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QUEEN MOTHER'S VISIT

Not since the visit of Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh in 1954 have such huge crowds thronged New Plymouth's streets. From all parts of Taranaki and King Country they came to give a tumultuous welcome to the mother of our Queen.

A pictorial record of Her Majesty's all too short visit is featured in the pages of this issue: a record of a fabulous few hours.

Picture below shows crowd on corner of Liardet and Devon streets as Royal procession moves toward Pukekura Park for civic welcome.

A sight that few were privileged to see is depicted in lower picture. Her Majesty bids a final farewell to the handful of people at Bell Block airport, before disappearing inside aircraft which flew her on to Palmerston North.

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Following the civic welcome before some 16,000 cheering, delighted citizens, Her Majesty proceeded via Liardet and Devon Streets, through lines of enthusiastic crowds to the Criterion Hotel.

The relatively orderly crowd outside the hotel, gave full vent to their emotions when Her Majesty appeared on hotel balcony (below).





After luncheon and a brief rest, an even larger crowd outside the Criterion Hotel greeted Her Majesty as she climbed into car to leave for airport.

Above: Arms were raised high and even a few hats flung into the air.

Below: And the Queen Mother acknowledged the cheers with the same charming wave.



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Stella Hodgkiss and Pat Bell general knowledge of

"Miss Brooklands"

Plymouth's most charming young ladies were entered for the title of Miss Brooklands, a title which carried with it over C200 in suitable gifts donated by New Plymouth retailers, in addition to 4 days in Hastings as Guest of Honour.

Girls were judged principally on their ability to act as an ambassadoress for New Plymouth.

Each entrant was Co-organisers and chaperones questioned on her the district and tested in public speaking and poise.







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Above: JOLL-McLEOD: At Hely Trinity Church, Titsrey, Beverly, younger daughter of Mrs I.B. McLeod and the late Mr M.L. McLeed, Waipu, to Jack, only sen of Mr and Mrs J. Joll, Seaview Road. Future home: New Plymouth. Bride and groom are pictured with Hely Trinity Church choir of which the bride was a member.

Below: CHRISTIFAL-VALENTINE: At Hely Trinity Anglican Chruch, Fitzroy, Marie Geraldine, youngest daughter of Mr E.J. Valentine and the late Mrs Valentine, Palmerston, Otago, to Lieutenant David Alec, R.N.Z.N., younger son of Mr and Mrs W. Christifal, Fitzroy. Future home: Auckland.

Bridesmaid is Miss Pamela Jones, Palmerston, Otago, and best man is Lieutenant W.G.E.Low, R.N.Z.N.

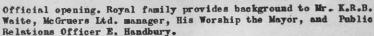


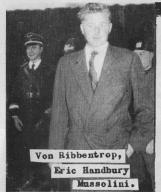
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WAXWORKS DISPLAY

Never has New Plymouth been host to so many celebrities.





Sponsored by Mo-Gruers, with proceeds to Public Relations, some 60 figures from famous waxworks of Madame Tussaud were displayed recently in Whiteley Hall.

Most were delighted with the display; a few youngsters were puzzled and some even frightened, by these startlingly realistic figures



Girls admire burly Yeoman of the Guard at entrance to McGruers.



and Field Marshal Montgomery.

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Atop Everest with Sir Edmund Hillary and Sherpa Tenzing.

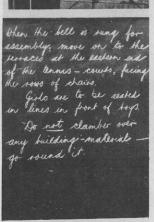


Henry VIII's colourful costume attracted many eyes.









....and this is what it said

New School

With improving standards of education and an ever increasing number requiring that education, there is a constant call for new schools. This call was answered on Feb 3rd with the opening of the new Devon Intermediate School.

The first day rell registered some 360 pupils to start their 1958 school year in 10 gleaming new class-rooms.

Although parts of the new building are not yet completed, such as assembly hall (below left), school will continue while contracters complete their teek











Baby Contest

Which is the nicest baby? This is the kind of question which causes endless debate and never really reaches a final decision.

When the carnival committee arranged a baby contest to run in conjunction with the Mardi Gras, many mothers brought along their babies, perhaps to try to find an answer to this age-old question.







One of the principal features of the Mardi Gras was the Miss North Island contest, a popular feature which found good support from the public. Winner of proud title was Miss Susanne Pinhey, Sanders Avenue, pictured above with the five



Above: Compere Laurie Petty was all for making the most of the moment by joining Miss North Island (Susanne Pin-hey) on stage for this picture.

Right: The five finalists join their judges on stage for their photograph.



Pilot Colin Vickers in cockpit.

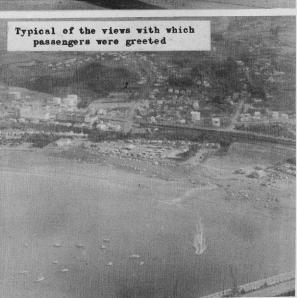
Top Set Air Travel Winner of popular girl contest, Val Jones, Fitzroy, shows her appreciation.

Amphibian's Visit

Yet another of the many attractions at Ngamotu Beach this year was a Cessna amphibian, or seaplane, as it was known to most. Operating daily from the beach, craft took passengers on a scenic flight over New Plymouth and environs, was kept fully employed throughout duration of its stay here. Aircraft attracted constant attention from crowd, made an impressive picture as it waited on beach for next load of eager passengers.







Packed refrigerator sways across on overhead trolley.





Outback Refrigerator

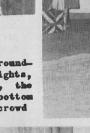
Moving an eight-cubic-foot refrigerator into a home is no easy task at any time. When, however, this bulky piece of merchandise is required for a home miles from a main highway, with the only means of access an overhead trolley suspended over a threatening river, then the task becomes really difficult. Such was the case with a new""frig." for Mr. and Mrs. L.H.C. Blackwell, Pukeruru, seven miles up Awakau Road from Awakino and across the Mokau River.







Wigh a combination of beautiful beach, round-abouts, bowling alleys, sideshows, searchlights, and a show in the soundshell every night, the carnival attracted thousands. Picture at bottom right, taken from soundshell stage shows crowd assembled on final night of talent quest



Above left; His Worship the Mayor, Mr A.G. Honnor opens the Mardi Gras.

Above right: Bruce
Hannah, 6 year-old
accordionist from Palmerston North.

Right: Kiddies enjoyed the cokedrinking contest.

Lower left: Winner of contest for best decorated bike was Jarram Patel, Bridle St., pictured here with John Hill, Tor Street.



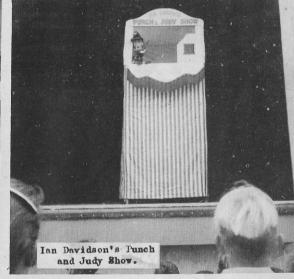
















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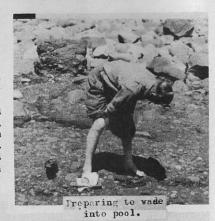


On arrival at Kawaroa Park drivers were instructed to report to marshall somewhere on ground who would supply them with a small red disc. Marshall was none other than girl (above) innocently leaning on band rotunda. From there to marshall seated in centre of paddling pool, (right).



What a Rally!

One of the most hilarious runs organised by the car club took place recently, Cars received instructions at Buatoki Domain (left) and from there proceeded by a winding route to Kawaroa Park, where the really started!











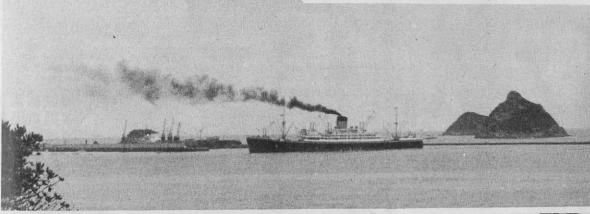


She Carried the Queen

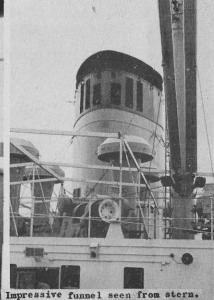
When Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip visited New Zealand four years ago, they arrived in the Shaw Savill liner "Gothic". Consequently when the "Gothic" visited New Plymouth recently "Photo News" went along to take a look.

Two pictures at left are views of the very modern and fully equipped wheelhouse, incorporating the latest in echo sounders and radar.

Above: View of saloon which includes grand piano at left back near lamp standard.







Re-shoeing after

paddling ordeal.





tara High School on the occasion of a farewell to Miss Ruth Day, more affectionately known to all as "Daisy".

Below left: Part of a gymnastics display, at an Inglewood Kindergarten money - raising afternoon.

Below right: Miss Audrey Schriber of Inglewood, who recently retired from her post as a



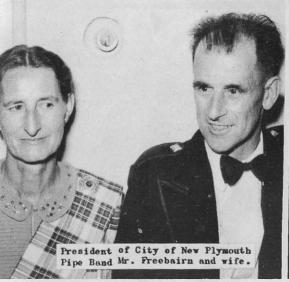


Burns Night

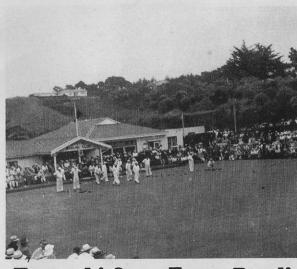
Sponsored by the New Plymouth Caledonian Society, a "Burns Supper" was held here for the first time in fifteen years. By bringing together groups who would obviously have an interest in Scotland's bard, the Caledonian Society hope to make suitable arrangements to Celebrate Robert Burns' 200th anniversary next year.

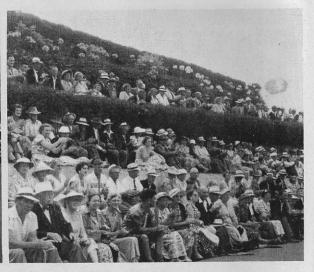
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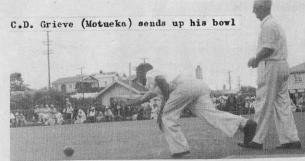






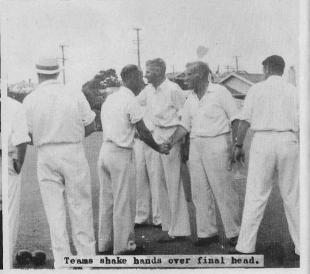
Taranaki Open Fours Bowling Tournament

The fifty-third tournament of New Zealand's second largest bowling tournament, brought 146 fours from other centres. This is not the largest the tournament has known, but it was none the less spectacular for all that. As bowls is Taranaki's most popular summer sport, this tournament rouses almost as much public enthusiasm as Rugby does in the winter season. The support given the tournament is well shown by the two pictures above. That on the left was taken on the day of the cemifinals, and the right-hand picture at the finals between the Motueka and Manawatu fours.





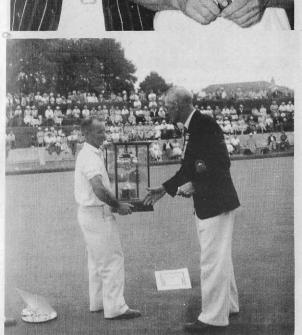












the occasion, the last day only being doubtful. Above: The finalists: Grieve's Motueka four at left, the first South Island team ever to carry the coveted J.D. Goodwin Trophy home, and right, Foster's Manawatu four. runners-up.

Left: Messrs. R.H. and N.E. White, Vogeltown, the popular father and son combination who ran out as winners of the pairs tournament.

Right: This scoreboard roused much interest, for its "one up" on each of eleven heads.

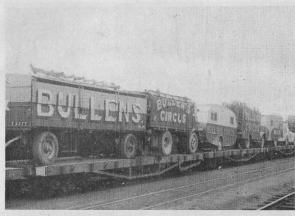
Below left: C.D. Grieve receives the J.D. Goodwin trophy from Taranaki Centre President Mr. N.G. Davis.

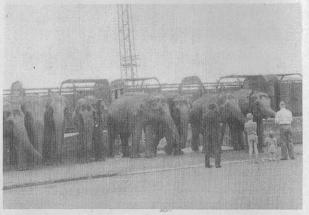
Below right: At presentation table: Mr. Davis, Miss Davis, who acted on her mother's behalf, Mrs Goodwin and Mr. L. Cave, secretary of Taranaki centre.





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WHEN THE CIRCUS CAME TO TOWN

The arrival of Bullens huge circus in New Plymouth added even more to the already large list of attractions available for the entertainment of Christmas/New Year holidaymakers. The arrival of the circus train at the station (above left) and, especially, the disembarking of the elephants (above right) was a delight to all.

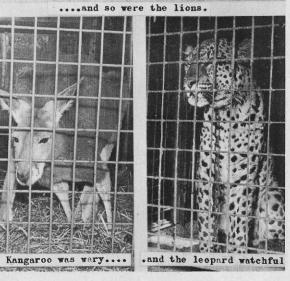






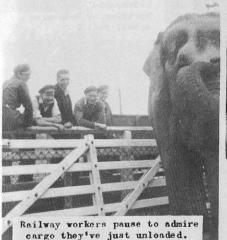


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"Cheaper by the Dozen"

That might well be the question to ask of Bullens Circus regarding their retinue of elephants. And such handy creatures to have around too. As well as being a first class attraction for the huge crowds which gathered to watch them they can lend a hand, or rather a trunk, to all the heavy lifting and pushing required.







Coming of age

Left: Miss Jennifer Tate, pictured here with her parents, at her 21st birthday held in Brixton Hall.

Below left: Miss Barbara Mackay, (left) pictured here with her sisters Raewyn and Pamela, at her 21st birthday held at Excelsior Hall.

Barbara is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Mackey, 125 Gill St.

Below right: Miss Beverley Glenday, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G.S. Glenday Somerset St., who celebrated her 21st birthday at Welbourne School Hall.







Above: LAY-ROBERTS. At Holy Trinity Church, Gisborne, Margaret Anne Roberts, only daughter of Mr and Mrs F.W.Roberts, 121 Stout Street, Gisborne, to Dr. Stanley Peter Lay, eldest son of Mr and Mrs S.A.Lay, 9 Hawkins Street, New Plymouth. Attendants, left to right, are Dr. John Blennerhasset, Wellington, Mrs Judith Clare. Gisborne, Dr. Gavin Andrews, Wellington, Miss Jennifer McLauchlan, Auckland, Mr King Martin, Wellington, and Miss Judith Oakden, Gisborne. The flower girl is Susamme Helleur, Waipawa, cousin of the bride. Future home, Gisborne, where the bridegroom is at Cook Hospital.



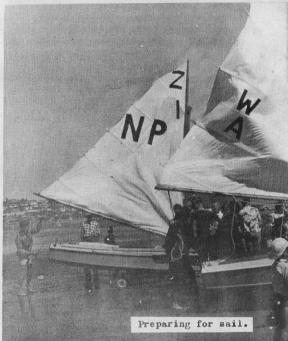


Fifty years of married life is indeed a time to mark with some form of celebration. On this page are two pictures of golden wedding anniversaries, two of many wedding anniversaries which have been celebrated in Taranaki recently.

Below left: Mr. and Mrs. W.A.W. Hodder, Boone Street, who celebrated their golden wedding amongst friends at the home of their son at Okato.

Below right: Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Butler, Rahotu, at Rahotu Hall where their golden wedding was celebrated with a gathering of some 150 friends and relations.





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Cornwell Cup

For the second year in succession the New Plymouth crew collected the Cornwell cup in an easy victory over many formidable visiting opponents.

A near gale on the final day caused numerous upsets, but Brian Thomas and Ian Barry came to victory again.





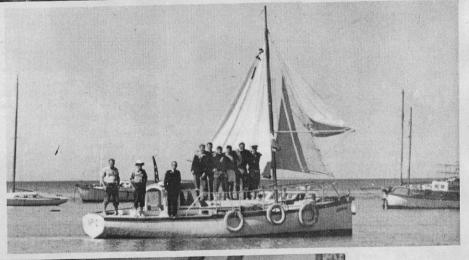


Winning the Cornwell
Cup for the second
year in succession was
not just luck. Brian
Thomas and Ian Barry,
pictured left receiving cup, prepared and
trained for this big
occasion and it was
their fine sailing
that gave them their
fully justified win.

Winners are seen, (left) receiving cup from Mrs. Robbie Galvin, the Commodore's wife. Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Aderman are seated.

Right: On the last day of the regatta a special executives race brought forth an astounding selection of boats. The yacht club's flagship, "Hine maru", under full sail was surely about the strangest "Z" class yacht ever sailed.

Below: Cornwell cup delegates at the presentation evening held in club's pavilion. (PRCTURES BY CRAGO STUDIOS.)





At least. 20,000

READERS

in
Taranaki
and
elsewhere
in N.Z.

enjoy

each month.





Above: Miss Naomi Russ, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alden Russ, Huatoki Street, to Larry, George, only son of Mrs. Kath. George, Pioneer Road, and the late Mr. George.

Above: Miss Fay Naylor, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.T. Naylor, Barrett St., to Harry Edward Looney, Koru Road, Oakura. Miss Naylor was recently privileged to attend the garden party for Her Majesty the Queen Mother at Government House, Welling-

Below left: Miss Janice Brighouse, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.T. Brighouse, Sackville St., to Russell Murtagh, second son of Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Murtagh, Manaia. This picture was taken at the engagement party and shows the couple with Miss Brighouse's grandmother, Mrs. R. Brighouse, Glenpark Avenue.

Below right: Annette May, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Giles, to Rodney Seymour, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Greensill.







Roving Camara

Left: Taken at a welcome home party to Miss Carol Morrice, Climo St., on her return from a year in Australia.

From left - Beverly Murtagh, Shirley Woodhead, Anita Good, Carol Morrice, Marie Sadler.

Koala bear was brought home from Australia Carol's little sister.

Right: Santa Claus as he appeared at Ex-Navalmens Christmas party.

Mrs. McRae holds on to 21 month old Carolyn McRae as she receives her first ever Christmas present.

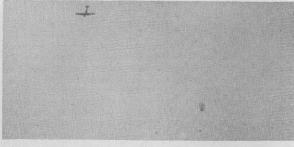


Left: 5 year old Judy McDonald of Warea, with her birthday cake at the Warea School Annual Break-up Fancy Dress. This delightful cake was decorated by Mrs. V Muir of Warea.

Right: Clare Burkett, Omato Road, with two friendly pigeons belonging to her cousin Leo Burkett.











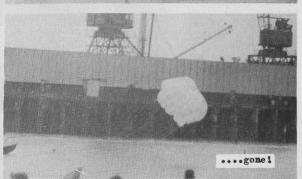


It would not be possible in this edition of "Photo News" to fully cover all the myriad events which took place over the holiday season, but it would be hard to overlook the spectacular descent at Ngamotu Beach by Auckland Parachutist Peter Dawson. Piloted by Happy Jones, pictured with Peter at top left, parachutist was released from aircraft over harbour and drifted slowly down (above) towards the hundreds of pairs of skyward turned eyes.

Below: Weighed down with burden of sodden parachute Peter Dawson wends his way up beach through hosts of admiring youngsters.















Searchlight Display

Of all the many attractions featured at Ngamotu Beach during the holiday senson, none had a more novel effect than the two huge searchlights. Through the use of special filters on the lights, they provided a kaleidoscope of colour playing over the heads of the gathered holiday crowds.







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RACE DAY AT OAKURA

Despite rather windy conditions, many keen finishes and a crowd out to enjoy themselves made the day at Oakura Beach a most successful one.

The horses had to The horses had to race through streams of water (left) but it just helped to add to the novelty.

Only a neck each way separated the first

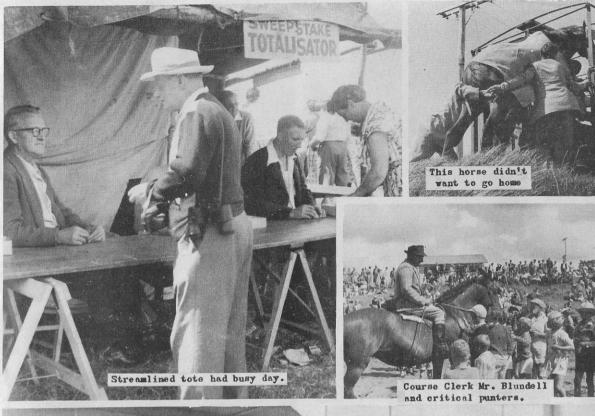
separated the lifet three horses in the big cup race, which paid a 30/- dividend to the lucky punters.





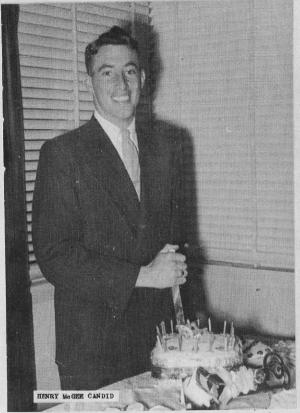








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Coming of age

Above: Mr. James Barry Pepperell, who recently held his twenty-first birthday party at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.J.R. Pepperell, 15 Queen's Road, Fitzroy.

Belows An impromptu skiffle group at Barry's twenty-first, featured Barry on accordeon.



Above: Close on 200 guests attended Mangorei Hall recently to join in the twenty-first birth-day celebrations of Miss Nina Atkinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G.F. Atkinson, Inglewood.



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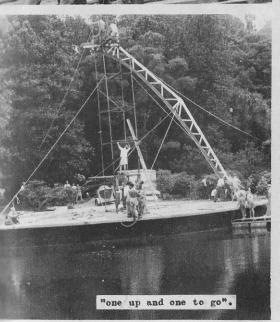
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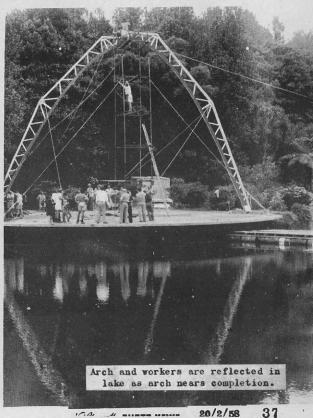




Preparing for the Festival

With less than a week to go before the opening of the "Festival of the Pimes" all haste is being put to the last minute preparations. Hopes are high for a successful festival - one to justify the tremendous amount of voluntary work which has gone into the preparation of the site. While it was but one phase of the work, raising the festival arch was no mean task. Nor was the preparation of the seating.





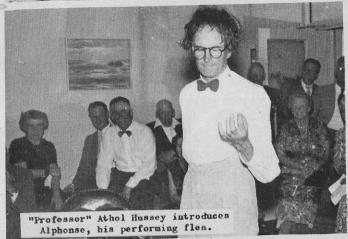


the end of an enormous cigar.



Fun in the Lounge

For some years during the Taranaki Open Four. Tournament, it has been the custom with bowler. domiciled at the White Hart Hotel, to arrange a evening's entertainment in the hotel lounge. Th evening was an hilarious one for all concerned.







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BOWLERS' CONCERT

A packed Opera House (right) enjoyed every minute of the concert arranged of local and visiting artists to entertain the visiting bowlers.

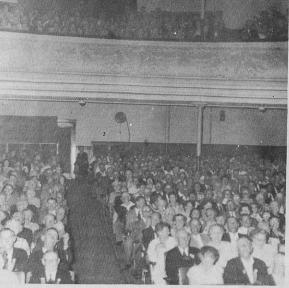
The fact that Marilyn Monroe (left) was really Jim Hannan, worried none. It was almost as good as







Compere Cran Gilmour.











Above left: Mr. Leonard Jarret, only son of Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Jarret, whose 21st birthday was celebrated at his home, 43 Whiteley St. Above right: Miss Wisneski, Marie Frankley Road, who celebrated her 21st at Kawaroa Bungalow. Left: Miss Rattenbury, pictured with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Rattenbury, Uremui, who recently celebrated her majority.



Marching Girls on Parade

Junior and Midget marching girls from all parts of the North Island made a spectacular display on New Plymouth's Pukekura Park recently, to the delight of the large crowd assembled to watch the marching championships.







and Ron Sharpe, Midhirst.

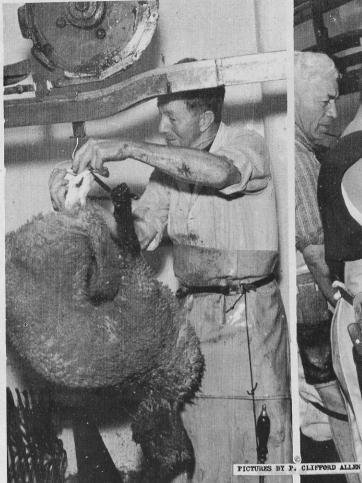


Majorettes juniors, New Plymouth.





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Sheep Killing Competition

When Thos. Borthwick & Son held a field day at their Waitara freezing works, all hands were at the ready to make the best of the competition sheep killing task in front of





Above left:
Carcase gets
final dressing
Above right:
Weight ticket is attached efter weighing.
Right: And
from here the judge. take over t judge the promising entries in competition.

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THE COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS

Annual XMAS CHEER Trip

FOR CHILDREN in HOSPITALS





Bringing Christmas

Cheer



To spend Christmas in hospital is most unpleasant for anyone. For a child it could be a near catastrophe.

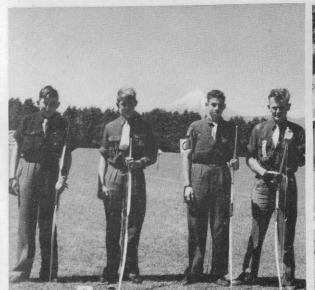
The Commercial Travellers and Warehousemens Association for Taranaki brightened the lives of children in hospital over the festive season by calling on them with presents and goodwill.

Three patients pictured above can now enjoy Christmas. Look at that gleeful grin adorning face of 6 month-old baby.

Above: Commercial Travellers are sometimes referred to as "Windbags", but look at the concentration and struggle they are having to get that wind into balloons with which to decorate the ward.

Right: Santa Claus waves out to passersby as he moves in the procession Devon St. towards the hospital. Included in procession was Pipe Band which provided suitable music from hospital grounds.





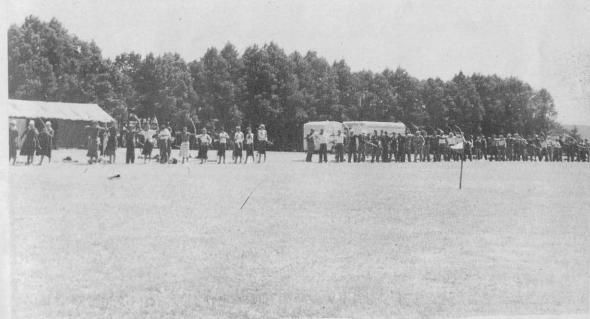


Robin Hood's Merry Men (and Women) of 1958

New Plymouth has had a good share of national championships in many fields of sport already this year and, what is more, there is more to come. While not as crowd-pleasing as other tournaments, the National Archery Championships, held here recently, displays its own brand of the spectacular. For several days archers drew their bows, arrows sliced through the Taranaki air, and sank hard into heavily padded targets.

Above: left: Mount Egmont and perimeter of pines fore background to this picture of New Plymouth's Greenwood Archers.

Above right: One of the neatest uniforms to be seen were those of the Howick Women's team. Below: General scene on Sanders Park as archers prepare for mass shoot.



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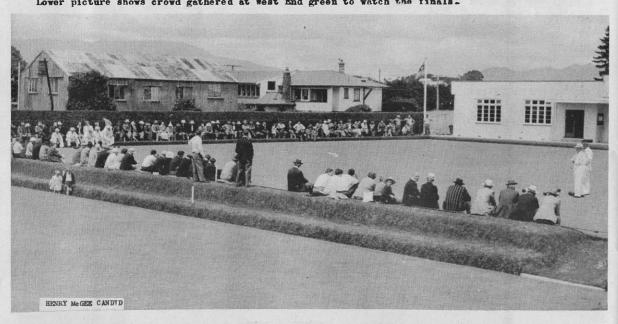


New Year Bowls Tournament

After a closely contested game, held at the West End Club's green, a Kaponga Club team, skipped by L. Spurdle, beat C. Cook's East End team by 22-18 in the final.

The winning Kaponga team, pictured above, comprised R. Frost, J. Scott, L. Scott and L. Spurdle (Skip). The East End team was N. McArtney, C. Stewart, D. George and C. Cook (Skip).

Lower picture shows crowd gathered at West End green to watch the finals.



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Jaycees' Christmas Wind-up

After a very active year, the Jaycees' of New Plymouth gathered for the presentation of their Bruce McIntyre Cup, awarded annually to the outstanding Jaycee Member of the year. The man to receive the coveted award this year was Leo Ferguson, pictured above receiving the applause of fellow Jaycess. Following the presentation, Jaycees enjoyed an informal "get-together".



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It's an old Scots' customl. The traditional custom of piping bride and groom from the church following ceremony observed at the wedding of Miss Hanning and Mr. Freebairn, the details which are below. Piper John Hanning, brother of the bride.





Wasding Balls

Above and left: At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Barbara Mary, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.K. Hanning, Tukapo St., to Barrie Bruce, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Freebairn, Plimton St. Future Home: Wellington. The bridesmaids and flowergirl are pictured with the bride at left.

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Right: OKEROA-LEATHERBY:
At Pungarehu Roman Catholic Church, Carol Ann,
younger daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. J. Leatherby,
Rahotu, to Dan, eldest son
of Mrs. P. Okeroa, Pungarehu, and the late Mr.
Okeroa. The bridesmaids
are Dawn Mahotungo, Opunake, sister of the bride;
Janice Astwood, Okau,
bride's cousin, and Mona
Leatherby, Rahotu.

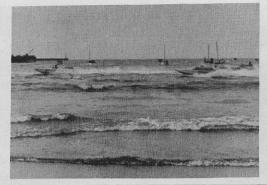
Flowergirls are Robyn Lowe, Waitara, and Lee Glengarry, New Plymouth.



Speedboat Regatta

A choppy sea made the going rough when the North Taranaki Power Boat Club held the regatta at Ngamotu Beach recently for the Jesta Trophy.

Winner was Ralph Whitwell (Mangakino) in "Jimmy Cee".



The Jesta Trophy was presented to the club by Mr Nev-ille Roebuck and is a scale model of his own boat.

Trophy is awarded to fastest boat powered by a car engine.



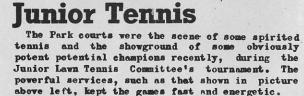


















Coming of age

Left: Miss Maudie Bellshaw, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Bellshaw, Cutfield Road, who recently celebrated the attainment of her majority, with an evening at Westown Hall.

Maudie is pictured here with her perents as her father hands her the traditional "key of the door".

Right: A scene at Ngamotu Beach Palladium on the occasion of the twenty-first birthday of Mr. G. Wilmshurst son of Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Wilmshurst, Dawson Street. At left of picture is Miss

A. Butterworth, Nelson, Mr. Wilmshurst's fiancee.





Left: Miss Dawn Raill, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P.N. Raill, Koru, who celebrated her twenty-first birthday in the Koru Hall.

Miss Raill is pictured here with her family.



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GOLDEN WEDDINGS

Above left: Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis, Waitara. Above right: Mr. and Mrs. H. Sampson. Bell Block.

SILVER WEDDINGS

Below left: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene (Tim) Lynch, Clinton Street.

C.O. Heatley, Bayly Road.



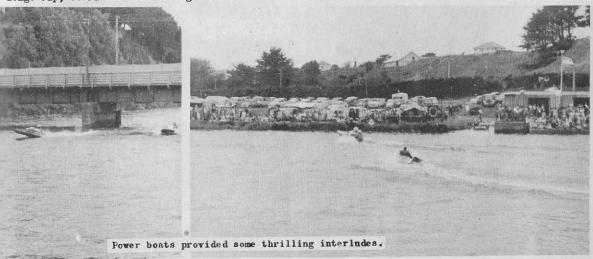






Rowing Regatta

The Clifton Rowing Club's annual regatta produced some fine rowing and close finishes despite the rather rough conditions in the Waitara River. Clifton had a runaway victory in the Collier Challenge Cup, awarded to the club gaining highest aggregate points over the day's events.





Finish of Maiden Double Sculls shows Clifton's P. Montgomerie and G. Paltridge, winning by a length from the Aramoho boat.



Left: McKAY-SPENCE: Peggy Jon, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs B. Spence, Omata. to Raymond Kenneth, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D. Mc-Kay, New Plymouth.

Bridesmaid is Miss Patricia Spence, sister of the bride, and best man is Mr Desmond McKay, brother of the groom.

Picture below left shows Janet and Faye Spence, sisters of the bride, with the lucky horseshoes they presented to their sister.



Married



Right: McKEON-ROWBOTTOM: At St. Mary's Anglican Church, Nora Elizabeth, youngest lenghter of Mr and Mrs Rowbottom, Edale, near Sheffield, England to Terence, younger son of Mr and Mrs E.R.McKeon, Glen Almond St. Future home: New Plymouth.

Attendants were Misses Thea and Lyn McKeon, sisters of the groom, and Mr Billy Brown, New Plymouth.





SPEED! And speed aplenty it was

when the North Taranaki Motor Cycle Club held a short circuit grand prix for the first time on a sealed track at Bell Block Airport.

Seven events during the day each with a good number of entries, kept spectators on their toes.

Top race of day was Taranaki Grand Prix of 25 laps. Senior trophy was presented to Bill Dempster, Te Awamutu, placed third (left). Junior trophy went to first place getter Hughie Anderson, Ohinewai (right).

Above right: Starters in 5th race line up for 350c.c. handicap.

Below: Spectators received full share of thrills.





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Watersiders' Day Out

Every year a special train sets out from New Plymouth to carry its passengers to Eltham for a day of fun and games known to all as simply "The Watersiders' Picnic".

This year found the train as crowded as ever of people of all ages out to enjoy their day to the full.

Picnickers joined train at all points. Group above left climbed aboard in Breakwater Road, while others met the holiday express at stopping places all the way to Eltham.







Wedding Bells

SMEATON-LOCKE; At Holy Trinity Church, Elsie Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Locke, New Plymouth, to Barry Colquhon, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. P.C. Smeaton, Waiwaka Terrace.

The bridesmaids are Rosemary Locke, sister of the bride, Heather Smeaton, Jan Wilson and Anne Brewster. The best man is Mr. John Hanning. Future Home: Tawa Flat, Wellington.

Wedding ceremony was a choral service and picture below shows bride and groom with members of Holy Trimity Choir. Bride was superintendent of the Sunday School: groom was a Sunday School teacher and also a server at the church.



assure readers that this will be fully rectified with the next issue due on

Your editor sincerely regrets the omissions, but can

An Apology Owing to the tremendous wealth of news material for inclusion in this issue of your Photo News, it has not been possible to feature all the weddings and other social activities which have taken place since the last issue.

Val Dismonth BURTE WELLE



to Hospital

Sounds silly, but that's just what happened here in New Plymouth when Mr. Stafford Bullen took along an elephant from his circus, and a searchlight from Ngamotu Beach and paid a visit to hespital Datients. When the searchlight proved too heavy a burden for car to tow up hill (above) elephant willingly gave a helping hand.



And here's Mark Bullen aloft.



son Mark to offer mouth organ.







The strip-tease. They called her Desiree Vauchelle. Who was it? - Your guess!

Beach Gala

To provide entertainment for the thousands who came to New Plymouth to see the Queen Mother, a special gala was arranged on Ngamotu Beach

The weather could hardly have been more suited to a beach function.

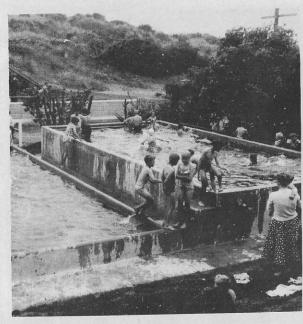
The heat was oppressive, the water was fine, the sun was blazing; little wonder that many of the thousands who came to the beach made straight for the sea.

There were still many people left to enjoy roller-skating demonstrations, instruction by surf lifesaving club members in artificial respiration, as well as the show in the soundshell.









Fitzroy Paddling Pool

opened pool. They too said it was fine.

Of no small credit to the work of the Jaycee organisation in New Plymouth is the opening of Fitzroy's paddling pool. After a great deal of organisation and work had gone into it, the pool was officially opened shortly before Christmas.

Above left: General scene after opening.

Above rightm Convenor of this Jaycee project,
Leo Ferguson naturelly had to be first to sample
the water. "Come on in, it's fine," he said.
Right: Official opening by his Worship the

Mayor A.G. Honnor.

Below: Children enjoy first splash in newly











Mother pig surrenders to family desires





Degs were great attraction for youngsters....



At the Show

One of the most successful Taranaki A & P shows drew thousands of people to Waiwa-kaiho showgrounds two weeks back. Some were there as exhibitors, some judges, yet others to survey the wealth of the province, most, however were there simply to enjoy all the fun of the fair.

There was ample variety in the programme to keep all tastes fully occupied.

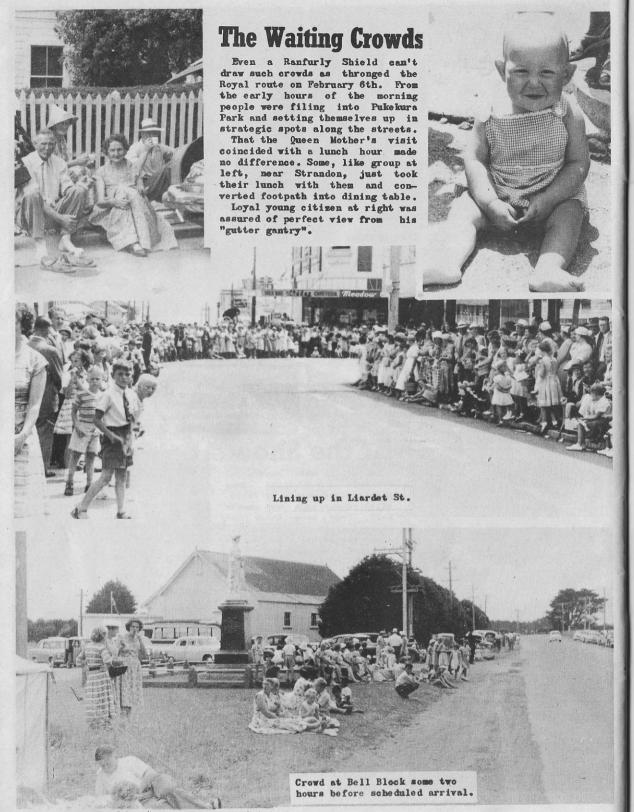
In addition to the exhibits and ring events, the New Plymouth Kennel Club added to the day's attractions with a championship show, for the first time at a local summer show.

Left: Champion bull displayed no desire to have his photograph taken. Cameraman, fortunately, came to no harm.

Right: Big Chief Little Wolf, in Amusements area, used members of his audience to demonstrate his wrestling prowess.



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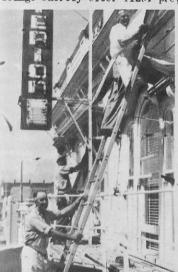


Where the Queen Mother Dined

a considerable amount of money and a tremendous degree of work went into preparing the Criterion Hotel for its Royal visitor on Feb 6th. The proprietor Mr. C.J. Petry spent many hours in planning and the hostess Mrs D.E. Connell made a superb job of the floral decorations.

Above left: Head waitress Miss Rae Callaghan (right), head steward Mr. Cyril Collins and Miss Jean Sykes discuss the menu.

Above right: Mr Petry and Mrs Connell pictured in the beautifully appointed Queen Mother's dining lounge shortly after final preparations had been made for Mer Majesty's arrival.



Left: Workers on roof of hotel affix decorative bunting. Right: Radio commentators opposite hotel shelter from heat under colourful umbrellas.

Below left: Her Majesty no foubt noticed decorations on this house in Liardet Street.

Below right: View of huge crowd in Devon Street seen from Criterion Hotel.







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Above: BOLTON—BRIANT. At the Matawhero Presbyterian Church, Marion Lesley Briant, daughter of Mr and Mrs S.D.Briant, Patutahi, to Colin Keith Bolton, son of Mr and Mrs A.Bolton, New Plymouth, Attendants, left to right, are Mr E. Rydon, New Plymouth, Miss Janet Steele, Mr I. Colson, New Plymouth, and Miss Robin Briant, sister of the bride. Future home, Taranaki, where the bridegroom is farming.

Below: DAVIES—VON PEIN. At Holy Trinity Church, Gisborne, Gillian Daile von Pein, daughter of Mr and Mrs S.T.von Pein, Pukerata, Hangaroa, to Llewellyn John Stothart Davies, New Plymouth, son of Mr and Mrs T.O.S.Davies, New Plymouth. The brides—maids are Misses Robin Shanks and Glyn Davies, sister of the bridegroom, and Sally and Susan von Pein. Mr J. Williamson, Wellington, and Mr J. von Pein attended the 'groom. Future home, Nelson.



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Swim Champs

A large and enthusiastic crowd at Municipal Baths enjoyed an evening of fine swimming in the 2nd section of Taranaki Centre's championship meetings.

Outstanding event of meeting was new record of 3mins. 29.6 secs for the 220 yards Women's Breastroke, created by Rayla Black, the only starter in the event.

Left: Rayla Black approaching end of first lap.

Right: Leading pool after breaking record previously bold by J. Classer.







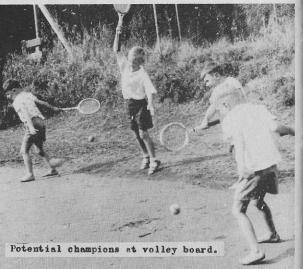


Tennis Champions

The Waiwaka Tennis Club's courts were the venue this year of the North Taranaki Residential Tennis Championships, held over a recent week-end. A.Roberts was an easy winner over veteran R. Winstanley for the men's singles, defeating him in two straight sets. Winstanley and T. Jenkins defeated B. Newland and P. Tyne for the men's doubles. Women's singles title was won by Miss S. Fields who defeated Mrs. J. Edwards in the final rad the women's doubles by Misses Fields and A. Harrison in their defeat of Mrs. Edwards and Miss Lobb.

Pictures taken during men's singles semi-finals between Winstanley and Newland







They Flew the Queen Mother

Above: Crew of R.N. Z.A.F. Dakota which brought Queen Mother to New Plymouth. From left to right back row they are; Squadron Leader K.A. Sawyer, Gisborne; Flight Lieutenant R.I. Garrett, Auckland; Squadron Leader A.F. Jacobsen, Christchurch; and Flight Lieutenant I.W. Duff, Reefton. L.A.C. (W)'s in front row are: N.M. Cook, Invercargill; K.G. Briden, Masterton; M.R. Allen, Kakahi; and P.C. Rutherford, Gisborne.

Below: Air Force personnel shelter from exhausting heat of midday sun under wing of Bristol Freighter.

