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NEW BRIGHTON: THE BATHING GIRL OF 1954

20th August 1954

New Brighton: A dull day on Mersey-side; but the outlook was "set fair" at the famous Bathing Pool - where the Mayor of Wallasey ^{ARRIVED} ~~chatted~~ with the judges - (which included ^{FILM STAR} Jean Kent) ^{TO} ~~before they~~ set about choosing the "Bathing Girl of 1954?"

Pretty girls from all over the country were on parade. Among the twenty hopeful finalists was ^{Pamela} ~~xxxxxx~~ Thomas of Bristol.

Three lovelies from London included ~~xxxx~~ Doreen Dawne - looking as fresh as morning glory.

Carrying local hopes was Joan Hunt of Pensby, ~~in~~ Cheshire.

Then came the usual head-ache for the judges. Here's ~~xxxxxx~~ Patricia Butler ^{no 6,} who was placed third.

And many dreams ended when Doreen Dawne awoke to find herself Miss New Brighton of 1954...

And Jean Kent presented the Silver Trophy.... Then came the Sash of Honour - not forgetting that cheque for £100..

A happy day for a smiling ~~xxxxxx~~ "dawne?" ^{out for the charming local runners-up -} ~~The runners-up were local girls -~~ Pamela Corry of Wallasey and Patricia Butler of Moyleake.