

MILITIA PREPARES FOR SUNDAY EVENT

Big Drill Held Last Night and Another Planned For This Evening
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Ten companies, approximately 800 men, of the First Infantry, national guard turned out last night for the company drill, preparatory to the big competition and military tournament to be held in the capital grounds next Sunday morning. It was the biggest single turnout of the guard for drill in many months, but it is expected that it will be cast into the shade by the showing tonight, when the last of the preliminary drills will be held. Special instructions were issued to the engineer company to be on hand tonight.

Drill time tonight will be utilized despite the navy and marine corps ball, which is to be held in the Armory. The men will go to their company rooms by the basement entrance and leave in the same way so as not to interfere with the dancers on the Armory floor. The drill will be in the Capitol grounds, under the arc lights.

The contest Sunday is preliminary to the annual tournament to be held in June, but it promises to prove quite as exciting as the real thing next month, and just as much spirit of competition is being shown by the men.

All Honolulu is invited to attend the contest of the guard companies Sunday, and as no admission is to be charged a large crowd is expected. The final details of the affair were settled in an official memorandum, issued at guard headquarters yesterday. It is as follows:

In determining first and second places the following weights will be given to the several events of company competition as follows:

Close order, 50 points; bayonet exercise, 10 points; setting-up exercises, 10 points; attendance, 20 points; wall scaling, 5 points; shoe race, 5 points. Total, 100 points.

Lots have been drawn to determine the order in which the battalions will drill, the schedule being announced as follows:

First Battalion, 10 o'clock.

Second Battalion, 11 o'clock.

Third Battalion, 12 o'clock.

Order for the company drill has also been determined by lots as follows:

First Battalion—Company B, Company A, Company C, Engineers and Company D.

Second Battalion—Company F, Company H, Company E and Company G.

Third Battalion—Company K, Company I, Company M and Company J.

The wall scaling and shoe races are scheduled for the 1st Battalion 11:30 o'clock, for the 2nd Battalion 12:30 o'clock and for the 3rd Battalion at 1:30 o'clock. Companies will be formed in line at the hours and in the order already mentioned and the company commanders will report to the judges.

Following are the movements which each company will execute, though not necessarily in the following order:

Manual of arms, eight movements; being in line, form column of squads and change direction; march to rear; turn company on fixed pivot; being in column of squads, form line to the front; to the right; to the right or left oblique; being in line, form column of platoons; being in column of platoons, change direction; being in line, form line of platoons and then form company in line.

Close order drill will be followed by bayonet exercise and setting-up exercises, in the order started, the time limit for the bayonet being three minutes and for the setting-up exercises three minutes.