

COAST ARTILLERY COMPANY FORMED

New Organization Goes Through
With Three Cheers and a
Big Whoop

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Many Prominent Business and
Professional Men Sign En-
listment Papers

With a whoop and a cheer the formal organization of the First Company Coast Artillery of the national guard went through at the armory last night. Fifty men signed the enlistment papers and listened to a talk by Capt. Edward Carpenter, commanding the Fifty-fifth company, C. A. C., at Fort de Russy, who outlined the character of the work ahead of the command, and the policy of the war department for such militia formations.

It was pointed out to the men, many of whom are prominent in business and professional life of Honolulu, that this is the first militia coast artillery corps company to be formed outside the continental limits of the United States, and they were urged to get together to make of it a crack organization. If enthusiasm counts for anything, said Brig.-Gen. Sam I. Johnson, adjutant general of the guard, after the meeting, "that company is going to be a wonder."

General Enthusiastic

General Johnson was himself a leader in the forming of the company. Jumping to a chair he called for all who desired to join to raise their hands, and when fifty were counted, called for a cheer and three of them were given with a tiger. Three more were given for Captain Carpenter and three additional for the new company commander, Capt. G. K. Larrison.

These coast artillery commands will be ranked by the war department as first line reserve troops as soon as the officers and non-commissioned officers pass the rigid federal tests prescribed by the regular army regulations for the different grades. The company will be mustered into the Territorial service as soon as it is recruited to the required minimum of sixty-five men. This Captain Larrison hopes will be by the time the command meets for its first drill, next Thursday afternoon at five o'clock.

Talk On Coast Defense

Captain Carpenter in his brief talk to the men on coast defense, avoided technical matters, and explained the policy of the war department and the work that is being done by the mainland militia coast artillery. Captain Carpenter commands Battery Dudley, Fort De Russy, to which the national guard company will be assigned for drill and instruction.

In his talk General Johnson commented on the fine opportunity afforded to Honolulu business and professional men to get into the "prepared ranks" at such a small expenditure of time and trouble, and in a command that would enjoy such a wealth of equipment and such splendid instructors.

It was also announced that the Kaimuki Improvement club is planning to begin the organization of a Kaimuki company, which will drill and study at Fort Ruger.

List of Guardsmen

The following are the members of the new command who enlisted last night—

Bailey, C. T., Banigan, L., Bayless, R. C., Beaven, J. A., Black, A. A., Blowers, H. M., Brown, A., Bryan, J. A., Case, Dr. L. N., Chillingworth, S., Conkling, D. L., Copeland, M. S., Dyson, C. W., Gurrey, A. R. Jr., Heiser, C. G., Hill, S. T., Hole, W. W., Jorgensen, C. H., Judd, C. S., Kellogg, C. E., King, C. R., Kinney, H. W., Klemme, H., Kirchhoff, F. G., Lewis, A. Jr., Loomis, E. B., Morgan, J. F., Nelson, J. F., Norgaard, Dr. V. A., Pease, J. B., Phillips, J. A., Pierce, F. P., Podmore, G., Porter, K. B., Quintero, J. A., Sager, C. E., Sanborn, J., Smith, A. G., Smith, C. O., Smith, E. Q., Smith, L. R., Soper, W. H., Spalding, W. T., Stone, J. F., Talant, H. C., Titus, G. W., Whitney, W. L., White, E. O., Wilder, E. C. and Yost, H. H.