

headquarters. The object is to provide a reserve of civilian officers available for service in the regular army when needed.

The order provides for the appointment of boards by the Hawaiian department commander for the examination of applicants for commissions in the reserve corps. Every applicant will be given a strict physical examination. The mental examination will be mostly oral and practical, and will include a preliminary test in grammar, geography and U. S. history, and a final examination covering military administration, military law, international law and the law of war, mainly oral.

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## Fort Shafter Notes

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)  
FORT SHAFTER, Aug. 23.—The friends of Colonels Jacob G. Galbraith and George H. Sands of the cavalry, and Col. Charles W. Penrose, infantry, will regret to hear that they were retired, having been found incapacitated for active service on account of disability.

Capt. Charles S. Lincoln, 2d Infantry, assigned to the Militia of the Territory of Hawaii, with the rank of colonel, will soon be examined for his promotion to the rank of major in the regular service, as a board of officers has recently been appointed by the War Department for the purpose of conducting Capt. Lincoln's examination. The members of the board are Maj. F. H. Albright, 25th Infantry; Maj. Francis E. Lacy, Jr., 32d Infantry; Maj. Thomas F. Schley, 24th Infantry; Capt. Harry H. Blodgett, Medical Corps, and 1st Lieut. Harry N. Kerns, Medical Corps.

Upon attaining his majority Capt. Lincoln will probably be reassigned to his old regiment, the 2d Infantry, as it is understood that when he tendered his resignation from the militia assignment he also requested that he be relieved from detached service and restored to service with the 2d Infantry.

There have been received by the officers of Fort Shafter three valuable monographs recently issued by the School of Musketry, Fort Sill, Okla., discussing most ably these three important subjects: 1—"Use, care and repair of arms and equipment." 2—"Instruments" (including field glasses, telescopic sights, range finders and data relating to the same). 3—"Fire tactics" (relating to the work of the soldier, the terrain, rifle firing, discovery of hits and obedience of signals). All of the pamphlets are made even more valuable than the text alone renders them by carefully drawn illustrations to exemplify the information and problems discussed.

Maj. W. T. Hannum, Corps of Engineers, formerly stationed at Fort Shafter, has been detailed to enter the next class of the Army Staff College, at Fort Leavenworth. And in the list of those ordered to report to the commandant of the Army School of the Line, Fort Leavenworth, is the name of Capt. John Randolph, 2d Infantry.

The following notice pertaining to the use of orderlies, is issued for the information of officers of the post by the adjutant and commander of the Headquarters Company: "As far as practicable it is desired that the mounted detachment of the Headquarters Company, 2d Infantry, be available for drill and instruction on Wednesday and Saturday mornings. If mounts are required by officers on these days, it is requested that after horses are delivered dismounted men be used as orderlies until the mounted orderlies are dismissed, which will not be later than 10 a. m."

The New York Times of August 8 quotes Gen. Wood as saying "that the comparatively few positions open for cadet commissions will result probably in officers' classes, so that in the not remote future Plattsburg may become a second West Point." This statement was the result of the announcement that 100 men from the Plattsburg camp would take the examinations to fill positions created by the Army Defense Bill. The results of the Plattsburg system this year are of special interest as Lieut. Lester Baker, 2d Infantry, was detailed as one of the instructors.

Brig.-Gen. C. P. Townsley, formerly superintendent of the U. S. Military Academy, West Point, well known to many Fort Shafter and Honolulu army officers, has been assigned to command the South Atlantic Coast Artillery District, and will assume command upon expiration of his leave of absence.

The new commandant of cadets of the U. S. Military Academy, West Point, will be Capt. Guy V. Henry, a graduate in the class of 1898. Capt. Henry is 41 years of age, a native of Nebraska, and received his appointment from Virginia.

The new commandant is well equipped for his new position as he has served both in the infantry and the cavalry; in the infantry arm of the service in his earlier years in the army, but since 1901 in the cavalry. Capt. Henry also graduated from the School of Application for Cavalry and Field Artillery, in 1904.

The garrison school for officers is at present being instructed in and is discussing the subject of "Hippology." The text book used for the course is the able treatise on the subject, "Horse, Saddles and Brides," written by Gen. William H. Carter, now retired, but who was formerly in command of this department. The class has for its instructor Capt. Otto B. Rosenbaum, commanding the 2d Battalion, 2d Infantry.

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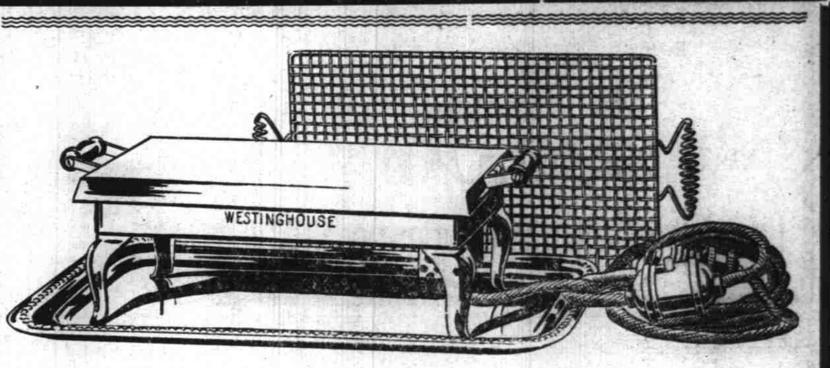
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