

perior and fires appear to be burning in all directions. A report from Washburn, Wis., says that the flames have entered the largest tract of standing timber in the State. High winds are fanning the flames and the entire crews of the Hines Lumber Company are fighting it. Thousands of dollars damage is reported from Washburn. The fires have been raging for two days and the homes of farmers living in Four Mile Creek Valley and along the Northern Pacific Railway, west of the city, are threatened. Fires are burning on every side of the city.

San Jose, Costa Rica, May 12.—Heavy earthquakes were felt here yesterday. Thousands of persons are leaving the city in alarm. A series of severe shocks was experienced. While fear has seized a great part of the populace, the authorities continue resolutely at work among the ruins of Cartago. Many living persons have been released from the debris—some of whom will survive. In most instances identification is impossible, but it is reported that the dead include two Americans. The dead are being buried as rapidly as possible at the direction of the health inspectors. Dynamite is being used to lower the buildings that are still standing.

Berlin, May 12.—Col. Roosevelt, in the company of Emperor William yesterday witnessed a mimic battle in which 12,000 men of the German military engaged, in the vicinity of Doberitz. It had been feared that the former President would be obliged to forego this part of the entertainment planned for him because of the condition of his throat, which is still somewhat sensitive; but this morning Prof. Fraenkel, the throat specialist, made another examination and decided that Mr. Roosevelt would suffer no inconvenience through being a few hours in the open air.

**PRIZE DRILL PLANS**

**Program Same As Usual—Men Urged To Pay Up Assessment**

The arrangements for the annual prize drill of the freshman battalion are nearly completed, the twenty-four men have been picked for the individual competition, the program has been made out, and the money for defraying the necessary expenses is being collected as rapidly as possible from the members of the battalion.

The committee in charge of the arrangements desire that the men should pay their share at the earliest convenience as there are a number of small but necessary expenditures connected with the holding of the drill. Only a very small amount is asked from each individual so it is necessary that every man should stand his share in helping out the fund to pay for the dinner given to the winning company.

The order of exercises will be about the same as has generally been the custom, first, two company drills followed by the competition in the manual of arms for the individual prizes, then the other two companies, finally battalion drill, awarding of prizes and review. Members of the committee and officers have tickets for sale. The admission this year will be only twenty-five cents.

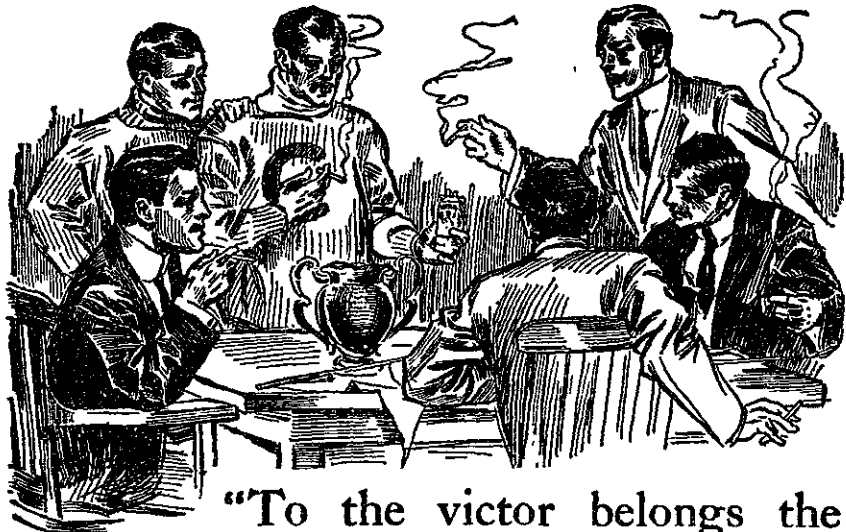
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