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OUR COVER

It's a funny thing, but whenever we go down to the beach with a camera, we seem to get at least one, and sometimes two pretty girls in the viewfinder. This is what happened when we toddled down to the back beach behind Paritutu recently. We were going to take a nice coloured picture of old man Paritutu, when into our viewfinder came these two lovelies, Barbara Dudding, a nurse, and Pamela Thompson, a teacher.

BACK COVER:

Great progress is being made with the new post-primary school at Spotswood. Our photograph shows the whole section to be occupied by the school, with two blocks completed and the assembly hall now under construction.

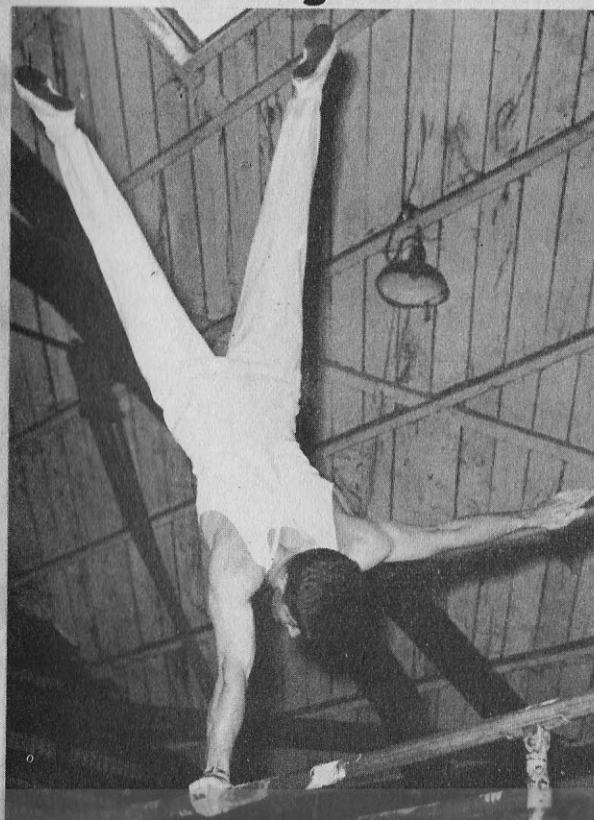
Left: Good-bye to an old and faithful friend. St. John's Church at Waitara, now being demolished, is framed in the gateway to the church.

Below: Two members of the Luton Girls' Choir Carole Mintz and Jean Clarke will long remember their stay in New Plymouth. They stayed with Mr and Mrs Franklin, Cameron Street, New Plymouth, and confided in the "Photo News" photographer, that it was the homeliest place they had struck during the whole of their tour. Thank you girls, we enjoyed having you.

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Olympic Gym Expert At The High School



Producing wholesome entertainment of a particularly high standard, the YMCA recently put on a gymnastic show by the Australian Olympic expert, Graham Bond. Graham gave those present a show of gymnastics that is very seldom seen in New Plymouth.

Above, right and left: Graham is shown doing some of the difficult balancing feats.

Above, left: Also demonstrating were Neil Crosby, the Auckland champion, left, Graham Bond, and Brian Cleaver, a pupil of the New Plymouth Boys' High School.

93 NOT OUT.

An elderly lady who knows that art of growing old gracefully is Hannah Hogg, who recently celebrated her 93rd birthday at the home of Mr and Mrs Norman Chilcott, Smart Road, New Plymouth.





Benedicts Close Season

The New Plymouth Benedicts Club closed their winter season with a highly successful ball at the Masonic Hall, New Plymouth, recently. One of the features of these Benedicts dances is the beauty of both the dancing and dress.

Above: Members of the committee pose for an end-of-season photograph.

Below, left: Vice-president, Mrs Rita Atkinson, presents a spray to the club president, Mrs Gladys Ross.

Below, right: And then the president presented a floral tribute to Moira Horne, who provided the music during the evening.



Wedding Bells

Above: WALLIS--FRASER. At St. Mary's Anglican Church, New Plymouth, Gwen, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.F.Fraser, New Plymouth, to Peter Gordon, only son of Mrs Martin, New Plymouth. The matron of honour was Ngare Hollis, and the bridesmaid was Jan Martin. The best man was Rex Lewis. The future home of the couple will be Okato.

Below: RUSS--COLLINS. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Irene, third daughter of Mr and Mrs D.Collins, New Plymouth, to Ian, only son of Mr and Mrs I.A.Russ, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Jean Parker, Tarurutangi, and Valerie Russ, sister of the groom. The best man was Derek Albrechysen, New Plymouth, and the groomsman was Brian Carton, Palmerston North. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.



It isn't often that New Plymouth gets such a bevy of beautiful visitors, as they did when the Luton Girls' Choir came here to sing at the Brooklands Bowl. Many people waited along Devon Street to get a glimpse of these female songsters as they were driven through the town by those lucky enough to own a new Vauxhall car.

The concert at the Bowl, though a terrific success from the entertainment viewpoint, unfortunately was marred by the cold wind and conditions that prevailed on the night. The programme was cut short because of these conditions.

Right: Four of our fair visitors, ready to embark in their transport: Pat Esley, Beryl Brown, Maureen Rennie and Barbara Chance.

Below: It didn't take the Transport Department long to get acquainted. Traffic Officer Jones greets Vera Tyreman with a very charming smile.

Below, right: Edith Fletcher and Eunice Nightingale enjoy a pictorial view publication of New Plymouth.

Warm Welcome for Luton Girls' Choir



On arrival in New Plymouth, the girls were entertained to tea at the premises of Johnson Motors in Devon Street. The Mayor, Mr A.G. Honnor bade the girls welcome, after which they met their hosts.

Right: Seated at the official table are Mr and Mrs Alf Davies, the conductor and his wife, Julie Barnett and Julie Matthews.



Lionel Dickie greets Beryl Brown



Johnson Motors' office staff enjoyed watching the girls arrival



Here they are, the girls with voices like nightingales and looks to match

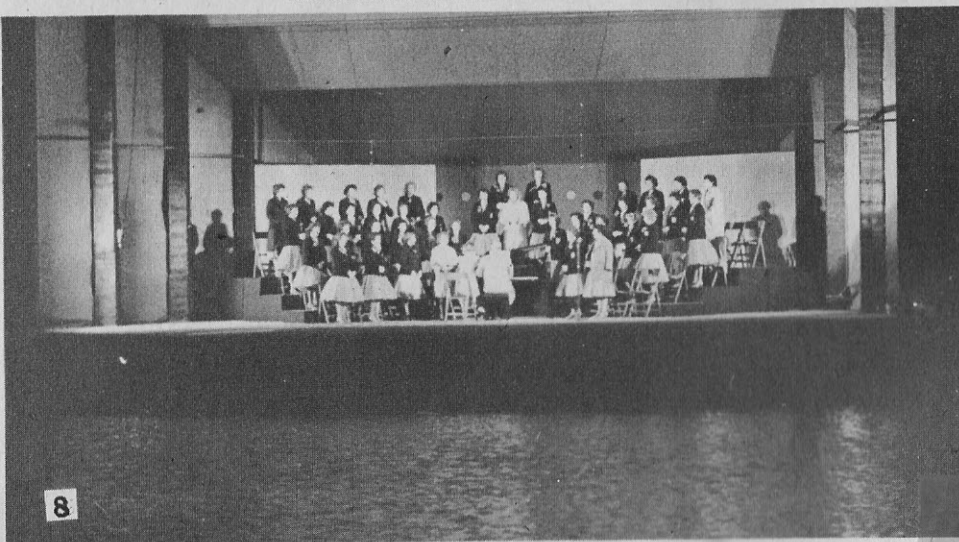


Above: You'd have to go a long way to find a better fleet of cars than these parked by the Mangorei Service Station, as they waited for the Luton Girls Choir to arrive from Hawera.

Right: Seeing that the girls came from Luton, they just had to have their picture taken by the side of a car made at Luton.



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Left: Looking charming, but chilled, the choir gave a brilliant performance at the Bowl of Brooklands to about 2000 people. The chill wind blew across the lake, but the show went on, just as it would have done on a summer's night. The secret of course is a little extra wool, nearer the skin and out of sight.



Stratford Basketbblers

Above: Stratford Technical Old Girls Basketbblers, who were runners-up in the 2nd division Senior B grade competition. From left, back row, Janet Stephenson, Gwen Percy, Jessie McCutcheon, and Yvonne Armstrong. Front row, Ailsa Follett, Valerie Burt, Fay Cameron (coach), Coleen Hendry (captain), and Marie Thacker.

Below: The junior team of the same club were winners of the Central 2nd division junior grade. From left, back row, Jill Bevins, Rosina Lee, Coleen Hendry (coach), Lorraine Collins and Pamela Webb. Front Row, Dawn Mosen, Beryl Stark, Nancy Clifford (captain), Lillian See and Linda Kumeroa.





Roving Camera

Above: Noel Reginald, only son of Mr and Mrs N.R.Spice, Toko, recently celebrated his coming-of-age at a well-attended party at the Toko Hall.

Above, right: And during the evening, he announced his engagement to Cecile, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Leo Goble, Midhurst.

Below: At every meeting of the motor cycle club, a race is run for the pushers. These lads go over the same course as the motor-cyclists, up hills and down dales, usually finishing up out of breath. Our picture shows one of the competitors who has a preference for walking up the hills.

Right: Mrs H.R.Walsh and Mrs E.M.Elliott are two of the WDFW members who did so much for the visiting Luton Girls' Choir when they were entertained at afternoon tea. Also in the picture is Jennifer Powell, a member of the choir.



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Married in the Rain

Below: GOODWIN--LAWSON: At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Ruth, second daughter of Mr and Mrs F.Lawson, New Plymouth, to Maurice, elder son of Mrs A.Goodwin, Oakura. The bridesmaid was Beverley Campbell, New Plymouth, and the best man was Peter Goodwin, Kinleith. Future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

Right: HINE--TOPLESS: At St.Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Beverley Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G.Topless, Waitara, to Harold Selwyn, fourth son of Mrs and the late Ernest Hine, New Plymouth. Matron of honour was Patricia Peterson of Waitara, and the bridesmaid was Lois Brunston of Oakura. The best man was Ernie Hine, brother of the groom, and the groomsman was Brian McGill. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

Below, right: When the bride arrived at the church, it was raining cats and dogs, and it just kept raining, until the happy couple emerged from the church, when it started to rain even harder, which necessitated the use of one large umbrella. Nevertheless, the rain didn't dampen the happy event.





Round the Mountain in the Rain

Experienced officials described the 100-mile Round the Mountain Professional Cycle Race as being run under the worst-ever weather conditions, making the winner's time a remarkable achievement. Not only did the cyclists have to contend with windy conditions, they also had to face 100 miles of rain. On some stretches of the race, the rain was so intense, that it was almost impossible to see. The above picture shows the first bunch of competitors ready for the starter's gun. And knowing what was in front of them, they could still find a smile for the cameraman.

Below: Despite these atrocious conditions, there was a good muster of people to see the start of this well-organised race.



Left: Here comes the scratch bunch, pushing their way up Devon Street West, not a mile from the start. At this stage, it was only a drizzle of rain and these were probably the best conditions on the whole of the 100 miles.

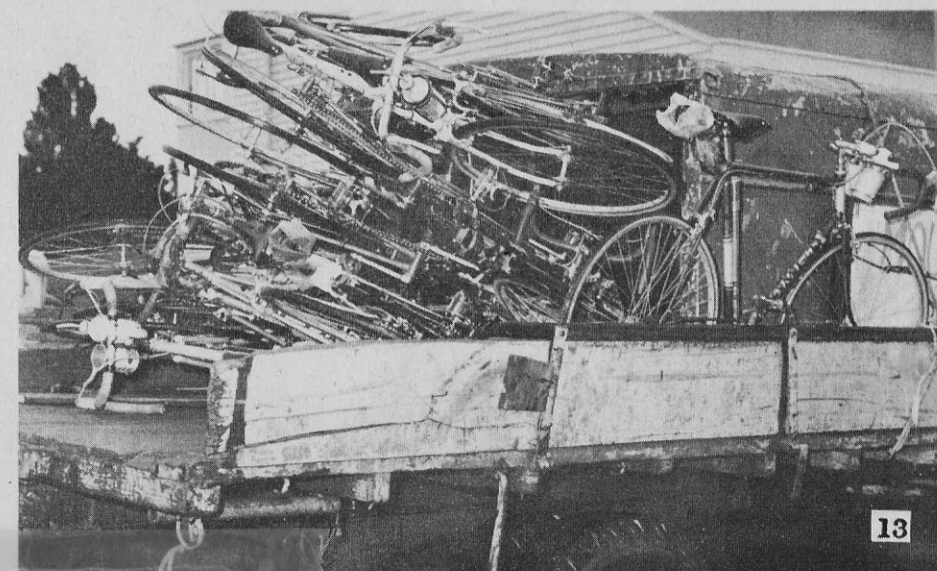
Below: Here's one of the bunches getting away in rain so hard that it recorded on the photograph.

Bottom: Some of the competitors tossed it in, were glad to pack their machines onto the crash wagon. This truck arrived at the racecourse heaped high with machines of those who met misfortune on the way.



BRIDES!

You'll no doubt want your wedding group in "Photo News," but you might miss out, unless you give us a ring, at 88712 or 6101. We'll give your wedding full coverage, or just nip along to get one picture for "Photo News." So don't forget, a ring's the thing. Remember, "Photo News" has readers throughout Taranaki and New Zealand, many of whom are expecting to see your happy day recorded in "Photo News".

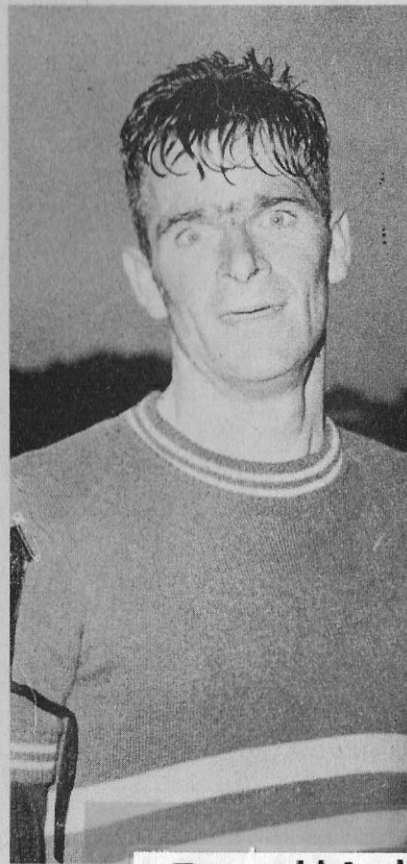
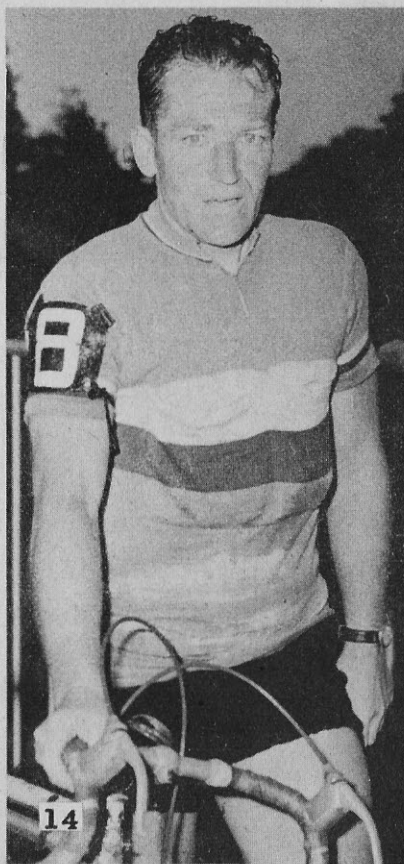


What a welcome sight that white tape must be to the winner of a race like the professional 100-mile cycle race. Fred Tredrea of Auckland crosses the line, about 20 yards in front of his nearest rival. Not only had Fred won £100 and a beautiful trophy, plus another trophy for fastest time, but believe it or not, the rain stopped, yes, it actually STOPPED.

Below, left: That's the winner, Fred Tredrea of Auckland, looking reasonably fresh after the gruelling ride.

Below, centre: The second man home, Bill Anderson of Auckland.

Below, right: Third man home looked ready for a long rest. He is R. Dawson, also of Auckland.



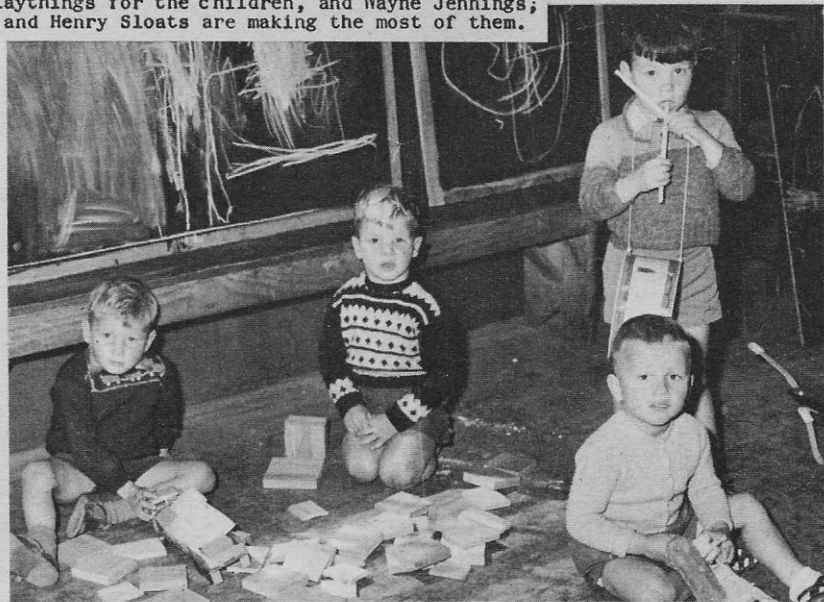
New Play Centre At Westown

Another amenity was made available to the mothers of Westown recently, with the opening of a play centre in the Westown Hall in Omata Road. Starting with a roll of about fifteen children, it looks as though the centre will receive plenty of patronage in the future.



Bottom, left: Playing in the miniature kitchen, with a tiny cooker to match, are Diane Webster, Grazia Van Hattum, Pamela Stubbs and Maanteen Van Hattum.

Bottom, right: There are plenty of playthings for the children, and Wayne Jennings, Maanteen Van Hattum, Andriennes Dungan and Henry Sloats are making the most of them.





The "Dinks" Reunion

The "Dinks" - dinkum soldiers of the New Zealand Rifle Brigade, recently held their most successful reunion for some years, when over 500 Dinks from all parts of New Zealand attended. It is a truly remarkable thing that after 40 years, a brigade that had existed for only four years should be remembered so clearly and steadfastly.

Above: Prominent among those attending the reunion were, from left, Mr and Mrs J.S. Thompson from Nelson, Sir Herbert and Lady Hart, Masterton, and Col. T.T. Murray, Stratford.

Below: The official table at the dinner in the Agricultural Hall, when over 500 old soldiers sat down to a repast fit for a king.



Below, left: Culy Lith, Auckland, Joe Whittaker, Waitara, Les Markwell and Hugh Limmer, both of Thames, seen to be recalling many of the happier memories associated with reunions.

Below, right: Lon Dwan, Wellington, Mrs Mabel Wright, New Plymouth, an ex-nurse, and John Wiley of Waitara face the camera with smiling faces.



The reunion concluded with a memorial service in the Agricultural Hall. Afterwards, the Dinks marched again, to the Cenotaph where wreaths were laid. They presented a stirring sight, with their numerous medals glinting in the sunshine. At the right moment they were solemn in remembering their fallen comrades, and in marching, they marched with their heads high and backs straight.

Above: The standard bearer, and the official party, prior to the laying of wreaths.

Below: On the march and all in step, after 40 years.





Left: The thrill of martial music attracted a large crowd, when the Dinks marched to the New Plymouth Cenotaph, to culminate their reunion.

Centre, left: Lt-Col R.St.J.Beere lays a wreath at the Cenotaph.

Centre, right: Then the Mayor of New Plymouth, Mr A.G.Honnor paid his tribute.

Bottom: Age never seems to halt marching feet.

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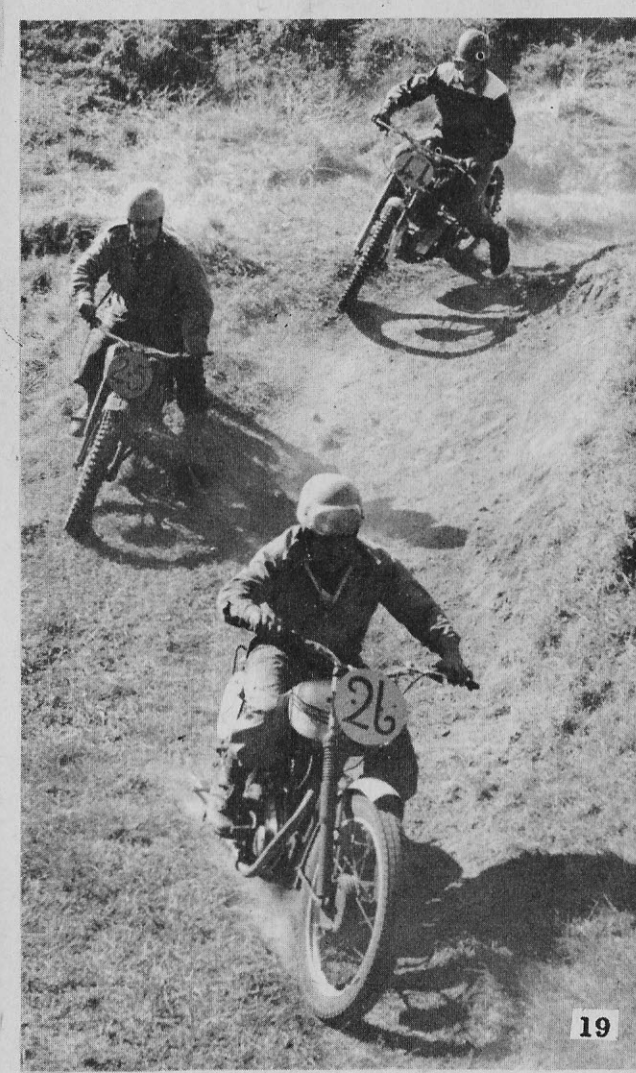
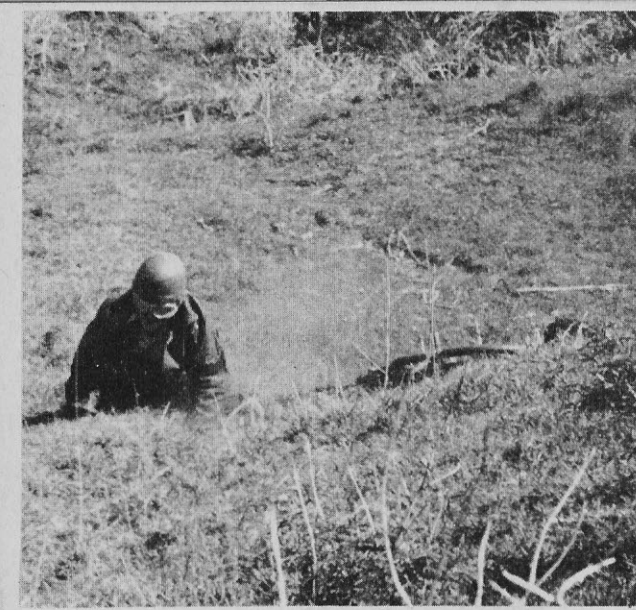
Taranaki Scramble Champs

The North Taranaki Motor Cycle Club's scramble course at Beach Road, Omata, proved to be as popular as ever, when the Taranaki championships were held there recently. As usual, there were thrills and spills galore. Not only that, but a deadheat for the major trophy culminated a real first class day's sport.

Above, left: Dave Morehead parts company with his machine, after he had taken a nasty jolt from his unpadded saddle....and finished up, right, crawling up the hill on his hands and knees.

Below: A battle royal developed between John Furze, left, and Dave Morehead.

Right: Monty Pratt leads Mike Taylor and Selwyn Tate, round what is virtually "the garden path".



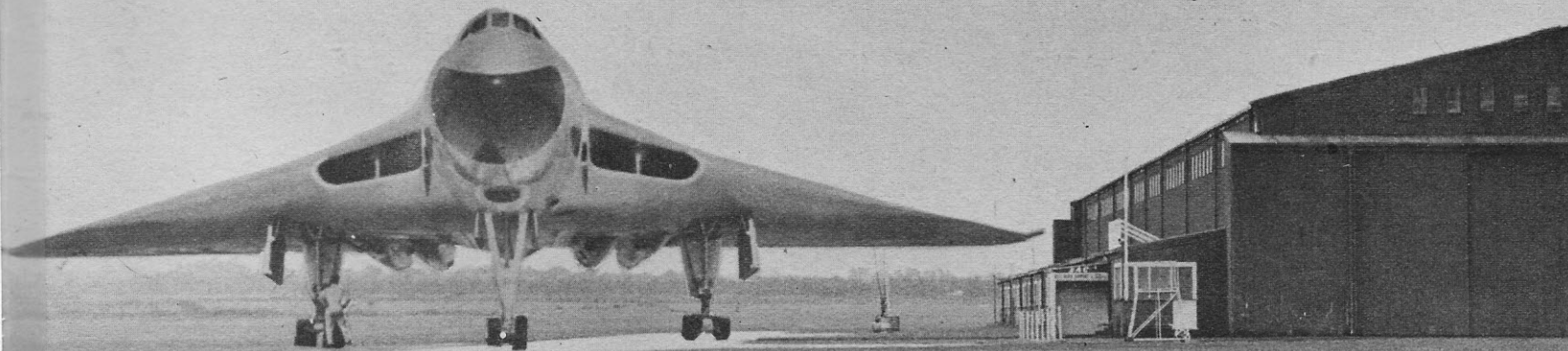


Wedding Bells

Above: GILL—SANGER: At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Sylvia, eldest daughter of Mr and the late Mrs Sanger, Omata, to Henry, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Gill, Spotswood. The matron of honour was Betty Ordish, Awakino, and the bridesmaid was Nola Sanger, sister of the bride. Best man was Noel Martin, Ohura, and the groomsman was Allen Daniels, Hunterville. The future home of the couple will be Waitara.

Below: SHEARER—WILSON: At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Barbara Mary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D.M. Wilson, Okato, to Murray David, youngest son of the late Mr and Mrs H. Shearer, Palmerston North. Fay Kidney of Rahotu was the matron of honour. Shirley Ann Wilson, sister of the bride, and Jean Arthur of Inglewood were the bridesmaids. Sandra and Judy Johnstone were the flowergirls. Best man was Neil Rook and the groomsmen were Cyril Wilson and Ray Johnstone. The future home of the couple will be Okato.





A Distinguished Visitor to N.P.

Thousands of eyes were turned skywards recently, when the Vulcan, one of the R.A.F. bombers, flew over Taranaki, and showed us the shape of things to come. And talking of things to come, she certainly looks a fine sight on the New Plymouth airport at Bell Block towering above the hangars. Something a bit out of this world. We wonder how long it will be before planes like this DO land on this drome. Not too long, we hope, but just to whet your appetites, we stuck this one on, just to see what it would look like.

Right: Here's a young pianist with a great future. Max Karena, heard and seen by many theatre-goers in Taranaki.

Extreme right: Mannequins at the recent Mother and Daughter parade, staged by the St. Margaret's Ladies Guild.



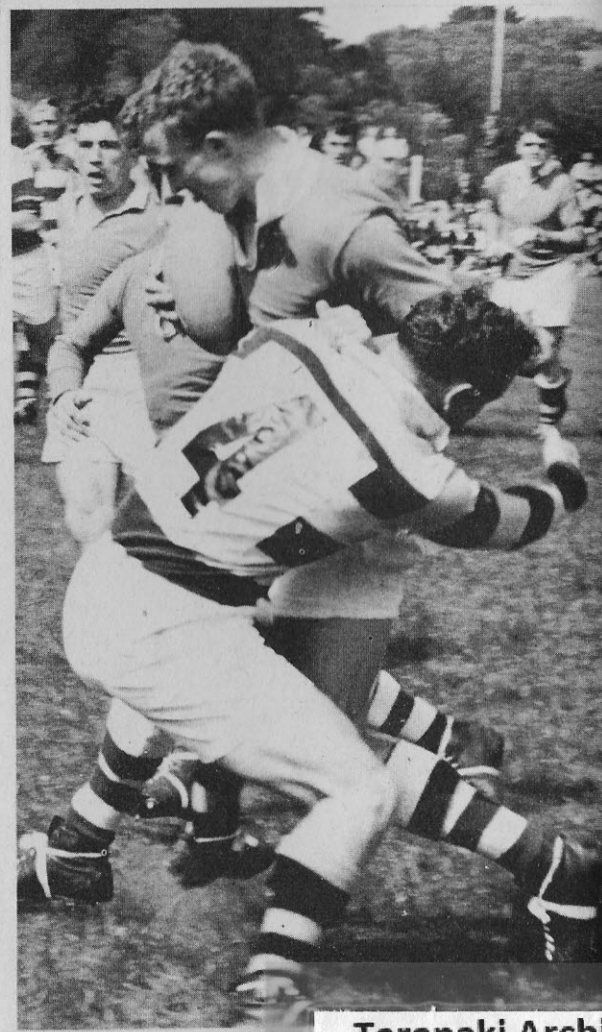


Season's Last Game

Playing the last game of the season, Taranaki under the leadership of Peter Burke played some sparkling football against Wilson Whineray's XV which contained some of the country's best footballers.

Above: Peter Burke crouches while members of the visiting team perform a haka.

Below, left and right: Eric Keith makes a smothering tackle on Caulton, as Adrian Clarke comes into assist.



Above: Here's a star-studded line on the move. From left, Adrian Clarke, Pat Walsh, Grbich, Caulton, Kevin Briscoe and the great Don Clarke.

Left: Eric Keith brings Wellington's Caulton down with Adrian Clarke and Cameron coming in looking for the loose ball.

Below: The only thing that marred the game was the unfortunate accident that occurred to Eric Keith, who broke a collarbone. Eric did this in tackling Caulton, who fortunately escaped injury. The St. John Ambulance soon had the injury strapped up, helping to relieve the pain until Eric could be got to hospital.





Croquet & Bowling Clubs Open Season

Above: It looks as if the East End Croquet Club is due for a bumper season with this large number of members. The photograph was taken at the official opening of the club, when they began their summer season recently. The function was graced by the presence of Mrs N.Bellinger, president of the Taranaki Croquet Association.

Above, left: Miss G.Pavitt, patroness of the Taranaki Croquet Association, making the first stroke of the new season.

Left: Another club that looks as though it is going to have a bumper year, is the Fitzroy Bowling Club. When they held their official opening day, they also opened a new pavilion, that will, no doubt, be a real asset to the club.

(Pix by Crago).



Westown Badminton Closing Night

After one of their most successful seasons, the Westown Badminton Club reluctantly closed for the summer season. It was a gay night, and ended on a very high note.

Above: During the night, the season's prizewinners were presented with their trophies. Shown here, is Murray McNae (centre) presenting prizes to Doded Scriven, left, and Graham Taylor.

Right: Dave Moorhead, of motor-cycle fame, is also a force to be reckoned with on the badminton court.



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Elsa Volske...grimly determined



Marie Lobb gets her lines crossed



Brian See...coming down



Inglewood Gymkhana Attracts 400 Entries

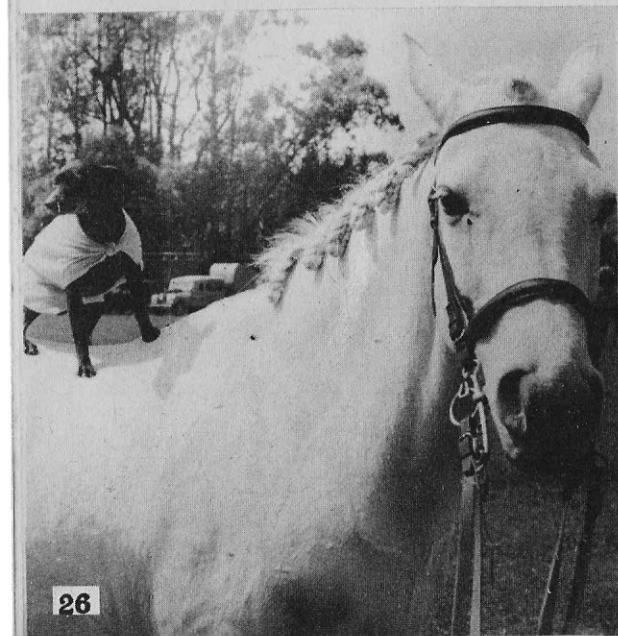
Over four hundred entries ensured a successful day for the Inglewood pony Club when it held its open gymkhana at Carnival Park recently.

Above: Lindy Bates, winner of the best pony 13.2 to 14.2 hands and also of the champion pony ribbon.

Above, right: Placegetters in the best pony up to 13.2 hands. From left, Carol Hanright (Eltham) on Fleetfoot 2nd, Sally Thompson (N.P.) on Grey Fella 1st, and Robert Watson (Inglewood) on Shane, 3rd.

Below: Minnie the Mouse-hound, $\frac{1}{2}$ a hand high, gets a free ride on an unattended pony.

Right: Mrs Joy Bates, secretary of the club, presents ribbons to Marie Harris (Eltham), who won the maiden pony event.

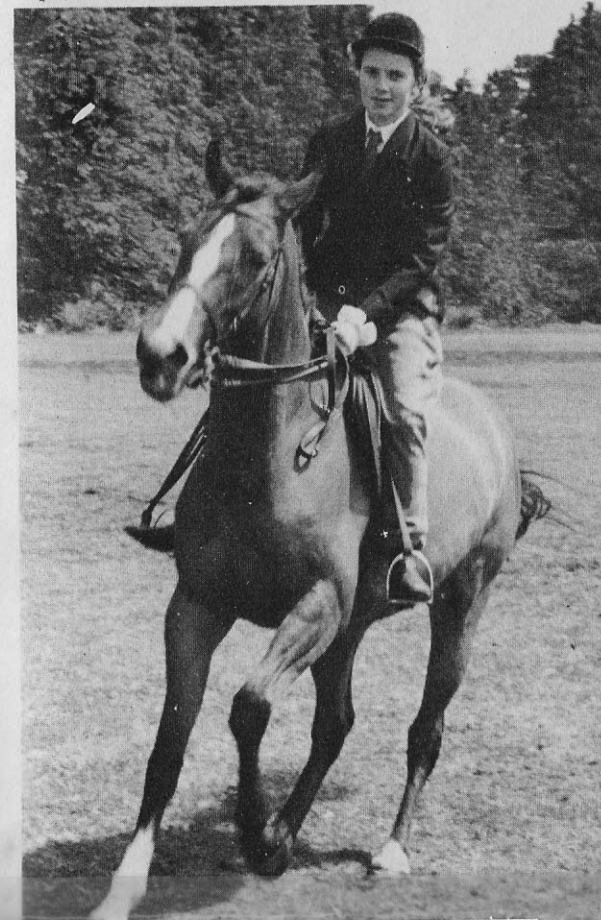


Giving their horses the first airing of the season, horsemen from all parts of Taranaki competed in the Inglewood Pony Club's first function of the season.

Right: Taking time out from events are, from left, Margaret Northcott (Eltham), Doreen Gibbons, Joyce Gibbons and Judith Sangster, all from Wherehuia.

Below: Marie Harris (Eltham) on Glamour Girl, winner of the Maiden Pony 13.2 to 14.2 hands canters up to receive her ribbon - and doesn't she look the part too?

Below, right: Two very charming horsewomen give our camera a nice smile. They are Valerie Crowe (Inglewood) and Jennie Rose (Inglewood).



Married

Right: WITHEROW--MELVILLE: At Our Lady Help of Christians, Fitzroy, Janice, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Melville, Kaponga, to Paul, only son of Mr and Mrs L.T. Witherow, Hamilton. The bridesmaid was Jo Trainor, Auckland and the best man was Grant Hoar, Hamilton. The future home of the couple will be Auckland.

Below: BROWN--GOMEZ: At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Joan, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs C. Gomez of Te Kuiti, to Vincent, son of Mr and Mrs E. Brown, Waitara. The bridesmaids were Lily Niwa of Okato and Sue Skipper, New Plymouth. The best man was Owen Morehu, Waitara, and groomsmen were Brian Treston, New Plymouth. Future home of the couple will be Waitara.



St. Chad's Parish Supper

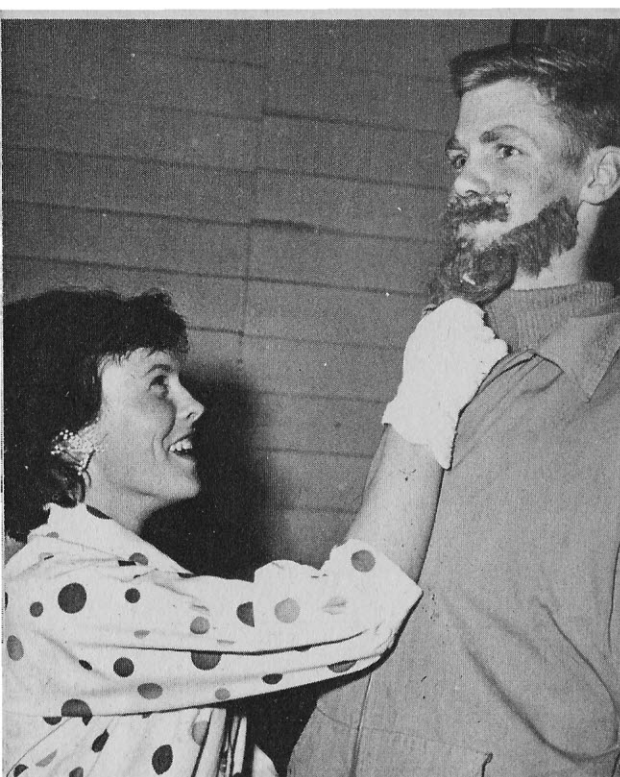
To mark the beginning of a stewardship campaign, St. Chad's, West New Plymouth, held a very successful supper in the Queen's Hall. It was particularly well-attended, and well-organised by the vicar, Rev. Alan Pywell. With short speeches of welcome, and some very talented artists to perform, the evening was concluded with a real tasty supper. Altogether a very cheerful start to a worthy campaign.

Above: Five smiling helpers to get the supper under way, are, from left, Mesdames Winn Busby, Pat Blackmore, Myrtle Campbell, Doris McEldowney and Valerie Gray.

Right: The Rev. Alan Pywell with Mrs Pywell smilingly greeted all the parishioners and their friends.

Below: And the younger members did a sterling job in laying out the tables. The young girls with hands full of nice things are Elaine McKay, Doreen Gichard, Maureen Gichard and Doreen Proud.





Y.F.C. Concert at Rahotu

There's no doubt about it, when the YFC decide to put on a show, it's a show that keeps the crowd amused. It was no exception at Rahotu recently, when these hilarious young farmers (it beats us how they get up to milk the cows) put on a show that kept the packed hall in fits of laughter.

Left: Ann Radford makes sure that the beard Buck Nickelson is wearing won't fall off.

Above: Something started to come adrift on one of the bathing beauties, who made a quick exit from the stage.

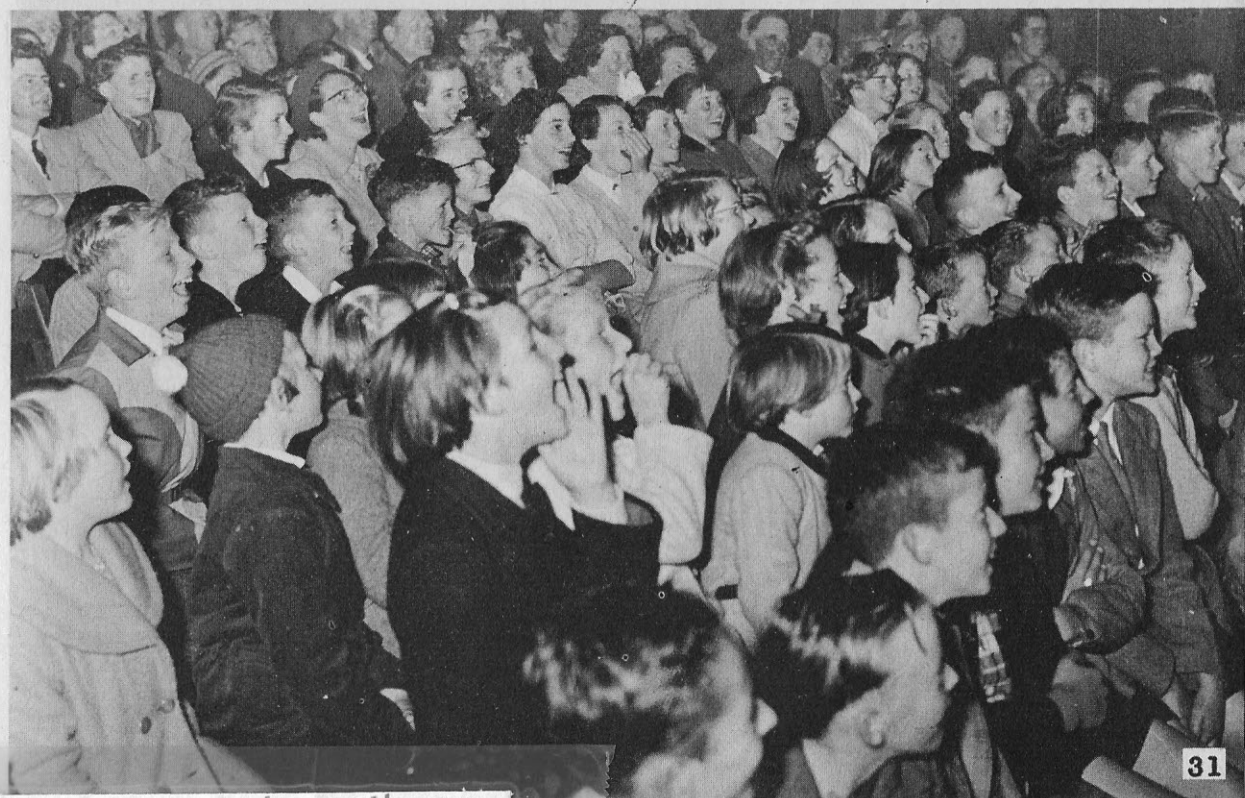
Below: Belles of the beach. Would have been a fine haul for a hair remover traveller. From left, Peter Maxwell, Barry Pennington, Brian Beardmore, Nick Sinclair, Brian Kettlewell, Neil Lusk, Peter Riddell, George Haigh and Bruce Maybey.



Above: Pat Barrett and Peter Riddell wash off the burnt cork after having performed as nigger-minstrels.

Right: Marion and Maureen Waiwiri who came from Oaonui to entertain.

Below: Evidence of the popularity of the belle of the beach is shown in the faces of the vast audience. Some laughed, some howled, and some just sat and looked, astonished.



Birthday Celebrated

Every year the Bell Block W.D.F.F. holds a birthday party, and this year it was even more successful than usual.

Left: Some of the members who enjoyed the party, besides providing the entertainment: From left, back row, Elise Benton, Myra Slatter, Edith Dixon, Fraulein Muller and Eileen Eliot. Front Row, June Sampson, Amy Palette, Violet Laurant, Joan Pitcairn, Ruth Fussell and Jean Hancock in front.

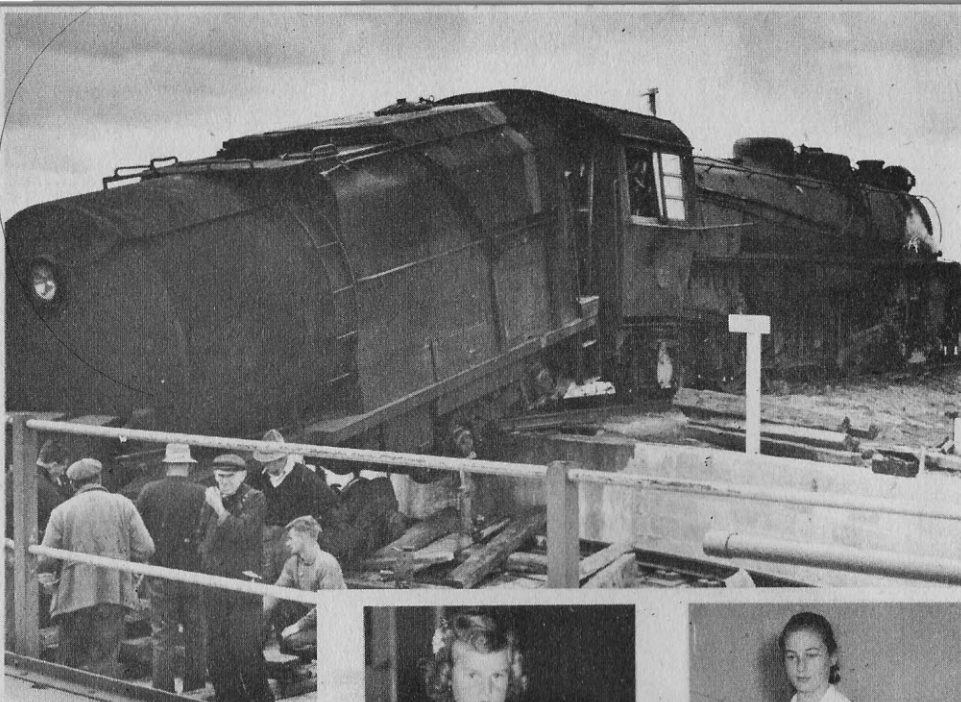
Extreme left: Mrs. Johns lit the candles, and centre, Mrs. James, the provincial president cut the cake.

Below: A sketch, with Joan Pitcairn in the pushchair, and Amy Pollette and Jean Hancock, provided much amusement. (Pix by Crago).



Hey! Who Moved that Hurdy-Gurdy?

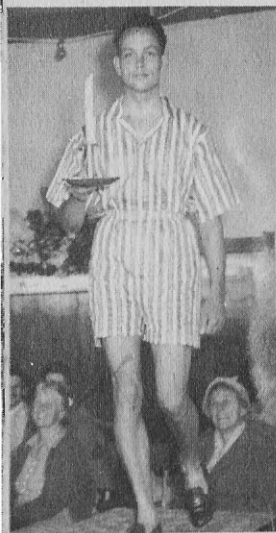
Honest, Guv, I was backing up onto the turntable, and blow me down, someone had gone and moved it. You can see what happened, my bottom dropped into the hole. That might not be the truth, but you must admit it does look a bit funny. But it didn't take the railways staff long to get the thing jacked up and back onto the lines.



Fashion Show for Men & Women

The Opunake Home and School Association recently held a fashion parade, which was a very novel one, with men as well as women acting as models. And some of the men made quite a job of it, with less blushing than their counterparts, even though dressed in some very scanty clothes.

(Pix by Crago).



John...call me shorty



Jan...pretty pet



Faye...the sun look



Kaye...party line



Lois...ready for bed



Margaret...marvellous



George...golfer plus



Looking Ahead to Wimbledon?

Last season, the Pukekura Tennis Club started its own coaching school. This school has become so popular, that it is being run again this year. The number of young people who have taken advantage of this coaching is amazing, and it has become a full-time job for Ron Winstanley, who is responsible for the tuition. Here's Ron with his proteges, grouped round and listening intently to what is being told them.

FOUR GENERATIONS

Left: Mrs Eliza Clark cutting the cake, at the celebration of her 80th birthday.

Right: And at the 80th party, were four of her direct descendants, making for us a four-generation photograph. Mrs Clark is holding Garth Raines, with grand-daughter Mrs Anne Raines on the left and daughter Mrs Jessie Steggles on the right.



New Ladies' Bowling Club

It was a red-letter day for the foundation members of the recently formed Paritutu Ladies' Bowling Club when they held their first official opening in weather fitting the occasion. Though the ladies have not yet got their own green, they are lucky enough in gaining the use of the men's greens. The ladies, nevertheless, are not idle with regard to their own, and are working hard to reach that goal.

Right: The official party at the first-ever opening of the club, including members of the committee. Centre secretary Mrs Katherine Dwyer is at left, with the centre president next to her, Mrs Edith Gibbes, and in the centre is the club's president, Mrs Margaret Murtagh.

Below: The gathering of members and visitors at the opening ceremony.



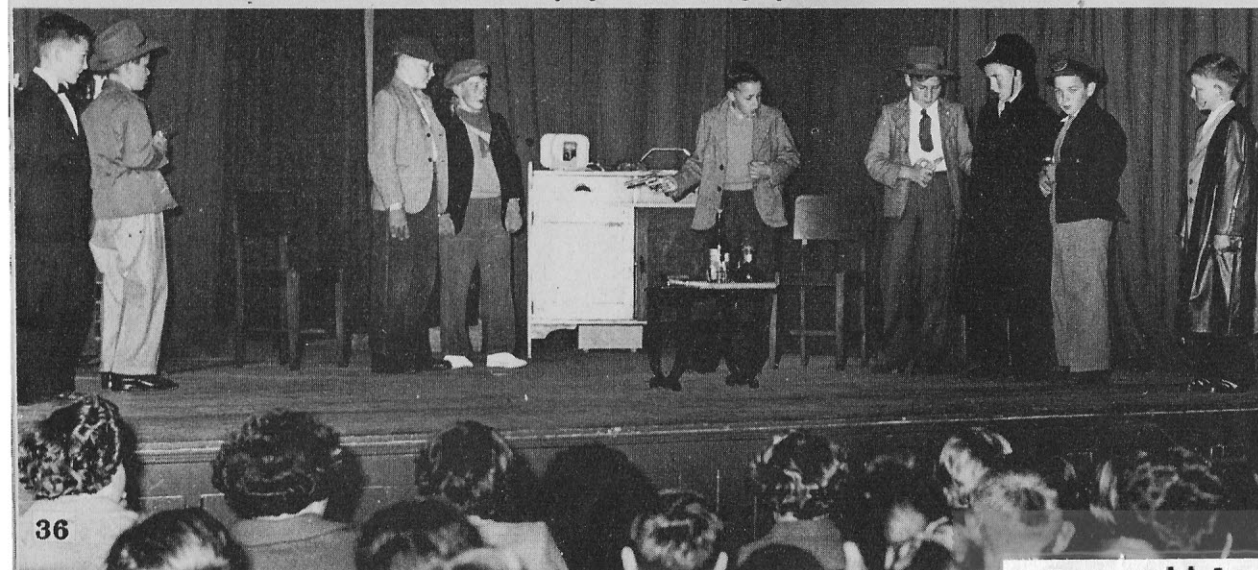


Above: Left, The first Paritutu Ladies' Bowling Club patron, Mrs Elizabeth Fluker, was asked to roll the first jack at the club's opening day. Little did she know that our photographer would take her photo when she playfully did the highland fling, before discharging her official duty, as shown in the centre picture. **Right:** President of the centre, Mrs Edith Gibbes, Hawera, had the honour of bowling the first bowl.

DRAMA AT STRATFORD.

The central Taranaki area of the British Drama League recently held a very successful junior Drama Festival at Stratford. Some excellent acting was witnessed by the packed audience on each of the two nights. These youthful actors are a real credit to their tutors, who obviously must have put in a lot of hard work with their charges.

Below: A photograph taken during the performance of "The Best Laid Plans" by children of the Rawhitiroa school. All the actors in this play received high praise from the critic.



Children's Drama Festival

Above: Eltham school players of "The Adventurer" who gave a sparkling performance are Allan Campbell, Maxine Ritter, Joy Edwards, Margaret Nummy and Dale Ritter.



Above: Colin Henderson makes some hasty change in scenery during the drama festival.

Below, left: A scene from the Eltham school's production, "The King's Messenger" showing Pauline Okey, Nancie Pease and Judith Carruthers.

Below, right: Slick Jack (Kevin Tipler), and Bungler Bill (Malcolm Herring), two players who had to be handcuffed, find difficulty in getting out of their bonds, and enlist the aid of William Adams, all cast in the Rawhitiroa school's play "The Best Laid Plans".



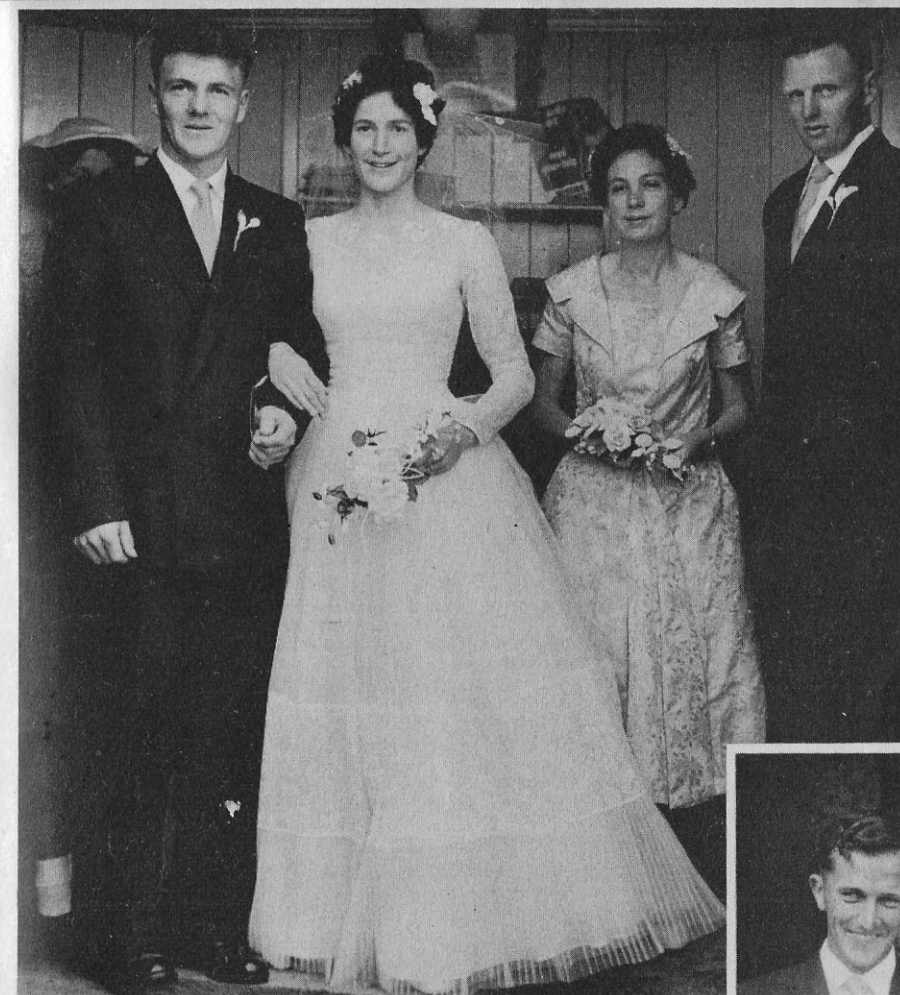


Above: Critic of the school drama festival, Mrs T.F.Andrews.

Left: Mrs Marjorie Henderson, busy with make-up on Jocelyn Clarke, watched by Pauline O'Key, Judith Carruthers, Patricia Rowe and Nancie Pease.

Left: Three Eltham School players in their production "The Adventurer" are Margaret Nummy, Maxine Ritter and Allan Campbell.

Below: Cast of the Penbroke Road School's production "Hereward the Wake" are Kevin Renwick, Brian Goble, Terry Hignett, Carol Jenkins and Susanne Waterson.



Below: Noeline Rowe and Corinne Fletcher do the right thing to the bridal car at the Hickford-Langman wedding at Waitara recently.



Married

Left: HICKFORD--LANGMAN: At the Knox Presbyterian Church, Waitara, Colleen Joan, the youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.Langman, Waitara, to David James, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Hickford, Inglewood. The bridesmaid was Bernice Langman, and the best man was Hilton Reeve. The future home of the couple will be Okato.

Below: HONEYFIELD--PATTERSON: At St.Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Elna Florette, only daughter of Mr and Mrs N.Patterson, New Plymouth, to Barry John, son of Mrs and the late Mr Honeyfield, Motunui. Matron of honour was Gwenda Brazier and the bridesmaid was Margaret Mitchell. Keith Walters was the best man and Bob Honeyfield was the groomsman. Flower-girl was Pauline Patterson. Future home is Motunui.





Roving Camera

Above, left: Storekeepers for a period of 23 years is something of a record these days. But that is the proud boast of Mr and Mrs Alex Anderson, who have just retired from the business of the Wellbourne stores. Their customers thought so much of them that they entertained them to an evening, when a presentation was made, on behalf of their customers, by Mr Steve Kelly. Photo News would like to join in wishing them both a happy and long retirement.

Above, right: Here's that girl Sherry Holmes again. This time, she's cutting her 13th birthday cake. Now she's a teenager. Wonder if it will make any difference?

Below, left: Here's a double-banger birthday. Jeanette Patricia recently celebrated her 21st birthday, and her brother Leonard Thomas celebrated his 20th, at a party specially put on by their parents, Mr and Mrs Peter Telford, Omata.

Below, right: They've been going steady, now they are engaged. Pamela Ann, only daughter of Mrs A.E. and the late B.J. Durrant, to Kenneth Roy, third son of Mr and Mrs E.T. Pentecost. Don't forget to let Photo News know about the wedding, will you?



First Ball Held at New Waitara High School Hall

The new and colourful Assembly Hall at the Waitara High School was used recently for a function for the first time, when the school's old pupils held a ball.

Above: Some of the revellers who had a swell time in this sumptuous venue.

Right: Jim Blair, Beverley Gooding, Dick Waters and Pauline Gooding look as though they enjoyed the tasty supper provided.

Below, right: And these are the kitchen staff who provided the tasty supper.

Below: Bailey Clewston and Diane Young sit this one out in comfort.

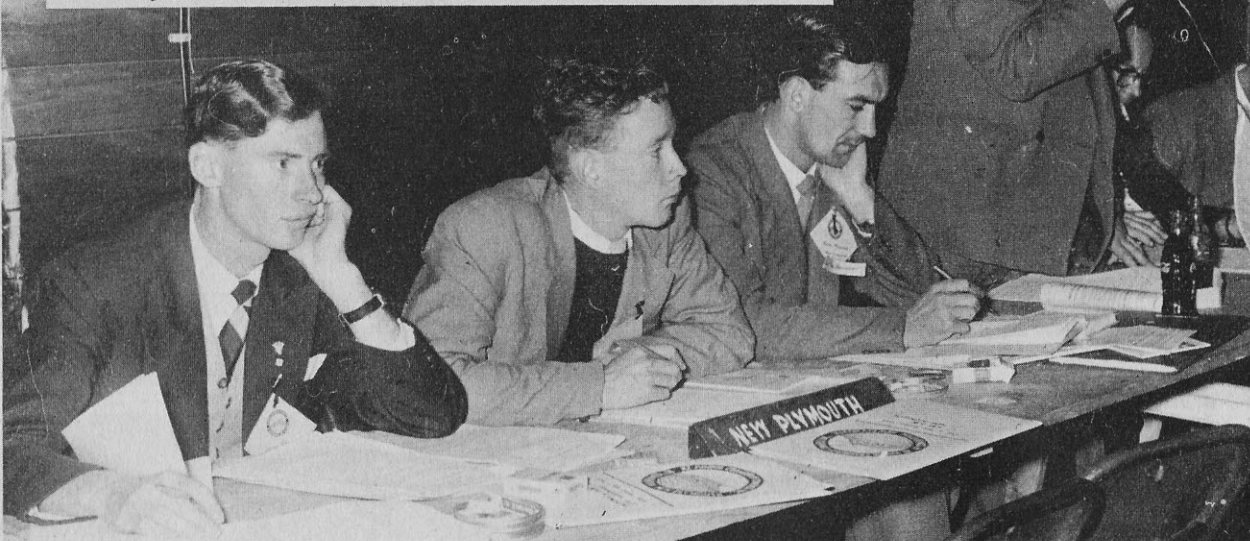


Jaycee Convention at New Plymouth

With members from all parts of New Zealand, the Jaycees recently held their 16th National Convention at New Plymouth. A full programme, extending over four days, kept the visitors well occupied. The convention, voted a complete success, reflects great credit on the local organisers.

Below: Our photograph shows local members, David Rowlands, Haddon Gilbert, Russ Moller and Bill Hume, the New Plymouth president, at the second plenary session in the Agricultural Hall.

Bottom: A general view of the Agricultural Hall during this session, gives some idea of the number present.



Above: Jaycee Senators gave a cocktail party prior to the convention ball, which was held at the Agricultural and Queen's halls. Shown in our photograph are Mr and Mrs Pat Stevenson (Auckland), a past president of New Plymouth Jaycees, Mr and Mrs Ken Peare, New Plymouth, and Mr George Taylor, a New Plymouth past president.

Below, left: Mr and Mrs Leo Carrington, Hawera, the Taranaki regional governor, Mrs Nance Wall, and Mr Henry Peick, Stratford.

Below, right: The national president, Mr Lester Castle and his wife, with Mr and Mrs Peter Gifford (Hastings), the immediate national past president.



Tough Tour for 100-mile Cyclists

Though the weather was fine, the amateur cyclists raced "Round the Mountain" in what is believed to be the worst possible conditions. A howling south easterly wind blew the riders about considerably. From New Plymouth, all the way down the coast road to Manaia, and then on to Eltham, they faced very fierce head winds, but on the turn at Eltham, they really turned on the speed, some getting along at speeds of up to fifty miles an hour. A tough test for a tough bunch of boys.

Right: Wattie Pidwell, the referee, has words of instructions for some of the riders.

Below: Knowing what faced them on the road these riders found time to smile for the photographer.



Above, Left: The winner, R.D. Johnston, Point Chevalier, crosses the finishing line just about all in.

Above: Second man in was ex-New Plymouth rider A.J. Walsh. He was completely exhausted and hung on to the winner, before offering his congratulatory handshake. Well done boys, you rode a magnificent race from the back mark.

Left: This is one of the things that makes races worth winning. Jeanette Allison, the winner's girl friend, dishes out the prize.

Right: Robbie Ireton the first New Plymouth rider to finish, who came in fourth.



Bright & Breezy Pantomime

It was a bit early in the season for pantomime, but twice at New Plymouth, and again at Tikorangi, the houses were packed to see "Cinderella", produced by Max McWilliams and presented by the Universal Players.

The players were drawn from churches of all denominations, and moulded well into a grand company of actors.

The cast's principals were; Cinderella, Astrid Duxfield; Prince, Albert Gregory; King, Colin Horner; Queen, Bunny McWilliams; Ugly sisters, Joyce Horner and Zena Ebetts; and the jester, Ailsa McCrone.





Above: Third man home receives his prize from Mrs A.D.Follett, wife of the president of the Round the Mountain race committee. The third place went to another Auckland rider, D.J.Turnball from Papatoetoe.

Right: Wanganui's Geoff Lankow needed a bit of attention from the St. John Ambulance when he finished this gruelling race. He finished in fifth place.

Below: This is the scratch bunch, who put up such a marvellous performance. This group includes the first, second and fifth men home. From the left they are, Geoff Lankow (Wanganui), R.D.Johnston the winner, A.J.Walsh (both from the Point Chevalier Club) and R.J.Peoples from Ponoka.



Central School
Waitara
Oct 9th 1959

Dear Mr Eves.

Will you please
come to our Fancy
Dress Afternoon in the Waitara
Memorial Hall next Thursday
October 15th at quarter to 2
We are going to do
our school Phy Ed dances
for you to see.
Love from
the Infants

Invitation Accepted

We were tickled pink to receive this invitation recently and having received "Love from the infants," we just HAD to go. These little boys and girls made a pretty picture whilst performing what they are taught at school for the benefit of their parents. The dresses were really colourful, and the children happy and laughing during an afternoon that was a thrill for all.

Below: "You put your right leg in..." Well, the kids certainly did the Hokey Tokey as well as their parents could have done it. Lovely, aren't they?



Now just look at all those happy little faces at the Waitara Central School Infant fancy dress afternoon. The youngsters demonstrated their physical education lessons to a delighted audience of very proud parents.





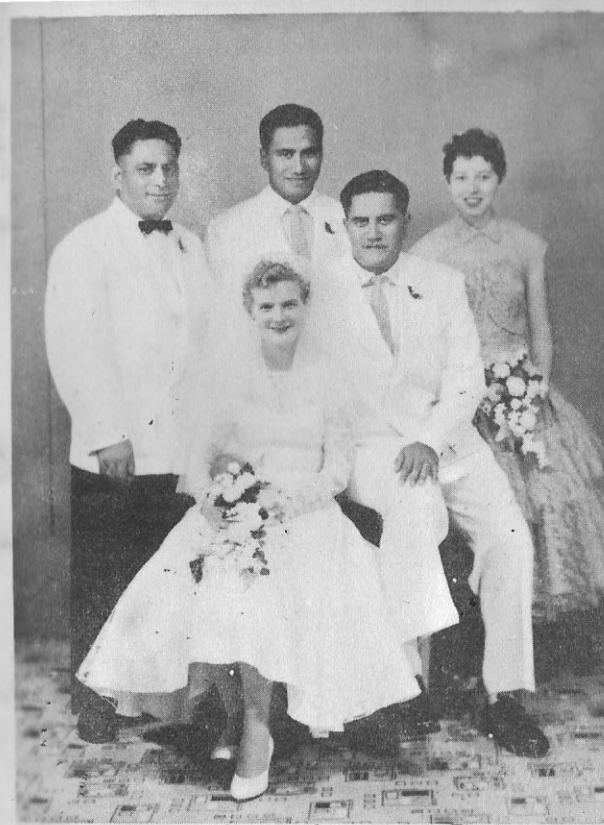
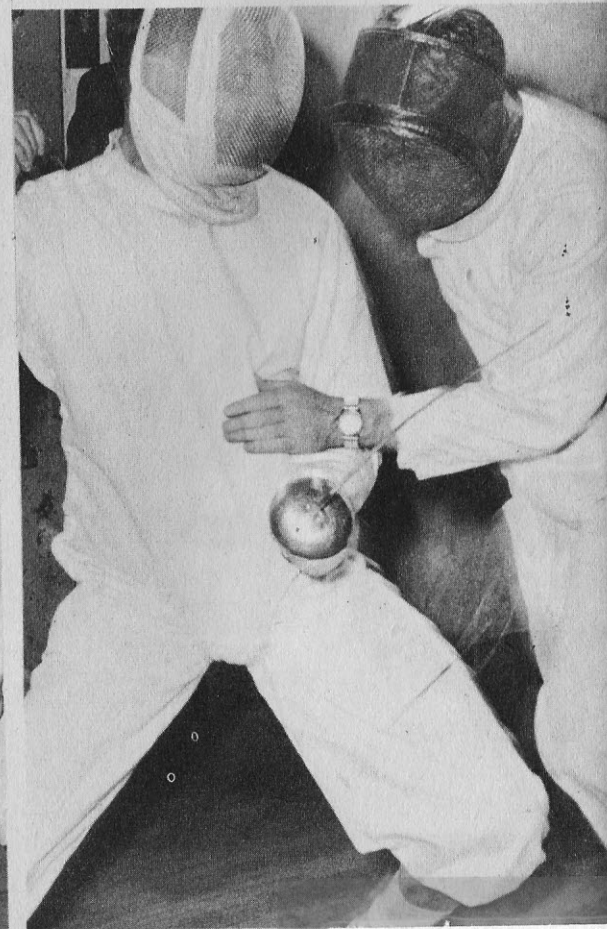
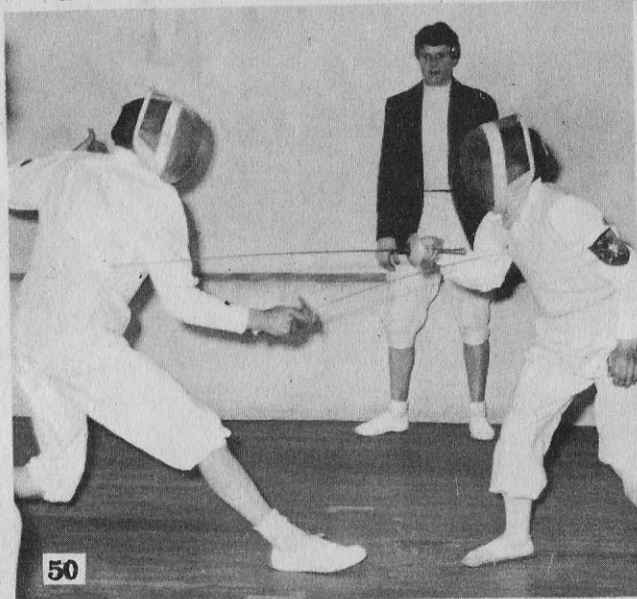
Inter-City Fencing

A sport that doesn't rate the following that it should is fencing. This is a sport for the agile, and one must be fit and quick of mind and eye to get to the top. On a recent visit from Wanganui swordsmen, who fought duels with the New Plymouth Club, some really expert sword-play was seen. New Plymouth, though beaten by 6 losses to 10 in this inter-city contest, put up a remarkably good show for so small a club.

Above: Brian Mullins and Annette Whiting, two visitors from Wanganui made friends quickly with three New Plymouth members.

Below: Ian Routeley (Wanganui) in a bout with John Rowe (New Plymouth).

Right: Some close fighting that is not in the book is indulged in by Graham Campbell (Wanganui) and Vincent Brownson (New Plymouth).



Married in Malaya

Above, left: At a service in Ipoh, Malaya, Iris, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.J. Rigby, of Wolverhampton, England, to Ben, fourth son of Mr and Mrs Jackson Pi Katene, Mawhitiwhiti Road, Okiawa. Also shown in the photograph are, at rear, Mr R. Minninnick, Normanby, S.Kopa, the best man, from Kaikohe, and Miss C. Jackson, Stoke-on-Trent, England, the bridesmaid. On return to New Zealand, the couple will live at Waiouru. Thanks for sending us this photograph Ben, and the best of luck to you and your bride.

Below, left: Happy, playful kids at the Westown Play centre are Lance Trott, Kim Morley, Jan-reen Stephens and Nigel Gundsens.

Below, right: Paul Gundsens, John Bell and Mary and Linda Lawler play under the supervision of Betty Beanland, who is helping to run the new play centre.



ENGAGED: The engagement was announced recently of Judith Ann, second daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Carlson, Inglewood, and Ashley Claude, only son of Mr and Mrs G. Lucas, Egmont Village.

