

SUCCESSFUL CELEBRATION.

Sports and Festivities Galore—
Glorious Fourth.

PERFECT IN DETAIL.

W. O. W. Hold Boards on Third—Good
Drills—Excellent Contests—Independence
Day—Big Events—Vast Crowds
of People—Program Well Carried Out
—Success Attends Everything—Com-
mittees Deserve Great Credit.

The Glorious Fourth has come and gone. It has "vanished like a wreath of mist at eve." The Third is also a matter of history. Likewise the Fifth and Sixth. It was one joyous, gladsome, mirthsome festive occasion from the initial dash out of the box on the Third, clear down the long, glittering line of events to the hot finish made by Ellis and Kane in an extemporaneous drilling contest Monday night. The celebration was a success financially, politically, morally, religiously, and reflects great credit on the various committees which took part in the great work. A vast concourse of people was here, variously estimated at from 10,000 to 50,000. The Miner does not know how many there were, and it does not presume to venture its opinion. The official count is not yet in. But it does know that there were crowds and crowds. They came in train loads from Baker City, Granite, Bourne, Whitney, Alamo, in fact from every point within a radius of fifty miles. Many who could not afford trains or private conveyances walked. But they got here and spent their money like thoroughbreds.

Lack of space forbids a detailed description of the various events which were pulled off, but it is just to say that they occurred according to advertisement, everything, and even more, in the bills being shown, one ticket admitting to the entire performance. To take up the program in its chronological order, the Third was W. O. W. day, and this order furnished the amusement and entertainment for the crowd. It was done in good shape too. Everything was like clock work. A big crowd of these people was here. They came from Baker City and neighboring camps, 400 or 500 strong. The auxiliary order, the Women of Woodcraft, came also. They were clad in glad togs and all sorts of regalia. They looked fine. Both the men and women in full uniforms gave exhibition drills on the street in the afternoon of the Third. It was good work and beautiful to see, especially the ladies all decked out marching in perfect order. Here are the things that happened on the Third:

9 A. M.—Concert by Sumpter brass band; 9:30, parade by Woodmen of World and Women of Woodcraft; 10:00, exercises at K. of P. Hall, and address by Mayor McColloch; 11:00, wood sawing contest, prize, \$10 cash. Charles Tibbs and Billy Scott won in 35 4-5 seconds. Other scores were, George Harkelrode and John Lorne 35 4-5; Billy Green and Jack Tadlock, 48 3-5;

William Graham and George Cole, 46 4-5. This was followed by a chopping contest in which Billy Johnson took the money, \$10, in 3:36. The others were Billy Scott, 4:17 4-5; Charles Tibbs, 5:30; Billy Green, 5:30; George Harkelrode, 4:58. The judges in both were Frank Root and Henry Wolking.

In the afternoon the W. O. W. ladies' nail driving contest was the first event pulled off. In this Mrs. Samantha Mitchell, of Mystic Circle, Baker City, took first prize, an emblem pin, driving 39 nails, hitting each squarely on the head, in the allotted time, three minutes; Mrs. Derrick, of San Francisco, took second, a \$2.50 emblem pin; score, 32 1/2. Others: Mrs. Carolyn Neple, Baker City, 28 3/4; Mrs. E. Brown, Sumpter, 32; Mrs. E. Bettner, Baker City, 25 1/2. Judges, Dr. Deering, Ex-Sheriff of Union county, and Henry Wolking. Time keeper, G. W. Derrick.

2 P. M.—W. O. W. ritualistic drill and floor work. The W. O. W. Uniform rank team, Queen City, took first prize for floor work. This was a beautiful gold mounted captain's sword. Following was the Women of Woodcraft's competition ritualistic drill. The Sumpter Circle got first, captain's sword; Mystic Circle, Baker City, second, silver loving cup. The exhibition drills were next, of which mention has been made.

4:30—Single rock drilling contest. Johns, first money, \$100; hole 20 inches; Watters, second, \$25, hole 16 15-16; Andregg, 16 5/8.

7:30—Firemen's contest. Hose company No. 2, of Sumpter, made a wet test in 36 seconds and claimed the prize of \$50. No other entries.

In the evening a grand ball was given under the auspices of the order. This, like all other events, was a success. So closes the first chapter.

The Glorious Fourth, the anniversary of the Nation's independence, opened most auspiciously. The weather was perfect, and vast crowds of people came from all directions.

The program was carried out to perfection in every detail. The grand parade started about 11 o'clock. It was a splendid procession. There were tastefully and artistically arranged floats, which deserve extended mention if space would permit. The well drilled W. O. W.'s and the circles were in line and everything was cleverly executed. Mayor McColloch acted as marshal of the day, with W. D. B. Dodson, J. B. Stoddard and A. P. Goss as assistants. The liberty car, drawn by six horses, was beautifully decorated. Miss Carrie Spalding made a most charming Goddess of Liberty and Sam Campbell wasn't so slow as Uncle Sam. Misses Stevenson and Stinson were maids of honor to the Goddess, and four little boys appropriately costumed represented the original cabinet. The procession formed on Mill Street across the railroad, and the following order was observed:

Sumpter band (the Baker City band failed to show up); Liberty car, Guard of honor K. of P., and winning W. O. W. team, of Baker City, Golden Circle, 329, Mystic Circle, Baker, Queen of Forest Circle, speakers' and committee carriage, Bergman's float, Club saloon float, Degree of Honor float, Calder and Durkee, wood haulers, Steve Jackson's dairy, prize bull.

The procession marched and countermarched on the main streets of the city, disbanding on Mill and Granite streets in front of the speakers stand. Dr. E. W. Mueller read the Declar-

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