

NATIONAL BEAUTY QUEEN

Britain's loveliest girls parade at the Marceambe and Hoyshaw swimming stadium for the finals of the 1952 National Bathing Beauty Contest. Lancashire's own George Formby is one of the judges with Hollywood's Cesar Romero. This is Aileen Chase from Southwick.

18-year-old Lillemer Knusden is followed by London's Brenda Mee - I couldn't agree more!

Beryl Formby pays special attention to Number 7, who's Doreen Dawns, another Londoner, and husband George seems to approve too.

Which is it to be, blonde or brunette? How about Sylvia Jenkins from Southsea? Too late to change your mind now as the judges are ready with their verdict.

To lovely Doreen Dawns goes the "Sunday Dispatch" Silver Rose Bowl - and £1,000!