Patriotic Float — This is one of the original floats that paraded down E. Martinville's Main Street yesterday in the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the Acadians' arrival in Louisiana. (Photo: Acadian float from News Photo/Advertiser Staff Photo)

Colorful Acadian Fete Celebrated

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E. MARTINVILLE — Six thousand people turned out here yesterday to observe a huge celebration of the Fourth of July and the 200th anniversary of the landing of the Acadians in Louisiana.

The crowd was larger than expected, but the weather was cooler and more unpredictable. The morning's festivities included parades and a remembrance of the landing of Evangeline, which was held earlier. The afternoon's events continued at Par, Col. H.