

BATTLE OF FLOWERS.

Flower-bedecked floats, loaded with local beauties, are greeted by thousands of holidaymakers at Jersey's great annual carnival, the Battle of Flowers. And the sun is basking out all over.

For a darkie show, sun-tan's much better, than burnt oak.

The people of Jersey held their first floral fete to celebrate the coronation of King Edward the Seventh in 1902. They enjoyed it so much that they went on holding it year after year, coronation or no coronation. Who can blame them?

Here's the first prizewinner - and well earned, though the judges must have had a problem, with so many splendid efforts.

No wonder Jersey's so popular.

Fortunately for the horses, flowers don't weigh much.

This year Jersey's very up-to-date - one float's even equipped with radar.

But why do they call it a battle of flowers? Well, nobody likes to waste a good float - so when the procession's over, the crowd take them to bits and use them for ammunition. Let's hope those roses haven't got thorns!