

Ed Wilson crosses home plate after hitting a grand slam homer that put the Andover Little League Team out in front in their Championship Game with Scio. Photo by Burrows

Erie County Fair August 17 To 24

From a clown with nerves of steel to an announcer with a machinegun delivery — the New, 1968 Jack Kochman Hell Driver performances is a blend of a variety of skills.

The show, which will be seen at the Erie County Fair, Hamburg, N. Y., August 17th through 24th requires more than drivers to make it the national attraction which it has become.

"Whether it's the ramp men on the ground on whom the drivers must depend to execute their stunts with the least possible danger", says producer Kochman, "or whether it's the drivers themselves in the fast-moving automobiles, all of them round our one-hour and forty-five minutes program into a smooth operation."

Dave Proudman, who comes from Australia, provides the comic relief via unpredictable antics. But despite his erratic actions and baggy pants, he is a top stunt driver. He is also a steal-nerved performer, allowing swift-moving autos to come — literally — within more fractions of an inch of running him down.

Jack Plumstead is the Track Manager of the Hell Drivers. A graduate from ranks some years ago, he typifies the many young men who complete their apprenticeship as ramp helpers and mechanics to become full-fledged Hell Drivers.

Bob Conto, an experienced radio and television announcer, is probably the most important man to the fans. His rapid-fire delivery and extensive knowledge of stunt driving maneuvers, keeps the audience abreast of the fast-moving program. Conto, in addition to his duties as announcer is General Manager of the show.

The carnival has gone modern. The advance agent travels by private plane. The tearing down and setting up operations are mechanized so that they can be accomplished in jig time. Some of the chorus girls have to leave in mid-September to resume their college courses.

But it's still a carnival, with plenty of games of skill along the Midway, hair-raising rides for the adults and harmless coasters for the moppets, hot dogs and cotton candy, weight guessers and daredevil cyclists.

The world's largest carnival is the James E. Strates Shows, which travels on its own fifty-car train and keeps a thousand employees busy from April through October. Complete with snake charmer and a herd of friendly elephants, it

will be seen on the giant mile-long midway at the Erie County Fair, Hamburg, N. Y., August 17 thru 24.

Run by James Strates, the 33-year-old son of the late founder of the attractions, the James E. Strates Shows sells three million dollars worth of tickets in six months. Its 70-foot high Sky Wheel, a double ferris wheel, cost \$125,000. Daredevil cyclists perform breath-taking feats of deriding - do in the Motordrome, circling walls that are perpendicular to the ground.

Unlike visitors to a circus or show, carnival customers entertain themselves on the various rides and at the games of skill along the Midway. Like the circus, the carnival appeals to all the family.

Whereas shows and circuses are priced dismayingly high for the average family the visitor to a carnival can spend as much or as little as he likes. He doesn't need a thick bankroll to enjoy himself, and he can bypass baby sitters by taking the children with him to the show.

The carnival workers travel in specially designed sleeping cars on their own private train, complete with showers and with a restaurant car so that they can enjoy a midnight snack after the carnival has closed down.

The show has its own electricians (it carries ten power plants),

carpenter, trainmaster and an artist who keeps the wagon and trailers shining bright all summer long.

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm F. Brundage of Baltimore, Maryland announce the engagement of their daughter, Nataie Elizabeth to Captain David Fletcher Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence L. Martin, Jr., of Monson, Massachusetts.

Miss Brundage attended the University of Maryland in Germany, and is presently employed with American Machine and Foundry Company in Alexandria, Virginia.

Captain Martin is a 1966 graduate of West Point, and is presently stationed in Vietnam.

A wedding date has not been set.

Scout News

The regular Troop Committee Meeting of the Boy Scouts will be held this Monday, August 12th at the Legion Home.

To give plastic materials longer life avoid spilling abrasive powders, bleaches, dry cleaning fluids, and alcohol on them.

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Mrs. Keith A. Lockwood

Janis Kay Reil Becomes Bride of Keith Lockwood

Miss Janis Kay Reil and Keith Allen Lockwood were united in marriage Saturday, August 3, 1968 at the Blessed Sacrament Church in Andover

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Richard Harder of Andover and the late George Reil. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lockwood of Verona, N. Y.

The Rev. John R. Shea, pastor, performed the double-ring ceremony at 11:30 a. m. before an altar decorated with floral arrangements in shades of pink. Mrs. Willard Kohler of Apalachin was organist.

Given in marriage by her grandfather, Joseph Reil of Medina, the bride selected a formal, floor-length empire gown of silk organza with scoop neckline, long sleeves and waistline accented with lace and seed pearls. The lace and seed pearls were repeated on the detachable chapel train. Her elbow-length veil of silk illusion fell from a floral headpiece of lace, seed pearls and aurora crystals. She carried a cascade bouquet of bridal roses and variegated ivy.

Miss Susan Reil of Andover was maid-of-honor for her sister. She wore a floor-length empire gown of light pink crepe chiffon, with scoop neckline, long sleeves and waistline accented with matching floral embroidery. The gown was styled with a flowing coat,

attached at the shoulders. She wore a matching picture hat trimmed in embroidery and tulle, and carried a single long-stemmed red rose.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. Donald Kearney of Syracuse, sister of the bridegroom, and Mrs. Michael Royle of Alexandria, Va. and Mrs. Lawrence Reed of Caledonia. They wore candy pink gowns, styled similarly to that of the maid-of-honor, with matching headpieces, and each carried a single pink rose.

Frank Centolella of Binghamton was best man for his brother-in-law. Ushers were David Kearney of Syracuse, another brother-in-law and Ralph Zegarelli of Yorkville, and Dale Elbersen of Oneida.

The bride's mother chose a suit dress of mint green brocade with flowered beige accessories and a corsage of red roses. The bridegroom's mother selected a two-tone beige lace dress with matching accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

Following the ceremony, a reception for approximately 135 guests was held at Long Vue Restaurant, Wellsville.

The bride, a graduate of Andover Central School and State University College at Potsdam, is a mathematics teacher in the Rome, N. Y., school system. Mr. Lockwood, a graduate of Vernon-Sherill High School, is a student at

Utica College. He is employed as a metallography laboratory technician at Special Metals, Utica.

Upon their return from a trip to Virginia Beach, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood will reside on Old Oneida Road in Utica.

Prenuptial events included a shower given by Mrs. Lawrence Reed; a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Joyce of East Aurora; and a rehearsal party given by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wallace.

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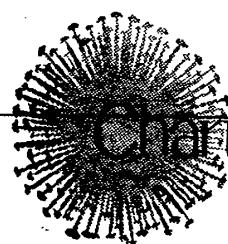
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