Cattle Festival first-year profits termed admirable

The throngs of local, parish and stateentiomists who showed for this year's 1980 Louisiana Cattle Festival got more - in fun and entertainment - than they bargained for.

All new events, fun-filled activities and an entirely revamped slate of lightedhearth, festival-oriented programs and amusement, served full measure to the thousands who attended.

They did it well and, at the same time, came out on top with some cash for next year.

From its 25-30 sources of income, festival spokesmen report total sales of almost $32,000. And once the expenses are taken away, a 1980-81 profit of approximately $9,629 shows through.

This year's profit was a small profit that the festival's 1980 budgeted balance, but indicated the transition from early festivals to cattle festival was successful and well accepted.

Expenses for the year amounted to $22,654.

Sources and amounts of income included: donations, $3,291; luncheon, $785; both rentals, $1,156; baby contest, $275; street fair, $7,000; cars and floats used in parade, $145; souvenirs, $290; queen entry fees, $70; membership fees, $230; corned beef and hail, $225; cost of $3,734, correlation, $244, program sales, $106, LAFPEE reunions, $250.; 1st year license, $1,405; governor's inaugural festival booth, $1,337.25; 2nd year license, $1,388; and auction expenses, $500.

Other expenses included: new queen's crown, entertainment for krewe and coronation, police supplies, stationary, present for outgoing queen, specialty for recreation center for 1979 festival and supper, food for governor's inaugural, ice for cake bing, visualization of recreation center for cake bing, microphone, souvenirs, essay contest, poster contest, food for police force for festival, six portables for festival, food for festival booth, raffle tickets and Vermilion Catholic auditorium rent for the coronation.

And, according to festival president Sam Theriot,