# RESERVES SHOOT IN AIR, BUT SHELLS HIT THE "ENEMY'S" SHIPS

## Sub-Caliber Practice at Stevens Requires Accuracy and Strict Attention to Duty.

Fort Stevens, Or., Aug. 29.—The second and third companies, Oregon Coast Artillery Reserves, show increasing proficiency in their subcaliber practice with the 12 inch mortars. The firing of mortars, even when manned by regular troops with long training and experience, very often fails to equal the work of the militiamen.

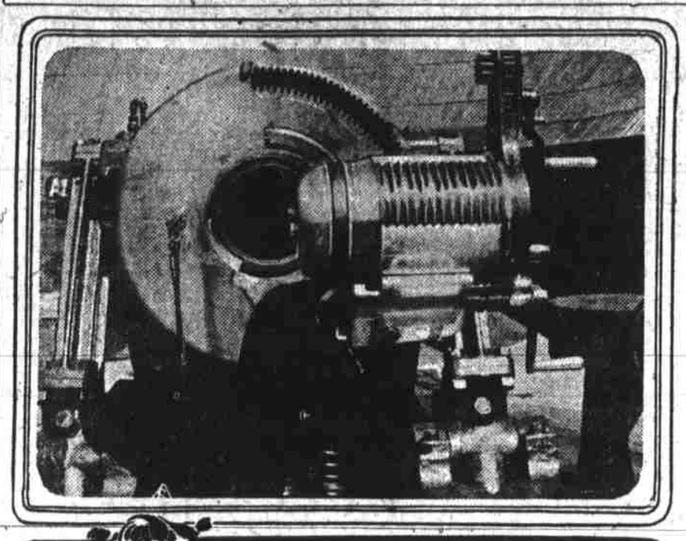
The gun sections in the mortar pits do not see the target but aim and lay the pieces from data furnished from the plotting room, which obtains the location of the ship from concealed observing stations, several thousand yards distant from the guns. The guns are pointed in the air at an angle of 45 to 65 degrees and the 1046 pound projectiles reach a great height before dropping upon the unprotected deck of a ship. In no other class of artillery work is the gunner so dependent upon the accuracy of his fellow soldiers in the range sections. A trivial error in any one of the stations may cause a deviation of hundreds of yards at the target, 10 miles away.

Accurate mortar fire is fearfully destructive as was proved in the Russian-Japanese war. The Japanese, after capturing 203 Metre Hill, which was used as an observing station, dropped 11 inch shells on the decks of the Russian fleet, bottled up in the harbor of Port Arthur, and rendered them of no use during the rest of the war.

The full service practice scheduled to take place at Battery Russell, could not be fired yesterday because of the heavy fog which enveloped the harbor.

The Eighth company baseball team was defeated by the 160th company of regulars by a score of 4 to 3. The deciding game of the series will be played on Saturday afternoon.

BREECH MECHANISM OF A 12 INCH MORTAR



Below—Oregon artillery reserves in camp for annual instruction at Fort Stevens.

# WOMEN MUST CLIMB INTO THE NEW SKIRTS

## So Tight They Can't Put Them Over Their Heads Any More.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Aug. 29.—"All of them will be 'tight — and some of them tighter."

This was the dictum today of one of San Francisco's leading woman's tailors, who has just returned from Paris, where he has been studying fall styles.

"This fall's skirts will fit like the wrapper on a cigar," said he. "Women will have to abandon the custom of pulling 'em on over their heads, and will have to crawl into 'em like a man does into his trousers. Some skirts will require the use of a shoe horn, and others must be warped on like a barrel hoop."

## SEPTEMBER SELECTIONS INCLUDE FINE NUMBERS

Caruso, Tetrazzini and Ruffo, principally known as operatic singers, offer charming ballad renditions in the new Victor records for September. Caruso offers a Neapolitan song, Tetrazzini an English ballad and Ruffo an Italian vocal number. John McCormack is heard in an old minstrel number and Clarence Whitehall sings "Old Black Joe." Geraldine Farrar and Edmond Clement are heard in a double number, singing an old folksong. Madame Gadski is also heard in two selections.

Maude Powell has a new violin selection. Vladimir de Pachmann plays exquisitely two of Mendelssohn's "Songs Without Words." Bert Brown, cornetist of Pryor's band, plays a new ballad. Three new numbers are given by Pryor's band and four popular light classics come from Victor Herbert's orchestra.

Four big musical comedy hits make bright records and the Victor Light Opera company has a splendid medley. Harry Lauder sings the melodious "Roamin' in the Gloamin'." The Lyric quartet gives a beautiful unaccompanied sacred number, "Asleep in Jesus."

## JAPANESE REMEMBER VISIT TO PORTLAND

Members of the honorary commercial commission of Japan who made a three months' tour through the United States four years ago have just concluded their annual reunion at Kyoto where they talked over the interesting points of their trip. This information has been conveyed to Secretary Giltner of the Portland Chamber of Commerce in a letter from Baron Eiichi Shibusawa, one of the leaders of the commission. The letter refers to the splendid time the party had in Portland, and says one of the features of the reunion was a visit to the grave of Jihei Nishimura, who was one of the commissioners.

## TRAVELING MAN ACCUSED OF FORGERY OF $500

(Special to The Journal.)

Aberdeen, Wash., Aug. 29.—E. V. Kirch, a traveling man from Kansas City, was arrested yesterday on a telegram charging him with forgery of $500.

# STATE SCHOOL FUND HAS BEEN SLIGHTED

## Governor West Says Millions Have Been Lost by Lax Protection.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 29.—That the state school fund would have been richer by millions of dollars had it enjoyed the same protection in the past that it does at present was the declaration made by Governor West in discussing figures prepared for him by the state land office.

According to the figures there have been sold 3,120,600 acres of land secured through grants from the federal government. For them the state received $6,686,600, or about $2.15 an acre. There remains yet unsold 550,000 acres of surveyed land and 250,000 acres of unsurveyed land.

"Had the same protection been thrown around the school fund in past years as is now thrown around it, the fund would have amounted to $30,000,000 or $40,000,000 instead of a little more than $6,500,000, the amount now in the fund," said the governor.

"The handling of our school fund stands as an object lesson in plunder and waste. It shows how public officials will often stand idly by and permit such a sacred trust as the school fund to be plundered by selfish interests, without raising a hand in its defense."

## EXTRACTING GOLD FROM SAND, MACHINE'S WORK

Marshfield, Or., Aug. 29.—A machine for the extraction of gold and platinum from black sands, which has been operated on the beach near Coos Bay, has been largely perfected by the inventors, J. R. and J. W. Sweet. They declare that it is the only machine which will successfully save the precious metals from the sands.

The machine uses centrifugal force instead of gravity as a means of separating the gold and other metals from the sand. The principle employed is much the same as that of a cream separator.

The possibility of saving gold and platinum from the black sands has attracted much attention locally, as there is a large tonnage of black sand on the Coos and Curry county coast. Heretofore all efforts to save it have been more or less of a failure.

## MOOSE WILL PUT ON BETTER BABIES CONTEST

Astoria, Or., Aug. 29.—Babies wheeling doll carriages and little girls under 10 years of age wheeling babies too small to wheel their dolls, will be features of a miniature parade planned for the better babies contest to be held here during the Moose carnival, September 10 to 13. Prizes are offered for the best decorated turn-outs. "Once Astoria's babies are all together, Rosevelt's race suicide theories will be utterly routed so far as Astoria is concerned," say the officials of the contest.

### San Francisco Wants Governors.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Aug. 29.—Lieutenant Governor Wallace of California today invited the governors' conference to meet in San Francisco in 1915. He also asked the governors to boost the Panama-Pacific exposition by encouraging state buildings.

# TEACHERS' INSTITUTE SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

## Preliminary Interest Indicates Unusually Successful Series of Educational Meetings.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 29.—State Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill has completed the schedule for the teachers' institutes to be held this year. The institutes in Coos county have already been held. They were a decided success from every viewpoint, and from the interest being generally evinced in those yet to be held it is felt that they will be more successful than ever before.

The complete schedule follows:

September 17, 18, 19, Morrow county, Heppner; September 22, 23, 24, Crook county, Prineville; September 29, 30, October 1, 2, 3, state fair, Salem; October 6, 7, 8, Grant county, John Day; October 6, 7, 8, (joint) Wasco and Sherman, The Dalles; October 8, 9, 10, Harney county, Burns; October 13, 14, 15, Lake county, Lakeview; October 15, 16, 17, Klamath county, Klamath Falls; October 20, 21, 22, (joint) Jackson and Josephine, Grants Pass; October 22, 23, 24, Douglas county, Roseburg; October 22, 23, 24, Umatilla county, Pendleton; October 27, 28, 29, Lane county, Eugene; October 29, 30, 31, Marion county, Salem; October 29, 30, 31, Polk county, Dallas; November 3, 4, 5, (joint) Gilliam and Wheeler, Condon; November 5, 6, 7, Hood River county, Hood River; November 10, 11, 12, Washington county, Hillsboro; November 12, 13, 14, Tillamook county, Tillamook; November 17, 18, 19, Clatsop county, Astoria; November 19, 20, 21, Columbia county, St. Helens; November 24, 25, 26, (joint) Linn and Benton, Albany; November 24, 25, 26, Union, Baker and Wallowa county jointly with the eastern division of the State Teachers' association, La Grande.

## SAN FRANCISCO READY FOR LETTER CARRIERS

San Francisco, Aug. 29.—Arrangements for the entertainment of the National Association of Letter Carriers, whose members will hold their nineteenth biennial convention in San Francisco August 30 to September 6, are about completed here today. The number of delegates expected will exceed 1200.

On Sunday, August 31, an outdoor vaudeville and wild west show, followed by a clam-bake, will be held at Princeton-by-the-Sea. Another big feature will be an automobile sight seeing trip through the city to Ingleside beach, the presidio and the fair site. Other novel entertainments also will be provided.

## ROSEBURG ATTORNEY IS INSANE FROM BROODING

(Special to The Journal.)

Roseburg, Or., Aug. 29.—After an examination as to his sanity yesterday, Attorney H. W. Evans, who left his home on Wednesday and caused much anxiety by his absence all day, was adjudged insane and committed to the state insane asylum. Evans' condition is said to have been caused by continual brooding over a few small debts and a balance due on his home. He came here about two years ago from Minneapolis, and his wife and two small sons. It is believed that under proper treatment he soon will recover.

## GOVERNOR WEST URGES MORE PARKING IN SALEM

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 29.—Directing attention to the fact that the state owns a half interest in a tract lying between Mission, Oak, Church and Winter streets which is suitable for park purposes, Governor West has sent a letter to the council of this city urging it to ascertain for what amount the other half can be purchased, and that if possible the tract be converted into a children's park.

## COOS BAY MAN TRIES TO CORNER ALL BEER

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 29.—After ordering $150 worth of beer and whiskey at a saloon here and later ordering more at a brewery, saying he was steward of the steamship Robert Dollar, James Brusch of Coos Bay, Or., was arrested. Brusch admitted that he was not a steward, and it was found that the steamer is not in port.

# PULLMAN CARS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR BIG PENDLETON ROUND-UP

## Passenger Officials Declare That Every Effort Is Being Made to Meet Demand.

Sufficient Pullman cars will be in line for the transportation of visitors to the Pendleton Round-Up, in spite of the heavy demands made upon rolling stock lately. Passenger officials of the O.-W. R. & N. declare, however, it has been a hard pull to get enough to take care of the big crowd looked for.

Whole trainloads of empty sleepers are to be "deadheaded" from remote regions of the east and far southeast. Regular trains will be made up so that as many Pullmans as possible may be released for the Round-Up business and whenever possible, cars ordinarily sent east on regular trains will be held over until the celebration is over.

The reason for all this is that many parties have chartered whole cars, which will be transformed into hotels. During the Round-Up many visitors will sleep in their cars. At least 50 such charters have already been arranged for, singly, with as many more included in chartered trains.

One reason for this condition has been the Knights Templar convention at Denver, which used up many special trains and special cars. All the cars thus tied up, however, will be released by September 1, and the equipment will be rushed back westward and put into service again.

## COLLEGE GLEE SINGERS PLAN ALL-STATE TOURS

University of Oregon, Eugene, Or., Aug. 29.—For the first time since 1902 the University of Oregon Glee club will appear in Portland on Thanksgiving night, following the Oregon-Multnomah football game. The club will make two trips this winter. The first to Portland and Astoria, will occur during the Thanksgiving vacation. The secod trip, into eastern Oregon will take place immediately after Christmas, when the glee club members will meet in Portland, and take a chartered boat up the Columbia to The Dalles.

The Willamette valley will also be covered in two tours, one returning from the Thanksgiving trip on the west side of the river stopping at Corvallis and McMinnville, and the other on the east side taking in Albany and Salem.

## COMPANY NOT BARRED BY "BLUE SKY LAW"

The Photo Zincograph company of Portland is not restrained from doing business in the state under the operation of the Blue Sky law. It has, however, been prohibited by Corporation Commissioner Watson from selling treasury stock because it has not obtained a patent from the United States government on the invention of photographing direct on metal.

In the meantime the company is proceeding with its busines, holding the sale of its stock in abeyance.

### Hop Picking Delays School a Week.

Silverton, Or., Aug. 29.—At a meeting of the school board of district No. 4, this city, held Tuesday evening it was decided to open school on Monday, September 2, instead of September 15, as previously announced. This action was deemed advisable, owing to the fact that the hop harvest will not be entirely out the way until about that time and if school were started any sooner a great deal of inconvenience would be occasioned by pupils entering later. Miss Jewett, fifth grade teacher, has tendered her resignation and accepted a position in Idaho. The vacancy will be filled within the next few days.

## UNABLE TO AGREE ON REMOVAL OF TRACKS

Unable to come to a satisfactory agreement yesterday at a hearing in the city hall, presided over by Will H. Daly, commissioner of public utilities, regarding the removal of railroad tracks in North Front street, representatives of all of the railroads interested decided on another hearing to be held in two weeks.

Railroad officials contend that with only one track in North Front street, such as the city proposes to have, will work hardships on all of the companies. The main line of the Northern Pacific out of Portland is on this street, according to officials of that company.

Other companies are now using the street for switching purposes. Several of the lines crossing the river over the O.-W. R. & N. bridge have to utilize a portion of the street to get cars to the terminal yards it was pointed out.

Commissioner Daly, who is acting on the request of the dock commission, intend to have all of the tracks removed.

### Sleepwalking Results Fatally.

(Special to The Journal.)

Roseburg, Or., Aug. 29.—As the result of a fall from the veranda of the Oregon Soldiers' Home while walking in his sleep early Thursday morning, George W. Herbert, aged 82 years, died Thursday afternoon. Mr. Herbert was a veteran of the Indian wars, having served in Company C, Second Oregon Volunteers, and was admitted to the home from Eugene on July 12, last. He has a sister in Eugene.

### Douglas Pioneers Will Meet.

Roseburg, Or., Aug. 29.—The annual reunion of Douglas county pioneers will be held this year on September 10, 11 and 12, at Olalla. This annual event usually brings together many of Douglas county's early settlers.

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