

# IT WAS AUSPICIOUS

Fourth of July Celebration One of Best Ever Held.

## NEW CITY HALL DEDICATED

Big Crowds Line The Streets. Shooting of Fireworks Continues From Early Morning Until Midnight. Parade an Attractive Feature of Festivities.

The Fourth has ended. Astoria's observance of the one hundred and twenty ninth anniversary of the Nation's birth was most auspicious. The festivities in larger communities were no more pretentious. The importance of the occasion was augmented by the dedicatory exercises of the city's new City Hall. The regular Fourth of July celebration included a splendid parade in which participated the various departments of the city government, the military of the United States and a number of prominent civic bodies, to say nothing of innumerable citizens who graced the pageant with their carriages. The city had donned most gala attire for the celebration, not a store whose facade was not made attractive in the extreme by the carrying out of some clever decorative scheme, the national colors being utilized; in some instances, they were worked with hues of more local significance and this to advantage. A very good baseball game and a program of sports, replete with unique games and tests of physical endurance. The night offered a magnificent pyrotechnic display which was witnessed by a huge crowd.

As early as 5 o'clock the people from neighboring communities commenced to pour into the city. They came afoot and afoot, in spring wagons and in vehicles of every conceivable kind, and hundreds took advantage of the boats on the river run. Simultaneously the people of the city sought the streets. The younger element was, of course, first on the thoroughfares and these, armed with fireworks proceeded to awake those who might possibly oversleep.

As the initial feature of the day's festivities was not scheduled to occur until afternoon, the people indulged in various diversions, some frequented the docks along the water front, some obtained vehicles and drove into the country while the majority was content to meander along the sidewalks shooting their fireworks in unholy glee. Nor were the revelers numbered entirely among the young set, hardly a man who did not carry a goodly number of the formidable looking cannon crackers under his arm.

Toward noon the various divisions which were to participate in the parade assumed their respective formations as follows:

The police, band and G. A. R., on Ninth street south of Commercial street the Coast artillery on Tenth, right resting on Commercial, Knights of Pythias on Tenth in rear of Coast artillery, Foresters, Maccabees and Redmen and other civic bodies on Tenth street between Commercial and Duane on the west side in the order named. The Boy's Brigade and Liberty Car on Eleventh street between Commercial and Duane, the business floats and wagons on Twelfth between Commercial and Duane, the carriages on Twelfth; fire department on Tenth between Bond and Commercial.

Promptly at 1 o'clock the parade started. The sidewalks were lined with an enthusiastic populace who cheered and cheered as the different divisions passed. A platoon of police led the pageant. This was followed by the band, from whose instruments emanated the inspiring strains of martial airs. The grand marshal and his aides came next. Two companies, the Thirty third and Ninety-third, of the United States Coast artillery corps, followed the grand marshal. The boys made a splendid showing in their bright new suits of khaki and with their shining small and side arms.

Prominent citizens of the city in carriages followed. Among them could be distinguished Col. Schneck, Captain Goodale, Mayor Surprenant, Hon. G. C. Fulton, and A. B. Dalgity. The next division was made up of fraternal orders, the Knights of Pythias, Redmen Maccabees and Foresters being represented. The Boys' Brigade, in command of Rev. Luther D. Mahone, preceded the Liberty car which proved one of the most attractive features of the parade. Miss Emma Shedd, who had been selected as "Goddess of Liberty," rode upon the lofty throne. She was dressed in white and was attended by a num-

ber of children, costumed to represent the various states of the union. Foresters, Maccabees and Knights of Pythias, with their floats offered some very fine allegorical features.

The fire department and its apparatus came in the rear. The parade finished at the City Hall where the dedicatory exercises of the new structure occurred immediately following.

The dedication of the new City Hall was the most impressive part of the day's festivities. A goodly crowd was in attendance. After the rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner" by the band Rev. Father Waters delivered the invocation. Mrs. Charles H. Haddix then read the Declaration of Independence.

Honorable G. C. Fulton followed delivering an excellent oration which was received with cheer after cheer. "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," by the band was next offered.

Hon. John H. Smith on behalf of the city then turned the new City Hall over to Mayor Surprenant who responded with a well worded speech of acceptance. Rev. W. S. Short delivered the invocation which concluded the ceremonies. Sacrificing the dignity which was necessary at so important an occasion as the dedication of the City Hall the crowd now sought the business section of the city where the sports and a general rollicking time took place. The events with their winners follow:

The wall scaling contest was participated in by four teams, the best being made in 21 seconds.

The boys' race, boys under 12 years of age, was won by Roy Vanice, of Warrenton, first prize; George Wright, second.

Girls' race, under 12 years, was won by Birdie Welch, first; Thelma Darcey, second.

Race for boys under 16 years was won by Carl Stricklund, first; Wesley Welch, second.

Girls' race, under 16 years, was won by Florence Johnson, first; Clara Johnson, second.

Sack race was won by Wesley Welch and Robert Welch.

Fat man's race, four entries, was won by E. S. Landingham.

Three legged race was won by Wesley Welch.

The egg race was won by Martin Brown.

The married woman's race was won by Mrs. Renold.

The pie eating contest occurred upon the wooden awning of a store at the corner of Tenth and Commercial streets. Interest in this very ludicrous spectacle was paramount; fully four hundred people stood in the streets and cheered the six boys who participated. The pie was blackberry and was especially suitable for such a contest. The boys with arms and hands tied behind them went to their work with a will, and to the keen delight of the rollicking spectators soon painted their physognomies a pleasing shade of blue-black. The most astonishing fact about the contest was that Sheriff Linville, whose ample proportions loomed up fearfully from amid the boys, had a start of about ten minutes on the successful contestant and devoured a whole pie, which was the county officer's only award.

At night the pyrotechnic display was given on the hill back of the city. This offered many ingeniously conceived pieces, mines, rockets, roman candles and bursts of fire. The explosions of crackers continued throughout the evening and the hand of the clocks pointed well to the "wee sma' hours" before the signal marking the end of Astoria's excellent celebration was heard.

### NO MOBILIZATION.

No Activity Among the Norwegian and Swedish Troops.

Christians, July 4.—There has been no mobilization whatever in Norway or Sweden. Of the military forces under arms in both countries only contingents have been called together for the ordinary yearly exercises. In Norway these exercises are taking place on the usual drill grounds. Some few watching three railroads coming from Norway, but these troops are some distance from the frontier.

The Norwegian diplomatists who served under the Union at the Hague and at Washington and who were removed by the Swedish government are now charged by the Norwegian government to remain and look after Norway's interests.

### FRANCE WILL ACCEPT.

Radolin Says Premier Rouvier Has Given Him Draft of French Reply.

Berlin, July 4.—The French and German governments are not far apart in regard to the proposed Moroccan conference.

Prince Von Radolin, the German ambassador at Paris, has telegraphed to the foreign office that Premier Rouvier at their meeting showed him a provisional draft of France's reply to Ger-

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many in which France says she will accept the Sultan of Morocco's invitation although with certain understandings or reservations.

These conditions, the Associated Press was informed at the foreign office offer no great delays in the way of a complete preparatory agreement between France and Germany. Some days are likely to elapse before France formally defines her position.

### Date Fixed.

Chicago, July 4.—August 15 and 16 have been selected by the committee on arrangements as the dates for the National reciprocity conference to be held in Chicago, and a general call has been sent out, by Chairman Alvin H. Sanders.

### Today's Weather.

Portland, July 4.—Oregon and Washington; fair and continued warmer.

### Baseball Scores.

San Francisco, July 4.—San Francisco, 1; Los Angeles, 2. San Francisco 0; Los Angeles, 1. Portland, July 4.—Portland, 11; Tacoma, 0. Portland, 1; Tacoma, 0. Seattle, July 4.—Seattle 6; Oakland, 2. Seattle, 1; Oakland, 4.

### Making Preparations.

London, July 4.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Vienna asserts that Archduke Francis Ferdinand has initiated military preparation with a view to the eventuality of Hungary attempting to recede from the dual monarchy.

### Fourteen Thousand Converts.

London, July 4.—The American Revivalists, Rev. Reuben A. Ferrey and Charles M. Alexander, tonight concluded their five months revival campaign. Fourteen thousand converts were made since the evangelists in England. Fourteen thousand came to London.

### California Pioneer Dead.

San Francisco, July 4.—A. C. M. Bowen, who as a sergeant of the regular army crossed the plains with Fremont in 1846 and was prominently identified with the early history of San Francisco, is dead. At one time he was prominently connected with the coast shipping trade.

### Dave Barry Knocked Out.

Salt Lake City, July 4.—Mike Schreck of Chicago, tonight knocked out Dave Barry, of San Francisco in the twentieth round. The fight went within twenty seconds of the full twenty rounds.

### Falls of Dee Dismasted.

Montevideo, July 4.—The British ship Falls of Dee, from Hamburg, for Astoria Oregon, put into port today with spars and rigging gone. She will repair and proceed.

### What a Lie is.

A Sunday school was asked by his teacher in the course of the lesson, "What is a lie?" "A lie," responded the infant with deliberation, "is an abomination to the Lord and a very present help in trouble."

### What They Had Entertained.

Leatherhead—I heard Miss Britely, that you had been entertaining a good deal at your home recently?

Miss Britely—Your informant erred except he meant that we had been entertaining grave fears less some misguided person would call before we were through house cleaning.—Washington Post.

### "Medicine."

"Funny thing about whiskey and prohibition."

"What's the answer?" "Let prohibition go into effect and whisky immediately becomes a drug on the market."

### Bent Her Double.

"I knew no one for four weeks when I was sick with typhoid and kidney troubles," writes Mrs. Annie Hunter, of Pittsburg, Pa. "And when I got better, although I had one of the best doctors I could get, I was bent double, and had to rest my hands on my knees when I walked. From this terrible affliction I was rescued by Electric Bitters, which restored my health and strength and now I can walk as straight as ever. They are simply wonderful." Guaranteed to cure stomach, liver and kidney disorders; at Charles Rogers' drug store; price 50c.

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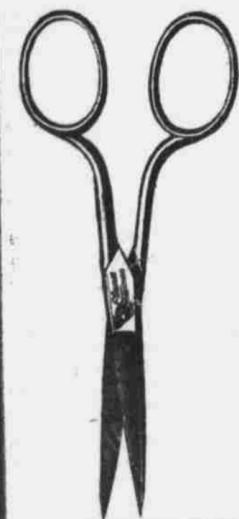
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