

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Dept. of California & Pacific



Civil War Memorial Assessment Form
(Form CWM #61)

Used for periodic assessments of the condition of Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) and Civil War memorials in the Department of California & Pacific, SUVCW (includes California, Nevada and Hawaii)

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NATIONAL ORGANIZATION
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

SANTA MONICA RODMAN GUN #262

PLEASE:

- Type or print, using a ball-point pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
- Do not guess at the information. An answer of, "Unknown," is more helpful.
- Include a photograph of each viewable side and label it with name & direction of view.

- Thank You.

Type of Memorial

Monument *with* Sculpture
 Monument *without* Sculpture

PAD
 ~~Monument~~ with Cannon
 Historical Marker Plaque

Affiliation

G.A.R. (Post Name & No. _____) M.O.L.L.U.S.
 W.R.C. (Corps Name & No. _____) Other Allied Order
 SUVCW (Camp Name & No. _____) (Please describe below)
 DUVCW (Tent Name & No. _____)
 Other: *?*

Original Dedication Date *JULY 4, 1908 ?* Please consult any/all newspaper archives for a local paper's article that would have information on the *first* dedication ceremony and/or other facts on the memorial. Please submit a copy of your findings with full identification of the paper & date of publication. Thank you.

Location

The Memorial is *currently* located at:
 Street/Road address or site location *PALISADES PARK ROAD*
 City/Village *SANTA MONICA* Township _____ County *LOS ANGELES*

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner (of private cemetery that Memorial is located in)...
 Name *CITY OF SANTA MONICA ?* Dept./Div. *?*
 Street Address *???*
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Contact Person _____ Telephone () _____

If the Memorial has been moved, please list former location(s)...
CANNON ORIGINALLY LOCATED @ ANGEL ISLAND CA.

Physical Details

Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon = Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) _____

NEVER COULD FIND OUT ANYTHING I GAVE UP NO BODY EVER RECOVERED

Material of the Sculpture = (NA) Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) _____
If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" _____

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = NA

SEE PICTURE Material of Cannon = Bronze Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm
Markings on muzzle = W.P.F. 1885 NO. 47 FEH. 15980 lbs. R.B.
Markings on Left Trunion NONE Right Trunion NONE
Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? NO If so, describe _____

DIDN'T TAKE →

Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points
Monument or Base: Height _____ Width _____ Depth _____ or Diameter _____
Sculpture: Height _____ Width _____ Depth _____ or Diameter _____

For Memorials with multiple Sculptures, please record this information on a separate sheet of paper for each statue and attach to this form. Please describe the "pose" of each statue and any weapons/implements involved (in case your photos become separated from this form). Thank you!

Markings/Inscriptions (on stone-work / metal-work of monument, base, sculpture)

Maker or Fabricator mark / name? If so, give name & location found _____
JULY 4, 1908 IN FRONT UNDER BARREL AT BASE BEVEL.

The "Dedication Text" is formed: cut into material raised up from material face

Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides...) Please use additional sheet if necessary.

NOTHING
INFORMS PUBLIC AS TO WHAT THESE ARE

Environmental Setting

(The general vicinity and immediate locale surrounding a memorial can play a major role in its overall condition.)

Type of Location

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza/Courtyard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> "Town Square" | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office | <input type="checkbox"/> School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Building | <input type="checkbox"/> State Capitol | Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Courthouse | <input type="checkbox"/> College Campus | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Circle | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | _____ |

General Vicinity

- Rural (low population, open land) Suburban (residential, near city)
 Town Urban / Metropolitan

Immediate Locale (check as many as may apply)

- Industrial Commercial
 Street/Roadside within 20 feet Tree Covered (overhanging branches)
 Protected from the elements (canopy or enclosure, indoors)
 Protected from the public (fence or other barrier)
 Any other significant environmental factor NO BARRIERS - OPEN TO ALL VANDALS

Condition Information

Structural Condition (check as many as may apply)

The following section applies to Monuments *with* Sculpture, and Monuments without Sculpture - including the base for Monuments with *Cannon*. Instability in the sculpture and its base can be detected by a number of factors. Indicators may be obvious or subtle. Visually examine the sculpture and its base.

	Sculpture	Base
If hollow, is the internal support unstable/exposed? (look for signs of exterior rust)	—	UNKNOWN
Any evidence of structural instability? (look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)	NO	NO
Any broken or missing parts? (look for elements (i.e., sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism, fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)	✓	SOME-
Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes? (also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)	—	UNABLE TO TELL

Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)

	Sculpture	Base
Black crusting		—
White crusting		—
Etched, pitted, or otherwise corroded (on metal)		RUST
Metallic staining (run-off from copper, iron, etc.)		—
Organic growth (moss, algae, lichen or vines)		VERY LITTLE
Chalky or powdery stone		NONE
Granular eroding of stone		BIRD DROPPINGS
Spalling of stone (surface splitting off)		—
Droppings (bird, animal, insect remains)		—
Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - Please describe...		—

NONE

Does water collect in recessed areas of the Memorial? Yes No Unable to tell

Surface Coating

Does there appear to be a coating? ___ Yes No ___ Unable to determine

If known, identify type of coating.

___ Gilded ___ Painted ___ Varnished ___ Waxed ___ Unable to determine

Is the coating in good condition? ___ Yes ___ No Unable to determine

Basic Surface Condition Assessment (check one)

In your opinion, what is the general appearance or condition of the Memorial?

___ Well maintained Would benefit from treatment ___ In urgent need of treatment ___ Unable to determine

Overall Description

Briefly describe the Memorial (affiliation / overall condition & any concern not already touched on).

THE LOCATION OF THE GUN IS IN A PARK FREQUENTED BY HOMELESS & DRUGGIES ETC., THE POLICE HAVE BEEN DIRECTED NOT TO BOTHER THEM!! IT WOULD BE NICE TO PLACE A PLAQUE THERE AND GIVE A BRIEF HISTORY BUT IN THAT AREA - THE HEART OF ULTRA LEFT WING LIBERALS, IT WOULD BE A WASTE OF TIME, ENERGY & MONEY -

Supplemental Background Information

In addition to your on-site survey, any additional information you can provide on the described Memorial will be welcomed. Please label each account with its source (author, title, publisher, date, pages). Topics include any reference to the points listed on this questionnaire, plus any previous conservation treatments - or efforts to raise money for treatment. Thank you.

Inspector Identification

Date of On-site Survey 7/20/2002

Your Name FLOYD FARRAR

Address 12550 E. CARSON ST. #59 City HAWAIIAN GARDENS

State CA Zip Code 90716-2014 Telephone [REDACTED]

Please send this completed form to:

Todd A. Shillington, PCC



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1-19-2005

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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National Civil War Memorials Committee



10 in-8 inch Sleeved
Rodman Cannon #262
@Palisades Park
Santa Monica CA
*Located about 50 yds
north of recreation center,
across street from Georgian Hotel*

View Looking East
Palisades Beach Road behind

Floyd Farrar Photo
7-20-2002

SANTA MONICA
PALISADES PARK
RODMAN
CANNON
#262



10 in to 8 in sleeved
Rodman Cannon #262
Santa Monica CA
Palisades Bluff Park

View looking North East

Floyd Farrar Photo
July 20, 2002



10 inch
Rodman Gun #262
Santa Monica CA
barrel markings:
W.P.F 1885 No. 47
F.E.H.
15980 lbs
R.B.

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NORTH WEST VIEW



Santa Monica Gun No. 1

Located at 34°00' 686" North / 118°29' 733" West. This is closest to the Santa Monica Pier. The gun appears to be an 8-inch RML. The markings on the barrel are: W. P. F 1886 M.S.Co. 48 No. 48. F.E.H. 16020 lbs. D. A. H. *The concrete pad is inscribed with the date of July 4th 1908, presumably, the date the piece was dedicated.* The carriage is marked "Carriage #18, 3321 Lbs No. 24"



Santa Monica Gun No. 2 -- EASTERN VIEW --

Located at 34°00' 796" North / West 118°29' 862" Just a few feet north of the Senior Citizens Center. The gun appears to be an 8-inch RML. The markings on the barrel are: W. P. F 1885 M. S. Co. 47 No. 47 F. E. H. 15980 lbs. RB. The concrete pad is not inscribed. The carriage is marked, "Carriage #2 3321 Lbs."

The above info was copied directly from the Fort McArthur Mil Museum web site
<http://www.ftmac.org/Gunssm.htm> The site was updated October of 2004.

→ ADDENDUM To Form 61
SANTA MONICA BLUFFS
RODMAN CANNONS



F. L. Farrar, US Navy Veteran
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