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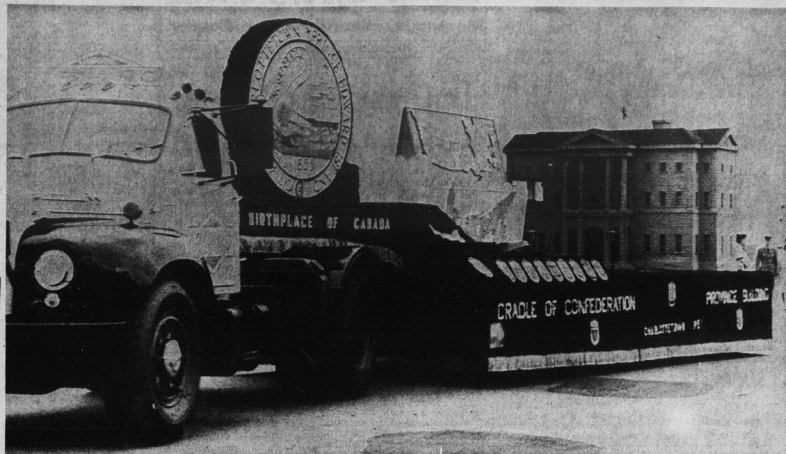
BO-KAY GARDENS WAS JUDGES' CHOICE IN THIRD CLASS



SUMMERSIDE ROTARY TOOK HONORS IN SERVICE CLUB CLASS



HIGH-STEPPING MAJORETTES CAUGHT EYES OF THOUSANDS



CHARLOTTETOWN'S CONFEDERATION FLOAT WON TOP PLACE FOR SECOND STRAIGHT YEAR

Crowds Throng Streets To View Giant Parade

By GEORGE WOTTON

Excitement, gaiety, color, and action all merged into a successful, enjoyable, fun-filled day as the Summerside Lobster Carnival commenced a week long program of events unparalleled in this province.

A crowd, estimated by carnival manager, Charles Hogan at more than 20,000 persons, lined the entire parade route to view, take pictures, and applaud the floats, bands, majorettes, marching units, and pretty girls that added brilliance and sparkle to the parade which was favored with cloudy but clear weather while most other sections of the Island were drenched with light rain or heavy showers.

Carnival headquarters in the Summerside stadium was crowded with people following the parade and throughout the evening, inspecting the various booths, displays and exhibits, and watching the events presented on the carnival stage, including the feature acts, introduction of the five former "Miss P.E.I." titleholders since 1957, together with the 17 lovely contenders for the title during the present carnival.

A large number of invited guests and carnival officials were present on stage for the official opening last evening by Hon. Leo Roanister, provincial minister of fisheries.

The delicious lobster and chicken suppers were favorably received and more than 1,100 suppers were served under the direction of Ernie Moore, with catering by the ladies of the Summerside Kinette Club.

Many visitors to the Island were among the people attending the parade, suppers, and other carnival events, and several of these had their first introduction to the delicious taste of lobster.

Horse racing in the evening at the adjacent Summerside raceway also attracted a good crowd.

The feature acts this year provide an entertaining variety of balancing, juggling, tight wire and bicycle acts presented by two attractive young couples who arrived late at the stadium yesterday afternoon but in true tradition of showmanship staged the afternoon show without the usual musical accompaniment and with a very brief minimum of time to assemble their equipment.

The Ormoco Lions Club band and majorettes, comprising some 40 band members and 38 majorettes added lively interest to the parade, and presented a band concert and majorette routines at the stadium last evening. In all, seven bands formed part of the big parade, and along with the Summerside majorettes, the Ormoco majorettes, four platoons of sailors and one from the RCAF station made an interesting array of marching units.

FISHERY DISPLAY
The fishery display extending for 84 feet along the north end of the stadium, proved a fascination to visitors who were thrilled with the motion and size of the fish which range from tiny fry up to more than two feet in length and include a number of five pound trout, a sturgeon-like lobster, flat fish, salmon, and various other kind of salt water fish, in addition to tropical fish of several kinds.

On interest also to visitors of all ages is the wild life display of animals and birds located in an area of the west side of the stadium under the bleacher seats.

APEC DISPLAY
New and interesting among the commercial displays is one under the sponsorship of APEC (Atlantic Province Economic Council) featuring an outstanding display of Island products produced by Amalgamated Dairies, Seaman's Frosted foods, and Central Creameries. This display is almost certain to surprise even Island residents with the variety and quality of the products produced by these three local plants.

Another outstanding display is the woodworking art of "Maple Tree Craft" by the Leavitts, Albertson, who have an excellent exhibit of their craftsmanship that has grown from a hobby to a full time business recognized as one of the finest of its kind in Canada.

The art exhibit, sponsored again this year by the Summerside Paint Centre, features the work of Island artists. Featured in the display are a number of seascapes and landscapes of P.E.I. Earl MacBride, one of the attendants at this display said that there are about 75 additional paintings which will be used to change the gallery around so as to vary the pattern of paintings each day.

The women's institute display of handicraft work shown again this year on the mezzanine floor in the stadium, has attracted the interest of most women visitors and is under the supervision of the Read's Corner women's institute.

NEW FACILITIES

Carnival president Ben Champion expressed the appreciation of the carnival committee last night for the pleasing attendance at the first day of the 8th annual Summerside Lobster Carnival. In his report at the official opening, he noted the improvements the committee had made since the last carnival in providing permanent quarters within the stadium for the serving of lobster suppers, and the establishment of a private room for the exclusive use of the "Miss P.E.I." contestants, during carnival week, and as a meeting place for the carnival committee during the months of pre-carnival planning, as well as serving as a place for the storage of carnival fixtures.

The carnival midway located beside the stadium offers a bigger variety of rides, booths, and entertainment than ever before, and was well patronized throughout the afternoon and evening.

LOBSTER FLOATS

The parade this year had two floats which followed the theme of the carnival by depicting huge lobsters. The float entry of the RCAF Station Summerside had a lobster replica measuring about 25 feet in length and sailed by an man in costume representing "King Neptune".

The float of Bruce McKay Ltd. had a giant lobster, and a huge lobster trap.

Today, the second day of the carnival, designated as "Children's Day," and gets underway with little league playoffs at the Queen Elizabeth Park at 9:30, with a simultaneous start made on a track and field clinic at the same park.

The Bill Lynch midway will open at 1 p.m. at the stadium.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM
The children's program commencing on the stadium stage at 1:15 will consist of a number of games arranged especially for the children, including a doll carriage parade, carnival cash awards, drawings for four bicycles, and other events of special interest to children.

The feature acts will also be presented on stage at 2 p.m. for the special delight of the youngsters.

Lobster suppers will be served in the stadium from 4 to 8 p.m., with chicken as an alternative for any who prefer it to lobster.

The preliminary judging of the "Miss Prince Edward Island" contest will begin at 8 p.m. when the 17 lovely contestants will make their second public appearance on stage.

Horse racing will commence again under the lights at 7:30 p.m. on the raceway at 8:15, with shelter and comfortable seating accommodations in the newly renovated grandstand for race fans regardless of weather conditions.

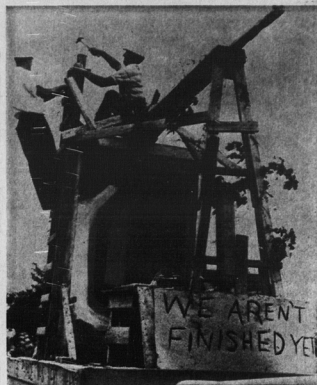
The feature acts will be seen again on the stadium stage at 11 p.m. and all of the other carnival features will be open to the public until midnight.

Vacation School Ends At Bedeque

Bedeque United Church's annual vacation Bible school closed on Friday at noon, after a successful five days, with an enrollment of seventy-five pupils.

Mrs. Ivan MacDonald was director. The leaders were: Miss Louise Calbeck, Miss Louise Peterson, Mrs. Ivan Dawson, and Percy Affleck.

Helpers were: Miss Marilyn Carruthers, Miss Linda Gould, Mrs. Norman MacFarlane, Mrs. Herbert MacDonald, Miss Jean-



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was the best vacation school so far held in this community. Much credit is due those in charge in making the school a marked success.

Rev. Mr. Estabrooks was present on the closing day and gave an address on Missions. Certificates were presented to the different classes. Lunch was served to the pupils each day.

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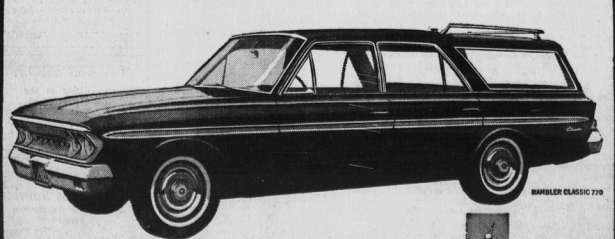
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