# History of the Company D (former Placerville City Guard), 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Regiment, National Guard of California 1893-1895

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## COMPANY D

Company D, Second Infantry Regiment, Fourth Brigade (formerly Placerville City Guard)

Reference: Adjutant General's Files
Location: Auburn, Flacer County
Organized August 24, 1863
Reorganized March 19, 1880\*
Mustered out May 1, 1881\*\*
Reorganized and mustered in June 14, 1893\*\*\*

Reconstituted July 1, 1893\*\*\*\*
Mustered out December 7, 1895\*\*\*\*

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<sup>\*</sup>Battery D, formerly Placerville City Guard, redesignated Battery D, First Artillery Regiment, Fourth Brigade, March 19, 1880.

Adjutant General Report 1880, Special Order No. 19, page 76.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Adjutant General Report 1881-1882, page 12.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Battery D, First Artillery Regiment, reorganized and mustered into service at Auburn, June 14, 1893.

Adjutant General Report 1893-1894, General Order No. 7, page 95.

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>Company D, formerly Battery D, First Artillery Regiment, redesignated Company D, Second Infantry Regiment, Fourth Brigade.

Adjutant General Report 1894-1895, page 97.

<sup>\*\*\*\*\*</sup> Adjutant General Report 1895-1896, General Order No. 17, page 87.

# COMPANY D (Continued)

### Activities:

Company D, formerly Battery D, First Artillery Regiment was organized June 12, 1893, with a rank of seventy-one members. Adjutant General C. C. Allen, Brigadier-General T. W. Sheehan, Colonel J. W. Guthrie, Lieutenant-Colonel E. H. McKee, Captain H. I. Seymour of Battery E, and two lieutenants of Colonel Guthrie's staff were present for the mustering in of the unit at Auburn. The occasion closed with the customary banquet. The commanding officers Captain Frederick P. Tuttle and First Lieutenant Frederick S. Roumage, received their commissions after the artillery was transferred to the infantry.

Major Frank D. Ryan, Inspector of the Fourth Brigade, inspected the company at their annual muster held March 12, 1894. Discipline and instruction were reported good, while the military appearance of the unit was very good and arms and other property in good condition. The company had in their possession sixty stand of Springfield rifles and thirty-three uniforms. The uniforms were obtained by assessments and private subscriptions, as the company having been recently added to the brigade was only entitled to half the regular allowance. The company's armory was unsuitable, but as the unit had in prospect the erection of a new building for the accommodation of the company, this unfavorable condition would be eliminated. Weekly drills were maintained and one meeting a month was set aside for advice and instruction of commissioned and non-commissioned officers.\*

Company D of Auburn, was on active duty from July twenty-fifth to August seventh during the Railroad Strike of 1894. The unit was under the command of their Captain F. P. Tuttle and their activities consisted of guarding trestles, bridges, railroad tracks and other railroad property in and about Truckee, and as far East as the Nevada State line. After the strike was settled and no more danger imminent, the unit was discharged from duty and ordered back to the armory at Auburn.\*\*

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<sup>\*</sup>Adjutant General Report 1893-1894, page 186.

<sup>\*\*</sup>For further details of Company D and the Railroad Strike refer to History of National Guard and Railroad Strike, 1894.

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# COMPANY D (Continued)

Activities: (Continued)

Due to the absence of material on file after the Railroad Strike, it is impossible to inumerate the company's activities to the time of mustering out of the unit in 1895. When the National Guard was reorganized on that date, the number of companies in the service were reduced in order not to exceed the maximum of sixty-nine companies allowed by the State Legislature. Company D was one of the units to be mustered out by General Order No. 17, issued December 7, 1895.\*

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<sup>\*</sup>Adjutant General Report 1895-1896, General Order No. 17, page 87.