

OLD AND YOUNG
FALL INTO LINE
TO HONOR DEAD

With Heads Erect But Halting
Gait, Old Soldiers Respond
to Familiar Call
Every Grave Is Decked With
Flowers and Flags by
Reverent Hands

To the booming of minute guns and the roll of muffled drums, old and grizzled veterans marched with feeble step but proud mien to celebrate at the Presidio national cemetery yesterday morning the fiftieth anniversary of the outbreak of the rebellion which as youths they set forth to suppress. Their ranks are growing thinner and many who were in line a year ago have answered the final rollcall, but those on hand yesterday morning fittingly observed the half century mark and gave to the thousands gathered about them an example of the duty of patriotism and a realization of the meaning of "Our Country."

While throngs bearing flowers to lay on the graves of their soldier dead were making their way to the Presidio parade of the military with measured tread was wending its way from the starting point at Van Ness avenue and California street, where the troops had assembled at 8:30 o'clock in the morning. Promptly at 9 o'clock the bugles rang out "Attention!" a few sharp commands were uttered, the troopers of the artillery swung into their saddles and the procession was on its way.

FORMATION OF PARADE

After a platoon of mounted police, Grand Marshal Captain F. J. Sullivan of Company B, signal corps, N. G. C., led the way with his chief of staff, Captain F. R. Mittlestedt, followed by a detachment of United States field artillery. Then came a squad of the signal corps, six companies of California coast artillery, the naval battalion, the nationals and, bravely bringing up the rear, the boy scouts. In this order they marched through gathering lines of spectators until the gates of the government reservation were reached, where the police halted and withdrew.

Here the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Sons of Veterans of the U. S. A. and the United Spanish War Veterans joined. Of the former, three of the Grand Army posts were represented—the George H. Thomas post, the James A. Garfield post and the Lincoln post. When the procession arrived at the road leading to the cemetery, the veterans marched up the hill to where a decorated stand stood, escorted by a company of coast artillery, whose band, under the leadership of Bandmaster Armand Putz, played a funeral dirge. As they passed, all heads were bared and many eyes were dimmed. While they were taking their places Blaney battery, down on the shore, was booming out a national salute.

PROGRAM AT CEMETERY

The exercises began with an overture by the band. Introductory remarks were made by Comrade E. S. Salomon, chairman, who referred to the fact that certain organizations, despite repeated requests, continued to ignore the solemnity of Memorial day by making of it an occasion for sport and festivity instead of giving to the country of their adoption the respect that was its due. The invocation was made by Rev. Father J. P. McQuaid, the Knickerbocker quartet chanted "The Lord's Prayer" and a song was given by the pupils of the Bryant Cosmopolitan school.

The president of the day, W. W. Stone, delivered a short address. After another song by the quartet, A. Cloud of the Sons of Veterans recited Lincoln's Gettysburg address. Then, after a brief intermission, came the feature of the program in the oration by S. M. Shortridge, who paid a glowing tribute to the valorous men, both present and departed, who had with intrepid and unselfish devotion undergone the horrors of battle and the fevers of camp to assist in the preservation of the union their fathers had struggled to establish. Then he touched upon the courage and fortitude which the women had displayed in those days of the nation's trial, when, as wives and mothers, they had sent husbands and sons into the field, smothering the anguish of separation from their loved ones for their country's good.

SINGING OF "AMERICA"

The program concluded with the singing of "America" by the pupils and quartet and entire assemblage, whose voices united in an impressive singing of the national anthem to which those who listened will not soon forget. While all of the graves in the cemetery received some tribute of remembrance, either by the placing of flowers or a tiny flag, some of them were sumptuously embowered by loving relatives and friends. Among the handsomest was that of Thomas Thompson, late private in Battery K, Third United States artillery, killed at the battle of Calocan, Philippine islands, March 25, 1899.

Flowers Strewn
For Dead of
The Navy

Flowers were strewn on the Pacific ocean early yesterday morning to remember the navy's dead. They were cast from the transport tug Slocum in silent tribute just outside Lime point, where the sea runs into the Golden Gate, and could be seen in the wake until the tug neared the Presidio wharf.

The naval exercises, always the first of Memorial day, gave those attending the opportunity later to hear the program in the Presidio national cemetery. Although there was a fog overhead, there were apparently no waste tickets. Every foot of deck space was filled before the tug cast off from the Folsom street wharf at 7:30 o'clock in the morning. A pleasant feature of the ride up the bay was the marine band from the Yerba Buena station under Bandmaster T. J. Kennedy. It played the national anthem as the flag was unfurled at 8 o'clock in accordance with Navy custom, and was at all times generous with martial and nautical airs. Once outside the heads, Captain Thomas A. Nerney, chairman of the naval committee, announced the object of the exercises and as the tug dove to, Rev. C. A. Rabing offered a prayer of thankfulness.

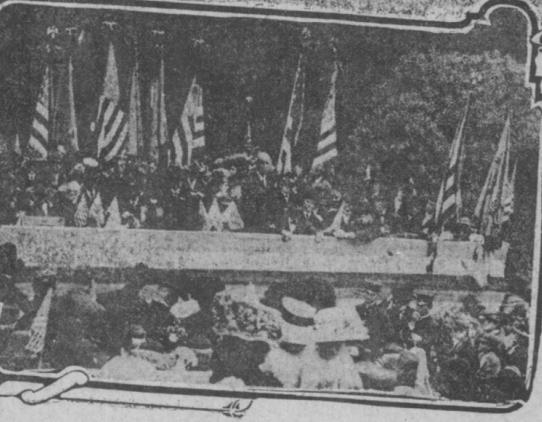
Alexander Anderson of Phelps squadron then paid a tribute to the herpses of the navy who did so much to win the country's independence and preserve its integrity. Dudley Buck's "On the Sea" was sung by the Knickerbocker quartet, consisting of C. L. Goetting,

Aged Veterans of '61 Thrilled Once Again by Bugle
Union Defenders Lovingly Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Detachment of grizzled veterans of '61 marching through Presidio national cemetery for the Memorial day exercises.



Miss Bessie Schneider kneeling at the profusely decorated grave of Thomas Thompson, killed at the battle of Calocan, Philippine islands.



Samuel M. Shortridge, orator of the day, addressing the assembled multitude in Presidio national cemetery yesterday.

campaign for the passing of the eighth amendment. A sextet formed of the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic sang several songs.

BEVERLY WILL REMAIN
SUMMER WHITE HOUSE

Taft Says Only Congress Can Name Official Place
WASHINGTON, May 30.—President Taft will stick to Beverly as a hot weather playground unless congress selects a site and appropriates the money for an official summer White House elsewhere. In a letter to Governor Eberhart of Minnesota, declining with thanks the offer of a site for a presidential summer home at Wayzata on the shore of Lake Minnetonka, the president explained that congress alone had the authority to designate an official summer White House.

SNOHOMISH, WASH., IS
SWEEPED BY \$150,000 FIRE

Thirty-five Buildings Burn in Business District
EVERETT, Wash., May 30.—Fire just before daylight today destroyed a large part of the business district of Snohomish, nine miles southeast of Everett, causing a loss of \$150,000. Thirty-five business buildings were burned, including the telephone office, Western Union telegraph office, post-office and the Penobscot hotel. Guests of the hotel fled by a rear stairway, while the front of the building was ablaze.

TAFT TO AID TRADE PACT—Washington, May 30.—President Taft will make one of the important speeches of his campaign for Canadian reciprocity in Chicago, June 2, before the Western economic society, in Orchestra hall.

FOUR GUESTS DIE IN
FIRE AT SILVERTON

Blaze in British Columbia Town Destroys Lives and \$250,000 Worth of Property
NELSON, B. C., May 30.—Fire at Silverton, B. C., early today destroyed an entire square of business buildings and caused the death of at least four persons. All those who perished were in the Windsor hotel. The hotel register was burned, and the ruins may contain the bodies of other persons. Some of the guests of the Windsor hotel who escaped death were so severely burned that they are now in hospitals. Among the buildings destroyed were the Victoria and Windsor hotels, Mrs. Carey's grocery and W. H. Brandon's store building. The property loss is \$250,000. The fire originated in the Windsor hotel, which was crowded with guests, few of whom saved even enough clothes to cover themselves. The Selkirk house, also containing many persons, was saved from destruction after a hard fight.

RAILROAD MEN LAID OFF—Springfield, Mo., May 30.—Notice was posted at the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad shops here today that 400 employes would be laid off tomorrow owing to slack business. Railroad officials said the men would be laid off at least a month.

G. G. Meade Post
Honors Dead
Soldiers

Although a portion of the General George G. Meade post, No. 48, G. A. R., joined in the memorial services which were held yesterday in the Presidio, by far the majority gathered in the Odd Fellows' cemetery to do honor to their dead comrades according to time honored custom. Before the gates of the cemetery stood groups of little children bearing wreaths and garlands of flowers which they distributed among the mourners as they approached the graveyard. At 10:30 o'clock a corps of the United States artillery marched up and took their place at the head of the procession. The members of the General George G. Meade post, No. 48, G. A. R., fell in behind, followed by General Meade corps, No. 61, W. R. C.; the Seven Pines circle No. 3, ladies of the G. A. R., and a host of mourners, several hundred strong, who wound their way into the heart of the cemetery where the serv-

Heroism of Civil
War Women Is
Honored

Women and some few men who are adherents of the suffrage movement gathered in the Central theater yesterday afternoon for the memorial services which were held under the auspices of the Susan B. Anthony club. With a few preliminary remarks concerning the history of the club of which she is president, Mrs. Austin Sperry opened the meeting, introducing as the first speaker Colonel R. B. Treat. "The Women of the War" was the subject of Colonel Treat's discourse. Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe Watson, in speaking on the same subject, turned the attention of her audience to the sanitary commission, which was organized and carried on by the women at the time of the civil war. Prof. Selden Sturges spoke and asked for funds with which to carry on the

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SANTA CRUZ WILL
BID FOR UNIVERSITY

Chamber of Commerce of Seaside City Writes to Mrs. Harriman Concerning Matter

[Special Dispatch to The Call] SANTA CRUZ, May 30.—The proposed Harriman university is a prize that the local chamber of commerce is anxious to win and the body has taken the first action to have Santa Cruz listed as one of the contestants. A communication has been forwarded to Mrs. E. H. Harriman setting forth the claims of Santa Cruz as a proper site for such an institution of learning. The chamber of commerce is anxious for representatives of Mrs. Harriman to visit Santa Cruz before a site for the university is chosen.

WIFE SLAYER CONVICTED—Pittsburg, Kan., May 30.—W. Hampton Caffey was today found guilty of second degree murder in connection with the death of his wife. Caffey shot his wife following a quarrel.



The ONLY store in town where you can buy the famous "CHRISTY" Straw Hats is "Roos Bros." where you "Get Your Next Suit"

PLANS TO REOPEN
KERN VALLEY BANK

Depositors Will Discuss Proposal Concerning Withdrawal of Their Funds

[Special Dispatch to The Call] BAKERSFIELD, May 30.—A meeting of depositors of the Kern Valley bank has been called for Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock to effect an understanding about the withdrawal of deposits in order to open the bank doors at an early date. Officers of the bank say that if an understanding is reached with the depositors to insure not too great a demand upon the bank the institution may reopen soon.

WARSHIP SENT TO IQUIQUE—Valparaiso, Chile, May 30.—Another Chilean warship left today for Iquique, where recently a Chilean mob attacked the Peruvian club. Troops are embarking here for the same destination. Tom Dillon, 750 Market st., displays 180 different styles of soft hats.

Dr. Lyon's PERFECT Tooth Powder is packed in a dust-tight metal box, with patent measuring tube, which is both safe and convenient for tourists.

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