

Valdez to Have 'Gold Rush Days'

Fairbanksians have been invited by the Valdez Chamber of Commerce to participate in their fourth annual "Gold Rush Days" this year set for August 12-15 at Valdez, Alaska.

The 4 day celebration is Valdez at her best, according to Al Kretzler, Gold Rush Days President. During the celebration, which commemorates the discovery of gold near Valdez, will be a parade, races, a fish fry, a melodrama entitled "Dirty Work at the Cross Roads", contests, a fashion show, a queen contest and a coronation ball, Indian wrestling and much, much more.

Gold Rush Days falls during Valdez' "Silver Salmon Derby" which gets under way August 6. Kretzler points out that over a thousand dollars worth of prizes will be given away during the derby which ends September 6 and Alaskans from all over the State are encouraged to come to Valdez to take advantage of the terrific Silver Salmon fishing and Gold Rush Days.

At the close of Fiscal Year 1964, the Veterans Administration reports 18,000 Spanish-American War veterans. Administration reports 18,000 Spanish-American War veterans on its rolls. Their average age was 61 years.