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Hastings Carnival Queen-

July 10th. '56.

L'Entente Cordiale" acquired new meaning when distinguished guests from France- (members of the "Souvenir Normand Party") shared with their British hosts ~~all~~ the fun of Hastings Carnival Week.

Joining the celebrations in Alexandra Park was the Irish film star Noelle Middleton, who was ~~was~~ ^{accompanied} by the Mayor- Alderman Hussey.

Leading the Parade, the fine band of the Boy's Squadron- Royal ~~Engineers~~ Engineers- ~~lead~~ ^{led} dignity and colour - followed by an impressive contingent of sea cadets.

And arriving for the opening event, which is, as usual, the crowning of the Carnival Queen, were ~~the~~ past holders of this proud title, and their retinues.

Important prelude to the crowning ceremony- an inspection of the Guard of Honour of Sea Cadets by ~~Miss~~ Peggy Leighton- chosen as this year's Carnival Queen.

Now ~~the~~ 21 year-old Kitty Rymer- (last year's ~~titleholder~~ titleholder), presents the Crown to Miss Middleton who, with grace and charm, performs the traditional ceremony.

And so-- A Queen is crowned- as Peggy becomes the Sovereign Ruler of the 1956 Revels.

A ~~feature~~ feature of this year's festivities, was the creation of Carnival Knights ~~who~~ ^{the first} to receive this honour were our French visitors. ~~including the hands of Biaggio and others.~~

~~Local~~ Local personalities also received the accolade from the "Queen" with ~~a~~ ^a suitably inscribed badge.

To the tempo of marching feet, the revels continued, and youthful spacemen made ~~a~~ ^{their own} contribution to this modern age.

Though ~~the~~ nearly nine hundred years have passed since the Norman invasion of Britain, the Carnival of Hastings ~~brings a new~~ ^{attracts} ~~invites~~ ^{invites} always, the Samurai of Hastings invasion of sightseers for 1956 and All That.

is bang up to date in attracting the 1956 invasion of sightseers ~~under the~~ ^{under the} ~~rule of~~ ^{rule of} charming Queen Peggy.