

The Klondike

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FOURTH OF JULY

All Arrangements Completed For Glorious Celebration Tomorrow

OF AMERICA'S INDEPENDENCE DAY.

Officers and All Committees Have Been Indefatigable

TO MAKE IT A BIG SUCCESS.

Touching of Proper Weather Gauge All Now Desired—Complete Program of Events of the Day.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily. Preparations are now practically complete for the grandest and most hilarious celebration tomorrow of the United States' day of independence that has ever taken place in the city since Dawson was first recorded a place upon the map of the Yukon.

The population of the Klondike has always been largely American and in years past they have never failed to celebrate in some manner their natal day.

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Tomorrow's celebration will be more extensive than any of previous years. The parade will be omitted on account of the length and number of sporting and athletic events. The band will form at the corner of Third street and Front at 10 o'clock and march to the barracks where the ball game will take place. In the afternoon the sports will begin promptly at 1 on First avenue between Second and Third streets and will continue until well toward evening. Several novelties will be introduced, such as a shoe race for boys, bun race, bicycle race, the rider to mount and dismount, and the gymnast horse race so popular in India and Australia. In the latter race the contestants ride a certain distance, dismount and have a lady tie their neckties, mount and ride to another place, dismount and light a cigar, mount again and so on until the goal is reached—a sort of obstacle race, so to speak. In the evening there will be canoe races on the water front, a log rolling contest near the Ladue sawmill and a spirited rugby football match on the barracks grounds between picked teams representing Canada and England. The tug of war will be pulled in the Savoy theater between the Scandinavians and men selected from the Scotch and A. C. teams.

The following is the official program for tomorrow, beginning promptly at 10 o'clock, p. m.: 1—Half mile horse (open), first prize \$100, second 50 per cent of entry. 2—Half mile pony (open), 14.3

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3—100 yards footrace, first prize \$20, second \$10.

4—Girls' race, 12 years and under (bun race), first prize \$10, second \$5.

5—Boys' race (shoe race), 15 and under, first prize \$10, second \$5.

6—Half-mile horse No. 2, open, first prize \$100, second 50 per cent of entry.

7—220 yards footrace, first prize \$20, second \$10.

8—Girls' shoe race, under 15, first prize \$10, second \$5.

9—Boys' bun race, under 12, first prize \$10, second \$5.

10—120 yards hurdle, first prize 20, second 10.

11—Half-mile Dawson Derby, entrance \$50 and prize as scheduled to first \$100.

12—Bicycle race, half-mile, first prize \$25, second \$10.

13—Half mile footrace, first prize \$25, second \$15.

14—Firemen's ladder race, 50 yards, 20-foot ladder (medals), first prize \$25, second \$15.

15—Bicycle race, mount and dismount, first prize \$25, second \$10.

16—Running high jump, first prize \$15, second \$10.

17—Vaulting with the pole, first prize \$15, second \$10.

18—Running broad jump, first prize \$15, second \$10.

19—Running hop, step and jump, first prize \$15, second \$10.

20—Consolation horse race for beaten horses, first prize \$100.

To commence at 7 o'clock:

21—Tug of war in cleats, eight men a side, first prize \$250.

22—Canoe race, single, first prize \$25.

23—Canoe race, double, first prize \$50.

24—Log rolling, first prize \$20, second \$10.

Three entries or no event. Judges' decision to be final.

Four entries or no second prize.

No competitor can win more than ten points.

Points to be 3, 2, 1.

One dollar entrance fee in all events excepting boys' and girls' races.

Entrance fee for all horse races excepting consolation, \$10.

No horse may win three prizes.

Post entry, excepting derby, which closes 6 p. m. on 3d, with secretary.

A silver and cut glass vase will be given for best decorated building.

RECEIVED BY WIRE.

DROWNED.

Eagle, July 3.—Orin D. Merryman, a native of Marysville, Missouri, was accidentally drowned yesterday by capsizing of his canoe in the Yukon river 15 miles north of here. Merryman, with a companion named Flint, was pulling the canoe up a short rapids and had almost reached smooth water when rounding a rock the current caught the bow of the canoe and swerved it so quickly that both men were thrown into the water.

Both men could swim and Flint managed to support himself by the upturned canoe. Merryman was swimming well and when last seen by Flint was about fifty feet from shore. Flint was carried about three miles down stream before he succeeded in landing. He immediately went back and searched for Merryman. Finding no trace, he walked to Eagle, arriving in an exhausted condition. The drowned man was about 35 years of age and had been in Eagle since 1898. He was very popular and had many friends in this community. Searching parties started out immediately after the accident was reported, but returned after making a fruitless search. It is doubtful if the body will be recovered on account of the swift current flowing at present in the river. Deceased is a cousin of L. P. Merryman, agent of the N. A. T. & T. Co. store at this place.

Miners' Meeting on Dominion. A large and enthusiastic miners' meeting was held on Dominion creek Monday night at which the organization of the Miners' Protective Union on that creek was perfected. Another meeting will be held soon on Lower Dominion when a branch union will be organized.

The call issued to the miners for organization has met with such a hearty response that the promoters of the association are now very sanguine of its success.

Keep the Dogs Tied. Editor Nugget:

I see in the News of yesterday an article favoring the turning loose of dogs in the city. This is probably a suggestion which will be endorsed by people who own dogs, but for people who own gardens and flower beds it will not be hailed with delight. Dawson has had enough dog to last her for sometime to come without turning a pack loose to fight and impede traffic on the streets. RESIDENT.

Kodak 4490s; \$3.50 Goetzman's.

IMPORTANT DECISION

Rendered Today in Court of Appeals Regarding Mining Cases.

TWO MAY LOSE THE SAME CLAIM

Decision Established Precedent in Mining History.

JUSTICE DUGAS DISSENTED

On Grounds That Endless Confusion Will Follow Decision—Claim Now One of Partnership.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily. Two judgments were handed down today by the court of appeals consisting of Justice Dugas, Justice Craig and Gold Commissioner Senkler, sitting as an appellate court upon decisions appealed from the findings in the gold commissioner's court. One of the decisions overruled is of the utmost importance, inasmuch as it establishes an extraordinary precedent in this land of concessions and stampedes. It has long been held that it was an impossibility for two men to stake the same ground, but according to the decision just rendered, in which Mr. Senkler concurred, such a condition may arise by which a grant may be issued to two different stakers, each receiving an undivided half interest.

The case in point is that of George C. Long against Gus Lindiker and George W. Deal, the ground involved being 12a above discovery on Sulphur. Both parties knew the ground would be open for relocation on a certain date and both were there to stake at midnight on that day, the locating being simultaneous. Long reached the gold commissioner's office first, recorded and received his grant. Lindiker protested and in the case before the gold commissioner the decision was against him. He appealed to the court of appeals, the case being heard yesterday and the decision, as stated, was rendered this morning. Justice Craig in passing judgment stated that the evidence each party clearly knew the other was on the ground at the same time and that each had staked. The regulations in both cases had been fully complied with and the ground either belonged equally as much to one as the other or it did not belong to either one at all. A grant was accordingly directed to issue to both giving each an undivided half interest. Gold Commissioner Senkler concurred in the decision.

Justice Dugas dissented from the views of his colleagues and thought that endless confusion would arise from the precedent thus established. One grant only should issue to each claim staked and recorded and in case of simultaneous staking by two or more parties it should lie within the discretion of the gold commissioner as to whom the ground should be given.

"It seems to me, besides," said his lordship, "that the rule which is in this case established, will create more difficulties than perhaps are anticipated. Admitting that two can stake just as well as two and can claim their grant, each having 20 days or more, according to the distances, to record, the gold commissioner will find it next to an impossibility to put the same into execution, as after having given a grant to those who will appear first, he will be exposed to be besieged for days, in some instances by others coming and claiming the same rights. In my opinion the judgment of the gold commissioner appealed from should be valid."

The other case upon which a decision was rendered was entitled Maxine Landreville vs. S. M. Gage and A. B. Palmer and concerned the title to the hillside claim adjoining the upper ball, right limit, of 46 God Run. Both Landreville and Gage staked the ground when it was open for relocation, Gage staking subsequent to the plaintiff but recorded first and received the grant. The evidence showed clearly that Landreville was the prior staker, but it was contended by defendant that plaintiff's stakes were not four feet high as required by the regulations and faced only three and a half inches instead of four. As it was so fully shown that plaintiff had planted his stakes first, Justice Craig in rendering a decision stated that he did not consider that a slight slip in staking as evidenced by the testimony submitted by the defendant should invalidate the location. Plaintiff's appeal was sustained and the ground was given to him. Justice Dugas and Gold Commissioner Senkler concurred in the decision.

NATIVE SPRINTERS

Chief Silas to Enter Indian Boys in Foot Races.

Chief Silas of Moosehide, called yesterday afternoon with another tale of woe which he wants put in type. The Indian is gradually acquiring the habits of the white man and a great rivalry exists between Chief Silas and Chief Isaac. Both are indefatigable in their efforts to call the attention of the white man to their real or fancied troubles and emulate the example set by some of their pale face brothers who like to see their names in print. Just now it seems that the Indians feel slighted by the Fourth of July committee as no arrangements have been made whereby the Indians are recognized in the events.

Silas says that he has two Indians, young men about 20 years of age, who can outrun any white man in the country at any distance. He also says that he will give a big war dance on the Fourth and charge 50c admission.

Edgar A. Mizner, it is understood has consented to allow the Indians to use the N. C. Co.'s big warehouse and dock on the water front for the purpose. The Fourth of July committee was notified today of the ambition of the Moosehide athletes and have arranged for entering them in the races.

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

Are Worn by Many Business Houses and Residences.

Dawson is putting on a very gala appearance for the coming celebration tomorrow. The Northern Commercial Co. is giving its large stores and wharf offices a handsome appearance by a lavish display of bunting flags, etc. Over the Third street entrance to the store is a large picture of George Washington surmounted by the American Eagle and underneath is the first lines with the music of the National hymn "America." The whole is draped with the American and Canadian flags and makes a very pretty effect.

Among the merchants along First and Second avenues who are decorating and beautifying their store fronts for the occasion are:

Hershberg, the Seattle Clothiers, the San Francisco Clothing house, the Fairview hotel, Townsend & Rose, McLennan, McPeely Co., the Dawson Hardware Company and many others. On the back streets among the smaller merchants flags and bunting are being displayed and also in the residence portion of the town many of the cabins will be appropriately decorated.

SLAVIN-PERKINS

The Big Go Tonight—Both Men Confident of Success.

Slavin and Perkins meet tonight at the Savoy theater in what promises to be the greatest battle ever contested in the ring in Dawson. Perkins is in splendid shape and weighs within five pounds to the redoubtable champion. This go is the first event in which a large amount of money has been placed on the result, there being moneyed men backing both men. Joe Boyle has \$5000 which he will put up on Slavin in bets of \$500 or he will make one wager of the whole amount. Arizona Charley is handling some money on Perkins, he picking the latter for a winner.

The general impression around town is that Slavin will meet his Waterloo tonight as it is claimed he is getting old and stiff and Perkins is in the full vigor of early manhood with strength, skill and experience to help him on this occasion. The friends of Slavin, however, say that all the matches in which he has figured in Dawson have been the easiest kind of a game for the big fellow and that he has never had to show what he could do. Also that in the Bates contest he could have finished that man as easy as Devine but that he wanted to give the onlookers a run for their money.

Tonight will prove or disprove the theory, but under any circumstance a rattling good go will follow for Perkins is going in to win from the call of time. On his first meeting with Slavin he was kept away from his adversary by advice of his seconds, they fearing that he would suffer in a mix-up and advising him to keep away and act on the defensive. His tactics now will be different as he has confidence in himself and is not afraid of being put out during in-fighting. Slavin laughs at the talk of the Perkins men and says he will finish him and then quit the ring as far as meeting any more local men is concerned. When some top notch outside man comes in he says he will take a chance again. The go will take place at the Savoy, commencing at 10:30 p. m. Fresh Kodak films. Cribbs & Rogers.

RECEPTION TO NEW PASTOR

At the Presbyterian Church Last Evening Big Success

The reception tendered the Rev. Mr. Turner at the Presbyterian church last evening was a very successful affair. Col. MacGregor presided and made a few remarks in which on behalf of the congregation he welcomed Mr. Turner who is to occupy the pulpit during the absence of Dr. Grant. Mr. Turner responded to the chairman's remarks with a few appropriate words of thanks for the reception he had been given on his arrival and also on the present occasion. A well-arranged program was given which included an organ selection by Mr. Sarelle, song by Mr. McPeerson, recitation by Mr. Cowan, song by Mrs. Dwyg and a recitation by Master Bartley Craig. After the program refreshments were served and the balance of the evening was spent in social conversation. A large number of the members and friends of the church were present and everyone had a very enjoyable evening.

ANCHORMEN MATCHED

An Exciting Feature Added to the Tug of war.

A great deal of rivalry has existed between the anchormen of the two teams which are to pull at the Savoy theater tomorrow night and it has finally terminated in both men agreeing to meet single-handed in a tug of war contest which will precede the big tug of war. The match was made after both men were weighed and the outcome will decide a wager of several thousand dollars. Both are unusually large men and when weighed Atkinson tipped the scales at 237 1/2 pounds and Anderson with his coat on balanced the weight at 239. This makes both men almost to an ounce equal in avoirdupois and are each world's champions. The contest will be one of unusual interest and will arouse the most likely enthusiasm. Admission to both events is \$2, \$3 and \$5. Tickets are on sale at Olympic saloon, Reid's drug store and Savoy theater.

Before Justice Craig

In Justice Craig's department of the territorial court the case of Roberts et al. vs. Gluzberg is being heard today. The litigation concerns the lower half of No. 1 creek claim on Forty-nine gulch, Bonanza, owned by plaintiffs. The defendant and his brothers are owners of the hillside adjoining and by means of a dam have appropriated the water of the gulch, diverting it with a ditch and carrying it to their ground. Plaintiffs desire to ground sluice their claim, but have no water for the purpose. They insist the water is rightfully theirs as their's is a creek claim and by the regulations they are entitled to the use of so much water flowing through their ground as they may need to properly work it. The case of Norwood vs. Marshall is on for trial before Justice Dugas.

Missing People.

The following persons are anxiously inquired for through the Dawson postoffice by relatives: John D. Munro of St. Elmo, Glencary county, Ont.; and Duncan A. Campbell of Avonmore, Stormont county, Ont. Any information relative to either of the above should be reported to the postmaster at Dawson.

Interested in Quartz.

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The New Court House.

Work on the new courthouse is fast nearing the end and in two weeks more the handsome structure will be completed. Shelves, desks, and other fittings are now being installed and with that portion of the work finished all that will remain to be done is the hanging of the windows and doors. A portion of the window glass arrived yesterday and the balance is expected by the latter part of the week.

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FRAUD SHOWN

On Part of Theodore Schmidt Who Was Arrested on Capias Warrant.

AT INSTANCE OF GEO. JOHANNSEN

Motion to Dissolve Warrant Denied by Justice Dugas.

AFTER HEARING EVIDENCE

Amount Involved Exceeds \$10,000—Schmidt Desired to Leave the Country but Will Remain.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily. The famous \$10,000 capias suit brought by C. George Johannsen against Theodore Schmidt was up before Justice Dugas yesterday upon the motion of defendant to discharge the capias. The motion was vigorously prosecuted and equally well defended, the court reserving his decision until this morning. In passing judgment upon the motion his lordship reviewed to some little extent the evidence brought forth by means of affidavits both for and against the motion, and stated that he could see no reason why the capias should be discharged. Some \$10,000 or \$12,000 had been taken from the claim, it was admitted, for the purchase of which the debt had been incurred, the gold had been melted into a bar by the defendant and was now secreted beyond the reach of his creditors. It was further stated by the affidavits of two men that Schmidt wanted to and intended to leave the country if he could do so and fraud was clearly shown on the face of the whole transaction. For that reason the court dismissed the motion asking for a discharge of the capias and the case in due time will come up for trial.

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