

ELECTRICITY IN WAR

ELECTRICIANS WILL PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART IN BATTLE

Electrical Appliances on Shipboard May Get Out of Order So Frequently as to Render Necessary the Presence of a Corps of Electricians.

So far as the stationary torpedoes are concerned, methods are quite well settled and the practice has been reduced to a science, one, however, which requires a good deal of electrical skill for its proper application. The automobile torpedo involves problems that are a worthy subject for the exercise of the highest electrical skill. So far as the Whitehead and similar missiles of destruction are concerned, there is not much to be done, electrically speaking, for a torpedo of that class is purely a missile discharged from a gun, but supplied with means for continuing its course to an efficient distance under water.

Inasmuch as a high initial velocity does not agree with powerful explosives, the falling off in velocity would be too marked if any long range were attempted. With dirigible torpedoes, however, the case is very different. Then one must depend on electricity for steering if not for motive power, and there is room for considerable improvement both in speed and certainty of operation, two prime essentials. But the function of the electrician is by no means ended with torpedo service, for in the equipment of any modern man-of-war the electrical apparatus plays a very important part.

The modern gun, twenty to forty feet in length, with corresponding weight, cannot be handled by man power as quickly as the exigencies of service sometimes require, and the choice lies between electricity on the one hand and hydraulic machinery or donkey engines on the other. The latter have been very freely in use, the former has made its influence felt often enough to show that it is fully up to its work. The electric motor is undoubtedly better suited to such sort of work than any other kind of mechanism.

THE SEARCH LIGHT. Since the introduction of secondary batteries every bit of working mechanism is exposed to a formidable fire and must be protected at all hazards. Here the motor, from its very small size, offers a particularly difficult target, and besides can be ensconced behind the gun shield or even behind the gun itself, so that nothing short of a blow sufficient to disable the latter would cripple the motor, and in addition the means of communicating power to the said motor are very unobtrusive and exceedingly easy to duplicate.

It is a perfectly simple matter to supply it through half a dozen different circuits in parallel with each other, all of which would have to be shot off before the motor went even temporarily out of use. Even then an electric wire can be handled with such ease and rapidity that temporary communication would be re-established very readily although under fire, while if a steam or water pipe were shot away there would be no replacing it during action.

The search light, too, comes in for its share of attention, both as a weapon of defense and offense, and more attention should be given it than has yet been done. The destruction of a search light during a torpedo attack would be a very serious calamity, and when one remembers that torpedo boats are usually supplied with rapid fire guns, such a possibility is by no means remote.

DANGER FROM RAPID FIRING GUNS. From a 37-millimeter revolving cannon—a size frequently used for the purpose—nearly a shot a second can be fired, and at half or three-fourths of a mile the accuracy of this weapon is so great as to render hits quite probable, and a single projectile or a fragment of a shell would stand a good chance of putting a search light out of use. All this points to a reduplication of the apparatus on a considerably more extended scale than has usually been the habit, and besides all this there is a question of communication between different parts of the ship, and especially with the conning tower, and here, as everywhere, the convenience of electricity, the readiness with which circuits can be multiplied and re-established make its use almost imperative.

In case of war the electrician will find plenty to do, both in the way of routine work and improvements, and may play a part of great importance.—Electrical World.

Hasn't Been Shaved Since Appomattox. "Have a shave, sir?" said the new barber.

"What?" "Have a shave, sir?" he repeated. "No, sir; haven't shaved since 1860." The men in the chairs snickered and moved their heads to get a glance of the old gentleman as he clinched onto the bootblack's perch. The o.g. was not a bit reluctant to talk.

"No, sir; haven't shaved since 1860," he went on. "Swore I wouldn't if Lee was whipped."

The old gentleman was the pioneer physician, Dr. L. M. Ridge, and he declared he would wear his long beard to the grave.—Kansas City Times.

Two of a Kind. A sturdy eight-year-old with the craft of a Talleyrand, informed his mother upon his return from school that "Will Brown and another fellow got a licking at school today." And Tommy's mamma might never have been the wiser had not Tommy's sister burst into the room soon after and announced, "Oh, mamma, Tommy and Will Brown got whipped at school today."—Chicago News.

Queer Effect of the Moon. There is a lady now living in Allegheny who suffers intense pain in the head whenever the light of the full moon falls upon her. At these times she does not venture out at night, but shuts herself up in a dark room. There are many such cases on record.—Pittsburg Commercial Gazette.

CALL FOR A REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

Primary Elections. Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Republican County Central Committee of Wasco County, Or., called by authority vested in me as Chairman of said committee, and held at the County Court Room in Dalles City, Oregon, on the 15th day of February, 1892, it was ordered that a call be issued for a Republican County Convention, to be held at the Court House in Dalles City, Oregon, at 10 a. m., on the 26th day of March, 1892.

For the purpose of nominating candidates for the office of County Judge, Clerk, Sheriff, one County Commissioner, Treasurer, Assessor, Superintendent of Schools, County Surveyor and Coroner, and the election of delegates to represent Wasco county in the Republican State Convention, to be held in the city of Portland, Or., on the 4th day of April, 1892, and to transact such other and further business as may properly come before said convention. The County Convention will consist of seventy-three delegates from the various precincts, apportioned as follows, to-wit:

Table with 2 columns: Precinct Name, Delegates. Includes Falls Precinct, Hood River Precinct, Baldwin, Mosier, West Dalles, Trivett, Bigelow, East Dalles, Eight Mile, Columbia, Deschutes, Nausene, Dufur, Kingsley, High Valley, Westport, Oak Grove, Baker, and Astoria.

It is further recommended, by order of the Central Committee, that primary elections be held in the various precincts, at the usual place of voting, on the 19th day of March, 1892, and that the polls be opened at such primaries throughout the county at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, except within the limits of Dalles City, in which the primaries will be conducted under provisions of Primary Election Law and the subjoined notice.

The attention of electors in the various precincts desiring to elect Justices of the Peace and Constables, is called to the provisions of the new election law as to the manner of nominating their candidates at the primaries.

Attest: Chairman Rep. Co. Central Com. A. G. JOHNSON, Secy.

Democratic State Convention.

A democratic state convention will be held in the city of Portland, Or., April 19, 1892, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination two candidates for congress, one supreme judge, one candidate in each judicial district for circuit judge and prosecuting attorney, to be voted for at the coming June election, and such other business as may properly come before said convention. The various counties are entitled to representation in said convention as follows:

Table with 2 columns: County Name, Delegates. Includes Baker, Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Crook, Curry, Douglas, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, and Lane.

It is recommended, unless otherwise ordered by the local committees, that the primaries in the various counties be held on Saturday, the 26th day of April, and the county conventions on Thursday, April 14, 1892.

By order of the democratic state central committee. B. GOLDSMITH, Chairman, A. NOLTNER, Secretary.

Call for a Republican State Convention.

A republican convention for the state of Oregon, is called to meet in the city of Portland on Wednesday, the 8th day of April, 1892, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the office of Supreme Judge, two congressmen, presidential electors, members of the state board of equalization, and other district officers, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the convention. The convention will consist of 233 delegates among the several counties as follows:

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The same being one delegate at large from each county, and one delegate for every 200 votes, and one for every fraction over one-half thereof, cast for Congressman at the June election in 1890. The committee recommended that the Primaries be held on Saturday, March 19, and the County Convention on Saturday, March 26, unless otherwise ordered by the proper County Committees. All voters who favor the republican policy of internal improvements, protection of American productions and labor, and guarding sacredly the rights of every American citizen at home and abroad, are cordially invited to unite with us. JAMES LOTAN, Chairman Republican State Central Committee, F. A. MOORE, Secretary.

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They see the ship in a sudden flash. Sinking ever. And grip their oars with a deeper breath. Now it's come to a fight with death— Now or never! Fifty strokes and they're at her side, If they live in the boiling tide, If they last thro' the awful strife, Ah, my lads, it's a race for life! Over the breakers wild, Little they reck of weather. But tear their way Thro' blinding spray. Hear the skipper cheer and say "Up with her, lads, and lift her All together!"

And loving hearts are on the shore. Hoping, fearing; Till over the sea there comes a cheer. Then the click of the oars you hear. Homeward steering. No'er a thought of the danger past. Now the lads are on land at last; What a storm to the gallant crew Who race for life, and who win it too! Over the breakers wild, Little they reck of weather. But tear their way Thro' blinding spray. Hear the skipper cheer and say "Up with her, lads, and lift her All together!" J. L. Malloy in Tablet.

Even in Japan the desire for higher education is evidenced by the number of Japanese students in our colleges and their alumne. Only in Germany, Austria, Hungary and Turkey are the women excluded from university study.

An alloy which adheres firmly to glass and can therefore be used in joining up glass tubing is said to be made by adding 5 per cent. of copper to 95 per cent. of tin. The tin is first melted and the copper added subsequently.

Slate land was once so little valued that the tract upon which the famous Chapman quarry in Pennsylvania is situated was sold for a pint of liquor. Its subsequent owners have taken millions of dollars from it.

Fisherman's Luck. No sooner had the disappointed herring fleet sailed away from Bideford pool, with empty barrels, than a wonderfully big school of the fish struck in. Nobody's there to catch 'em, and they're having a great frolic.—Lewiston Journal.

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Tea, by the way, is one of the most notoriously adulterated articles of commerce. Not alone are the bright, shiny green teas artificially colored, but thousands of pounds of substitutes for tea leaves are used to swell the bulk of cheap teas; ash, sloe, and willow leaves being those most commonly used. Again, sweepings from tea warehouses are colored and sold as tea. Even exhausted tea leaves gathered from the tea houses are kept, dried, and made over and find their way into the cheap teas.

The English government attempts to stamp this out by confiscation; but no tea is too poor for us, and the result is, that probably the poorest teas used by any nation are those consumed in America.

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