1906 San Francisco Earthquake: 2nd Infantry Regiment National Guard of California

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DURING THE EARTHQUAKE AND FIRE OF 1906

Colonel Henry I. Seymour, Commanding

Company A Second Infantry Regiment, Chico, California

William H. White

Captain

Called for active duty April 20, 1906

Relieved from active duty
May 19, 1906

Stations and Locations

In response to a telegraphic message received at 12:39 A.M. April 20, 1906* Company A of Chico left their home station at 6:25 A.M. the same day for Sacramento. Reported and proceeded with the Second Regiment to Oakland. The company was stationed at: Hobart Street and Telegraph Avenue, Oakland, where they performed guard duty and patrol duty until April twenty-fourth. On April twenty-fourth the company was ordered to: Jefferson Square. San Francisco ** stationed there doing guard and patrol duty, guarding banks and other financial institutions, furnishing guards for Quartermaster's Department, trains and various other duties until May second. Company was then ordered to: Duboce Park, San Francisco+ remained at Duboce Park doing Patrol duty until May ninth when Company changed locations to: Seventeenth and Cole Streets. San Francisco, ++ while at this station the duties of the company consisted of guard and patrol duty. Remained at Seventeenth and Cole Streets until relieved from active duty, May 19, 1906X

*Return Company A, Second Infantry Regiment April 1906. Adjutant General Files.

**AdjutantGeneral Report 1906. Field Order # 2, page 58.

*Return Company A. Second Infantry Regiment, May 1906. Adjutant General Files.

**Return Company A, Second Infantry Regiment, May 1906. Adjutant General Files.

XAdjutant General Report 1906. Field Order # 11, page 61.

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Company B Second Infantry Regiment, Colusa, California

Thomas Rutledge

Captain

Called for active duty April 20, 1906

Relieved from active daty
May 19, 1906

Stations and locations

Company B left the home station at Colusa, 1:00 P.M. April twentieth.* Reported for duty at Jefferson Square, Man Francisco, 2:00 P.M. April twentyfirst. Stationed at: Ferry Building, San Francisco, guarding property and assisting the Citizen's Relief Committee in securing means of transportation, food, and other supplies for sufferers in San Francisco. April twenty-second, reported at: Haight and Cole Streets. San Francisco. ** where the Regimental Headquarters was stationed. Worked in conjunction with the First Battalion Coast Artillery, National Guard of California in patrolling the district, guarding relief trains and supplies, maintaining order and enforcing civil and military regulations. On the seventh of May, Co. B was moved to: Cole and Rivola Streets. San Francisco*** Duties performed were similar to those previously performed when stationed at Cole and Haight Streets. The company remained at Cole and Rivola Streets until relieved from active duty May nineteenth.

*Report Second Infantry
Regiment, Colonel Henry I.
Seymour September 4, 1906.
Adjutant General Files.

**Report Captain Thos. Rutledge Company B, Second Infantry Regiment, April 26, 1906. Adjutant General Files.

***Report Colonel H. I. Seymour Second Infantry Regiment, September 4, 1906, page 7. Adjutant General Files.

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Company C Second Infantry Regiment, Nevada City, Calif.

O. W. Spears

Captain

Called for active duty
April 20, 1906

Relieved from active duty May 15, 1906

Stations and Locations

Left home station at Nevada City April 20. 1906.* Arrived Oakland about 3:00 P.M. same day and reported for orders. Went into camp at: Twenty-first Street and Telegraph Avenue, Oakland, Did patrol and guard duty in Oakland April twentieth to twenty-fourth.** Transferred to San Francisco. April twenty-fourth. Reported to Commanding Officer, Second Provisional Brigade: Jefferson Square, San Brancisco, April twenty-fourth. April twenty-fifth moved to: Haight and Cole Streets, San Francisco. on patrol and guard duty in this district until May ninth when campb was moved to: Cole and Rivola Streets, San Francisco. performed guard and patrol duties in this district until relieved from active duty. May 15, 1906. **

*Report Colonel H. I, Seymour Second Infantry Regiment, Sept. 4, 1906, page 3. Adjutant General Files.

**Report Colonel H. I. Seymour Second Infantry Regiment, Sept. 4, 1906, page 8. Adjutant General Files.

*Report Colonel H. I. Seymour, 2nd Infantry Regiment, Sept. 4, 1906, page 7. Adjutant General Files. **Adjutant General Report 1906. Field Order # 9, page 61.

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Company D, Second Infantry Regiment, Marysville, Calif.

Phil J. Divver

Captain

Called for active duty April 20, 1906

Relieved from active duty May 19, 1906

Stations and Locations

Arrived in Sacramento from Marysville April twentieth and proceeded to Oakland. Camped at: Twenty-first Street and Telegraph Avenue, Oakland. T on patrol and guard duty at West Oakland, Sourthern Pacific Depot, Santa Fe Depot, and Idora Park, Oakland. Transferred to San Francisco April twentyfourth. Stationed at: Jefferson Square. San Francisco. April twenty-fourth X to May second, 1906, guarding financial district, furnishing guards for Quartermaster's trains and various other duties. Transferred to: Duboce Park, San Francisco, May second. Company was stationed there performing guard and patrol duty in that district until May ninth. The company was on that date transferred to: Seventeenth and Cole Streets, San Francisco, at that location the Company performed guard duty and patrol duty in that district until relieved from active duty, May 19, 1906 XX

Report Colonel H. I. Seymour Second Infantry Regiment, Sept. 4, 1906. page 3. Adjutant General Riles. EReport Colonel H. I. Seymour Second Infantry Regiment, Sept. 4. 1906. age 8. Adjutant

XReport Colonel H. I. Seymour, Second Infantry Regiment, Sept. 4, 1906, page 3. Adjutant General Files.

General Files.

XXAdjutant General Report 1906, page 61. Field Order #11, par. 2.

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Company	E.	
	Infantry	
Regimen	t, Sac-	
ramento	, Calif.	

Frank F. Canon

Captain

Called for active duty
April 20, 1906

Relieved from active duty May 19, 1906

Stations and Locations

Left Sacramento about 10:00 A. M. April twentieth. Bivouacked for the night at Eddy and Jones Streets. San Francisco. * On April twenty-first went into camp at: Cole and Haight Streets. San Francisco, the company was stationed there and worked in conjunction with the First Battalion, Coast Artillery, N. G. C., patrolling the district, guarding relief trains and supplies, and maintaining order. On May seventh camp was moved to: Cole and Rivola Streets, San Francisco.** The company continued to perform guard and patrol duties at this location until relieved from active duty, May 19, 1906\$

*Report Col. H. I. Seymour Second Inf. Reg. Sept. 4, 1906, p. 5. Adjutant General Files.

**Report Col. H. I. Seymour Second Inf. Reg. Sept. 4, 1906. Adjutant General File

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Company F, Second Infantry Regiment. Woodland Calif.

John G. Lee

Captain

Called for active duty April 20, 1906

Relieved from active duty May 19. 1906

Stations and Locations

Company entrained at Woodland at 4:00 P. M. April 20. 1906*. Arrived at Ferry Building, San Francisco at 10:00 P. M. same evening. Detailed for duty at: Ferry Building. San Francisco, ** under direct orders from Adjutant General J. B. Lauck, details were sent out to guard the Ferry Building and waterfront, to clear the building and wharves of people as there was danger of fire sweeping the waterfront. Also assisted the firemen in saving wharves. Details sent out to impress teams and men into service for the purpose of transporting supplies to outlying districts. Also details sent to impress men to unload supplies from steamers. Three saloons on waterfront closed and liquor destroyed by troops. April twenty-second, company ordered to report at: Haight and Cole Streets, San Francisco, X patrolled streets in this district, guarded relief trains and supplies, assisted in maintaining order and enforcing regulation. On the seventh of May, Camp was moved to: Cole and Rivola Streets. San Francisco, M. perviormed guard duty, patrol duty, at that station until relieved from active duty, May 19, 1906 m

*Report Col. H. I. Seymour Second Inf. Reg. Sept. 4. 1906. Page 10. Adjutant General Files.

**Report Col. H. I. Seymour Second Inf. Reg. Sept. 4, 1906. page 10. Adjutant General Files.

XReport Col. H. I. Seymour, Second Inf. Reg. Sept. 4, 1906, page 6. Adjutant General Files.

XXReport Col. H. I. Seymour, Second Co Inf. Reg. Sept. 4, 1906. page 7. Adjutant General Files. TAdjutant General Report 1906. Fiel 3 Order #11, par. 2, page 61.

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Company G, Second Infantry Regiment, Sacramento, California

John M. Milliken

First Lieutenant

Called for active duty April 20, 1906

Relieved from active duty May 19, 1906

Stations and Locations

Company G left sacramento about 10:00 A. M. April 20, 1906.* Arrived at San Francisco about 6:00 P. M. same day. Reported to General Koster At: Jefferson Square, San Francisco, night of April twentieth. Left Jefferson Square April twenty-first and went into camp at: Haight and Cole Streets, San Francisco.** Patrolled the district adjacent to the camp, guarded relief trains, and supplies, assisted in maintaining order and enforcing regulations in that district. On May seventh Camp was moved to: Cole and Rivola Streets, San Francisco. T performed duties incident to patrolling the district, guarding relief trains, care of relief distributing stations, maintaining order and enforcing civil and military orders. Heavy guards were mounted. This work was performed until the company was relieved from active duty May nineteenth.TT

*Return Co. G, Second Infantry Reg. April 1906. Adjutant General Files.

**Report Col. H, I. Seymour Second Inf. Reg. Sept. 4, 1906. page 5. Adjutant Géneral Files.

Report Col. H. I. Seymour Second Inf. Reg. Sept. 4, 1906. page 7. Adjutant General Files.

TTAdjutant General Report 1906, pa page 61. Field Order # 11, par.2

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Company H, Second Infantry Regiment, Placerville, Calif.

George C. Gardner

Captain

Called for active duty April 20, 1906

Relieved from active duty May 9, 1906

Stations and Locations

Company H of Placerville reached Oakland May 20, 1906, and by direction of Adjutant General J. B. Lauck proceeded to San Jose, arriving there April twenty-first. San Jose, California Worked in conjunction with Company B, Fifth Infantry. The entire business section of San Jose was cut off, by a chain of Sentinels posted at all intersecting streets. Balance of men placed on patrol duty inside the district. Persons having business within the patrolled district were allowed to pass under escort of a member of the guard. On April twenty-eighth the lines were thrown open, the soldiers doing patrol duty in conjunction with the city police officers. Camp was maintained at St. James Park, San Jose, adjacent to the patrolled district. Tents were used for shelter. The system outlined above was followed until May ninth when the company was relieved from further active duty. **

*Report Col. H. I. Seymour, Second Infantry Regiment, September 4, 1906, page 5. Adjutant General Files.

**Adjutant General Report 1906., page 59. Field Order # 6, par. 1.

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Company I, Second Infantry Regiment, Vacaville, Calif.

H. L. Condon

April 20, 1906

Captain

Relieved from active duty May 15, 1906

Stations and Locations

Company I left itss home station at Vacaville April 20, 1906.* Proceeded to Oakland, thence to San Francisco. Bivouacked that night on a lawn at the corner of Jones and Eddy Streets, San Francisco. April twenty-first moved to the corner of Cole and Haight Streets where went into camp. Cole and Haight Streets, San Francisco.** At his location the company rendered service in the First Military District working in conjunction with the First Battalion, Coast Artillery, N. G. C. patrolling the district, guarding relief trains and supplies, maintaining order and enforcing civil and military regulations. On May seventh the camp was moved to the corner Of: Cole and Rivola Streets, San Francisco.+ The commanies of the Second Infantry Regiment including Company I performed all the work incident to patrolling, guarding of relief supply trains, care of relief stations and enforcement of orders in the First Military District. Company I was relieved from active duty May 15, 1906. ++

*Return Co. I, Second Inf. Reg. April, 1906.
Adjutant General Files.

**Report Col. H. I. Seymour Second Infantry Regiment, September 4, 1906, age 5. Adjutant General Files.

*Report Col. H. I. Seymour, Second Infantry Regiment April 4, 1906. page 5. Adjutant General Files.

**Adjutant General Report 1906 Field Order # 9, par. 1, page 61.