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Big day at Dandenong

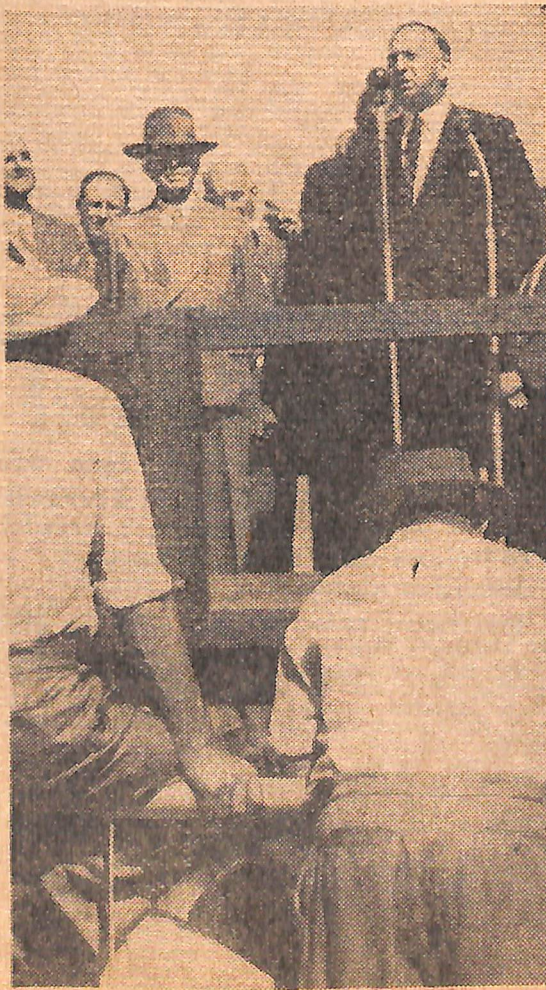


↑ **DUTCH** migrants in national costume celebrated the opening of Dandenong's new stock market yesterday with music.

↓ **THE** Premier, Mr. Bolte speaking at the opening ceremony.

DANDENONG opened its new £110,000 cattle market yesterday — and it took the New Australians to show the town how to celebrate.

The rest of the town took the opening quietly, but not Dutch migrants George and Ben Govaars.



The Govaars' garage, which is close to the market, was decorated with flags and flowers and passing motorists and customers were serenaded with cornet and accordion music.

The musicians were Dutch friends of the Govaars, dressed in national costumes and wooden clogs.

A crowd, which police estimated at 600, saw the Premier, Mr. Bolte, officially declare the new market open.

He spoke from a wooden platform over a pen holding nine prime Hereford bullocks — which were later auctioned.

The auctioneer was Mr. Stewart J. Scott, managing director of Alex Scott and Co. — a stock firm which his father started in Dandenong in 1889.

The cattle market is the first of a three-stage £210,000 plan by Dandenong Council to build a new livestock market.