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Vacating Bargains In  
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Women's,  
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FOURTH  
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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 Pro-  
gram of Events of the Day.

Preparations are now practically com-  
plete for the grandest and most hilari-  
ous celebration tomorrow of the United  
States' day of independence that has  
ever taken place in the city since Daw-  
son was first accorded a place upon the  
map of the Yukon. Chairman B. B.  
Condon and Secretary Storry, assisted  
by other members of the committee,  
have been indefatigable in their efforts  
to make the day so dear to Americans a  
huge, howling success, and the only  
thing yet to be arranged is to propitiate  
the Gods in favor of a day so perfect  
that its counterpart can be found no

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other place on earth except in the Yu-  
kon.

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. In '96, the year of Carmack's  
discovery, there was no Dawson and no  
celebration here, though at Circle City  
the day was fittingly observed. The  
following year the few hundred people  
who had arrived from both up and  
down the river ceased their stampeding  
long enough to commemorate the day  
as best they could. There were no  
streets then, only trails dodging here  
and there around stumps and mud  
holes where the streets should have  
been, and there was no parade with  
bands of music and artistically gotten  
up floats filled with youth and beauty.  
There were no fireworks and torpedoes  
for the delight of the small boy who  
had not yet invaded Yukon. But there  
was plenty of hootch to be stowed away  
and there were dozens of husky, leather  
lugged Americans who with an exuber-  
ance without end gave vent to their joy  
in howls and yells of delight so typi-  
cal of the wild and woolly west. A  
Fourth of July without noise would be  
an impossibility and it was the best  
the "sour doughs" of '97 could do. In  
'98 the camp was packed and jammed  
from the river bank to the foothills  
with a throng of fortune seekers and  
the first parade Dawson ever saw took  
place on the water front leading from  
the A. C. corner to the barracks. Capt.  
Jack Crawford headed the procession  
and when the police enclosure was  
reached there was music by a choir and  
an oration by LeRoy Tozier. The next  
year sports of all kinds were included  
in the day's festivities with flags and  
bunting galore and fire crackers ad lib.  
The same was true last year.

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 trier  
to mount and dismount, and the gym-  
kana horse race so popular in India  
and Australia. In the latter race the  
contestants ride a certain distance, dis-  
mount and have a lady tie their neck-  
ties, 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 Eng-  
land. The tug of war will be pulled  
in the Savoy theater between the Scan-  
dinavians and men selected from the  
Scotts and A. C. teams.

The following is the official program  
for tomorrow, beginning promptly at 1  
o'clock, p. m.:

- 1—Half mile horse (open), first prize  
\$50, second 50 per cent of entry.
  - 2—Half mile pony (open), 14.3  
hands, first prize \$100, second 50 per  
cent of entry.
  - 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 un-  
der, 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, en-  
trance \$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,  
30-foot ladder (medals), first prize \$25,  
second \$15.
  - 15—Bicycle race, mount and dis-  
mount, 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  
aside, first prize \$250.

22—Canoe race, single, first prize \$25.  
23—Canoe race, double, first prize \$50  
24—Log rolling, first prize \$20, sec-  
ond \$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 ex-  
cepting 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 cap-  
sizing of his canoe in the Yukon  
river 15 miles north of here. Merry-  
man, with a companion named Flint,  
were pulling the canoe up a short  
rapids and had almost reached moor-  
ing when rounding a rock the cur-  
rent 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 man-  
aged 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 car-  
ried about three miles down stream be-  
fore he succeeded in landing. He im-  
mediately went back and searched for  
Merryman. Finding no trace, he  
walked to Eagle, arriving in an ex-  
hausted condition. The drowned man  
was about 35 years of age and had been  
in Eagle since 1898. He was very pop-  
ular and had many friends in this com-  
munity. Searching parties started out  
immediately after the accident was re-  
ported, 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.

Snake on Warship.

An exciting and amusing affair which  
occurred some short time ago on board  
of H. M. S. Rattler, and, while it last-  
ed, gave the ship's company a lively  
quarter of an hour, is thus described by  
the Singapore Free Press: "There are  
two pets on board, a big Borneo orang-  
outang and a fine python, about 10 or  
20 feet in length. This creature, which  
had dined heartily on a deer about a  
week before, had begun to feel its ap-  
petite come back again, and in search-  
ing about its box for an exit, found a  
place in the side in bad repair. His  
snakeship was through that in a twink-  
ling, unobserved, and seeing the  
orang-outang, who was chained up a  
few yards off, invited himself, on the  
spur of the moment, to pluck upon that  
unfortunate quadruman. The python at  
once coiled for his spring—his mode  
of calling grace before meal—when sud-  
denly the quartermaster, Dickson, tak-  
ing all this in at a glance, promptly  
cut poor excited Jack loose, who was  
up to the masthead in a brace of shakes.  
Lieutenant Larking, the proprietor of  
the orang-outang, the quartermaster  
and another of the crew, who were all  
on the scene, flung themselves instanta-  
ly on the hungry python, one at the  
head, another at the tail and one in the  
middle. Then the band began to play,  
for the python wanted to get one of  
the aggressors in his coils, cladded  
against something hard, and the others  
meant to keep him straight, and free  
from such uncomfortable kinks. For a  
moment it was the Laocoon group  
over again, only in this case three men  
and one snake, and sprawling all over  
the deck, instead of standing up in  
classical marble attitudes. But rein-  
forcements arrived in hot haste, and  
about 30 sundry bluejackets, each em-  
bracing a foot of python, reduced the  
reptile to comparative quiescence.  
The procession marched back to the  
python's box, coiled him down inside,  
and shut him up. But Jack sat like a  
little cherub aloft at the masthead—for  
a long time before he came to the con-  
clusion that he was 'off' the menu of the  
day."

Tickets for Slavin-Perkins contest at  
Exchange.  
Best mixed drinks in town—Sideboard.

IMPORTANT  
DECISION

Rendered Today in Court of  
Appeals Regarding Min-  
ing Cases.

TWO MAY LOCATE 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.

Two judgments were handed down  
today by the court of appeals consist-  
ing of Justice Dugas, Justice Craig and  
Gold Commissioner Senkler, sitting as  
an appellate court upon decisions ap-  
pealed from the findings in the gold  
commissioner's court. One of the de-  
cisions overruled is of the utmost im-  
portance, 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 ren-  
dered, 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 mid-  
night 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 yester-  
day and the decision, as stated, was  
rendered this morning. Justice Craig  
in passing judgment stated that from  
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 accord-  
ingly 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 discre-  
tion of the gold commissioner as to  
whom the ground should be given.  
"It seems to me, besides," said Jus-  
tice Dugas, "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 10 days or more, accord-  
ing 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 com-  
ing 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 de-  
cision was rendered was entitled Maxine  
Laudreville vs. S. M. Gage and A. B.  
Palmer and concerned the title to the  
hillside claim adjoining the upper  
half, right limit, of 46 God Run. Both  
Laudreville 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 Lan-  
dreville was the prior staker, but it  
was contended by defendant that plain-  
tiff's stakes were not four feet high as

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

AT INSTANCE OF GEO. JOHANNSEN.

Motion to Dissolve Warrant De-  
nied by Justice Dugas.

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Country but Will Remain.

The famous \$10,000 capias suit  
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The motion was vigorously prosecuted  
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dismissed the motion asking for a dis-  
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due time will come up for trial.

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 agree-  
ing 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 out-  
come will decide a wager of several  
thousand dollars. Both are unusually  
large men and when weighed Atkinson  
tipped the scales at 237½ pounds and  
Anderson with his coat on balanced  
the weight at 239. This makes both  
men almost to an ounce equal in avoird-  
upois 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.

The New Court House.

Work on the new courthouse is fast  
nearing the end and in two weeks more  
the handsome structure will be com-  
pleted. Shelves, desks, and other fit-  
tings 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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