



MODELS IN SEPTEMBER SEVENTEEN — Nineteen-year-old Beverly Parker of Bronx, N. Y., is shown here in an outfit she models in the September issue of *Seventeen* Magazine. Beverly wears a short ribbed turtle-neck dress over matching pants, both by Knitwit, about \$20 each. A salesgirl for Abacadabra, a New York City boutique, Beverly is pictured in an "On the Job" feature.

Jumbey Festival Demonstrates Way of Life in the Bahamas

By MARJORIE L. KNOWLES

NASSAU, Bahamas — This is the age of festivals — jazz festivals, rock festivals, peace festivals and art festivals. And Nassau has its own, unique "Jumbey" Festival.

The event was held in the populous "over the hill" region of town in an area appropriately called the Coconut Grove. It went on for four days, culminating on Emancipation Day, a public holiday here.

Planned and organized as a national affair, the Jumbey festival is expected to become an annual event.

The word "jumbey" is the name of a Bahamian plant known for its medicinal value. The name was chosen for the festival to represent strength and togetherness.

As an adjunct to the Bahamas Community Development program — which promotes conservation of the islands' beauty, and social activities — the festival was designed to rekindle, encourage and to enjoy, at least for the four days, things completely Bahamian in character. Many visitors enjoyed the spectacle.

The fairgrounds covered a half-mile of neighborhood terrain and were sprinkled with stone huts depicting Bahamian village life of yesteryear. The huts — the roofs of which were thatched with palmetto palm — were constructed between and in front of several of the community homes. Samples of Bahamian culinary art, handicrafts, paintings and livestock were exhibited inside.

There has been a growing interest in national activities spurred by the effort to keep alive or re-invoke things that were so familiar in these semitropical islands. The festival was one of the largest of such efforts.

Edmund Moxey, representative for the Coconut Grove constituency and Parliamentary Secretary for Community Development, regarded the function as helping to keep alive the inherent Bahamian way of life, foresaw the festival as a means to Bahamians realize the significance of their background.

"If we are to develop into nationhood, we need to be at a level of knowing where we came from before we can determine where we are going," he pointed out.

He said the national festival has a dual purpose: to promote and encourage a Bahamian way of life and to raise funds for the various community centers to be built in the more densely populated areas on the island.

Bahamians were asked to demonstrate their community spirit and participate in the many festival events, which were officially opened by Prime Minister Lynden O. Pindling who interrupted his vacation on Andros Island to officiate.

Wearing a modest coloured dashiki with dark trousers — a form of dress he often wears when relaxing — the Prime Minister said one of the functions of community development is to dig deep into the past to find some of the answers to "who we are, where we are going, and where we come from."

BOURNEMOUTH, England — Queen's Park in Bournemouth had a 29-hole golf course until groundskeepers filled in the extra ones on four of the greens. Club officials said the spare holes apparently were bored by "someone who hates golf."

ANNOUNCING SICKLE CELL BENEFIT SHOW AND DANCE — Principals at press conference Monday announcing the forthcoming benefit game between A&T and S. C. State were (left to right) Attorney Henry E. Frye, co-chairman; Dr. Elmer Anderson of Los Angeles, member of the Sickle Cell Research Foundation's board of directors; Mayor M. C. Benton of Winston-Salem, and Albert Smith, athletic director at A&T. Game will be played Sept. 19 in Winston-Salem's Groves Stadium.



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