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Duluth Winter Frolic, February 18, 1927

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Friday, February 18, 1927, was a bitterly cold day, so Speed Day races were postponed until the next day. On Saturday, an estimated 15,000 paid fifty cents (twenty-five cents for children) to view horse races, speed skating, and motorcycle ski-joring on a half-mile track on the lake ice off Lake Shore Park. A 9:00 p.m. dance at the Armory was the final event of the week.

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Duluth Public Library Girls in their Costumes at the 1927 Winter Frolic

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From the 2/15/1927 Duluth Herald

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Duluth Winter Frolic, February 17, 1927

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Thursday, February 17, 1927, was West End Day. Activities included a parade through the West End and an 8:30 p.m. baseball game on the ice at Wheeler Field. The American Legion Frolic Ball was held at 7:30 p.m. at the Armory.



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FROLIC PROGRAM FOR	
TONIGHT AND FRIDAY #	
IN THE WEST END.	
* 7:30 p. mWest End parade, *	
forming on Michigan street, *	
proceeding through West #	
End business district to #	
* Wheeler field.	
* 8:30 p. mBaseball game on *	
* ice at Wheeler field. *	
* 9 p. mSkating, review at #	
* Wheeler field, with prizes *	
<pre>* for the best costumes. * * 9:30 p. m.—All-city champion-*</pre>	
* 'ship speed skating at the *	
Wheeler field, boys under #	
* 20 and girls under 20. *	
DOWNTOWN.	
* 8:15 p. mProfessional hockey #	
game, Minneapolis vs. Du- #	
Iuth at the Amphitheater. * 9 p. m.—Frolic ball at the *	
* 9 p. m.—Frolic ball at the * * Armory by Freimuth em- *	
ployes, with queen and her	
court in attendance. #	
FRIDAY, LEGION DAY, #	
12:15 p. mOfficial frolic *	
luncheon of Conopus club at *	
2 p. m.—A salute by the One # Hundred and Twenty-fifth #	
field artillery; also bells *	
and whistles sounding #	
throughout the city, an-	
nouncing Frolic activities #	
for the day.	
4 p. m.—Organization stunts,	
7:30 p. mDrum corps contest \$	
American Legion Frolic ball	
at 9 p. m., with gueen and #	
her court in attendance.	

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Duluth Winter Frolic, February 15-16, 1927

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On Tuesday night, Feb. 15, 1927, the Winter Frolic parade, with 7,000 marchers, floats, bands, and drum corps, entertained an

estimated 70,000 spectators. The City of Duluth	
float was a miniature model of the new city hall.	**************************************
Wednesday was West Duluth Day, with	* FROLIC PROGRAM FOR * W
numerous activities planned including another	* TONIGHT, WEDNESDAY * wa
parade through the West Duluth business	* TONIGHT. * W8
district.	* 7 p. m.—Mammoth all-city pa- * ets * rade formation downtown. * an
district.	* 7:30 p. mGrand parade * me
	* moves along Superior street * pic * from Second avenue west to * hu
Program from the 2/15/1927 Duluth	* Lakeshore park, reviewed * act
Herald	* and city oficials. * we
	* 9 p. m.—Cosmopolitan club ball * * at the Armory, queen and *
	* her court in attendance. * act
	* WEDNESDAY. WEST DULUTH * ing * DAY. * and
From the 2/16/1927 Duluth	* 12:15 p. m.—Frolic luncheon. * ove * Kiwanis club at Hotel Du- * the
Herald	* luth, and Frolic lunchcon, * cor
	 West Duluth Business Men's * 7 club at West Duluth Y. M. * the
	* C.A. * nue * 4 p. m.—A salute by the One * line
	* Hundred and Twenty-fifth * esc
	* whistles sounding through- * of
	* out the city, announcing the * and
	# 4 p. mOrganization stunts # 3
	* and individual stunts * fur * throughout the city. * rob
	* 8:15 p. mProfessional hockey * dre
	* luth at the Amphitheater. * due
	* 9 p. m.—Frolic ball under ans- * ado * pices of Junior Chamber of * the
	* Commerce at the Armory: * Man
	* tondance
	* IN WEST DULUTH. * Mis * 1:30 p. m.—Treasure hunt * esse
	* through West Duluth busi- * edge
	* ness section. * Q
	* 3 p. m.—Fancy skating contest * cort
	* 3:30 p. mHockey game at * mon
	* Memorial park. * 4:15 p. m.—Speed skating at * as s
	* Memorial park; West Du- * teni
	* under 12. boys under 16. * sky
	 girls under 16 and free-for- * light all over 16. * the
	* 5 p. m Broom ball game at * both
	* 5:30 p. m Coasting contest *
	* for children on Central ave- * At
	* 7:80 p. m.—West Duluth pa- * with * rade forms on Central ave. * they
	* -nue for parade through * from
	* West Duruth business dis- * cont
	* 9 p. m.—Frolic ball at Odd Fel- * gifts * lows' hall, Fifty-seventh * ceivi
	* avenue west: queen and her *
	* court in attendance. * the

	was
	
PARADE SCENE SHOW	NG MARCHERS AND BIG CROWD ON THE SIDELINES
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Duluth Winter Frolic, February 14, 1927

employes.

hall, 7:30 p. ni—Coronation purade. Queen and herescort only—form-ing on Michigan st at Eighth av W. moving east on Superior st to intersection of Londom rd and down Londom rd to ice paince at Lake Shore park where coro-nation ceremonics will take place.

8:15 p. m.—Grand coronation of 1927 Frolic queen under di-rection of Junior Chamber of Commerce.

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hall.

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The coronation parade for Winter Frolic Queen Helia Nauha began on Eighth Avenue West and followed Superior Street and London Road to Lake Shore Park, where an ice palace had been constructed for the coronation ceremony. A dance at the Armory followed the coronation.

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From the 2/15/27 Duluth Herald

OFFICIAT fires a 21-gun salute at Commerce **TODAY'S PROGRAM** 9 a. m.—Salute by 125th Field Artillery at Commerce St and Third av W and bells and whistles sounding throughout the city an-nouncing opening of Monday's program. 12:15 p. m.—Official Frohe luncheons of Shrine and Ex-change clubs and the Knights of Columbus. 4 p. m.-Parade, city, court-house, and board of education 6:15 p. m.—Official Frolic dia-ner of West Duluth Cosmopolitan club at West Duluth Odd Fellows

FIREWORKS DISPLAY FOLLOWING CORONATION OF QUEEN HELIA.

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Second Annual Duluth Winter Frolic February 14-19, 1927

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The first Duluth Winter Frolic was so popular that planning for the 1927 Frolic began in April of 1926. E.P. Kreimer was named chairman of the executive committee. The 1927 Frolic actually kicked off on Sunday, Feb. 13, with a ski-jumping tournament and Olympic trials at the Chester Park ski slide. A crowd of 5,000 watched Duluthian Tommy Clark make a jump of 154 feet, the longest of the tournament. The main event on Monday was the coronation of Winter Frolic Queen Helia Nauha, which took place in the ice palace which had been constructed in Lake Shore Park (now Leif Erikson Park), followed by the Coronation Ball at the Armory. On Tuesday night, the biggest event of the week took place. A parade including 6,000 people, more than 140 floats and decorated



cars, 125 horses, and ten bands assembled at Superior Street and Second Avenue West and marched to Fifteenth Avenue East and London Road. An estimated 70,000 people lined the parade route. Additional parades took place on Wednesday (West Duluth Day) and Thursday (West End Day). Altogether, five parades were held during the week, in addition to numerous luncheons, dinners, hockey games, skating and skiing races, a baseball game on ice at Wheeler Field, Frolic balls, and a costume contest. Speed Day races scheduled for Friday afternoon on the ice off Lake Shore Park were postponed until Saturday because of cold temperatures. On Saturday afternoon, a crowd estimated at 15,000 watched various racing events held on a halfmile track on the lake ice from Fifth Avenue East to Eleventh Avenue East. Harness-horse, skating, and motorcycle ski-joring races were held throughout the afternoon. The Frolic ended Saturday night with the Carnival Ball at the Armory.

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