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TARANAKI'S OWN PHOTO-MAGAZINE

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OUR COVER

A breathtaking figure in her superb ball dress is the Photo News Queen of the Ballroom Shirley Whitehead, of Coronation Avenue, New Plymouth. The gown was specially made for Shirley by McGruers Ltd., of Devon Street, New Plymouth -- a fine gesture by a firm already renowned for fine things. Shirley (isn't she a picture?) was photographed in the cineraria house at Pukekura Park, which, in a bright season of the year, is about as bright a place as you are likely to find.

BACK COVER: For our back cover in colour Gillian Baigent of Lepperton, with two of her father's black-faced Suffolk lambs, makes a fine picture in the afternoon sun.



Fussy Feline

Above: Meet the pussy who likes to give herself the brush-off. The ginger cat with the strange habits strolled into Policewoman McAlly's place one day and has stayed ever since. Favourite trick is to brush herself everytime somebody puts a comb through her shiny coat.

Married

Right: O'DONNELL--Mackay: At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Barbara Lorraine, eldest daughter of Mr G. Mackay, New Plymouth, to Gordon Douglas, only son of Mr and Mrs L.A. O'Donnell, New Plymouth. The bridesmaid was Pamela Mackay and the best man was Ian Sifleet. Flower girls were Raewyn Mackay and Melda O'Donnell. The couple will live in New Plymouth.



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Spring Fever

Above: Spring's in the air and a couple of cobbles are out for a frolic. We're not sure who they are -- the boss forgot to tell us but who cares about names anyway.

Right: A crafty cat gets in a couple of crafty blows to the lamb chops.



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Coming of Age

Left: Jennifer May, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs K.F. Whitehead, Coronation Avenue, New Plymouth, gets the symbolic door key from her father at her coming-of-age party. Mrs Whitehead is in the centre.



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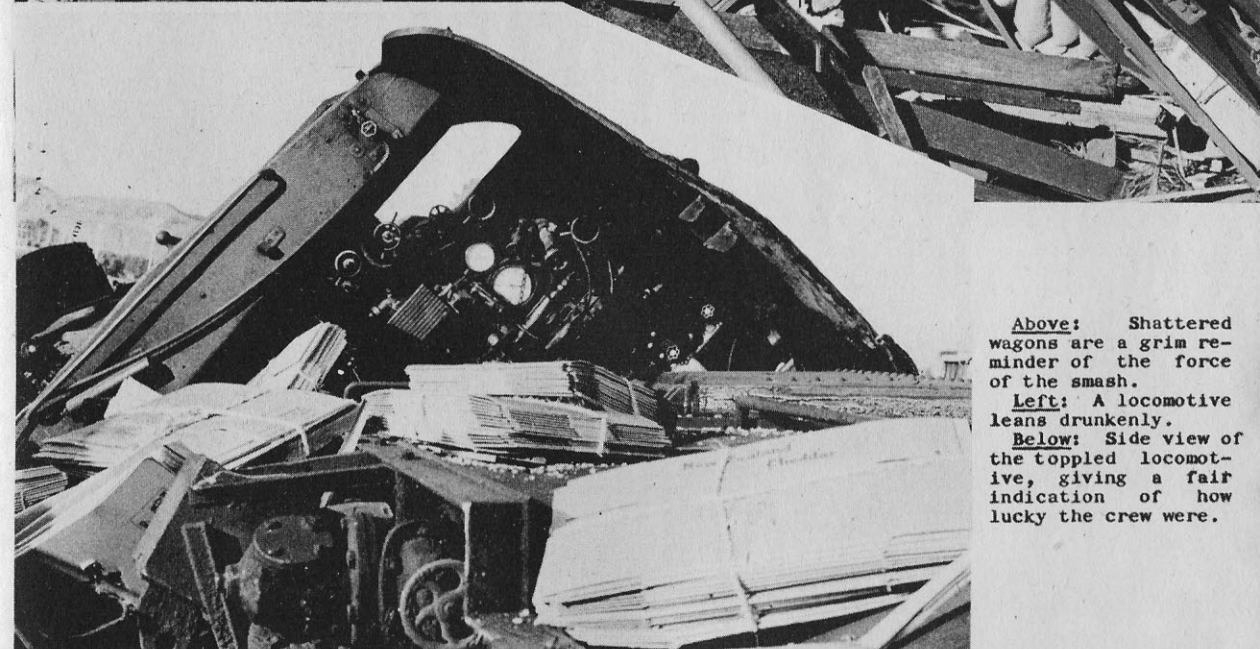
Spectacular Train Crash

A 330-ton goods train roared into another goods train standing at Douglas station, derailing one engine and 17 wagons. Only the guard of one train, who received bruises, was injured in the spectacular smash, which happened in the darkness of very early morning. Battered wagons leaned on crazy angles and the tracks were ripped apart by the force of the impact.

Above: This hopeless tangle faced breakdown men as they arrived to restore order and clear the vital line between Taumarunui and Stratford.

Below left: Workmen remove a crate of shattered glass.

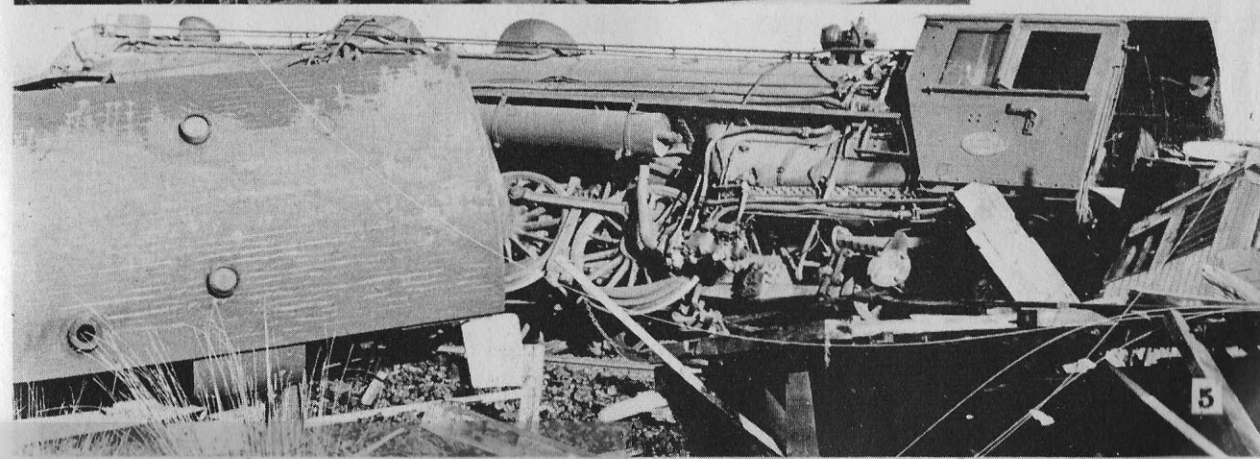
Below right: The mail must go through—and it will.



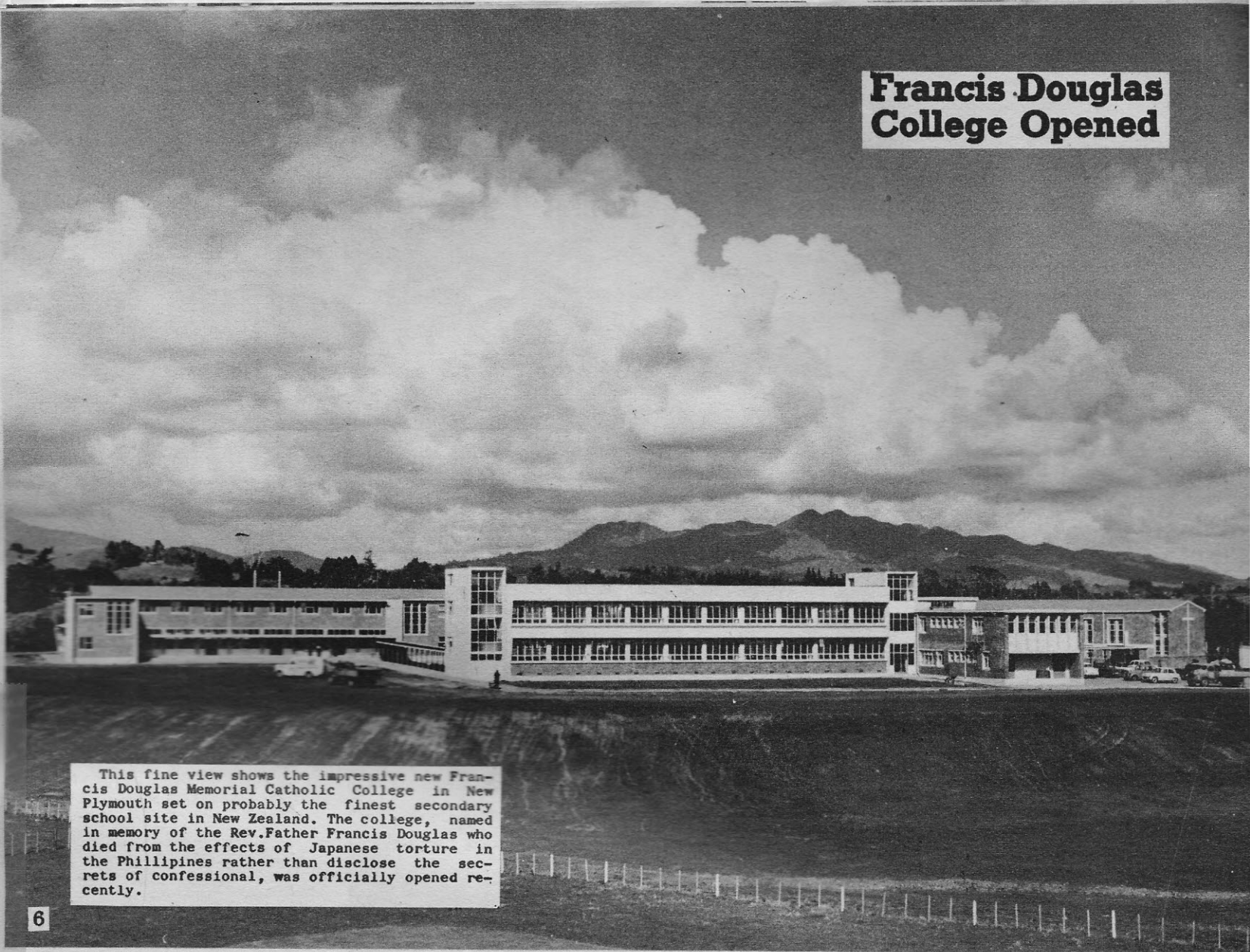
Above: Shattered wagons are a grim reminder of the force of the smash.

Left: A locomotive leans drunkenly.

Below: Side view of the toppled locomotive, giving a fair indication of how lucky the crew were.



Francis Douglas College Opened

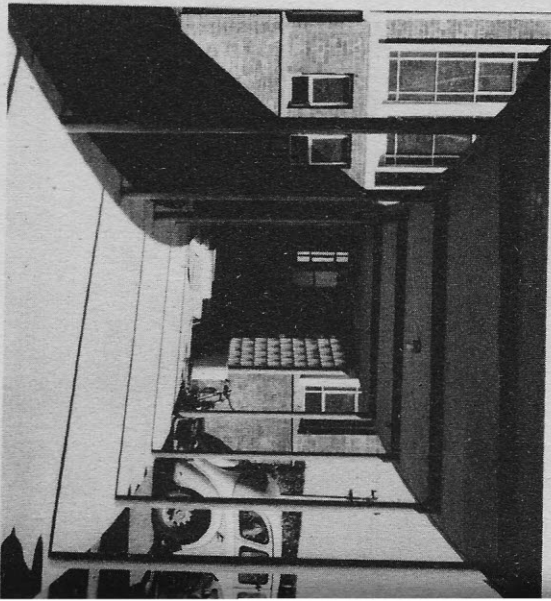
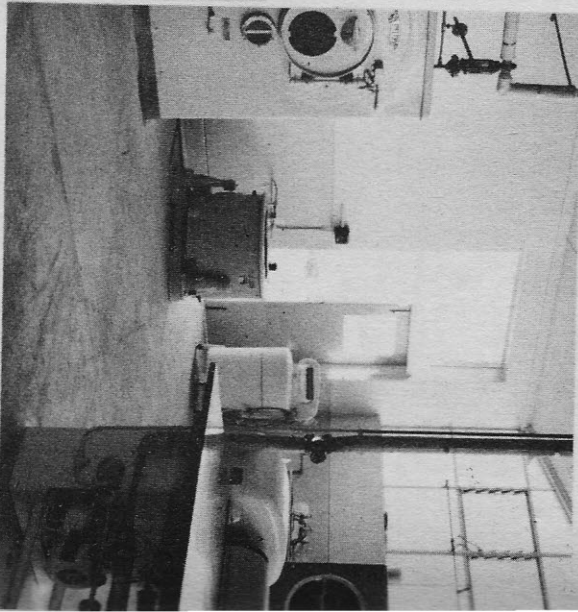
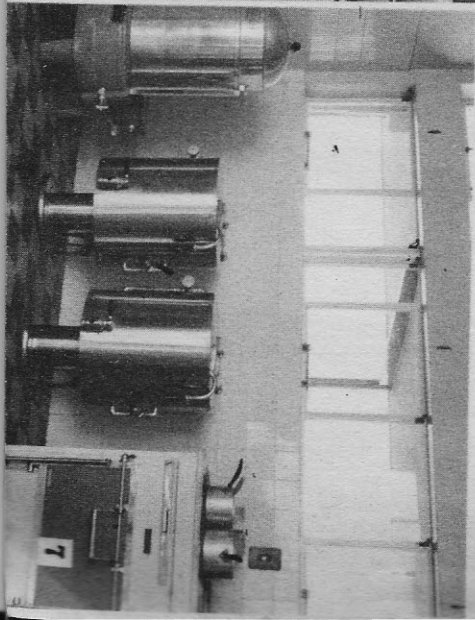
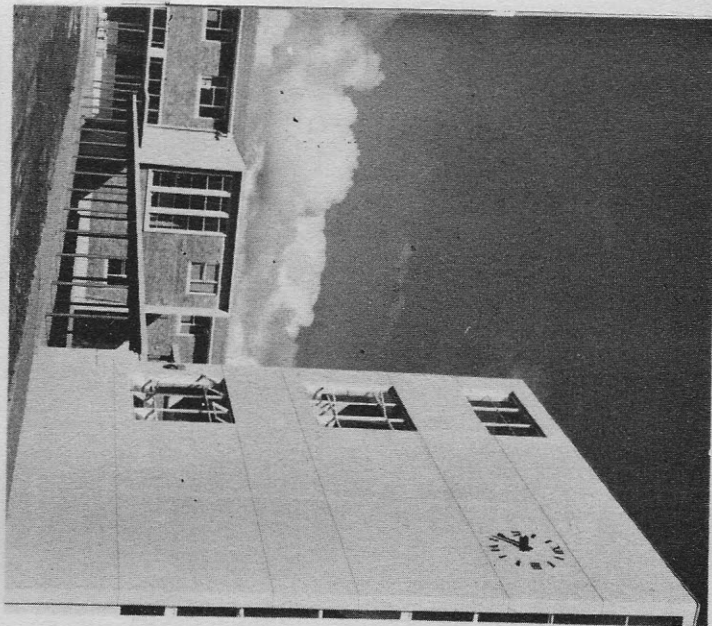


This fine view shows the impressive new Francis Douglas Memorial Catholic College in New Plymouth set on probably the finest secondary school site in New Zealand. The college, named in memory of the Rev. Father Francis Douglas who died from the effects of Japanese torture in the Phillipines rather than disclose the secrets of confessional, was officially opened recently.

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Above: Looking across at the dormitory block from the school.
 Above right: Good for walking in the rain.
 Right: Not a nuclear power plant—just the laundry.
 Below left: Simple but comfortable dormitory.
 Below right: Modern kitchen to serve good food to hungry boys.



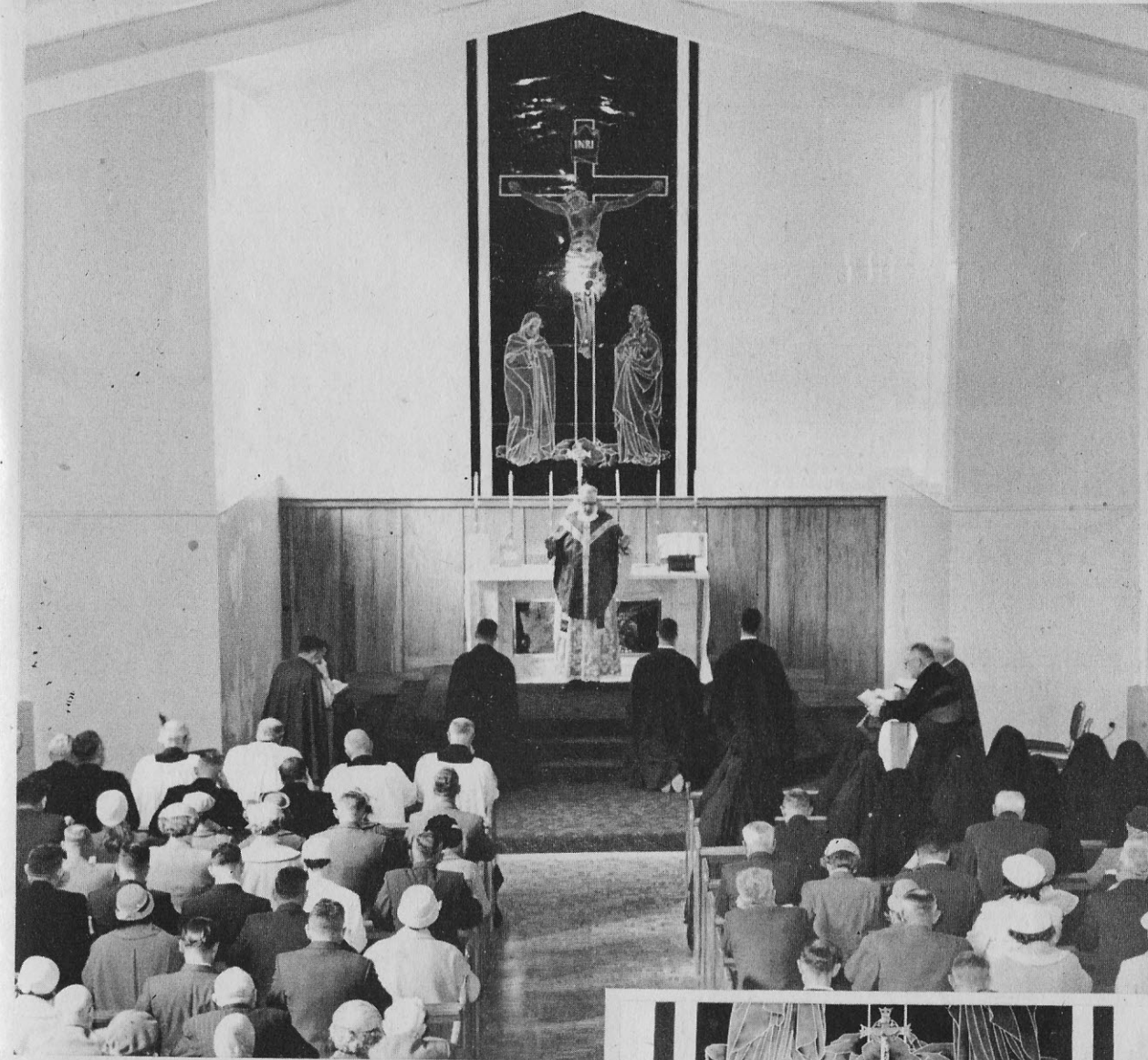


Above left: Two brothers and two sisters of Francis Douglas were honoured guests at the opening ceremony. They are, from left: Raymond (Dunedin), Sheila (Mrs Scullin, Wellington), Patricia (Mrs O'Donoghue), Albert (Petone).

Above right: These three men played a big part in the £325,000 already raised toward the £425,000 which the project will finally cost. They are, from left: Messrs P. Phelan, C. Hannan, and D. H. Horton. Mr Hannan is chairman of the executive, Mr Horton secretary and Mr Phelan a member of the New Plymouth executive.

Below left: The Archbishop of Wellington, the Most Rev. P. T. B. McKeefry, officially opens the college chapel.

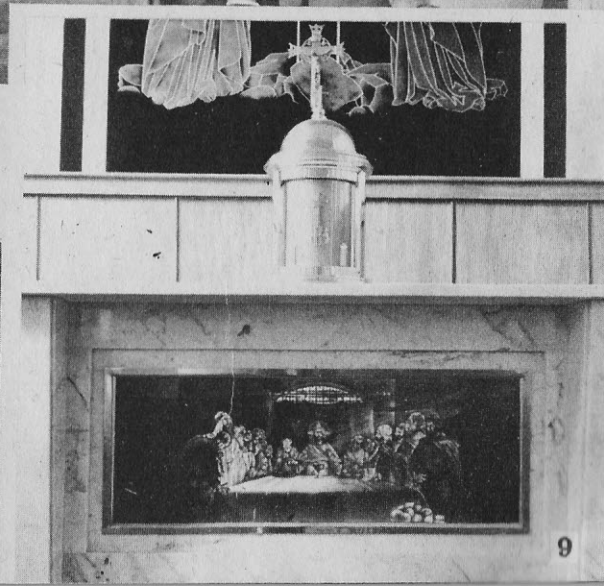
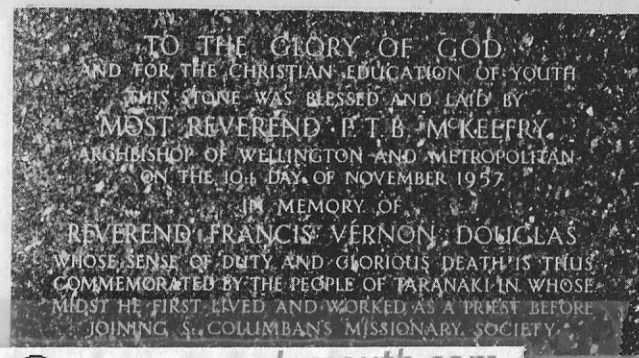
Below right: Archbishop McKeefry blesses the chapel.



Above: This picture, exclusive to Photo News, shows Archbishop McKeefry conducting the first mass in the chapel on the morning of the opening of the college.

Below: The foundation stone laid by the Archbishop nearly two years ago.

Left: The impressive altar in the chapel.





Above: Four Bishops and the director of the college, the Brother Jerome, listen to an address by Mr Hannan. From left: Archbishop J.M. Liston (Auckland), Brother Jerome, Archbishop McKeefry, Bishop E.M.Joyce (Christchurch) and Bishop J.P.Kavanagh (Dunedin).

Above right: Cubs of the St.Joseph's pack form a guard of honour for the church hierarchy.

Below: A section of the crowd of over 3000 at the opening ceremony.



W.D.F.F. Flower Show

Above left: Smiling Rob Clegg gets his prize from Mrs Joy Falconer at the Oakura W.D.F.F. flower show recently.

Above right: A spray for Mrs Falconer from president Eileen Clelland.



Mrs Telford proudly holds the points prize cup.



Thora Clelland with her trophy



No wonder he's smiling. David Priest won a prize for sewing.



Fitzroy Plunket Fashion Show

In a bid to raise funds the Fitzroy branch of the Plunket Society held a very successful fashion show in the Fitzroy Hotel recently. Highlight among a dazzling display of the latest fashions was a wedding dress modelled by this year's Miss Brooklands, Cushla Collins.



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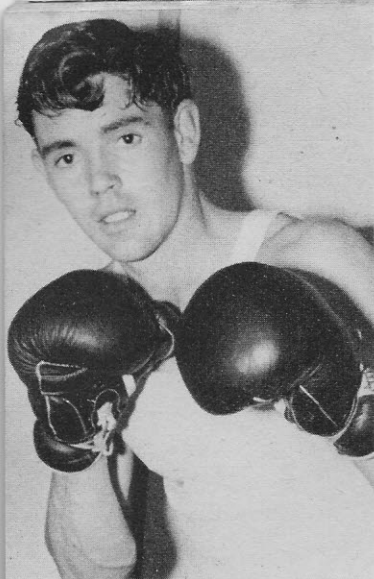
Wedding Bells

Above: GIDDY--EAGLES: At the Fitzroy Methodist Church, Noeline Merle, twin daughter of Mr and Mrs H. Eagles, New Plymouth, to Jack Richard, youngest son of Mr and Mrs N. Giddy, Waitoa, Margaret Ann Briscoe was matron of honour and Annette Berry was bridesmaid. Flowergirl was Cherylyne Perry, of Cardiff. Syd Giddy, Waitoa, was best man and Don Caird, Waitoa, was groomsman. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

Below: YOUNG--HOWE: At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Lila Catherine, the eldest daughter of Mr & Mrs C.W. Howe, to Grant Kelvin, second son of Mr & Mrs Young, Stratford. Bridesmaids were Averil June Howe, and Lynn Bonniface, Waitara. Donald Young was best man and Barry Young was groomsman. The couple will live at Matiere, Ohura.



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Taranaki Boxing Champions-1959

Bouts at the Taranaki amateur boxing championships were interesting even if the standard was not as high as in other years. Here are some of the champions:

Top, from left: Layton Thomas (Fitzroy) light - middleweight; Brian Lockley (Okato) junior paperweight; Leslie Hurley (Patea) junior wasp; Geoff Pakau (Patea) leadweight;

Bottom: Kevin Mangino (Eltham) senior midget; Keith Hill (Stratford) intermediate featherweight; Barry Landragon (Eltham) senior featherweight.

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Above: Brian Chard (Okato) winner of the intermediate fleaweight title with runner-up B. Estill (Wanganui).

Above right: Taranaki Boxing Association president Alan Clarke presents the trophy to Roy Pivac (Patea), winning trainer at the championships.



Social Items

Centre left: David MacDonald, second son of Mr and Mrs H.S.Taylor, Bell Block, cuts his 21st birthday cake.

Centre right: Celebrating his 21st birthday is Peter John, son of Mr and Mrs R.J.Bradley, New Plymouth.

Below left: A happy couple who can prove that the spirit of adventure is not confined to the younger generation. Mr and Mrs G.H.Stoko were married at Gateshead, Country Durham, 50 years ago, but they came out to New Plymouth only five months ago.

Below right: Making whoopee with a Scottish accent are these gay dancers at the Scottish Country Dancing Club's annual ball.





Fitzroy Club's Successful First Year

The Fitzroy Sports Club can look back on its first year of operation with a great deal of satisfaction. The club sponsors basketball, boxing and wrestling in winter and a variety of activities in summer.

Above left: Club president Ron Barclay presents a cup to basketball team captain Patricia Hadland.

Above right: Cup and trophy for the most improved wrestler goes to Terry Pope.

Below: You know that old game where you shove a pile of old clothes in a bag and send it round the room and every time the music stops the character holding the bag has to pull out some line in old clothes and put it on, well (to cut a long story down to size) that's just what this zany trio is doing.



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Elizabeth Clarke getting a bit shirty



Mrs Joy Barclay... stripe me lucky...



Walter Grey...war dance but he's making a bit of a bloomer.



Valerie Batchelor! happy at her work.



Ian Reilly.....the coat's getting on.



Alex Cox...first leg in!



"Steak" Tuffrey... I'm not amused



Faye Hill going up.



Mrs Smith....a good tuck in!

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Wedding Bells

Above: BIRTLES—BLIGH. At St. Mary's Anglican Church, New Plymouth, Ann Edith, daughter of Mr E. Bligh, Lower Hutt, to John Russell, son of Mr and Mrs J.B. Birtles, Dunedin. Matron of honour was Mrs G. Perkinson, Auckland, and junior bridesmaids were Juliet Purdie, Waitara, and Diane Young, Wellington. Mr G. Perkinson, Auckland, was best man. The couple will live at Auckland.

Below: WILSON—REID: At St. Johns, Waitara, Heather Jean, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Reid, Waitara, to Graeme Robert, son of Mr and Mrs A.M. Wilson, New Plymouth. Bridesmaids were Allison and Loraine Reid, both of Waitara. Kenneth Clapcott, New Plymouth, was best man and Donald Wilson, Wellington, was groomsman. Future home of the couple is Wanganui.



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Young Auntie

Fourteen-year-old Gaylene Hine, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs L. Hine, late of New Plymouth and now of Auckland, is an auntie in a big way. She has 24 nieces and nephews and that puts her in the top bracket among aunties of any age.

The Hine family held a reunion at the Fitzroy camp site the other day and 22 of the grandchildren were there. Mrs Hine, who was a grandmother at the ripe old age of 41, has been married for 35 years. In the picture are auntie and 22 of her 24 junior relations.



Scots' Ball

This happy group enjoyed themselves at the Scottish Country Dance Club's annual ball. They are, from left: Freda Carlisle, P. Caughey, J. Weir, E. Tarrant, Mrs I. Imre (instructor), C. Imre, C. Minry, M. Weir, G. MacDonald. Back: D. Webster, A. Horsburgh, W. Weir, K. McQueen, N. McQueen, I. Lander.

Right: Also enjoying themselves were: front, A. Page, L. Page, H. Brown, M. Browne, J. Browne, D. Dunsmair. Back, E. Churton, D. Page, D. Morris, A. Campbell, P. Ellery, T. Griffiths.



Hawera's Hurricane Carnival

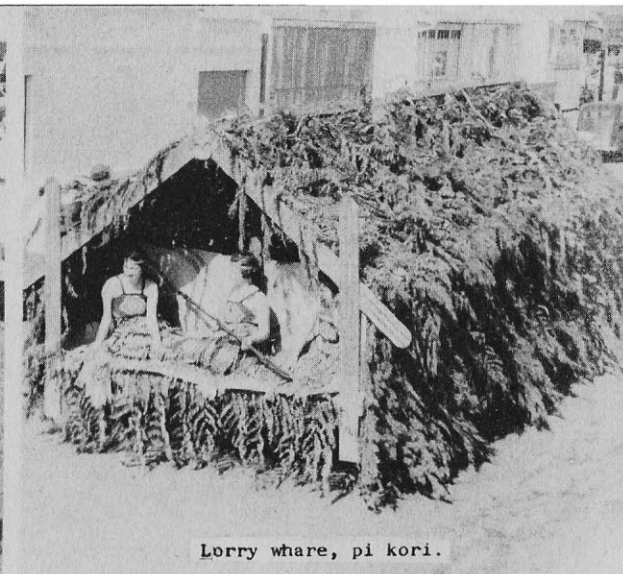
Aiming at raising £15,000 in a hurry to build a new grandstand at Hicks Memorial Park, Hawera launched a hurricane carnival. And if the success of the carnival is any pointer, the park is going to have a fine stand.



Sleek model...the car, we mean:



Man with a future-- or was it a past?



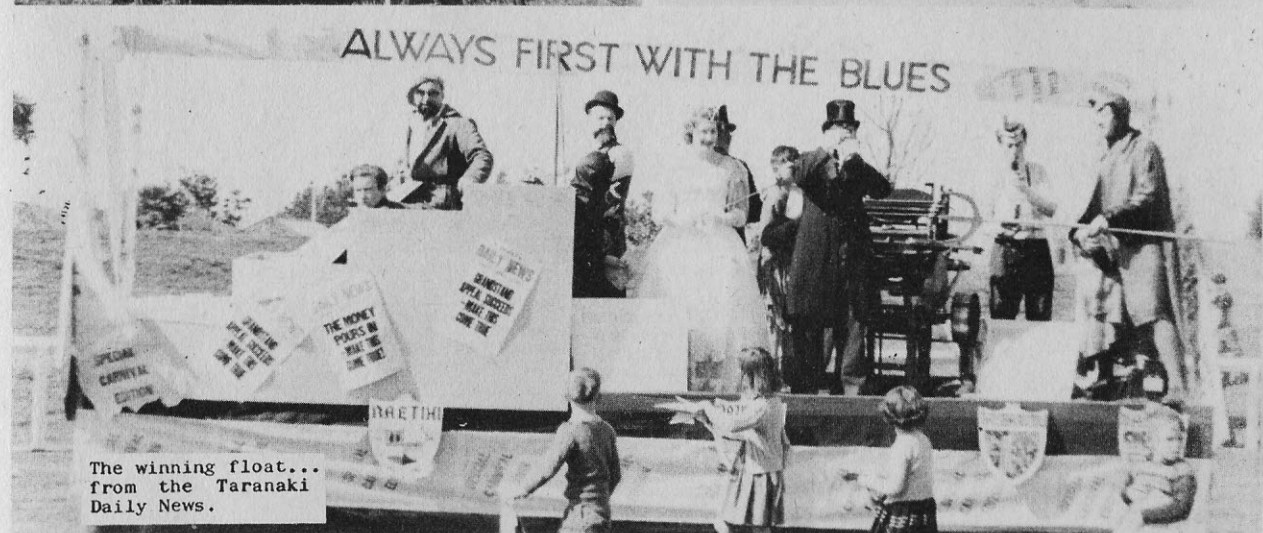
Lorry where, pi kori.



The pipe band on parade



Still a pipe band but slightly younger



The winning float... from the Taranaki Daily News.



20 Nurses applaud their own float....



....and the float deserved applause



The army on the roll



Princess Shirley... nice girls, nice float.



Above left: Winger Ray Todd tries to go past his opposite Eric Keith but that is a hard thing to do.
Above right: Taranaki's All Black first five-eighth John McCullough leaps high and kicks.
Right: McCullough and halfback Urbahn have a Southland player well sewn up.
Below: Tireless Taranaki prop Ike Flavell bursts away with the ball at toe.



The automatic camera captures the final stages of a brilliant try by Southland's flying winger Ray Todd.
Above: Todd streaks towards the line with winger Eric Keith (left) and flanker Brendon O'Neill converging on him.
Below: Todd dives over the line as Keith and O'Neill fling themselves at him in a desperate but unsuccessful bid to stop the try.



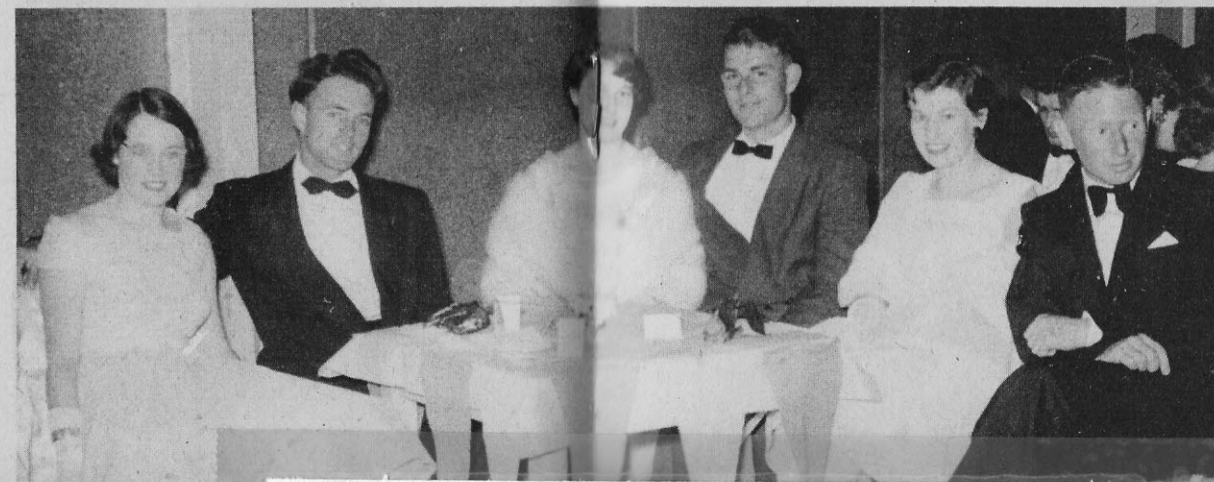
"PHOTO NEWS" BALL PRESENTS THE QUEEN OF THE BALLROOM



Congratulations from the Mayor...

Above: Glittering scene as the finalists and the Queen and official party line up during our tremendously successful ball, organised in conjunction with the New Plymouth Ballroom Dancing Club. In the centre are Queen Shirley Whitehead, "Photo News" editor Reg Eves, Mrs Honnor and the Mayor, Mr A.G. Honnor.

Below: Mayor Honnor congratulates Queen Shirley



... and Mayoress of New Plymouth

Below: Mayoress Mrs Honnor adds her congratulations.

Left top: The Van Beers party had a grand time at the ball.

Left bottom: The tables were gaily decorated--and the people round them were pretty decorative too. (Pix by Cragó)

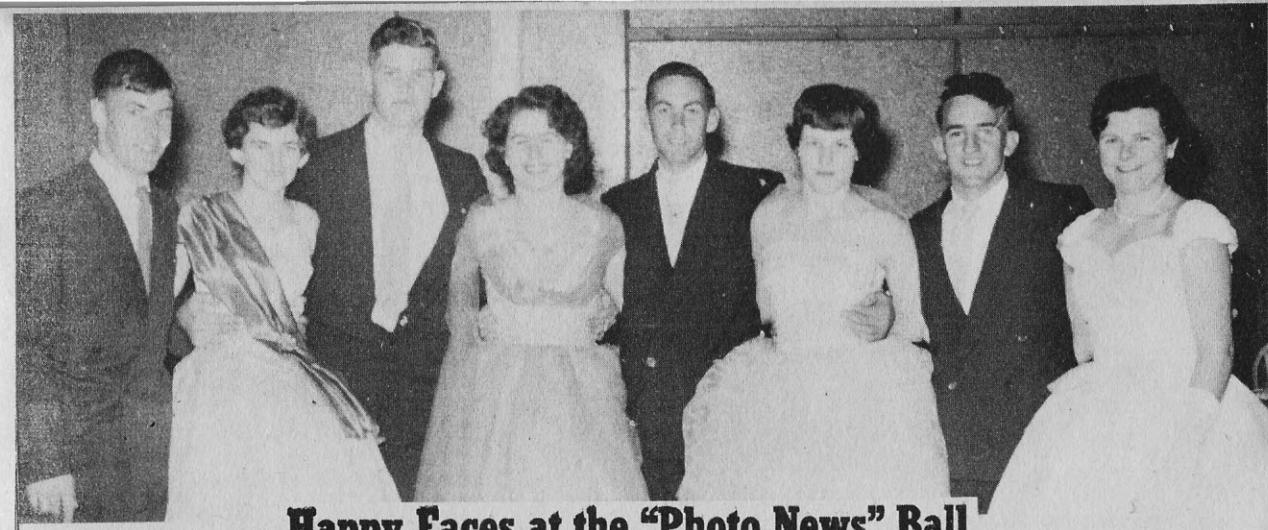




Above left: Filling in at the last minute almost, the Watson trio from Waitara were one of the hits of the evening. Our most grateful thanks go out to this talented trio for stepping into the breach and doing it so magnificently. For the record the group are, from left: Ana (20), Mari (15) and Carolyn (13).

Above right: The royal party, from left: Bervan Kelly, who, lucky man, was Queen Shirley's partner, the Queen in person and Mr and Mrs Keith Whitehead, the Royal parents.

Below: For grace, style and skill it would be hard to beat the display by the New Plymouth Ballroom Dancing Club's team, who are, from left: Don and Joan Gadsden, Alf Moffatt and Jean Hine, Barry Clement and Ann Penman, Bernard Letts and Jennifer Harland. (Pictures by Crago).



Happy Faces at the "Photo News" Ball



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Medical Corps Roughs It . . .

The Field Ambulance got a realistic taste of jungle operations in an exercise in rugged country above Mahoe. They took with them cadets from the New Plymouth and Stratford secondary schools.

Right: Truck with amphibious tendencies brings up supplies.

Centre left: Sergeant Bob Leversha has a wet crossing.

Centre right: Staff Sergeant Bill Cooper directs the transport.

Below left: He's over--and blimey, it's cold.

Below right: Time off for a breather.



Above left: A halt in the steaming jungle for running repairs.

Above right: Sergeant Alan Ryan takes a bearing.

Centre left: Calling base--what about some food?

Below left: What's this--a sergeant-major peeling spuds? Things have changed in the army! The R.S.M. is Dallas Falwasser.

GOLDEN WEDDING:

Below right: Mr and Mrs Jack Swan, of Inglewood, who recently celebrated their golden wedding. They were married in the Wesleyan Church at Waitara by the Rev.Reid on September 2, 1909.





Above: Mayor Alf Honnor kicks off in Don Clarke style closely watched by referee All Black Roger Urbahn (left) and police captain Bob Knight.

Right: Press player cops a copper's boot.
Below left: Ref. Urbahn and Press captain Des McMinn share a private joke with Press forward John Waters out in the distance.

Below right: Press Number 8 Ray O'Connor goes into reverse with halfback Kohn (left) in support.

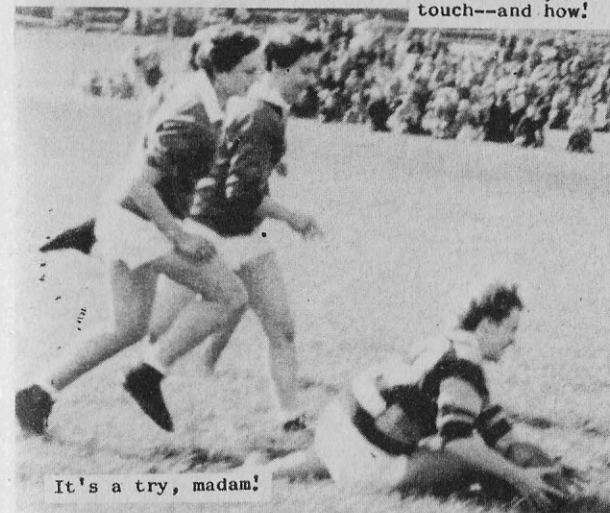


Fun & Games at Charity Match

The power of the Press was too much for the long arm of the law when the Press and Police and Transport Departments clashed in the annual charity Rugby match for the Grundy Cup. Some 8000 people watched the Press win by 10 points to six after earlier watching a bright and breezy programme. The Intellectually Handicapped Children's Association will benefit by over £300 from the afternoon.



Touch judge Roger Urbahn keeps in touch--and how!



It's a try, madam!



Going down....



AND NOW IT'S THE GIRLS.....

The Press-Ons beat the Cop-Its in a women's Rugby match curtain-raiser to the big charity game. What a pity Danie Craven couldn't have seen it! Playing their own version of the rules, the girls hurled the ball and themselves around in a display that kept the 8000 people roaring and themselves puffing and blowing.

Above: Dashing winger evades a tackle. Referee All Black Ross Brown is on the left in the background.

Below: Dazzling burst up the sideline with the Press-Ons streaking up in defence.





The afternoon's programme wasn't all Rugby. There were pipe bands, police dogs, marching girls, trick cyclists and a kicking display between Southland's Lloyd Ashby and Taranaki's John Bayly.

Above: Giving their first public display were the New Plymouth Ladies' Highland Pipe Band led by Loris Hill.

Right centre & bottom: Transport Department's ace motorcycle cop Doug Allen hurtles round the track in pursuit of a trick cyclist suspected of driving under the influence of women's rugby.... and ends up by issuing a ticket. Doug brought the house and himself down by roaring straight into a wire fence round the ground.

Below left: All Black halfback and big match touch judge Kevin Briscoe caught by autograph-hunting admirers.



Y.W.C.A. Holiday Enjoyment Camp

It was a holiday at home for many children during the August vacation but with the Y.W.C.A. home camp the stay-at-homes had a mighty fine time.

Right: In the floral art group were Judith Donnelly, Moreen Beresford, Dorothy Winter, Elizabeth Grace, Marilyn Mackinder, Suzette Hislop, Kay Beresford and Karen Autridge.

Centre left: Puppet patters are the business of Jennifer Swan, Beverly Howarth, Diane Howarth and Shona Thomas.

Centre right: Floral girl is Lynette Calman.

Below: Proud of their puppets are Judith Johns, Marilyn Barnden and Valda Ellison.





Inglewood Drama

The Inglewood Dramatic Society gave a polished performance with their first three-act production, "As Long as They're Happy."

Right: Some of the cast on stage. Back row, from left: Anne Blackburn, Ngaire Young, John Charteris, Bill Marshall, Alan Stevenson, Alan Spurdle. Front, Bernice Quickfall and Barbara Mantey.



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Above left: Alan Stevenson, John Charteris, Bill Marshall and Ngaire Young.

Above: A lighter moment.

Married

At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Abigail, daughter of Mrs J. Gifford, New Plymouth, to Rodney William, son of Mr and Mrs S.F. Fisher, Wellington. The bridesmaid was Carolyn Lambert, of Waihi, and the best man was Jim Gifford, Opunake. The couple will live at Taihape.



Oakura Children Help W.D.F.F.

The kids turned out to help the mums at the Oakura W.D.F.F. flower show. And they did a good job too.

Above left: Lesley Cave shows some very good embroidery.

Above right: Marie McEwan sells a pair of monster lemons to Beth Pease.



COMING OF AGE:

Judith Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ivon Watkins, of Carrington Street, New Plymouth, had a large number of friends along to help her celebrate her coming of age party. Here Judith proudly holds her key, surrounded by some of her guests.

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Our Ballroom Queen Chooses Her Presents

With the thrill and excitement of the crowning over, Photo News' Queen of the Ballroom Shirley Whitehead had new and exciting adventures ahead of her as she chose the great variety of prizes that went with her win.

Top left: Jeannie Southern aids in the choice of a nylon lingerie set at Lucas' New Plymouth.

Top right: Monty Julian at the Record Inn helps Queen Shirley make up her mind.

Right: She was presented with a complete camera outfit at Prices the chemists.

Below left: Mrs Iva Hedges fastens a beautiful pearl necklace at Hedges Jewellers.

Below right: Smiles of satisfaction at the Bag Shop in Egmont Street.

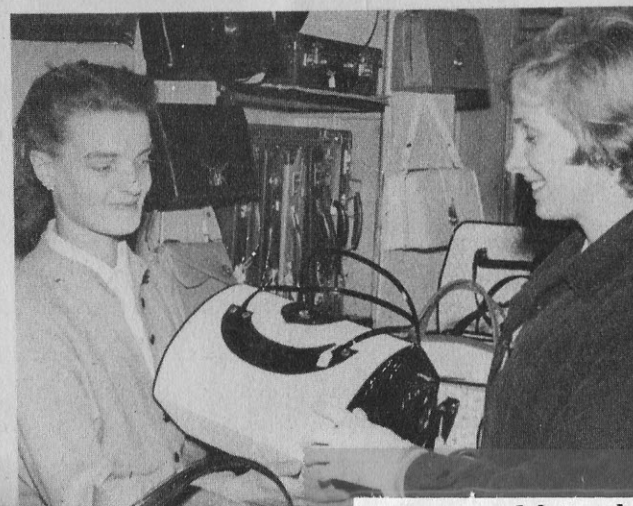


Above left: Whites Ltd. buyer Mrs Eileen Hamblyn helps Shirley make a choice from a big range.

Above right: A fine overnight bag, and Mr Fred Bird of Waitara gets a smile of thanks.

Below left: That's a nice cardigan she's getting from Nola Putt at Bernina Sewing Services, Egmont Street.

Below right: Gloves fit for a Queen from Accessory House. Aiding Shirley is Bernice Broome.



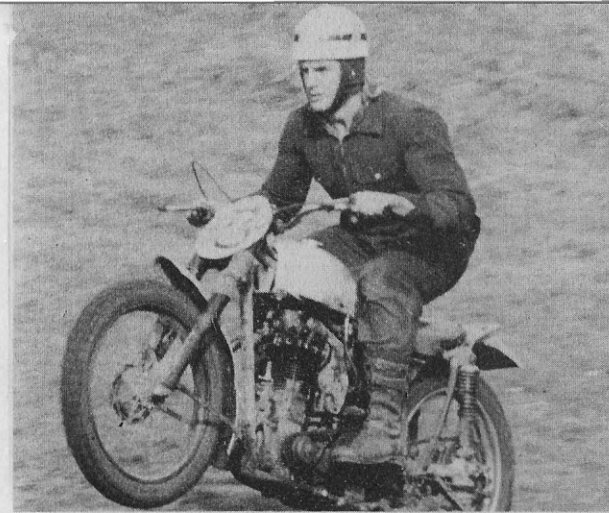
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Above right: And still they come....this time it's a pair of super dance shoes from Deares Shoe Store. Helping out with the fitting is Margo Anderson, Deare's buyer.
Above left: Barbara Kay, beauty expert at Teeds Chemists, advises Shirley on her choice of Dorothy Gray beauty products.

STATE FINALISTS

Below: A smiling bevy of state finalist nurses who attended a ball in the nurses home recently. They are; back row, from left, Shirley Andrews and Elaine Page. Centre, Merle Nicholls, Nora Dennis, Gaye Dowdle, Patrice Cullen, Garyth Quinn. Front, Kathleen Bolger.



Motor Cycle Scramble

Roaring motor-cycle engines broke the silence at the North Taranaki Motor Cycle Club's recent scramble.

Top left: John Furze in action.

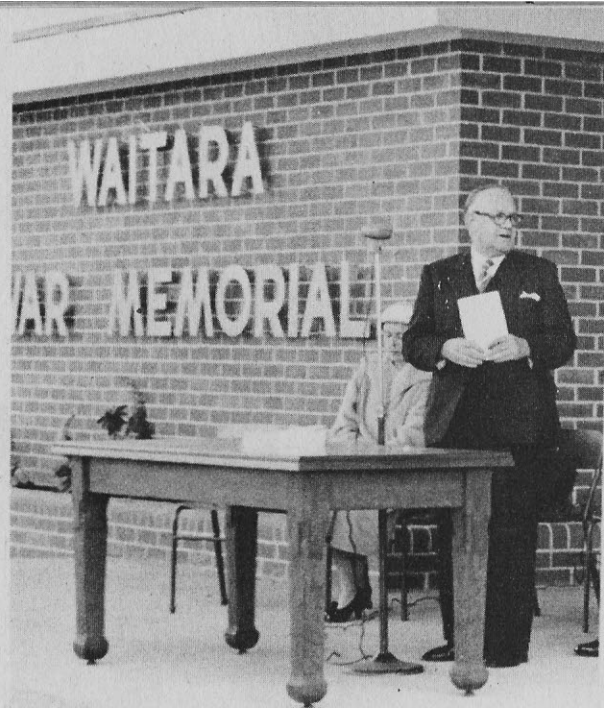
Top right: Hurtling round a bend with Don Martin.

Left: Max Rooke checks up on the others.

Bottom left: A bumpy ride for Alan Taylor.

Bottom right: Lionel Streeter on a bend.





Waitara War Memorial Opened

Waitara's fine new £45,000 war memorial community centre was officially opened by the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Anderton, recently. In glorious weather, a crowd of over 500 interested citizens listened to the speeches, and afterwards inspected this very fine amenity.

Above: Mr. Anderton speaking at the opening ceremony during which he urged the people never to forget the memorial aspect.

Below: A section of the crowd at the opening listens intently to the speeches.



Above: Mr Anderton opens the building with the aid of the Mayor of Waitara, Mr Yardley, and the M.P. for Stratford, Mr T.T. Murray.

Left: A moving moment as the Last Post is sounded.

Below: Messrs Yardley, Anderton and Murray discuss the new building.



St. Mary's Ball

There was a gay time in the old town on the night of St. Mary's Ball.

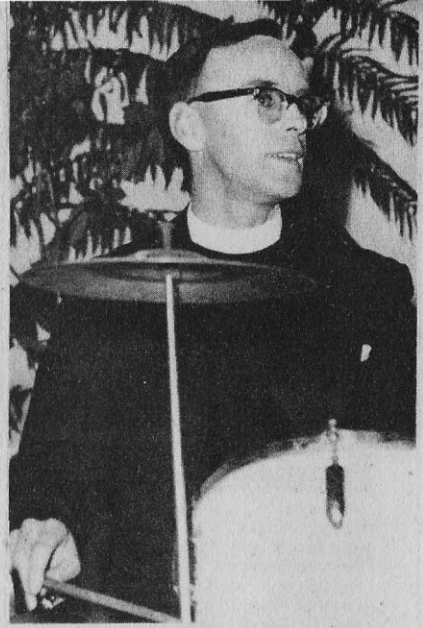
Left: Ace pianist Canon Liggatt provided some of the music.

Right: The Rev. Errol Smith got hep on the drums.

Middle: In this happy group are, from left: Mr and Mrs Hammons, Mr and Mrs Marsh, Mrs Bradley, Mr W. Whitby.

Bottom: The young 'uns were enjoying themselves too. From left: Barry Marlow, Pamela Butcher, Tony Corfe, Jan Nichols, Jill Vosper. Maurie Peacock.

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The public inspects the modern, spacious interior of the community centre which will be a big asset to fast-growing Waitara.



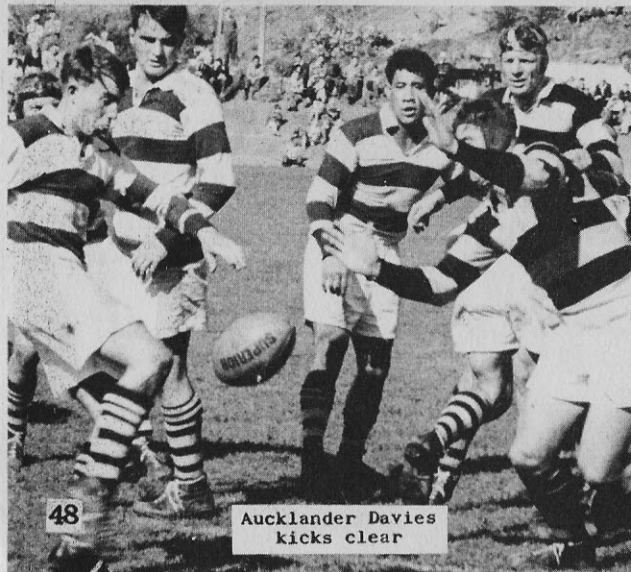
Fiery Aucklander Albert Pryor bursts away.

Taranaki Beaten by Auckland

Taranaki, lacking the sting of their Ranfurly Shield days, went down narrowly to Auckland at Rugby Park. It was a disappointing game for the record crowd for a provincial game of 15,500 who went along hoping to see two star-studded backlines in a thrilling clash. The game never flowed smoothly and most of it was drab and untidy.

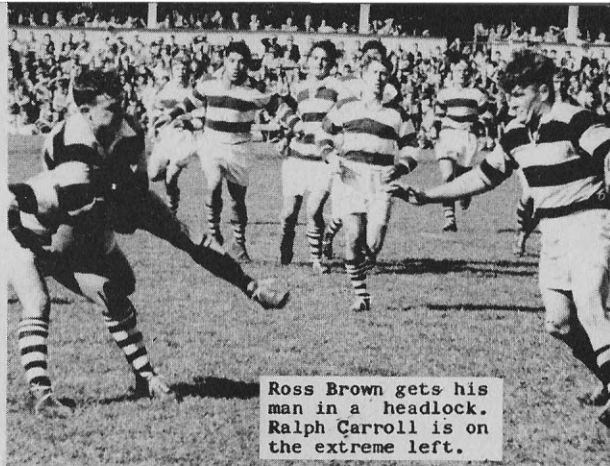


Eric Keith tries to go past Sibun



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Auckland Davies kicks clear



Ross Brown gets his man in a headlock. Ralph Carroll is on the extreme left.



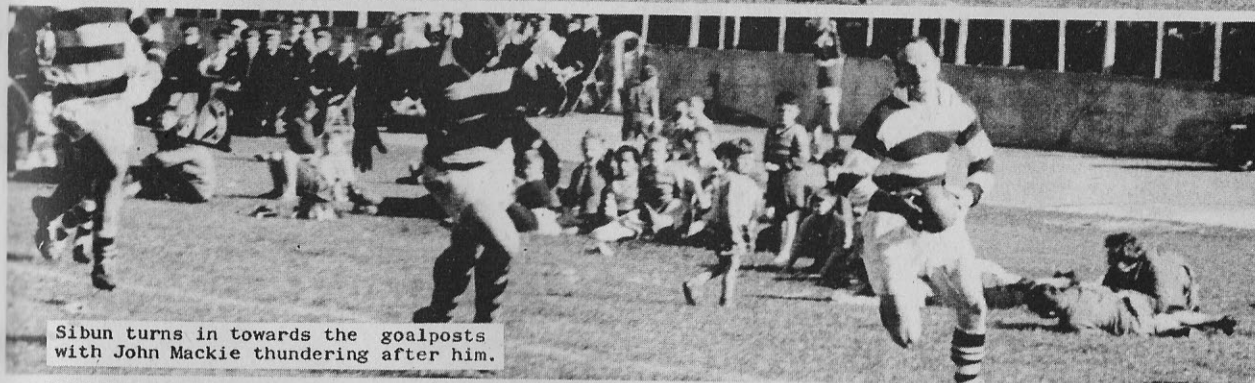
Auckland fullback Herewini challenged by Brown.



Auckland halfback Tony Edgar gets a dive pass away.



Auckland winger Sibun is in the clear



Sibun turns in towards the goalposts with John Mackie thundering after him.



Mackie can't catch him and Sibun dives



It's a try!

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National Party Debutantes

These 14 debutantes were presented to the Leader of the Opposition, Mr Holyoake, and Mrs Holyoake by Mrs E.P.Aderman, wife of the member for New Plymouth, at the recent National Party ball in New Plymouth. They are, standing from left: Laura Corlett (Ratapiko), Dawn Hodgkinson, (Eltham), Maree Hall (Mangorei), Isobel Bint (Lepperton), Mary Leadbetter (New Plymouth), Elaine Laurence (Kaimata), Marie Crosby (Waipuku), Lucy O'Connor (New Plymouth), Maisie Crosby (Stratford). Seated: Grace Claridge (Toko), Eron Fagan (Midhirst), Margaret Jones (Inglewood), Dawn Pascoe (Ahititi), Rosemary Jones (Inglewood).



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Above: Executive members of the Wanganui and New Plymouth Young People's Clubs pose together during a visit to New Plymouth by a group from the Wanganui club. From left, Rangī Taylor (Wanganui), Murray Bridges (Wanganui), Jim Waldon (New Plymouth president), Nancy Williams (New Plymouth), Ria Taepa (Wanganui secretary), Jim Beauchamp (Wanganui), Kevin Rei (New Plymouth), and Melville Mann (New Plymouth).

Below: Bruce Bithell, son of Mrs F. Bew and the late Mr Bob Bithell, celebrates his 21st birthday with a group of young New Plymouth friends.

