

# REGATTA AND RAIN DIVIDE THE HONORS

Second Day a Genuine Success Despite Weather  
---Grand Sangerfest Concerts Pending

PROGRAM, THIRD DAY, SATURDAY, AUG. 29.

FORENOON—Water Sports.

- 9:00 a. m.—Arrival of Queen.
- 9:30 a. m.—Double shell race, championship. Trophies.  
Canoe race, double paddle. Trophies.  
Swimming race, boys.  
Duck hunt.
- 9:45 a. m.—Single shell, handicap. Trophy.  
Net-throwing contest. First prize, \$20; second, \$10.
- 10:00 a. m.—Cutter race, six-oared, Ft. Stevens crew. First prize, \$20; second, \$10.
- 10:15 a. m.—Punt race.  
Walking greased pole.
- 10:30 a. m.—Gasoline fish boats, handicap. First prize, \$40; second, \$20.  
High diving.
- 10:45 a. m.—Double scull pleasure boats. Trophies.
- 11:00 a. m.—Motor boats race, handicap. First prize, \$30; second, \$15.
- 11:15 a. m.—Fish boats tug of war (two men in each boat). First prize, \$20.

AFTERNOON—Land Sports.

1:30 p. m.—Land Sports. (See special program).

EVENING.

- 8:00 p. m.—Macbeth's Wild West Circus. (See special program).  
Country dance. (See special program).
- 9:15 p. m.—Scandinavian Saengerfest. (See special program).

Yesterday was no improvement on Thursday, so far as Regatta weather was concerned. It rained torrent, at intervals, all day long, and the downpours timed themselves flagrantly and persistently, with the calling of the best events of the day, ashore and afloat. Yet, in spite of all handicaps, the day was happily spent by thousands in watching the gamey work of the committees and contributors in pulling off the specialties set forth in the program of the second Regatta day.

The bay was lively with swift craft of all sizes and builds and the races came off, if not quite punctually, yet with fair timeliness and certain spirit which the idling crowds appreciated and encored handsomely at each clever turn.

Governor Chamberlain went on board the flagship Heather in time to personally start the championship single shell races yesterday morning and enjoyed the hospitality of Captain Byrne and Admiral Shepherd until noon, when he came ashore and took marked interest in the events billed for indulgence there.

Up to a late hour last evening it was not possible to get the scores on the races and events of the day as the committee in charge of these matters had not been able to close them up in time for the morning press, so they will be given in these columns tomorrow morning in their entirety.

The weather was far too unpropitious to admit of Queen Hattie appearing at large to and with the people and she did all that might be expected in this behalf, for the rain was persistent and drenching nearly the whole day long. Last evening the dainty young Queen was the guest of the officers of the forts at the mouth of the river, on board the post steamer Major Guy Howard, with her maids and court, and twice during the day she was at the grandstand, but was forced to relinquish the throne on account of the downpour.

De Caprio's splendid band did much to dispel the gloom of the hours by the beautiful programs rendered in their inimitable style. The very able leader and his able corps of players may not have heard one-tenth of the clever and kindly things that have been said of the band since its arrival here, but much has been said, frankly and generously, and may be made

even more manifest before the band leaves the city. At any event they must realize that their work has been thoroughly appreciated.

The water events yesterday were lively, and all charged with Regatta spirit; the races, big and little, shell, canoe, tub, launch, sloop, fishboat all went off with snap and vigor, and the funmaking stunts off the grandstand, the greased pole, foot-log work, water-ball, etc., were frequent and laughable and vastly enjoyed. While up town the ever-shifting crowds dodged the interminable showers and hunted the frail shelters of the "midway," as much for refuge as for entertainment, and found both on all side; and when it rained so that even this recourse was vain, the people went to the restaurants and theatres and such dryer resorts as were available, and managed, in some way, or other, to jolly the day away in sport and mutual good humor.

Happily the night was clear of rain through the hours devoted to the grand marine parade and this offered a compensating spectacle to the thousand on the docks and at the grandstand. It was, as it always is, the crowning glory of the Astoria regatta season. There is nothing to compare with it for charm and real beauty; and last night was not sort of exception to the rule. The Heather, Columbine, Major Guy Howard, Lurline, and scores of lesser craft swung over the city channel—course in brilliant array, with an accompaniment of magnificent fireworks, and for two hours every soul in the city who get to the waterfront, was there, enjoying it to the utmost.

The day was genuinely successful and lacked only a bit more sunshine to make it perfect. And if there is anything in the concentrated power of universal thought, as expressed in the hopes for today, this should be the banner day of the festival. There is the superb concert of the Saenger-

### TEA

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fest to come off tonight at Logan's Hall, which, with its brilliant program and splendid alignment of singers, solo, and chorus, should draw the Astorians together as they were never merged in public before, for the common indulgence of the finest musical entertainment ever offered them in history; all of which is to be repeated tomorrow afternoon at the same place.

Taken, by, and large, the Regatta, has been wonderfully successful, and those who are responsible for it, are to be heartily commended for the pluck and skill with which it has been handled, despite the discouraging weather.

In the marine parade last night prizes were awarded as follows:

For the most attractive decorated craft afloat, without regard to kind or size: First prize, the Lurline, and second to the Columbia.

Steamers of all kinds and sizes: First prize to the Major Guy Howard, with second to the Electro.

In the gasoline launch class, the first prize went to a boat not identified last night; she carried a pyramid of lights, with second prize to the Louise.

First boats and all other kinds of sail boats, first prize to the Donna Francesca, with second to fish boat carrying the number 0963.

### BABY SHOW.

Despite torrential rains that were almost uninterrupted during the entire progress of the event; with a very comfortable, roomy tent that might have served admirably for a sunny hour but which was nothing more or less than a vast sieve; with 700 people swarming about with laugh and joke and pleasant anticipations, and 150 fine specimens of Astoria infancy on display, 71 of which were billed as competitors in the Regatta baby show, that happy affair was pulled off yesterday afternoon at the Stadium, corner of Eighth and Commercial streets, with an eclat rarely found in matters of that sort.

Chairman Frank J. Carney and his 10 judges, and the ladies' committee in direct charge of the enrolled babies, had their hands full every minute of the hour devoted to the pleasant task. As soon as the ladies had arranged the babies in something approaching a group, the 11 fated men, not one whom possessed a baby of his own, grimly took their note books and filed down the line inspecting right and left and making careful notes of the beauty, plumpness, slowness, melodiousness, and lack of beauty, signified in the individual members of the infantile brigade, including the twins, and triplets then and there present. It was an exacting job, for never had these men gone up against a battery of such sort as laughed, and dimpled, and crowed, and cried, and howled, as they as did these 71 engaging human morsels. Back and forth through the phalanx of mothers whose faces bore the invariable expression of gentle, yet pleading anxiety of the moment, and which no man dare look upon long lest he were lost; back and forth again and again, until each judge had firmly fixed in his mind and memoranda, the numbers appertaining to the dear little tots that appealed most strongly to him, as deserving allotment in the scale of prize-winners.

At last they pulled themselves together and with a poorly veiled attempt to act as though they were really tired of the whole thing and had simply been doing something so familiar, so monotonously customary that they could not conceal their weariness, they withdrew from the ring and disappeared (with their hearts in their mouths), behind the circus paraphernalia of the tent; and there, with bated breath and perspiring brows, in tones tragically low, with sibilant whisper and anxious declarations of comparison, wrought out the following list of winners, which they took back into the great crowd and yielded up to their chairman.

Mr. Carney is a brave man; he has all the Celtic virtue of pluck and Irish courage rarely fails; but it failed him yesterday. He simply could not face the 63 mothers who were certain to be chagrined (for there were eight prizes to be awarded), and, at the very climax of his fright, turned the delicate task of naming the winners over to U. S. Senator Charles W. Fulton who for the sake of sparing his old time friend, and placating a situation that was likely to become actually disastrous, assumed the function as men do who lead "forlorn hopes." Donning a huge badge securely fastened to his coat, he mounted a table and, after soundly berating the unhappy chairman for his loss of nerve at the vital moment, and openly absolving himself of all personal participation in the conspiracy of the 11, declared the winners to be:

No. 19—"Billie Gribbler," the prettiest boy baby.

No. 6—"Berenice Peterson," the prettiest baby girl.

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No. 71—"Henry Mattson," the fattest baby.

No. 24—"Japan," the leanest baby. (This was the little mite of humanity that has been on exhibition here this week as the "incubator baby.")

No. 9—"Elton Painter," the most melodious baby.

"D" Twins—Louis and Wyatt Hurlburt, first prize.

"A" Twins—Nicholas and Martha Theodeaus.

The boy babies were adorned with pink ribbons, and the girlies with blue, and all were numbered conspicuously, so that the judges could not know anything of the personality of the little people. The ladies in charge, Mesdames C. W. Fulton (chairman), G. W. Sanborn, P. A. Stokes and R. E. Howes, devised and carried out their own scheme of handling the matter of identity and baffled the last man in the judges' line completely; and their adroit course, and the jolly flaying the inspectors got at the hands of the Senator, left that group without much standing when the show was concluded.

As fast as the winners were named Mrs. Fulton gave out the prizes, all of which were of silver and very pretty, and what, with the distribution of these and the dainty souvenirs to all the babies present who did not take the more elaborate prizes, and Senator Fulton's pleasant and witty oration, the show was brought to the happiest sort of conclusion. It was a genuine success from first to last.

There was one prize of \$100 that was not won, and was not delivered.

It was for the "homliest baby" on the ground; and though the staff of judges made a second and precise round of inspection, no such child could be found; it was not there; there was not a morsel of humanity in the tent that even approached such classification; and the prize was withdrawn, with the stipulation that if any mother present thought her baby entitled to it and had been overlooked, she could have recourse by calling today at the office of Herman F. Prael, and filing her claim.

Senator Fulton deprecated the intuity of this valuable prize and broadly intimated that it was only fair to the 11 childless judges that they be given just one year of grace in the premise, and if a baby should come to any one of them in that time, that the unused largess be bestowed on the first one that appeared, since it

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must, of necessity, be ugly enough to claim it, judging from the conglomerate ugliness of the "bunch" that was pretending to judge this show. It was a hard blow he delivered, but the 11 stood it like men.

All winning mothers are most respectfully notified that the silver pieces won in the eight leading prizes, will be suitable, and simply, engraved by Mr. Seymour, the jeweler, if taken to him immediately, at the cost of the Regatta committee.

Thus ends one of the pleasantest bits of Regatta history made at the 1908 festival. The judges are not named here, for obvious reasons!

### AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITS.

It was with a sight of relief that people entered the basement of the court house yesterday, where the agricultural exhibit and flower show are held, for there all was quiet and the noises of the streets could not be heard. A surprisingly large number visited the exhibit, not alone of country people, but many from Astoria and from other cities and towns, for the interest in things that grow in the soil seems to dwell perennially in the breasts of most people. The agricultural exhibit is small, though excel-

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