

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

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 with~~ Cannon
 Monument without Sculpture Historical Marker Plaque

Affiliation

G.A.R. (Post Name & No. John Sedgwick Post #17 _____) 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: California National Guard, Company L (Spanish American War)

Original Dedication Date 1910 _____ 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: Jack Fisher Park
 Street/Road address or site location 2600 N. Flower Street @ Santiago Creek
 City/Village Santa Ana Township CA County Orange

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 Ana Dept./Div. Parks, Recreation and Community Services
 Street Address 888 W. Santa Ana Blvd., 2nd Floor
 City Santa Ana State CA Zip Code 92702
 Contact Person _____ Telephone (714) 571-4200

If the Memorial has been moved, please list former location(s)...

In 1910 the cannon was moved from Fort Winfield Scott, CA to the Santa Ana Armory at 3rd and Birch Street. In December, 1933 the cannon was moved to Jack Fisher Park by the flagpole. Then moved again (unknown when) to its present location in the park. A partial history of the cannon is in the Santa Ana Register, dated December 11, 1933.

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.) Rubber Substance

Material of the Sculpture = ___ 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 = None _____

Material of Cannon = ___ Bronze ___ Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm
Markings on muzzle = W.J.W. N° 237 _____
Markings on Left Trunion 1833 _____ Right Trunion WPF _____
Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? No If so, describe _____

Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points
Monument or Base: Height 16" _____ Width 52" x 66" 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 _____

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.

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 | _____ |

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 cannon has many layers of paint (red, yellow, blue, black) from over the years.
The cannon is a 1829, 32-Pounder Seacoast gun. Located under the knob of the cannon is stamped "7485", the weight of the gun. The "Orange County Blue Gray Project" is in the process of spearheading a campaign to refurbish this cannon with the help of the City of Santa Ana and a local homeowners association. We hope to get the cannon back to its original condition and put up a plaque about its history in the future.

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 April 18, 2001
Your Name Charles Beal
Address 21820 Kern Street City Yorba Linda
State CA Zip Code 92887-3719
Sgt. William Pittenger Camp 21, Dept. of California & Pacific

Please send this completed form to:

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
National Civil War Memorials Committee

Charles Beal

Jack Fisher Park Cannon

From: Charles Beal [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, May 07, 2001 9:49 PM
To: bealc@pfrd.co.orange.ca.us
Subject: Fw: Artillery Piece History

----- Original Message -----

From: Glen Roosevelt [REDACTED]
To: Wayne Stark [REDACTED]
Cc: Mike Quigley [REDACTED], Linn Hoadley [REDACTED]
Paul Gillette [REDACTED], Gordon Bricken [REDACTED]
<IMN2ROTA [REDACTED] charles.beal [REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, May 07, 2001 8:28 PM
Subject: Re: Artillery Piece History

> Wayne:
> Thank you very much for your most helpful information. We'll take another
> look at the Fisher Park 32-pounder to see if we can come up with the Roman
> numerals. On the chance that the Post Returns for Fort Winfield Scott
> might
> provide some information, I ordered that microfilm from NARA; but it
> sounds
> like the Quarterly Battery Reports was where the answers were.
>
> Thanks again for your help.
> Sincerely,
> Glen Roosevelt

> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Wayne Stark" [REDACTED]
> To: "Glen Roosevelt" [REDACTED]
> Sent: Monday, May 07, 2001 3:07 PM
> Subject: Re: Artillery Piece History

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> > Glen,
> >
> > You correctly identified both tubes.
> >
> > The only error I noted is that the number under the knob of the
> > 32-pdr is "7485" (not 1485), the weight of the gun. We use either the
> > terms
> > "agglutinated" or "conjoined" to describe the manner in which the "W"
> > and
> > "P" in West Point Foundry's initials share a common leg on the older
> > cannons
> > made there. Another mark that has been reported on the 32-pdr is
> > "LXVII"
> > which may be its roman numeral foundry number. WPF used this method to
> > mark
> > foundry numbers up to about 1843, but the number is usually found on the
> > side of the knob, usually on the right side. I would appreciate knowing
> > if
> > this number is as reported and if it is on the breech. If so, is there
> > another roman numeral on the side of the knob?
> >
> > The 10-inch Rodman was sleeved at South Boston Foundry, the
> > later
> > name of Alger's business. All the markings you found on the muzzle are
> > later markings put on at the time the sleeve was installed in 1877 (The
> > inspector "C.B." was Cullen Bryant, but I don't know his rank at that
> > time.
> > If you look at 12 o'clock on the right rimbase (you may have to scrape
> > some
> > paint off), you will find the number "2233." This is the original

foundry
> > number placed there when the original 10-in Rodman was cast by Cyrus
Alger
> &
> > Co. in 1866. It was originally Registry No.155, inspected by Lt. James
> > Gilchrist Benton on 7 December 1866, and its original weight was 15120#.
> > If
> > you scrape some paint off at the 12 o'clock position on the left
rimbase,
> > you may find a marking like "CA R155" or something like that. They
> usually,
> > but not always, marked information that provides the original identity
at
> > this location. Rarely are there any markings found on Rodmans; however,
> > depending on where they were sleeved to 8-in rifles, there is sometimes
> some
> > very small letters identifying them as sleeved to 8-in rifles. There are
> two
> > more just like this one at the National Guard Armory (40th Inf Div HQ)
in
> > Los Alamitos.
> >
> > I have no documents or microfilms that provide the service
history
> > of these two cannon. Unfortunately, the quarterly battery reports from
> that
> > era were deemed unimportant by some moron at the National Archives and
> > destroyed in the 1950s.
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> > I list a total of 132 surviving Civil War cannons in California,
> > many in the LA area. You may have already seen the Revere Napoleon that
> was
> > reported to me as in the LA National Cemetery. My understanding is that
> the
> > muzzle face has been polished smooth, and the only readable marking is
its
> > foundry number "313" on the right rimbace.

> > I hope this helps.

Wayne Stark

> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "Glen Roosevelt" [REDACTED]
> > To: <stark [REDACTED]>
> > Sent: Sunday, May 06, 2001 9:11 PM
> > Subject: Artillery Piece History

> > > Dear Mr. Stark:

> > > Our group of local Civil War enthusiasts here in Orange County,
> California
> > > is considering the preservation, renovation, and possible rededication
> of
> > a
> > > couple of pre-Civil War or Civil War era artillery pieces. We wonder
if
> > you
> > > might be able to help us with some historical information on these
> pieces,
> > > if you already have it in your registry or database. We are novices at
> > > identification, and we are relying on information from your excellent
> > > website to help us.

> > > 1. Appears to be a Model 1829 32-Pounder Seacoast Gun. It is located
in
> a



**Jack Fisher Park
Santa Ana, California
Looking Easterly at cannon**