



A VILLAGE CARNIVAL is a good spectator sport, especially from the river bank in the warm spring sun.

## BEAVER VILLAGE SUN BREAK

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*(EDITOR'S NOTE: Readers will remember Lindell H. Page, who was featured on page one of the Times last December for winning a state trip in the Kodak-sponsored photography program in 4-H.)*

The first weekend of April brought exciting events to the village of Beaver.

First on the agenda of the three-day village activities was a nine and one half mile women's dog team race.

Hannah Adams and her team of five huskies captured the \$30 top prize. Following closely was Maria Winer to take the \$20 second prize.

The children's race was entered by ten young mushers and teams. Bonnie Adams and her three dogs clocked the best time around the two and one half mile course.

A one dog race followed with mushers under seven years of age. Valerie Adams placed first with several other good showings from many of the village's other youngsters.

A teen-age race was held Saturday afternoon with an exciting tie for the best time. Pam Van Dyke and Roy Henry gave equal perform-

ances over the three mile trail.

Sunday climaxed the races with an eleven mile men's championship. Although a stout wind and snow flurries were present during the race, a large turnout was on hand to welcome the six returning teams.

Paul Williams with a time of 48 minutes, three seconds came in for the first prize of \$60.

Only two seconds behind was Alvin Henry. Coming in third with one dog in the sled was Clifford Adams who had won the preliminary race the weekend before.

Other events throughout the three days consisted of snowshoe races, sliding and skiing contests, a tea making race, a wood chopping race and a .22 rifle shoot.

Henry Wiehl from Rampart gave the Beaver snowshoers and wood choppers stiff competition; winning both events.

Monday evening a potlatch was held and the awards presented. The village enjoyed the carnival and is looking forward to another next year.



WINNING MUSHER—Hannah Adams gets off to a fast start over the nine and one-half mile course of the women's race held recently at Beaver.



DETERMINED SNOWSHOERS head off across Yukon River at start of children's snowshoe competition.



BONNIE ADAMS drives her team over the finish line with the best time out of a field of ten to win the children's two and one-half mile sled dog race.



GET READY, GO—and Paul William's team digs into the snow at the start of an eleven-mile race which he won.



FASTEST FIRE—and the first pot of tea will win this contest.