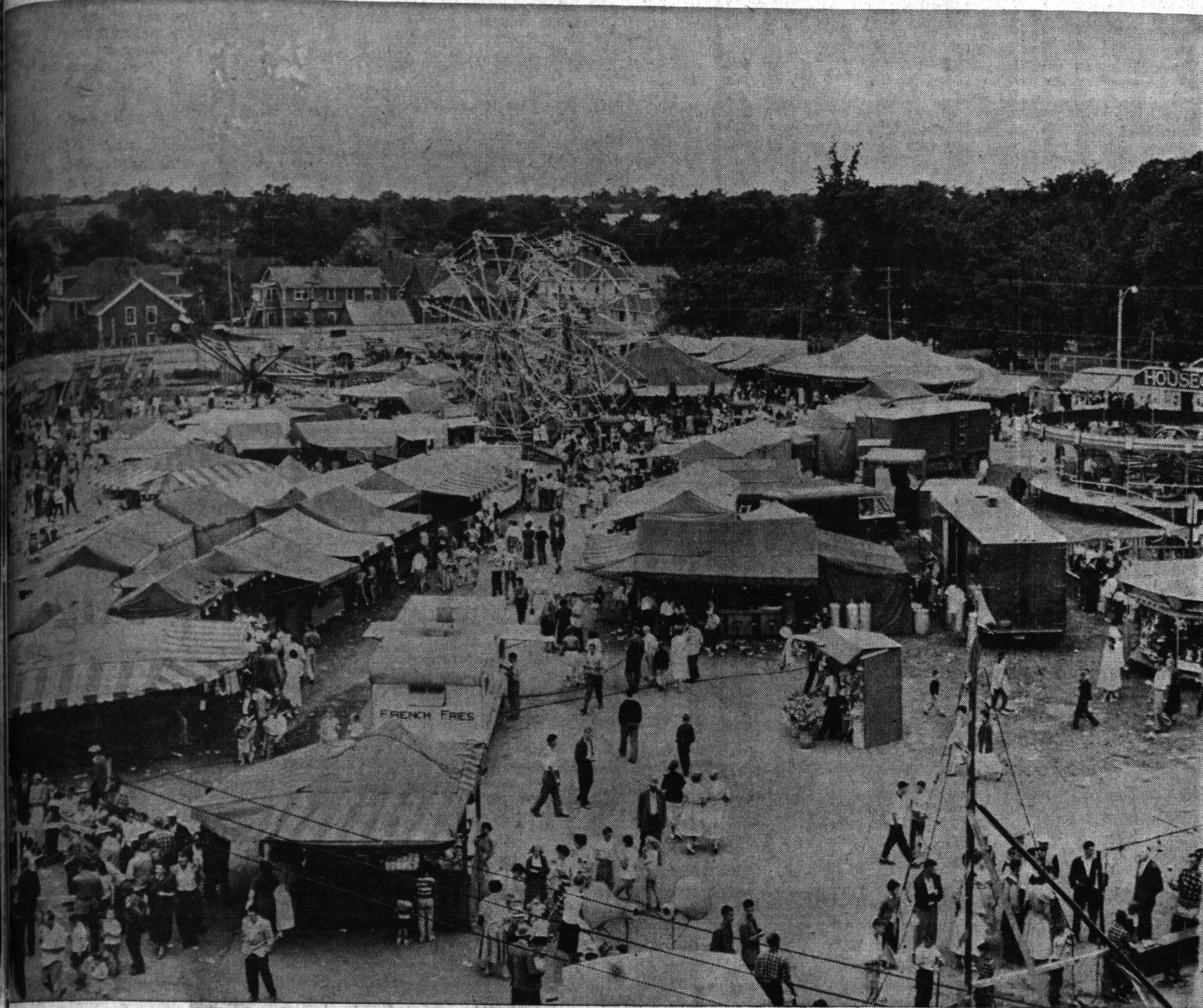


Old Home Week Advances To Peak Pace In Pleasure



THE SPIRIT OF FUN COMES IN FOCUS AT MIDWAY CITY

Civic Holiday Observed On Biggest Day Of Event

Charlottetown can really celebrate tomorrow with everybody getting into it. This city's Natal Day, a legal holiday here, coincides with the biggest day of Old Home Week.

Doing Job Seen As Hobby By Secretary Treasurer

Another busy man at this time of year is George H. Buntain, secretary-treasurer of the Exhibition Association. One of the groups that took over the operation of the Island's big fair in 1947, Mr. Buntain at that time named secretary-treasurer of the new organization a job he retained ever since. In the first few years it was extremely hard work for all of the affable Charlottetonian. "but with Jack Kennedy's 'Duck' Acorn now working the job full-time, the rest of us don't have to worry so much." A sense of civic responsibility impelled the Charlottetown business executive to place his talents at the disposal of those desiring to continue and improve the Island's annual agricultural show-window.

"Doing this job is a hobby with me now," Mr. Buntain said. "I regard it as my contribution to civic and provincial betterment. It helps to publicize the products of our rural areas and is an ex-

traordinary valuable asset to this community."

RACED

Mr. Buntain was a shareholder in the Association and raced horses at the Driving Park for many years before his appointment to the governing executive. Some of the famous racers that have carried his colors include Major Aubrey, Sampson Hal, Miss Knox, Dean Swift, and Suffolk Chief, to mention just a few.

Indeed, the "Sport of Kings" has few keener supporters in this Province than the Association's secretary-treasurer.

Mr. Buntain is president of Buntain, Bell and Company, local steamship agents, with offices at the foot of Queen Street. He is also Island representative for the Dominion Steel and Coal Company (DOSCO), now owned by A. V. Roe (Canada) Limited.

During World War Two, Mr. Buntain served six years with the Royal Canadian Navy, retiring with the rank of Commander, R.C.N.V.R.

will also be exhibitions of the handwork which occupied the winter months, the fruits, jams, jellies from rural kitchens.

BIG THRILL

In the background will be the big thrill for Islanders as the trotters and pacers come out of the backstretch to make their drive. Thousands of people will watch the harness racing but even more thousands will be studying the exhibits, watching vaudeville, visiting the cattle barns or examining the large poultry entry.

Racing at Charlottetown has always been terrific. Even when the times trotted or paced were not so fast as in other years it has been more than compensated for by the driving spirit of competition.

Though the exhibits have been shown and the kiddies rides in operation the official opening won't be held until tonight when His Honor Lieutenant Governor F. Walter Hyndman starts the big fair for the first time during his term of office.

Old Home Week here has always literally meant a homecoming with hundreds of former Islanders travelling from far places to meet again with relatives and friends. Annually, too, the Fair has attracted countless visitors who find here much of the color and life that was once an important part of country fairs. It has disappeared from many places but the local fair has never been commercialized to that extent and it still has the feel and warmth of a friendly gathering.

New Peak In Poultry Contests

A record smashing entry list promises to make the poultry exhibits this year keener than ever, according to department officials.

Figures released Monday morning showed that 424 poultry exhibits would be on display when the judging begins tomorrow under Charley Scranton, poultry

fieldman for the Federal Department of Agriculture.

The big gain has come through the duck and geese entries which have doubled over last year. Besides fowl exhibits, there are 17 eggs entered for judging including 12 brown.

The largest number of entries come under the chicken-fowl class with 137. Other large entry lists are the ducks, 97; geese, 74 and turkeys, 66.

Young Fry Find Mecca On Midway

The "Midway," a word which will be on the lips of both young and old during "Old Home Week" in Charlottetown. It is a mecca for the younger fry and a source of great entertainment for older folk. The Midway has been a popular part of the Exhibition and Old Home Week down through the years and this year will be no exception.

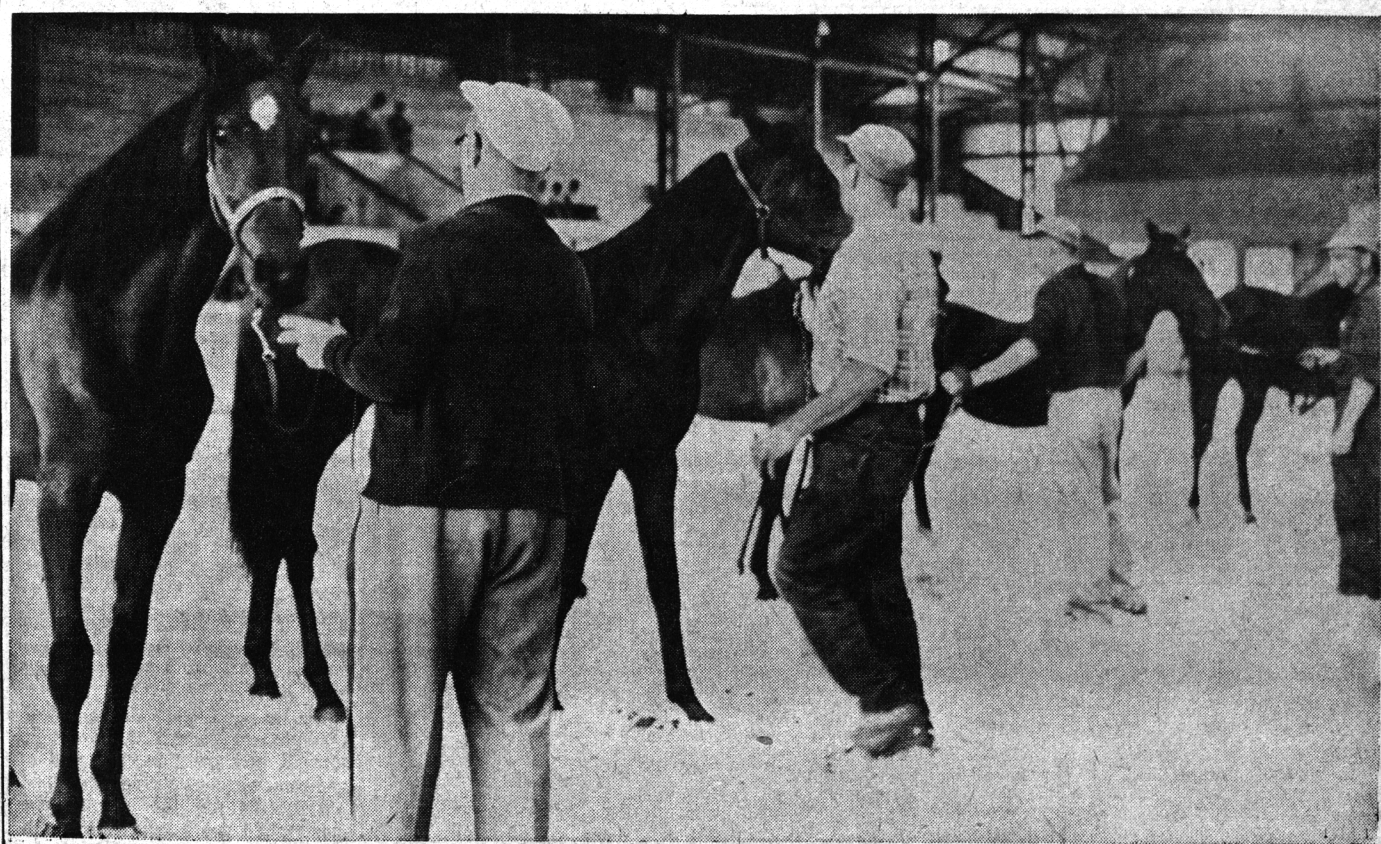
Bill Lynch and his troupe arrived by special car ferry and brought with them the greatest collection of feature shows ever offered in the Maritimes. Included in this "bundle of fun" are such old favorites as the ferris wheel, Merry Go-Round, Aero-Plane and Round-up.

The Midway, with its bright lights, wonderful smells and gay but somewhat mysterious sounds, becomes a magic land for youngsters, and for adults too, although they're afraid to admit it. For the small fry it is a place to make believe, a place in which every nook and cranny has to be explored.

The Midway also provides a barrel of fun for the older folk as well, with its games of skill and chance, such as Beat-The-Dealer and the Crown and Anchor.

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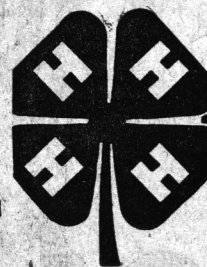
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