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## BRIDE OF THE MONTH

This month, our bride is Kathleen Anne, the eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.S. Jeffrey, New Plymouth, and she was married at the Whiteley Methodist to Leonard Pretty, son of Mr and Mrs W. Pretty, Midhurst. (VOGUE).

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## ANOTHER PARITUTU RESCUE

Above, left: Once again Constable Ray Petrowski, of the Moturoa Police Station, was called out to effect a rescue of a seaman, stranded high up on the seaward side of Paritutu. The seaman, William van Braam of the "Imperial Star", which was berthed at the port, was none the worse for his experience and very grateful for the assistance given by Constable Petrowski. Our picture shows rescuer and rescued walking round the base of Paritutu after a hazardous climb down.

Below: Our port area, taken from the top of Paritutu, clearly shows the work which is being done. The sandhill, bottom, centre, is gradually being carted away as spoil, some for the new wharf and some for the new coal-fired power station. In this picture, the whole wharf layout can be seen from breakwater to breakwater.



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### OUR COVER

One of the prettiest sights at this time of the year is the garden of Mr and Mrs Russell Mathews at "Tupare" in Mangorei Road. With their permission, we used an attractive corner of this garden as a backdrop for our cover girl this month, Pam Revell. The garden has been opened recently to the public and a charity benefited by a considerable amount, thanks to the generosity of Mr and Mrs Russell Mathews.

### BACK COVER

Top: St. Mary's Church, NP, which will be celebrating its 125th anniversary next month. A feature of the anniversary will be special lighting effects installed by the City Council.

Bottom: Another favourite view of Mt. Egmont. During the spring it is at its best and the mountain streams are filled with crystal clear water.





## Engagements

**Above, left: LORD-COMPTON:** Gaye Karen, second daughter of Mr and Mrs K.W.Compton, NP, to Brian Thomas, eldest son of Mr and Mrs I.V.Lord, NP.

(VOGUE STUDIOS).

**Left: HALL-PEPPERELL:** Sandra Noelene, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs N.Pepperell, Waitara, to Nelson Allan, youngest son of Mr and Mrs G.N.Hall, NP.

(VOGUE STUDIOS).

**Below, left: FROST-PATTISON:** Christine, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.A.Pattison, NP, to Graeme, younger son of Mr and Mrs W.R.Frost, NP.

(VOGUE).

**Above: FAIRWEATHER-MURTAGH:** Sally Lynne, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs K.W.Murtagh, NP, to Wayne Ronald, only son of Mr and Mrs W.L.Fairweather, NP.

(VOGUE STUDIOS).

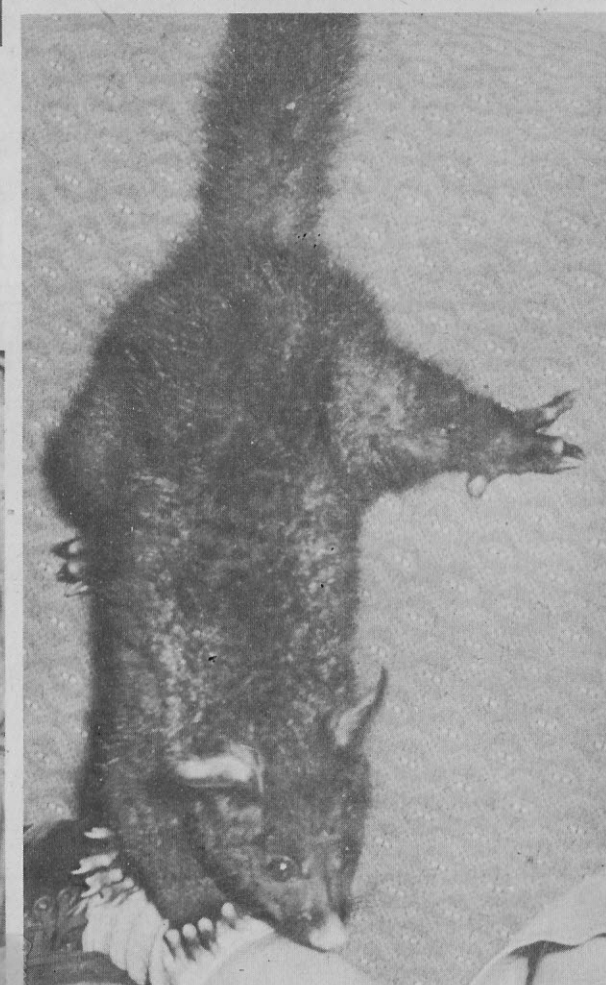
**Below: DOUGHTY-FITZSIMONS:** Dianne Catherine, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W.E.Fitzsimons, NP, to Robin, second son of Mr and Mrs R.F.Doughty, NP.

(VOGUE STUDIOS).



## Strange Bedfellows

Personally, we wouldn't like an opossum as a pet, but Leslie Honeyfield of Timaru Road, Tataramaika, has no fears of his pet named "Possy". They've been friends for some considerable time and Possy is now house-trained and has become one of the family. **Above:** Leslie with his pet, has no fears, though, when found, this young opossum was quite wild. **Above, right:** Leslie and his clobber have fun on the lawn. **Below:** Back in its natural surroundings, Possy looks a little bit more at home. **Below, right:** Here our little friend makes himself at home on the family settee.

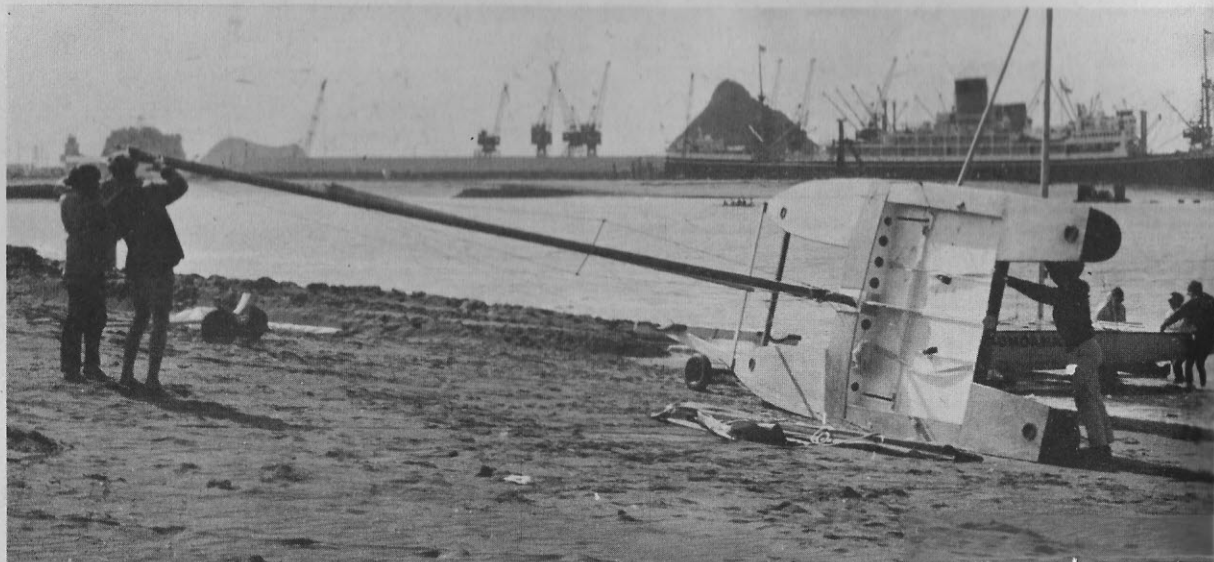






## ROWERS AND YACHTIES AT NGAMOTU

Members of the NP Rowing Club were out in force practising on the relatively calm waters of Ngamotu Beach on a recent weekend. Top: Members of the Rowing Club bring in their racing shell after a hard training session. Above: A coxed four sets off on a training run. The NP Club is in urgent need of more members, and we can thoroughly recommend this sport to the young people as being a real muscle-builder, besides having a first-class social aspect. Below: Lance Slight and Maurice Berry adjust the mast while Michael Jones holds the catamaran Tamoure steady before a sail on the harbour.



Above: Kevin Crisp and his brother, Bill, work on their new international A class catamaran which is to be named "Samantha". Right: Cliff Coles and Alistair Palmer haul their catamaran in after an afternoon's sailing.

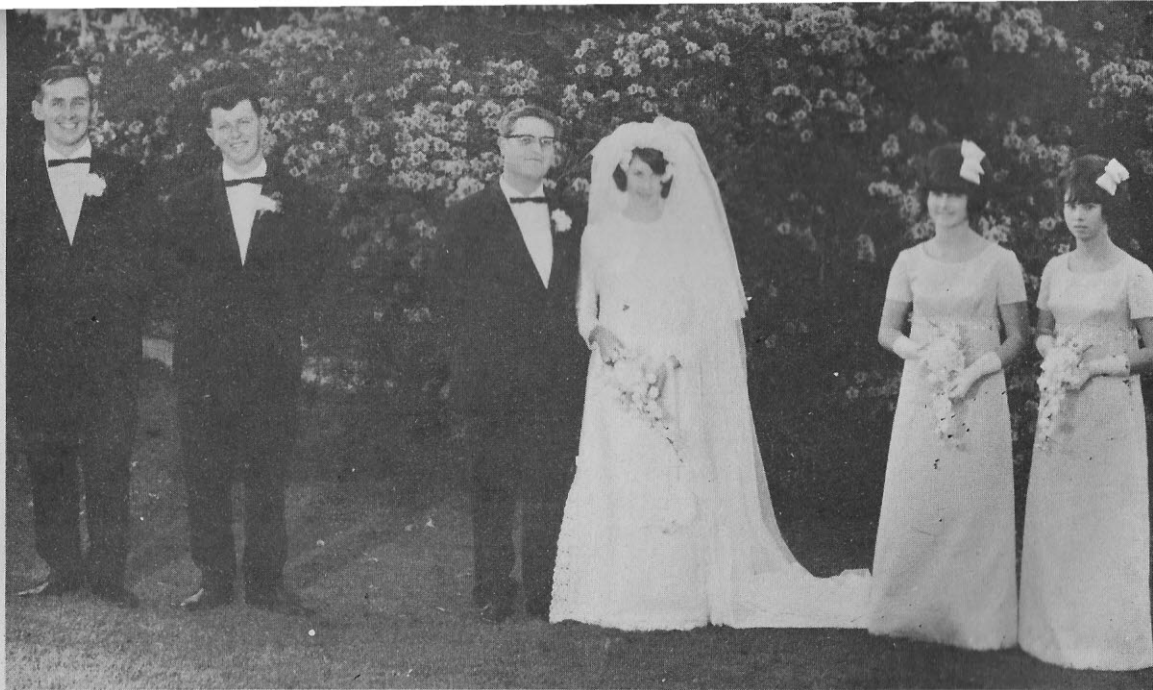


## Yachting

Left: Lynette Bird and John Wilson sit high and dry while David Aston got wet bringing in the Haumoana. Below: These boys had tons of fun in a barrow at Ngamotu. Tony Plant, the passenger, is given a ride by Bruce Morgan. Both were rather wet but happy. Wonder what mum said when they arrived home?







## *Wedding Bells*

**Above: PRETTY-JEFFERY:** At the Whiteley Methodist Church, NP, Kathleen Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.S. Jeffery, NP, to Leonard James, third son of Mr and Mrs W. Pretty, Midhirst. The matron of honour was Gloria Williams, Whangarei, and the bridesmaid was Susan Jeffery, sister of the bride, NP. The best man was Peter Uhlenburg, Midhirst, and the groomsman was Mike Hartley, Stratford. The future home, Stratford. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

**Below: DOUBLE WEDDING:** At the All Saints' Church, Eltham, **MURDOCH-REARDON:** Janet, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Reardon, Eltham, to John, eldest son of Mr and Mrs I. Murdoch, Meremere. The bridesmaids were Wendy Sykes, NP, and Suzanne Reardon, sister of the bride, Eltham. The best man was Bruce Murdoch, brother of the groom, Wellington, and the groomsman was Gordon Baillie, Otahuhu. The future home, Eltham. Group at **left: REARDON-STEWART:** Margaret, second daughter of Mrs Stewart, Eltham, and the late Mr Stewart, to Graeme, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. Reardon, Eltham. The bridesmaid was Carol Thrush, Dannevirke, and the best man was Barry Goodman, Featherston. The flowergirls were Donna and Sandra Watkins, Eltham.







# "THE BOY FRIEND"

(REP PRODUCTION)

The NP Repertory Society is presenting "The Boy Friend" at Repertory House, Watson Street, for a season commencing on the 2nd December. This comedy is to be a colourful production and with this cast will be a first class show. The producer is Dorne Arthur. Top, left: Some of the costumed cast. Left: Wyonne Cave and Fred James, two of the principals. Below, left: Some members of the cast, from left: Alison Sole, Noel Hoskin, Niels Rasmussen, Honnor Mould, Gillian Grange, David Gowen, Derek Treeby and Pat Winter. Below: Roger Page and Sally Cameron, caught by the camera during rehearsal.

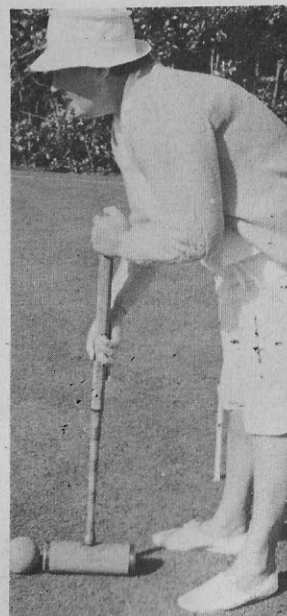






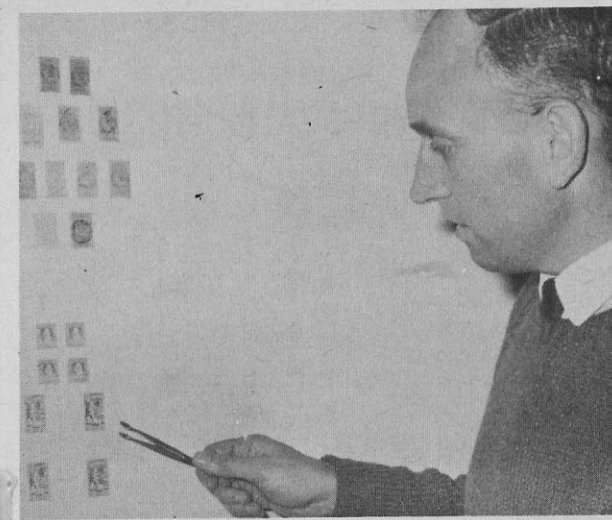
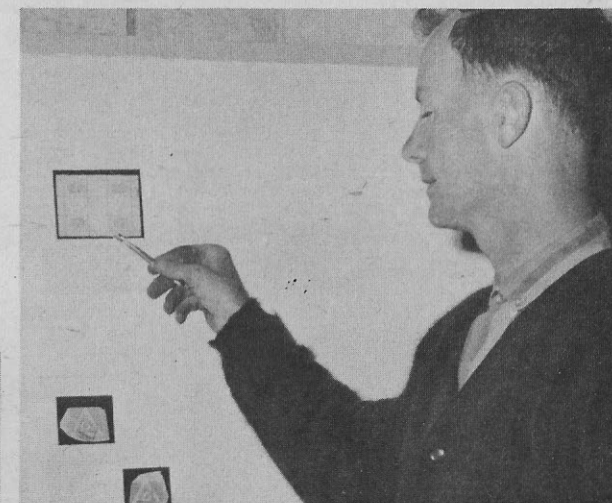
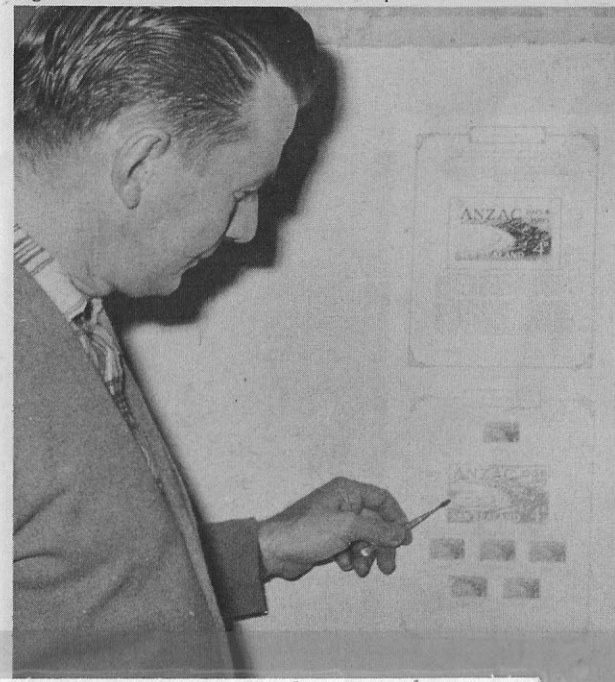
## CROQUET

NP was the venue for the NZ Gold and Silver Mallets Croquet Tournament. Visitors from as far away as Wellington, Thames and Hawkes Bay attended the official opening at East End green. The Mayor, Mr D. V. Sutherland, opened the tournament and wished the competitors luck. Above: Mr Sutherland addresses the gathering at the opening. Above, centre: Mrs Freda Jans, Stratford. Above, right: Mrs Leila Smith, West End, lines up her shot in the intermediate section. She had three wins. Right: Mrs F. Jans follows up her stroke. Left: Mrs Cathleen Gill, Hawera. Far right: Mrs Mary Wadsworth had only two losses in the tournament. Below: Mrs R. M. Barclay speaks to the gathering. Below, right: Members and players at the opening.



## PHILATELISTS

Stamp collecting is a hobby most people know little about. Most of us have kept stamps at one time or another, mainly in the hope of perhaps getting a really rare one, but few people become sufficiently interested in philately to devote much time to it. Above: Frank Walters, secretary of the Philatelic Society, looks through one of his albums. Above, right: Magnificent issues from Tonga. The largest of these stamps is 2½ inches in diameter. Right: Jim Kilgour points to a set of 1898 forgeries. Below: Allen Ascott received a highly commended in the Whakatane exhibition for these stamps. Below, right: Charlie Lilley has a good collection of health stamps.

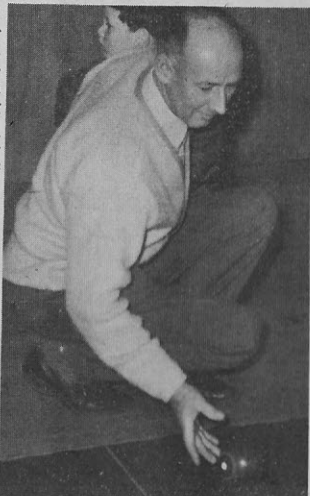






## MERRILANDS GALA

Above: Ann Burton and her friend spent some time deciding which balloon to buy. Above, centre: Bet his own wife wouldn't recognise Tom Wagstaff. Above, right: Margaret Flannagan was a lass with her eye to the future. Right: Cyril Stewart has his sights set on the dollar at the far end of the mat. Far right: Another Bob Charles? Robert Millar lines up his putt. Below: Robert Webb is all set for the Grand Prix. Bottom, left: "Curly" Burton looked a scream in his witch's britches and paint. Bottom, centre: Driving a nail into a log isn't as easy as it seems, to Neil Adams. Bottom, right: This friendly collie was one of the visitors to the gala and Ross Ray found him keen to be pals.



## GIANT TIKI

Hugh Merrywether, proprietor of the Princes Motor Court at Fitzroy, has added two very interesting items to the grounds of his motel. At right, Hugh is shown with a giant tiki, over six ft., manufactured in Rotorua. This is the only one in NZ, apart from one other in Rotorua. Brilliant in colour, it is a real eye-catcher and does a lot to enhance the beauty of the grounds. Another attraction, below, is one of the old NP trolley-buses which has been turned into a caravan. Hugh hopes to have this in the parade which is taking place in the city this weekend. This should bring back memories to many trolley-bus commuters.



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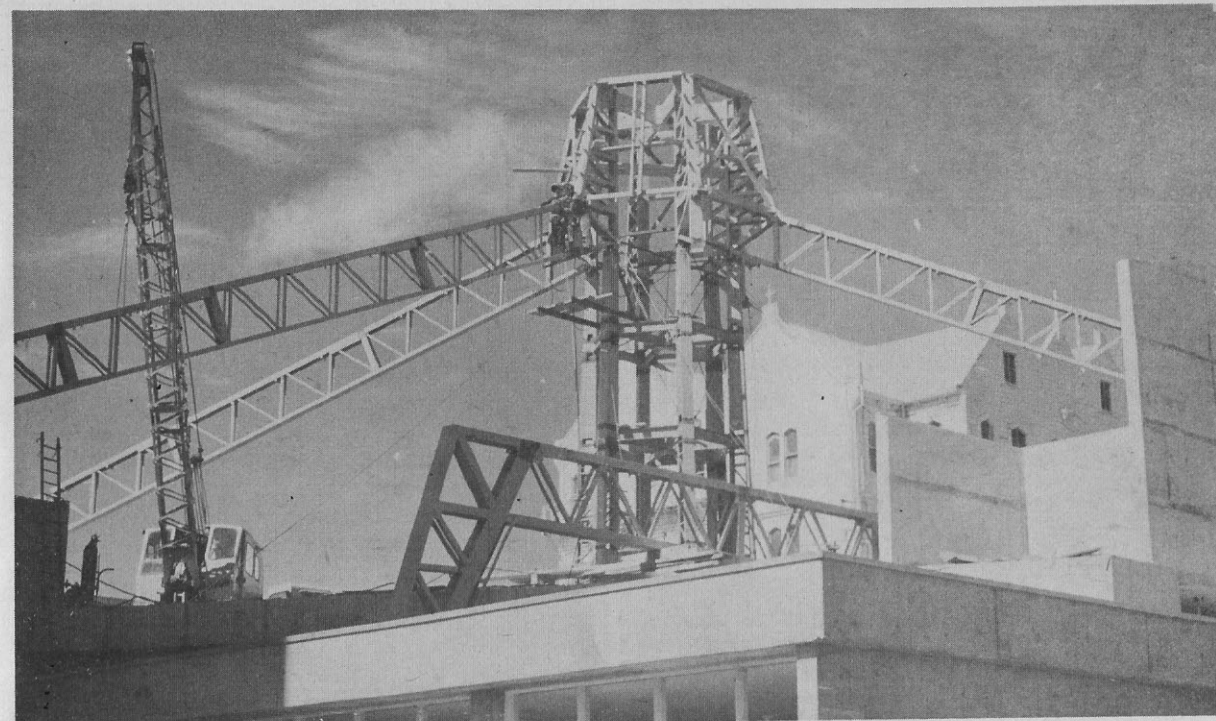




### Wedding Bells

**Above: ALLEN-BATTEN:** At St. Michael's Anglican Church, NP, Margaret, second daughter of Mr and Mrs N.C. Batten, NP, to John, youngest son of Mrs W.J. Allen, NP, and the late Mr Allen. The junior bridesmaids were Jan Draper, NP, and Fay Allen, NP. The best man was John Winter, NP. Future home, New Plymouth. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

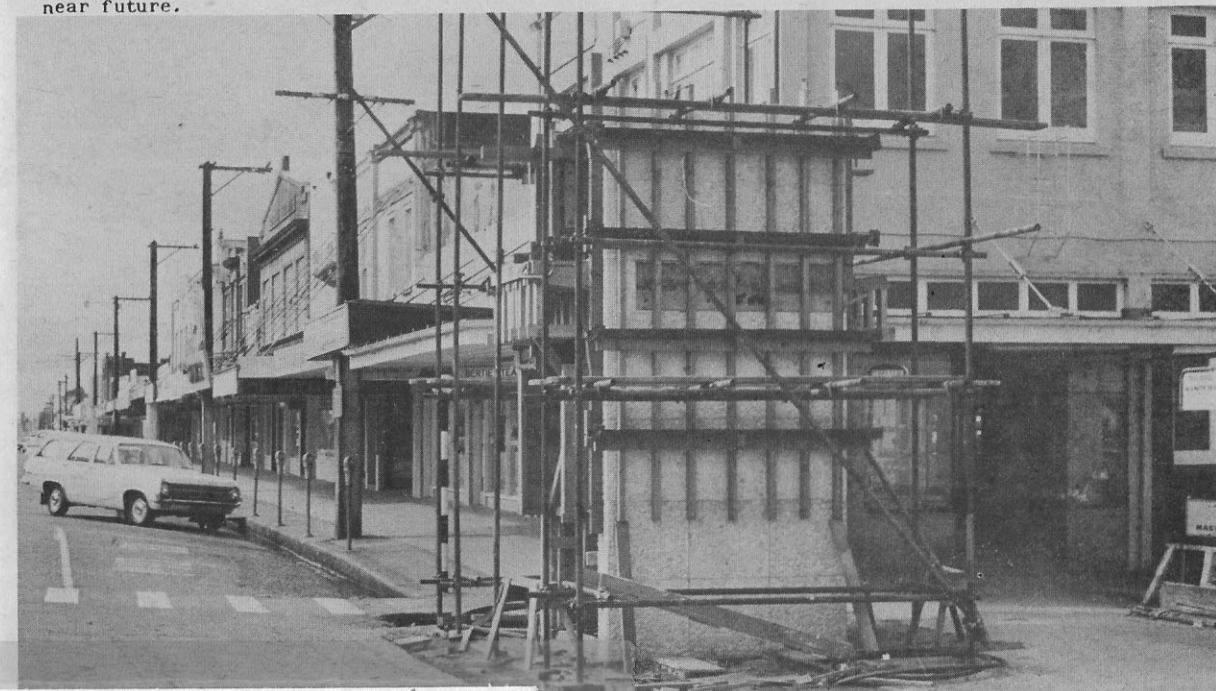
**Below: RADFORD-VANGO:** At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Catherine June, second daughter of Mrs A. J. Vango, NP, and the late Mr T.W. Vango, to Mervyn John, only son of Mr and Mrs J.T. Radford, NP. The matron of honour was Christine McKee, NP, and the bridesmaid was Judith Vango, sister of the bride, NP. The best man was Brian Loveridge, Mania, and the groomsman was Lester Radford, Inglewood. Future home, New Plymouth.



## NEW BUILDINGS

**Above:** A new sight has appeared on the skyline of NP over this last couple of weeks which makes a very intriguing pattern in girders. It is the new steeple, or centre pillar, of the St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Devon Street. In our picture, the Convent is shown directly behind the new structure.

**Below:** Now starting to take shape in Stratford is their new clock tower. This is only a start but with the rapid progress being made, it will take the form of a very attractive structure in the near future.

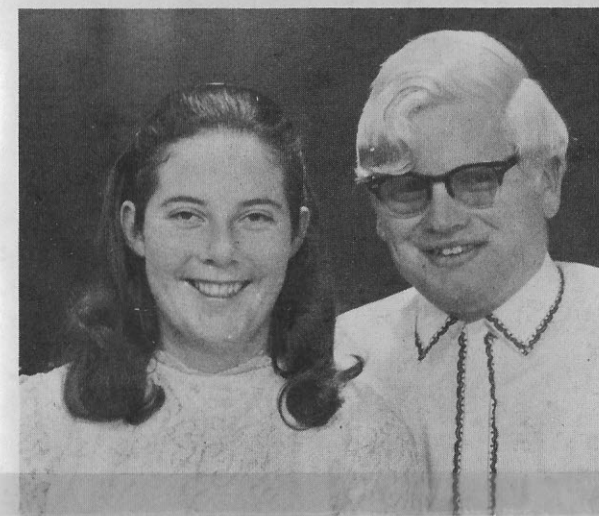
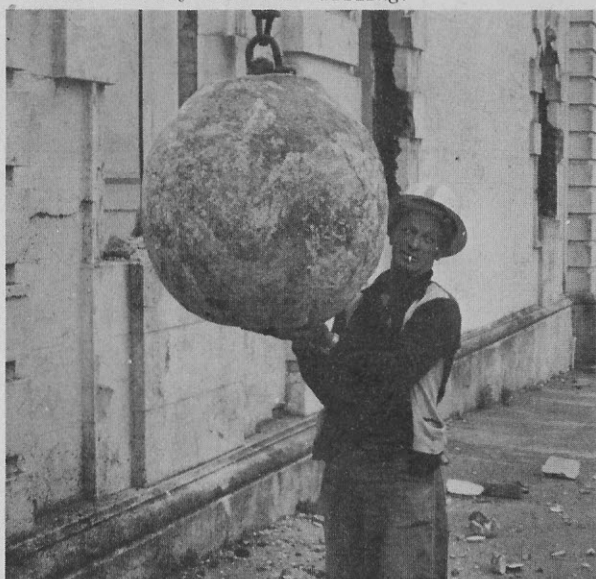






## LAND AND DEEDS OFFICE PULLED DOWN

The old Land and Deeds office at the corner of Powderham and Robe Streets must have been the most solidly constructed building in the city. When it was demolished recently, it took an amazing amount of effort to break down the brick walls, some of which were nearly two foot thick. The area is to become another car park for civil servants. With the premium on parking in the city, could be that there will be a rush of applications for jobs in the civil service. Above: Demolition expert knows how to scale a building. Below: Frank Wensor holds the 3-ton steel ball used on the job. Above, right: The steel ball smashes a portion of the old office. Right: The ornate part is pulled off with a wire rope. Below, right: The 3-ton ball crashes its way into the building.



## Engaged

Above, left: STEVENS-MOODY: Betty, third daughter of Mr and Mrs F.C. Moody, Hawera, to Neville, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R.G. Stevens, Hawera. (DAVID PAUL)

Left: CLEMENT-JURY: Athalie, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs H.W. Jury, Oakura, to Adrian Halsey (Shorty), youngest son of Mrs R.M. Clement, Omata, and the late Mr G.Clement. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below, left: BROSNAN-DENNIS: Frances Mary, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs F.A. Dennis, Urenui, to David John Brosnan, youngest son of Mr and Mrs M.A. Voullaire, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Above: GRIFFIN-LATIMER: Rae Frances, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs C.A. Latimer, Hawera, to Rupert George, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R.E. Griffin, Hawera. (DAVID PAUL)

## Coming of Age

Below: Colleen, with her parents, Mr and Mrs I. Rowe, Hawera, on the occasion of her 21st birthday.

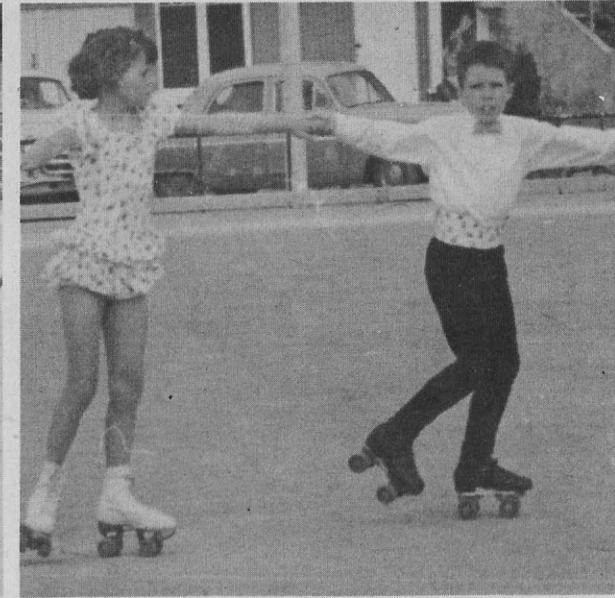






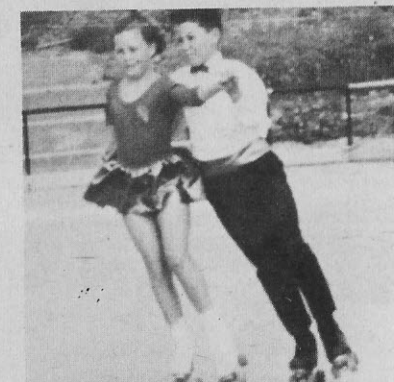
The 1968 NZ Methodist Conference was recently held at the Whiteley Memorial Church. Representatives, both lay and ministerial, from all parts of NZ, attended. Above: Officials are shown here in a photograph taken during the conference. Right: Rev. William Laws, conference secretary, addresses the gathering while Rev. J.D. Growcott takes notes. Below: Assistant secretary Rev L.R. M. Gilmore was a busy man during the conference. Bottom: Part of the audience consisting of lay members listened intently to one of the many controversial remits.

## Methodist Conference



## SKATING

The East End Skating Club was host to visiting competitors for their club champs. There was good spectator response although a cool wind kept many in their cars. Above, left: Barbara McIntosh, her tongue in cheek, concentrates on a pirouette. Above, right: Meridee Feek and Peter Burmester in the dance section. Left: Young skaters. Right: Raewyn and Bruce Northcott. Below, left: Sandra Read and Gerard Landrith sit a test. Below, centre: The Northcott duo again. Below, right: Janet Callendar moves backwards in the figure skating.







## McKecknies' Social



The McKecknies' dart club social and presentation evening was recently held in the firm's canteen and a pleasant time was had by all. Above: A suitably enshrined key was presented by Tom Burbidge to Sylvia Farley who had attained her majority. Below: Bob Reed received the Colin Young Cup, presented by Mrs Young. Bottom, left: Paul Clarke and Anne Smith were pairs winners. Above, right: Ray Rogers won the men's singles. Right: Birthday greetings were accorded to Maurice Richardson. Bottom, centre: Paul Clarke and Roly McCartain won the men's pairs. Bottom, right: Paul Clarke, again was runner-up in the men's singles.



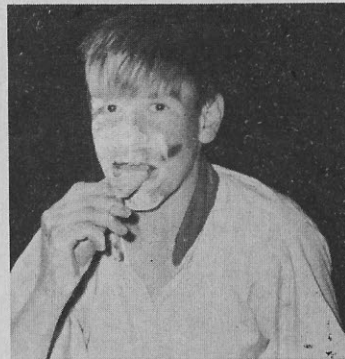
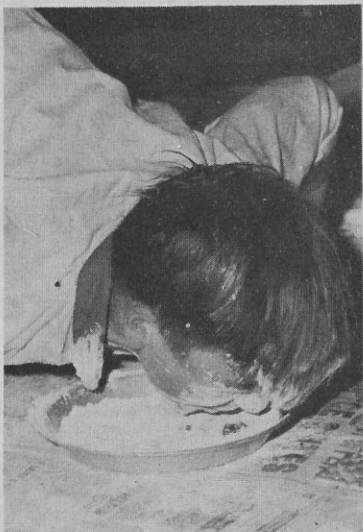
More winners at the McKecknies' dart presentation were, top, left: Ron Clarke, Tony Hughes and Jack Vogt. Top, right: The works shield was won by Ron Clarke, Marie McCartain, Tony Hughes and Jack Vogt. Above, from left: Paul Clarke and Noeline Buckley won the mixed pairs; Noeline Buckley and Cath Reed won the ladies' pairs; Geoff Rauner and Willie Kaitoa won the Sukolski Cup, and runner-up in this event was Eric Wray.

## SOLOMON ISLAND PUPILS AT G.H.S.

Two young girls from the Solomon Islands, 19-year-old Teaoia Taasi and 20-year-old Mary Bisili, have been studying for the past four years at the Girls' High School and during that time have boarded with Mr and Mrs H.R. Ashworth. Their stay has been the longest of any pupils and they are to return home at the end of this present term, one to become a nurse, the other a school teacher. Our photograph shows them busy with their homework and, below right, here are Teaoia, left, and Mary, with their hosts, Mr and Mrs Ashworth, who tell us it has been a happy association over the past four years and they will be sorry to lose them.







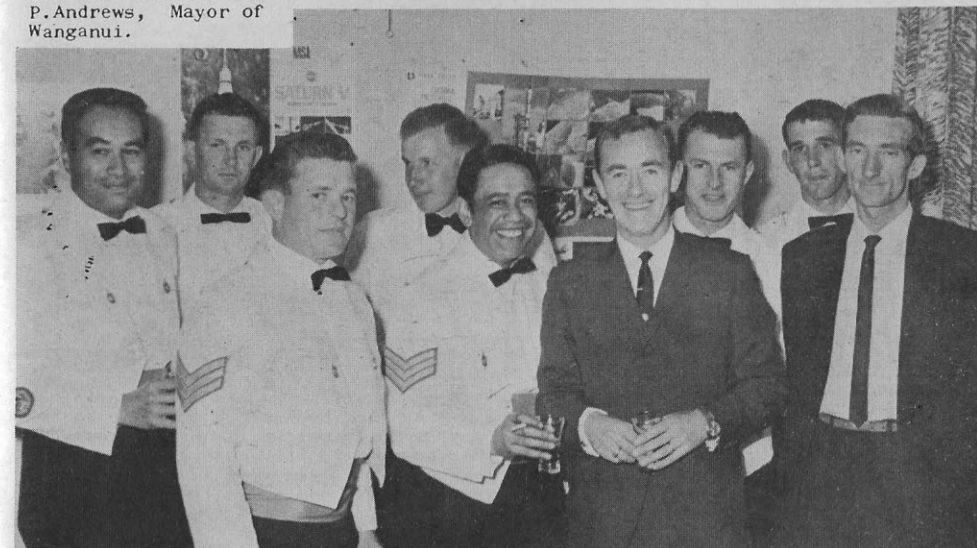
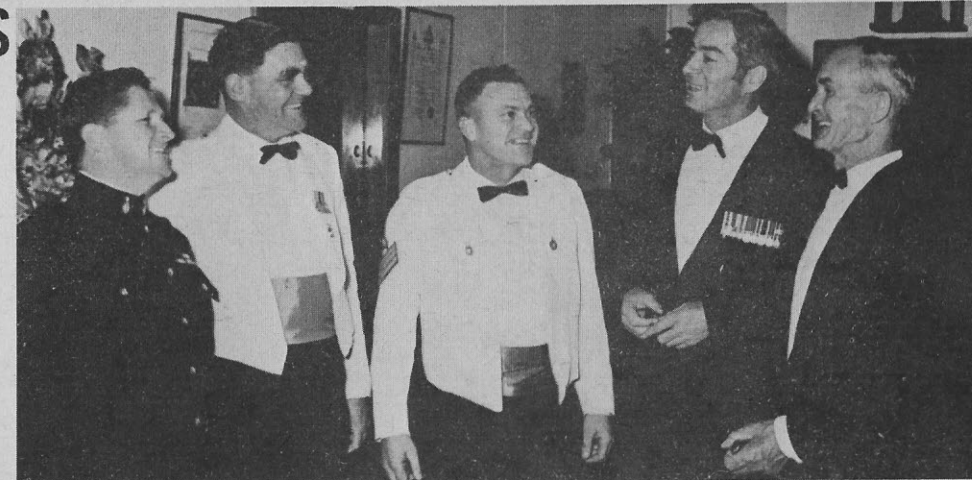
## 1st Hawera Scouts' Hallowe'en Party

The Scout den of the 1st Hawera Scouts took on an eerie appearance for the troop's annual hallowe'en party. Many exciting games were played by the boys and as usual the party was a huge success. This is the one night in the year when there is a full muster though attendances during the year for this troop have been particularly good. Above, left: Tony Fuglistaller gets himself in a mess during one of the obstacle races. Above, centre: Grant Peters looks a winner all the way. Above, right: Tony enjoys his reward. Right: Some of the Scout members are shown here in high party spirits. Below: Everybody wanted to get in on the act when the photographer was present. Below, right: Phillip Linnell and Tony Fuglistaller seemed to collide while participating in the obstacle race.



## SGT'S MESS DINNER IN WANGANUI

The formal dinner of the Sgts' mess of the 5th RNZIR recently took place in Wanganui. Many Taranaki servicemen went to that city for the function. Right: The RSM welcomed guests, from left: Major J.T. Shaw CO, RSM I.S. Nabbs, S/Sgt B. S. Pratt, President, Brig. D. S. Thompson, MC, ED, MP, honorary Colonel and Mr R. P. Andrews, Mayor of Wanganui.



Left: Mess members from NP with their guests. From left: WOII K. Wharehoka, WOII L. Gudgeon, Sgt K. Wright, Sgt T. Kia-toa, Mr T. Wagstaff, Sgt T. Sayers, Sgt G. Fowles, and Mr M. Moorehead.

Right: Hawera district mess members who attended were, from left, Sgt P. Killen, WOII A. Mura, Mr A. Franklyn, Sgt B. Black, Sgt B. Richardson, vice-president, Sgt G. T. Baker and Mr P. Davies. This annual event proved a huge success with ex-members travelling from many parts of the country to attend.







## FIRE FIGHTING DEMONSTRATION

During fire prevention week, the NP brigade presented a public demonstration where most of the brigade's appliances were demonstrated in a serious and sensible vein. But to wind up the programme a team of firemen provided a comedy act which would have done justice to a music hall. We feel quite sure that the large crowd which attended the demonstration thoroughly enjoyed the whole programme but more particularly, the comedians. Here we show this comedy team in action. Above, left: Ian McLachlan shows how to wrongly ascend a ladder. Above, centre: Neil Parrish is the damsel in distress. Above, right: The rescuer, Brian Williams, was finally rescued. Below, left: It seemed to us that they did everything wrong, putting up this ladder. Below, right: Makeshift stretcher carts away the rescued damsel and the act finished up with them all looking like drowned rats.



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Top: From the faces among the capacity crowd which witnessed this demonstration of fire fighting, the performance was not only well acted, but hilarious too. Above: The "damsel", with men's shoes and hairy arms, is carefully carried away by these firemen on a stretcher.....or is it a ladder? Whichever, it did the job, much to the amusement of the crowd. Below: Complete with football jerseys and happy smiles, the comedy team was, from left, Ian McLachlan, Malcolm Tobeck, John Hamilton, Neil Parrish, Brian Williams and Ray Cronin, who posed for our camera.



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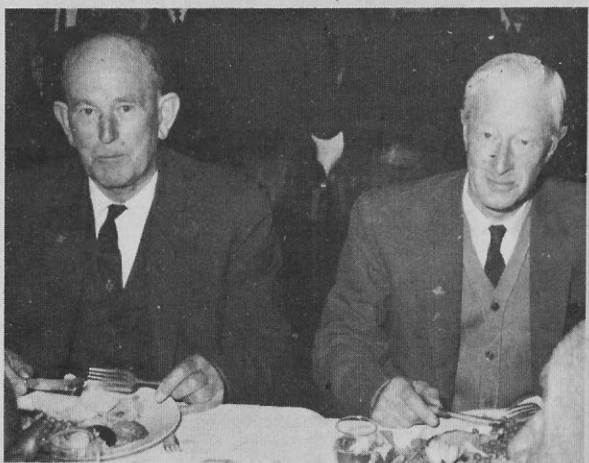




Veterans of the 1914-18 war gathered at the Stratford Memorial Hall for their 50th Jubilee celebration dinner which commemorated the cessation of hostilities. The hall was filled with these elderly gentlemen who, between bites, were busy reminiscing. Here are just a few of those who attended. Above: Don Preston and Sid Lobb. Below: Top table which included the guest of honour, Major General Rt. Hon. Sir Harold Barraclough. Bottom, left: Sid Goodin and Harry McGahey. Above, right: Harry McDonald and Claude Jury, teetotalers we believe. Right: Cyril Hardy and Arbor Duckworth were two more who enjoyed the evening. Bottom, centre: Well-known RSA identity, Percy Mason. Bottom, right: Perhaps better known for his A & P Association activities, Bill Okey.



## R.S.A. JUBILEE DINNER



## Mayor Takes Up Duties

In addition to City Councillors, about fifty members of the public attended by invitation the installation of the new Mayor of NP, Mr D.V. Sutherland. Following full council business, when various councillors were allotted their different tasks, Mr Sutherland made a presentation of an armchair and crystalware to the retiring Mayor and Mayoress, Mr and Mrs A.G. Honnor, after their many years of service to the community. Above: Town clerk Mr W.J. Connor disrobes the retiring Mayor as part of the official installation ceremony, while the new Mayor, Mr Sutherland, sits in calm anticipation of what is to follow. Above, right: Deputy-Mayor Cr.E.P. Allen places the chain of office on the new Mayor. Right: Mrs Allen, wife of the deputy-Mayor, presented sprays to both Mrs Honnor and Mrs Sutherland. Below: Ex-Mayor (we can now call him Alf Honnor) tries out his presentation chair and it is smiles all round. Below, right: Mrs Honnor also sits in the chair and claims it as her fireside seat, to the delight of all present.

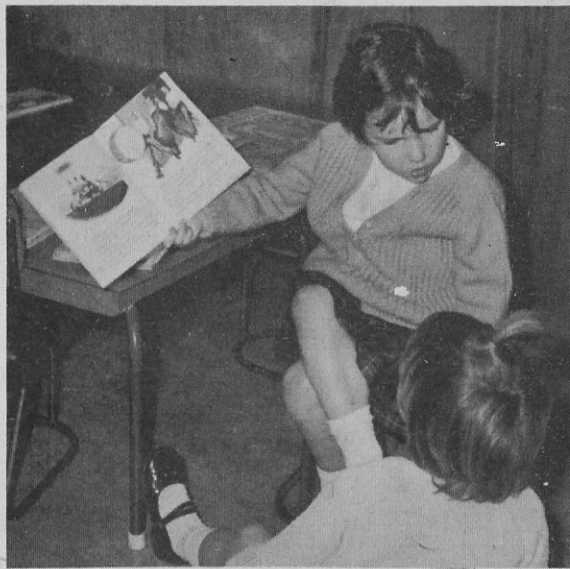






## WAITARA KINDY

On a recent visit to the Waitara kindergarten we saw how the children spent their time, under the direction of Mrs Hazel Balsey and her assistant, Mrs Mildred Burton. With a roll of 40 and an average attendance of 37 children per day, the directors manage to keep their young charges fully occupied with a host of toys and games. The girls obviously preferred the dolls' house, set in a corner of the large playroom, and the boys, games of trains and tower making with long cardboard rolls. Squeals of laughter followed when the tower overbalanced, particularly when our photographer had to do a fast leap to avoid having the rolls land on top of the camera. Above: Group of youngsters creating with plasticine. Right: Robert Tate and Tony Sisarich playing with the trains, assisted by Mrs Mildred Burton. Below left: A future teacher? Joanne Richardson reading a story to Margaret Smith. Below, right: Marianne Sattler making her doll comfy shows true maternal instinct.



Top, left: Budding artist Andrew Rogerson tries out his talents while Paul Barber, top right, prefers a lined effect. Above: Helen Wood, Stephen Mangino and Mark Lockhart create with crayon. Above, centre: Most little girls like to dress their dolls and Linda Elliot is no exception. Above, right: Cardboard rolls make tower building great fun. Below, left: Chris Hinch seems to be making a pattern with plastic cups. Below, centre: The dolls' house area was well equipped with miniature dolls' prams and other playthings. Below, right: Kaye Vezey works on a puzzle.







### Wedding Bells

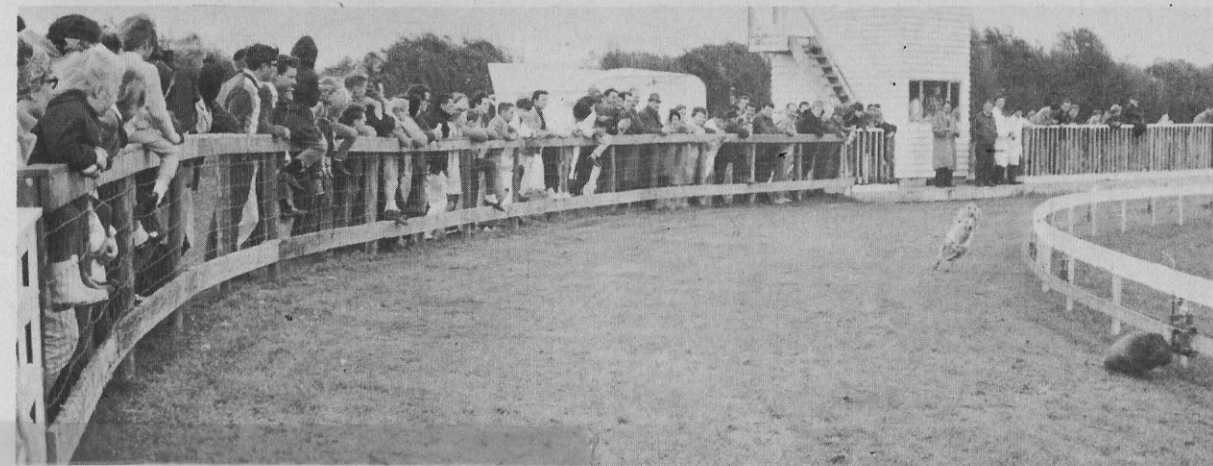
**Above: FEWINGS-POOL.** At St.Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Susan Gower, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Pool, NP, to Harvey, eldest son of Mr and Mrs L.H.Fewings, Adelaide, Australia. The matron of honour was Elizabeth Dawson, Auckland, and the bridesmaid was Helen Caughley, Auckland. Ted Nosely, Papakura, was best man, and the groomsmen was Gus Rivers, Wellington. Margot Pool, Christchurch, and Susan Peden, Casterton, Australia, were the flower-girls. Future home, Sydney, Australia.

**Below: CAMERON-PITCHER.** At St.Mark's Church, Gisborne, Maxine Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs F.S.Pitcher, Gisborne, to Alan Bruce, son of Mr and Mrs A.Cameron, Gisborne, formerly of NP. The bridesmaids were Sandra Smith, Gisborne, and Colleen Chitty, Gisborne. Donald Cameron, brother of the groom, NP, was best man, and John Nutter, Gisborne, was the groomsmen. Leonie Fields, Inglewood, was the flower-girl. Future home, Gisborne. (DUNSTAN AND KINGE).

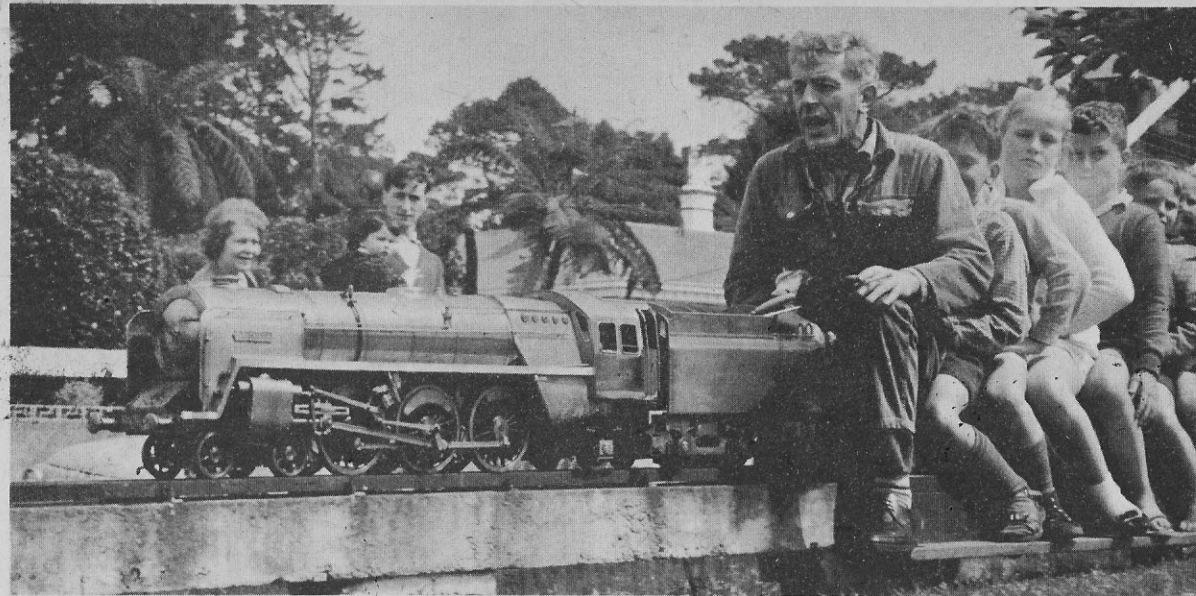


### Greyhound Track Opened

Yet another sporting asset to Taranaki, a fine greyhound racing track, which was recently officially opened at Inglewood. The Inglewood Greyhound Racing Club has forgotten nothing for the benefit of its patrons by providing first-class viewing right around the track and with some of the top dogs competing, this inaugural meeting could only be termed successful. **Above:** Hurdle race in progress, something few of the patrons had seen before. **Below:** Owners take their muzzled dogs to the traps for the start of a race. **Below, right:** Close inspection of a dog by a visiting owner. **Bottom:** Race in progress with the dogs chasing the dummy hare.





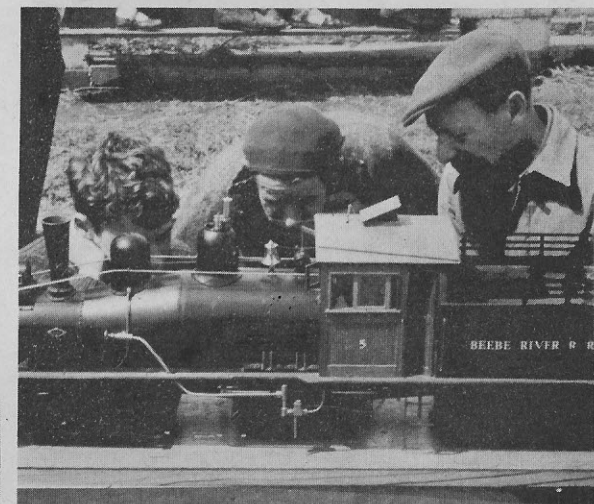


## TRAINS ... for Young and Old

Labour weekend saw a lot of activity at the model railway site in Liardet Street. Visiting enthusiasts from as far as Whangarei and Wanganui came to the city for a weekend of enjoyment on the lines of the site. Not only did the owners of these fine models enjoy the weekend, but they delighted many young children, with free rides for as long as one liked. This is a gesture which is to be highly commended, as we know that the lay-out on the site costs plenty to maintain, and those enjoying rides are not charged fares. All this has been done with donations to the society, and we haven't yet seen a better model railway system anywhere in New Zealand. The members of this society are to be congratulated on providing an amenity for the children of the city. Above: A fine Pacific class locomotive has power enough to provide enjoyment for five children. Below, left: One loco with a load of happy children comes through a bridge, while another is about to ride over this viaduct. Below, right: The bridges, lights and rails are all to scale, entailing a great deal of work.



About twenty masterpieces of model engineering by the enthusiasts of their own local model engineering society and visitors from far afield were on view and working during Labour weekend. Hundreds of children enjoyed free rides on these fascinating little trains and even adults were passengers on something which, to them, was a novelty. Above: Entrance to the model layout over a bridge gave a grandstand view of the trains. Below: Members from outside NP, with a new locomotive, raise steam, prior to a full scale run. Above, right: What amazed us was that such small locomotives had sufficient power to pull four or five children and a driver as well. Right: Not only did the people enjoy the rides but they were able to inspect the intricate workmanship which went into these models. Below, right: Small engine with a full load chugs around the track.







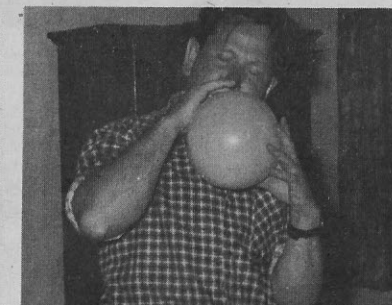
## Married

**Left: HOLLAND-GOFFEY.**  
At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Janyce, twin daughter of Mr and Mrs E. W. Goffey, NP, to Gary, son of Mrs Holland, NP, and the late Mr Holland. The bridesmaids were Lorraine Trott, NP, and Barbara Goss, NP. Best man was Gordon Holland, brother of the groom, NP, and the groomsmen were Gary Stockwell, NP. The flower-girls were Sharon and Marie Lines, NP. The future home, NP.

**Right: MAIN-REDDING.**  
At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Violet Jeanne, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J.A. Redding, Okato, to Ian Bruce, elder son of Mrs J.L. Main, Stratford, and the late Mr Main. The bridesmaids were Janet and Marilyn Black, Auckland, Margaret Redding, sister of the bride, Okato, and Clare Main, sister of the groom, Stratford. Best man was Dale Clark, and Roger Beckett was the groomsmen. The future home, Hawera.



**Left: PARRISH-VIJVER.**  
At St. James's Presbyterian Church, NP, Gezina Aukse, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Vijver, NP, to Keith Murray, second son of Mr and Mrs J. Parrish, NP. The bridesmaids were Pauline Roberts, Masterton, Joy Parrish, sister of the groom, NP, Irene Vijver, sister of the bride, NP, and Johanna Hutterd, Stratford. The best man was Kevin Parrish, brother of the groom, Auckland, and the groomsmen were John Vijver, brother of the bride, NP. The page boy was Mark Vijver, Rotorua. Future home, Palmerston North.



## Combined Church Fair

The Holy Trinity Church Hall, Fitzroy, was the scene of a combined church fair recently. The stalls did a bumper trade with all kinds of produce and clothing for sale. Games and competitions were held in the basement for the children. Top: Dozens of children thronged the basement. **Left:** Mrs J. Kincross chose records. **Above, centre:** Balloons proved very popular and Mr F. Grange was kept busy filling them with valuable air. **Above, right:** Mrs N. Ashton and Mrs A. Craven were on the apron stall. **Below, left:** Bruce Waller tries out his aim at the Aunt Sally stall. **Below, right:** Throwing rings over prizes was undoubtedly the most popular table in the basement.

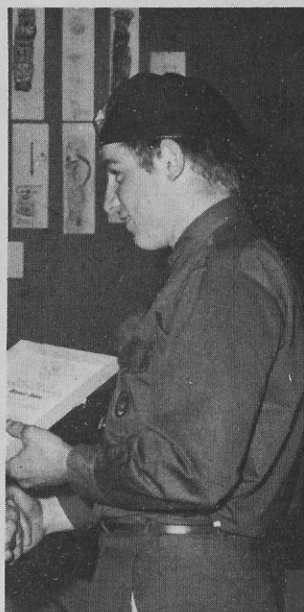
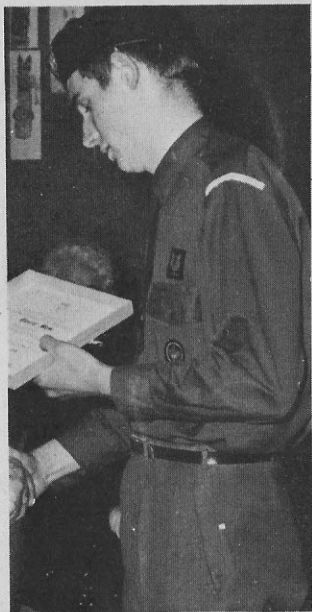




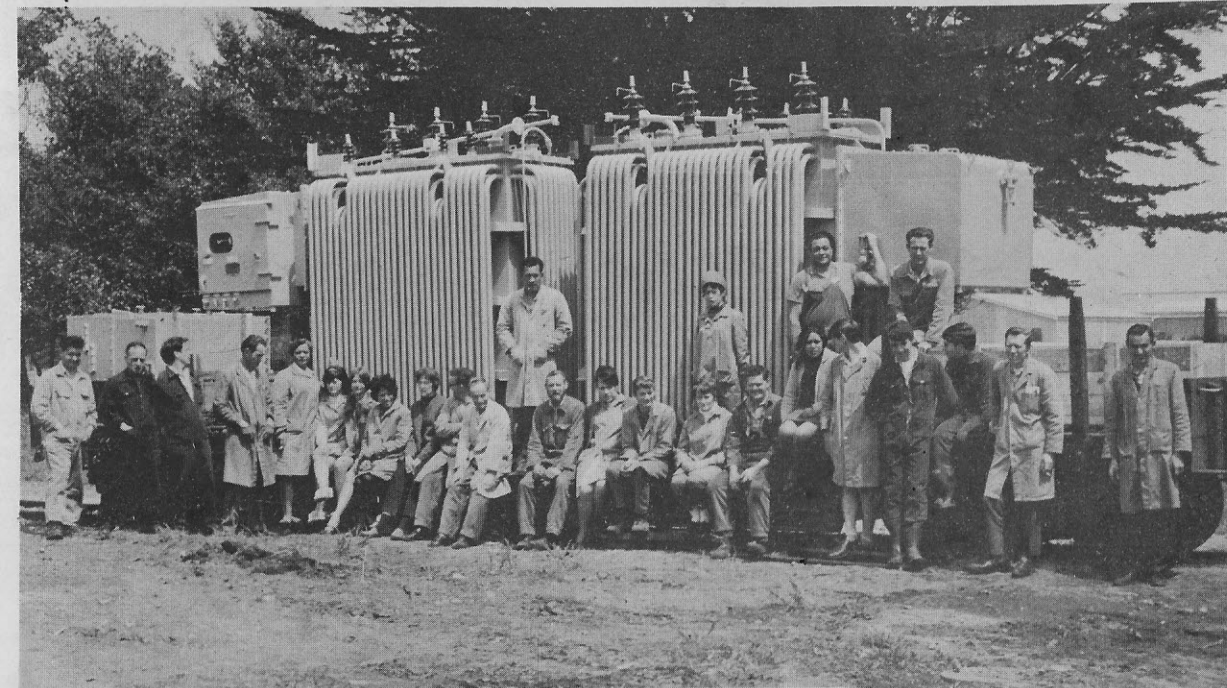


## SCOUT PRESENTATIONS

The District Scout Association held its annual presentation evening at the St. Joseph's den. High honours were awarded to a number of people. Among them were thanks badges to the retiring Mayor and Mayoress of NP, Mr and Mrs A.G. Honnor and a Queen's Scout badge for a member of the Central troop. Above, left: District Commissioner Ed. Collins made the presentation of thanks badges, a very high honour in the Scouting world and not given lightly, to Mr and Mrs Honnor who had attended many Scout functions during their term of office and in the course of this, in their meals with the Scouts, had between them eaten more savalloys than anybody. Above, right: Warrants were presented during the evening to David Daniels (Mikotahi) and Jim Gunn (Central). Recipients of the Duke of Edinburgh silver awards presented by the retiring Mayor were, right: Roger Ward (Westown), below from left, David Maw (Central), Michael Baker (Welbourn), and Dennis Johns (Central). Bottom, right: Highest honour in the Scout movement was awarded to Don Mossop of the Central troop who was during the evening presented with the Queen's Scout badge.



Above, left: During the evening Area Commissioner Roy Cooper presented a district scarf to the leader of the St. Joseph's troop, Des Hurley. Above, right: Mr Honnor presented Duke of Edinburgh awards and here hands a framed certificate to Brian Vale of the St. Joseph's troop.



## HEAVY INDUSTRY OF N.P.

Above: It was a field day at the E.C.C. transformer factory at Bell Block recently when they despatched two transformers, the largest ever made in New Zealand, destined for Ashburton. These transformers have an output of 2500 KVA and contain 1060 gallons of oil for cooling. Our photograph shows them loaded on a railway wagon and some of the staff responsible for their manufacture. This is the type of industry that New Plymouth badly needs, and we feel that the industrial area at Bell Block is a very great asset to the district as a whole.





# Social News



Above, left: 21st birthday of Kevin, youngest son of Mrs M Kerrisk, Inglewood, and the late Mr J. Kerrisk. He is shown with his family. From left: Melva, Mrs Kerrisk, Kevin, Linda and Trevor.

Above: After thirty-six years of service at Motor Specs., Mick Pope was honoured on his retirement with a presentation dinner at La Scala. Mick, left in our picture, is shown with the manager of Motor Specs., Charlie Platt, and Mick's 91-year-old mother who sits in the presentation chair.



Left: Reunion of some of the foundation committee members of the Moturoa Plunket sub-branch recently took place at La Scala. From left, back row: Ivy Roberts, Pat Powell, Jean White, Joy Dryden, Shirley Lord, Mary Powell and June Lynch. Front row: Dulcie McDonald, Phil Holmes, Kitty Cawthray, Jean Leuthart, Nan Sutherland (Mayoress of NP), and Doris Shippey.





## Pukekura Fountain on TV

WNTV Town and Around crew visited the province recently to get some films for future programmes. One of their units went to Pukekura Park where they filmed a "one minute quickie" on our coin-in-the-slot fountain. We thought our readers would like to know what goes on behind the scenes so up we went with our camera. Above, left: Cameraman Mike O'Connor lines up his camera and sound operator Don Cunningham tests the sound while one of the park's black swans waddles nonchalantly past.

Above, right: John Shrapnal, complete with microphone, puts 20c in the slot to start the fountain working. Left: John points out an obstacle to Mike who seems to be otherwise occupied. Below, left: Before any shooting takes place, very careful readings are taken with a light meter to ensure the highest quality of reproduction. Below: \* Having paid his money, John Shrapnal stands at the side of the lake, complete with animated fountain, and tells his half a million viewers all about it. This should be fairly good advertising for NP.



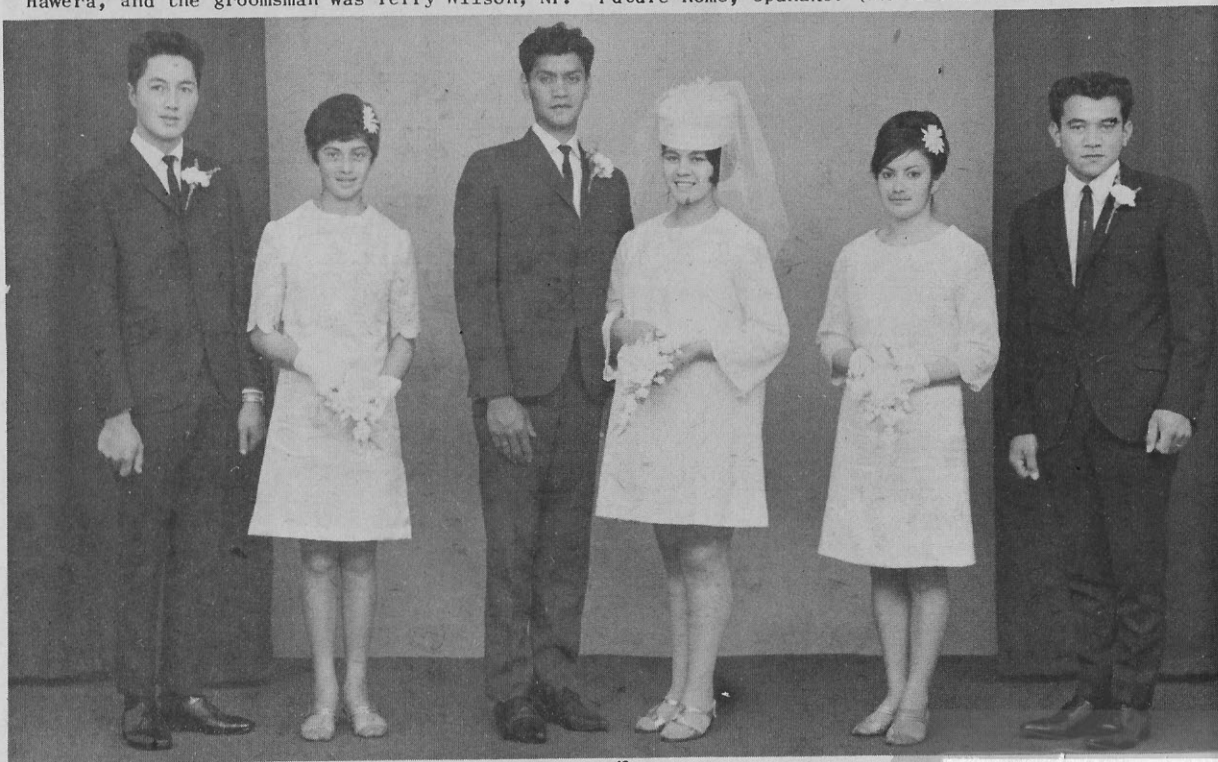




## Wedding Bells

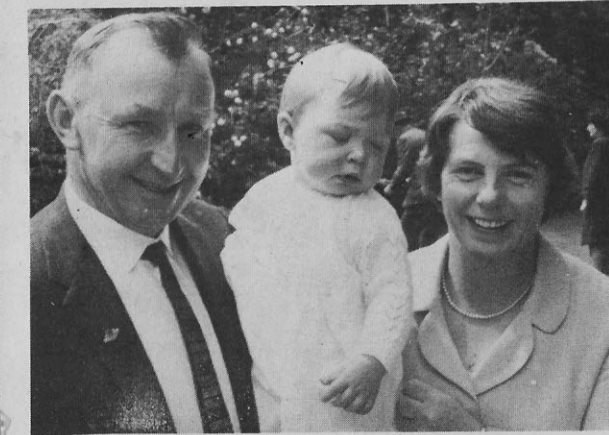
**Above: STRATTON-MUMBY.** At St. John's Presbyterian Church, Hawera, Dianne O'Wane, second daughter of Mr and Mrs R.S. Mumby, Hawera, to Ray Davidson, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J. Stratton, Ohawe Beach. The bridesmaids were Beryl and Rhonda Mumby, sisters of the bride, and Raewyn Withey, all of Hawera. The best man was Geoff McKay, Opunake, and the groomsmen were Taffy Hook, NP. Future home, Normanby. (DAVID PAUL STUDIO).

**Below: MANU-ROBINSON.** At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Hawera, Margaret, only daughter of the late Mr and Mrs R. Robinson, Normanby, to Owen Manu, younger son of Mr and Mrs D. Poata, NP. The bridesmaids were Frances Dodunski, NP, and Geraldine Robinson, Hawera. The best man was Gary Tutauha, Hawera, and the groomsmen were Terry Wilson, NP. Future home, Opunake. (DAVID PAUL STUDIO).



## Rahotu Garden Party

The home of Mr and Mrs C. Washer, Rahotu, was the scene of a garden party organised by the local C.W.I. Blessed with a fine day and a wonderful display of flowers, the party could only be termed a huge success. The main feature of the party was a mannequin parade and there was no lack of local models. **Above, left:** Mrs Diana Weir, recent winner of the Mrs Taranaki quest, paraded before the public. **Left:** Gail Rosser, a youthful model. **Above:** Member for Egmont, Mr V.S. Young, and Mrs Young are shown with, from left, Tilly Fleming, Joyce Young, and Beryl Washer. **Below, left:** Delwyn Bingham, another of the models. **Below:** An interested audience watched the fashion parade. **Bottom, left:** Placegetters in the Mrs Rahotu contest, from left: Tilly Fleming, Beryl Washer and Joyce Young. **Bottom, right:** Jim and Martha Anderson were guests at the party.

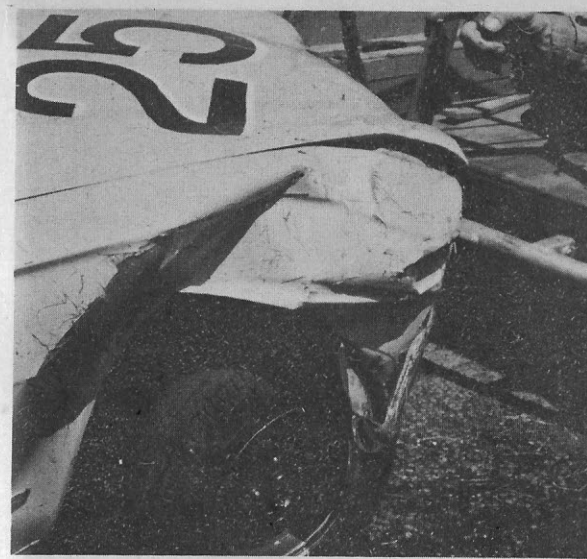




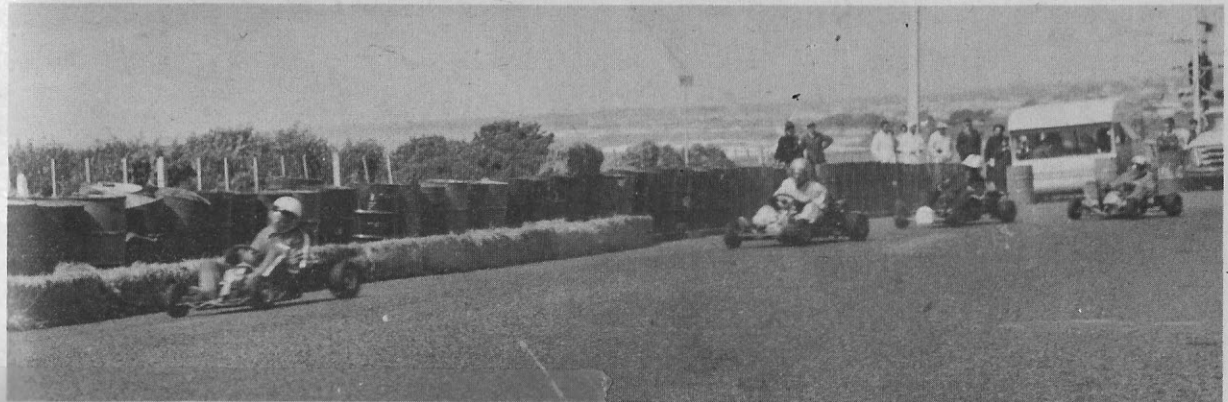
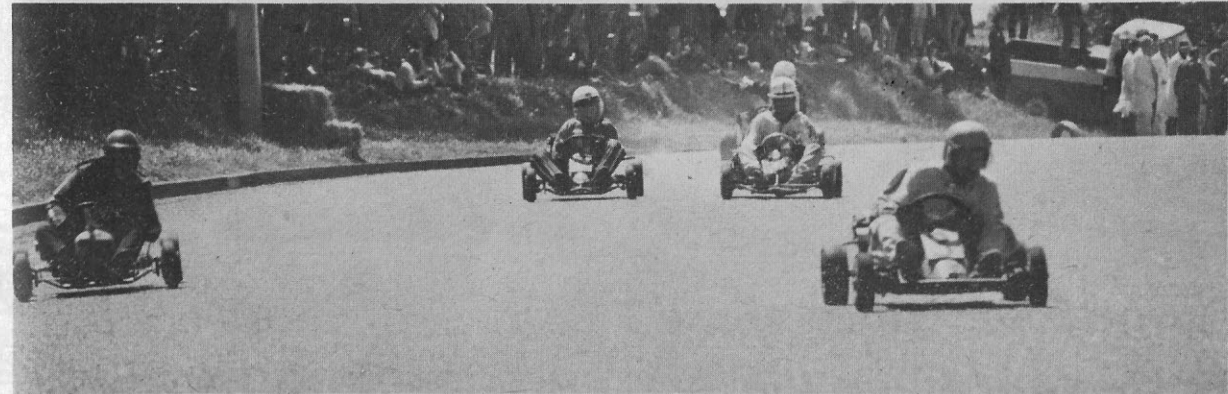
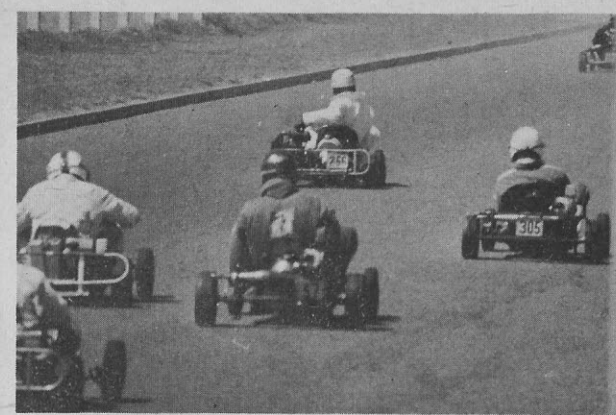


## Paritutu Car Races

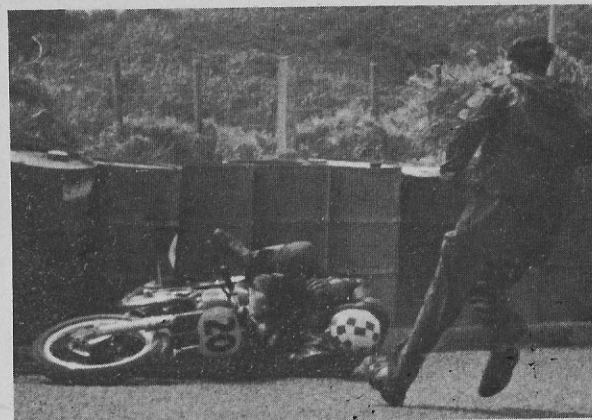
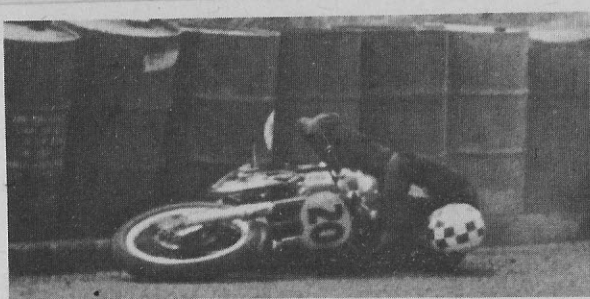
Smaller crowds than in the past attended the annual motor races on the Paritutu circuit. The quality of the racing was no less exciting, however, because of the absence of larger racing cars which proved a big attraction at the two last meetings. For sheer thrills and driving quality, give us the motorbikes everytime. For a variety, however, this meeting lacked nothing. Above: Saloon car races created the opportunity for motorists to weigh up the performance of their fancies. Here, M.J. Bouzaid, in a Ford van, showed a clean pair of rear wheels to the rest of the field. We'll have to get one of these for delivering "Photo News"! Below: On the front line start of the saloon car race is, from left, K.Green, with a very fast Chev., W.McPherson, in a Holden, and Bouzaid's Ford. Bottom, left: Max Pennington in his Triumph 2000 had to be content with second place to the Ford van. Bottom, right: Too much speed on a corner sent Max down the escape road.



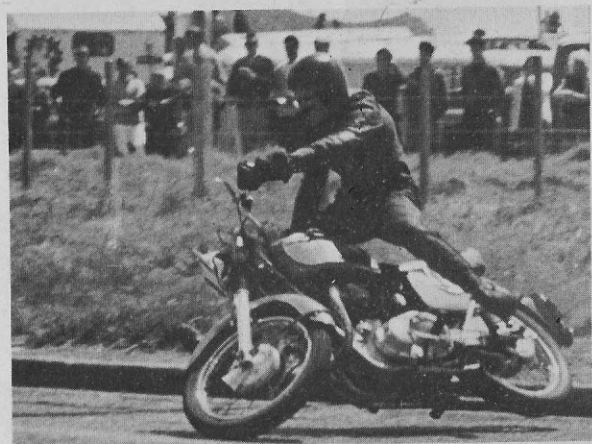
Surprise feature of the day's racing was the fast and snappy little go-karts which buzzed around the track at speeds approaching 80mph. Above: Gary Webster's Consul, buckled after an argument with the safety drums. Above right: Hairing up the straight, repairs were done by some. Right: Here's a kart that was travelling pretty fast. Below: Approaching the first corner, these mighty midgets never slackened, and we think that driving one of these would be as big a thrill as driving a racing car. Bottom: Even around the tight Eclipse corner, these little screamers never seemed to slacken off.



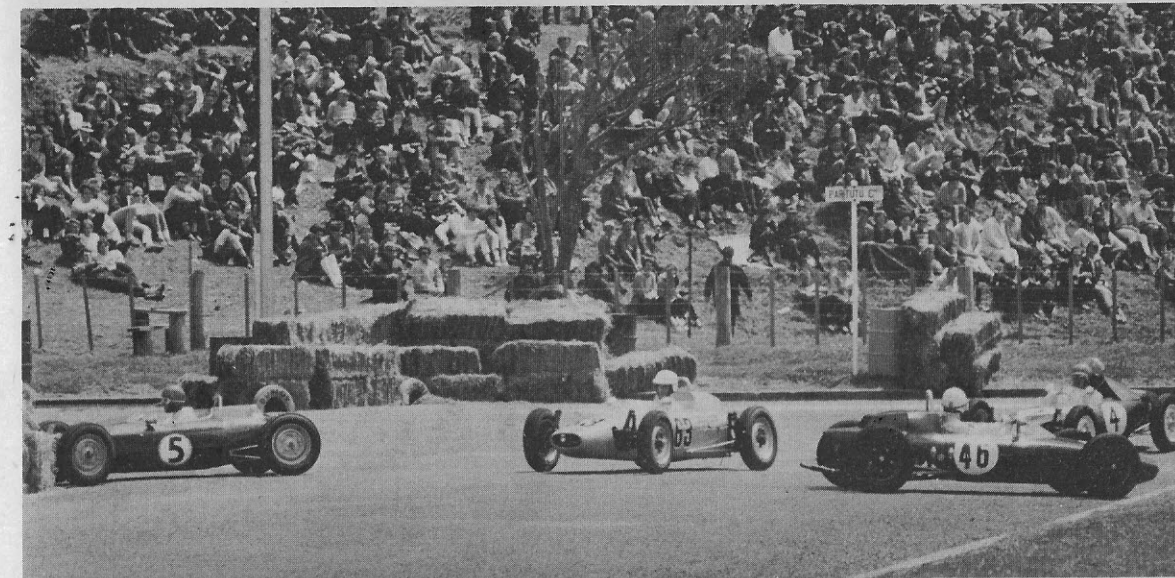
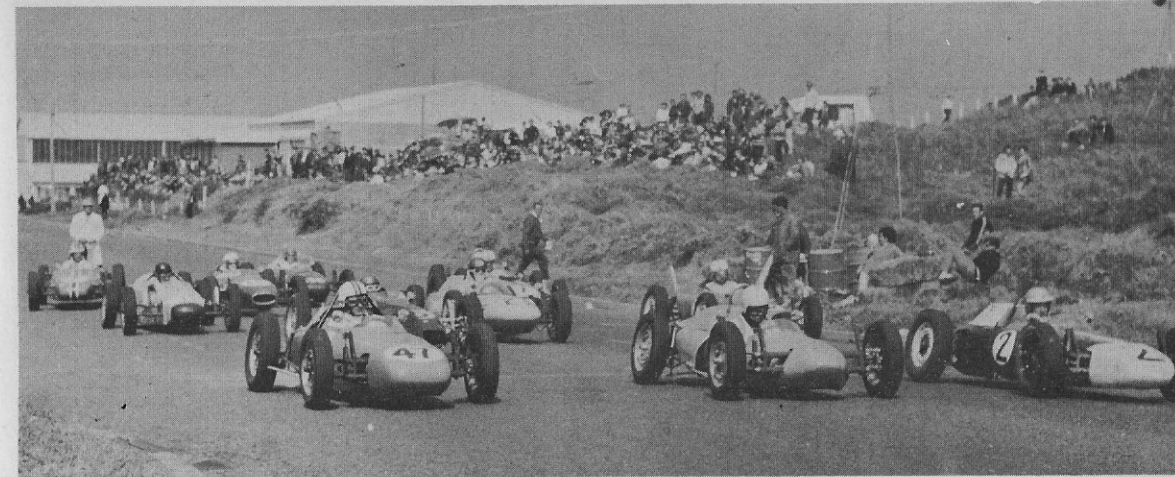
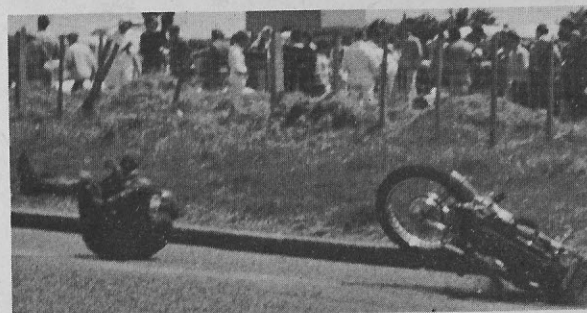




There were one or two spectacular thrills in the motorbike events, mainly on the Eclipse corner. Above: Ash King, NP, comes to grief and, right; caught under his machine. A helper is on his way, and below right, he is freed, uninjured. Below: Another rider crashes and is shown parted from his machine, below centre.



Below, left: B.K. Adams, Frankton, on a 500 Norton, motors up the straight at a speed approaching 100mph. Below: Most successful rider of the meeting was NP's Phil Bretherton, shown here on his 7R AJS. This young man has only recently taken up racing and it looks as though he has a promising future in the sport.



The large crowd was treated to the first full-scale Formula 5 races in NZ, and though these cars are not particularly fast, they are at least severely controlled, by ACU standards, and prove a test of driving skill. This form of racing looks as though it's here to stay. Top: Eleven drivers faced the starter in the main event. Above: IWD corner found two cars overdriven. Left: Best vantage point, where one could see the entire track, was on top of Paritutu. Below: J.D. Gough had a successful day in his Formula 5.







## Weddings

### Left: BRIDGE-HANCOCK.

At the Salvation Army Citadel, NP, Bernice, second daughter of Mr and Mrs T.Hancock, Waitara, to Malcolm, only son of Mr and Mrs S.Bridge, Mirimar, Wellington. The bridesmaids were Adrienne Smith and Heather Clifton, Wellington. The best man was Garth McKenzie, Wellington, and the groomsmen were Noel Packer, Wellington. The flower-girl was Julie Riddle, Urenui. The future home, Wellington.

### Right: WATSON-COXHEAD.

At St.Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Heather, fourth daughter of Mr and Mrs A.W.J.Coxhead, Oakura, to Murray, only son of Mr and Mrs H.W.Watson, Auckland. The matron of honour was Robin Anderson, Auckland, the bridesmaids were Joy and Cherie Coxhead, sisters of the bride, Oakura. The best man was David Anderson, Auckland, and the groomsmen were Jim Coxhead, brother of the bride, Opunake, and Steven Roberts, Auckland. The five flower-girls were Aveny and Sally Moore, Okato, Kim and Jan Davies, Helensville, and Sarah McGregor, NP. The future home, Auckland.



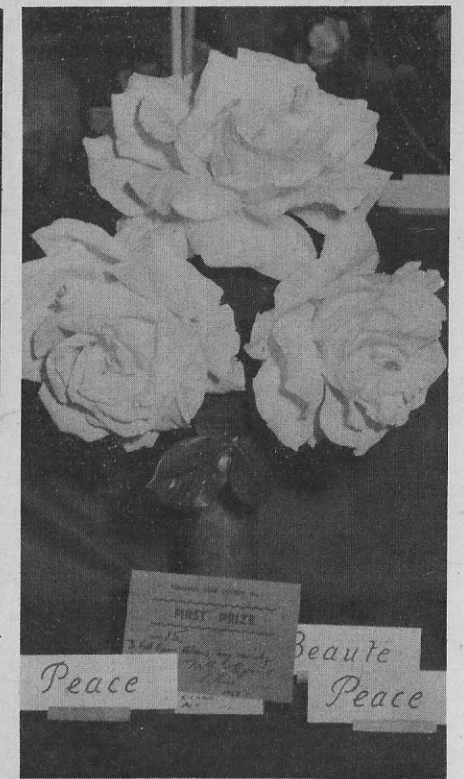
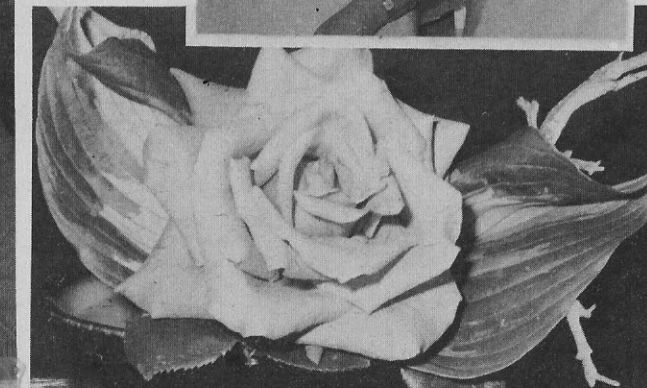
### Left: WADSWORTH-CORBETT.

At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Heather Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M. Corbett, NP, to William, son of Mrs C. Lilley and the late Mr Wadsworth, NP. The bridesmaids were Jan Wadsworth, sister of the groom, NP, Lorraine Reesby, NP, and Patricia Whalen, NP. The best man was Bruce Mills, NP, and the groomsmen were Terry Corbett, brother of the bride, NP, and Ronald Millman, NP. The future home, NP.

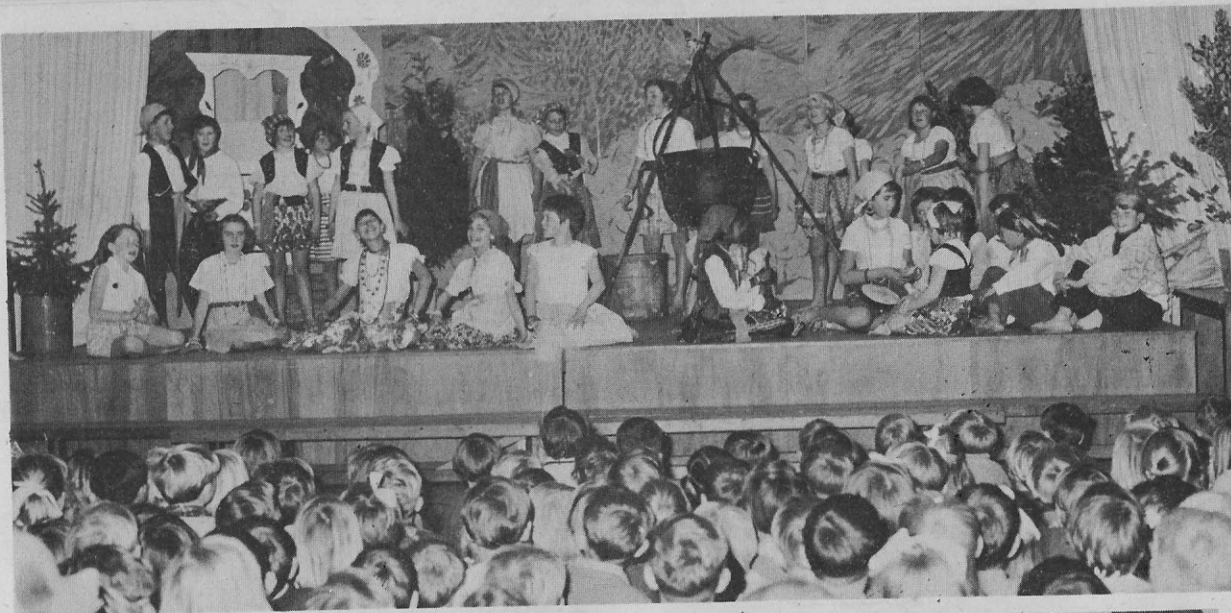


## ROSE SHOW

The Rose Society held its annual show at the Whiteley Hall at which top grade exhibits were on view. All the roses were of high standard and the judges had a hard job finalising their choice. The usual large crowd of enthusiastic rose-growers as well as many outsiders attended this show. Above, left: This beautiful bloom was the society's outstanding exhibit. Above, centre: Paula Blanchard had a good view. Above, right: Mrs Byers certainly deserved first prize for these three roses. Left: Roses at 3c were sold at the door by Mrs Cameron. Right: Mesdames Street and Bower's were in charge of the produce stall. Below, left: Observing the blooms. Below right: One of the many fine blooms.







## 'Little Gypsy Gay' By Westown School

The Westown Primary School staged a dress rehearsal of the play which was presented at their music evening. The play was enjoyed by a large audience which also witnessed a display of real talent from these young actors. Credit must go to the teachers and parents for their encouragement. Some of the cast on stage, above. Left: Romany Rof, the Gypsy tribe's leader. (Paul Pritchard) tells Gay (Ruth Pritchard) the truth about her past. Right: Part of the gypsy chorus. Below, right: The gypsies argue. Below, left: Youthful actors in their colourful costumes.



## Urenui Hallowe'en

Country girls and their friends and families recently enjoyed a hallowe'en night in the Urenui Hall. The grown-ups dressed themselves in traditional hallowe'en style while the younger people contented themselves with fancy dresses of great variety. The organisers had gone to considerable lengths in suitably decorating the hall for this night of ghosties and goulies. Pictures on this page are some of the revellers who we feel must have enjoyed this popular event.







## QUEEN'S GUIDE

It was a red letter day for the St. Mary's Guide Troop, NP, when one of their members was recently awarded a Queen's Guide badge, this being the first Guide of the troop to receive such a high honour. **Top:** Troop leader Mrs G. Nixon addresses the gathering. **Left:** Provincial Commissioner Mrs E.R. Kitchingman presents Jean Menzies with the coveted Queen's Guide award. **Above:** The District Commissioner, Mrs Sylvia Dungan, talks to the company. **Below, left:** Christine Besley presents Jean with a gift on behalf of the St Mary's troop. **Below:** Jennifer London receives a badge from Mrs E.R. Kitchingman.



## Roving Camera



**Above:** Another NP building being demolished is the old Lands and Deeds office on the corner of Robe and Powderham Streets. The area is to be used, when cleared, as a Government car park, possibly to relieve the pressure of the car park opposite the Police Station.

**Below:** Part of the crowd and a view overlooking the port, taken during the Paritutu motor races. **Bottom:** Work is proceeding apace on the new Art Gallery in the old Regent Theatre building. Much has still to be done.





# FIRST RATE MUSIC AT HIGHLANDS

Two evenings of top entertainment filled the Highland's School hall for the annual music festival. We never tire of complimenting those responsible for the programme and the performers themselves who bring credit to the school with their singing and acting. These festivals give the pupils a wider scope for their talents and from comments heard in the audience the programme is both enjoyable to watch and hear. Left: The orchestra and massed choir opened the programme with both popular and classical songs. Below, left: Form 1 choir, though junior singers, delighted a capacity audience. Below: The special choir sang "The Daniel Jazz" like well trained professionals.







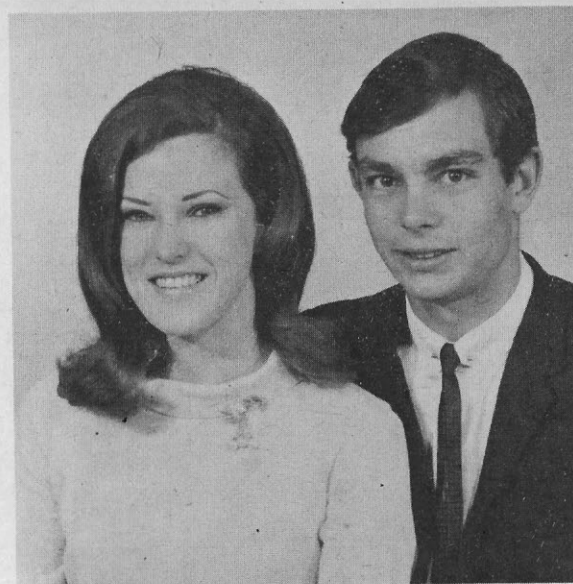
Climax of the evening came in the second half of the programme when the pupils played a Dutch operetta, "The Bother-some Burgomaster". Costuming, authentically Dutch, was colourful and with singing and dancing the operetta proved a most enjoyable production. Above: Cast on stage in this colourful production. Right: Five young singers complete with Dutch bonnets. Below: The young folk crowd Meg the gypsy played by Ngarita Tioko. Below, right: The Bother-some Burgomaster, Bruce Smithers, with a new cloak, donned by Vivianne Hutchinson as Hans.







Above: Not only were the dresses colourful, but the singing of this fine musical play was of a high standard, enjoyed, we feel sure, by the cast as much as the audience. Here they sing their final number. Right: Three of the principal characters singing the fish number. Below: Hans (Vivian Hutchinson) pleads with Gretchen (Jecquetta McConnell) with an almost professional touch! Bottom, right: The violin group was well trained with not a wrong note during the whole of their bracket of items.



## Engagements

Above, left: POPE-FROST. June Marie, second daughter of Mr and Mrs A.L.Frost, NP, to Robert Terence, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R.C.Pope, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS)

Left: CLOKE-FLETT: Janet Mary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.D.Flett, Te Awamutu, to Alan Lewis, eldest son of Mr and Mrs N.C.Cloke, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS)

Below, left: WOOD-HICKEY. Gaynor Ann, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs T.D.Hickey, Waitara, to Leslie, second son of Mr. and Mrs C.Wood, Hamilton. (VOGUE STUDIOS)

Above: YOUNG-COLLINS. Dale Sharron, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G.L.Collins, NP, to Thomas Mark, younger son of Mr and Mrs T. Young, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below: PHILLIPS-BILLETT. Shirley Jean, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs F.G.Billett, Feilding, to Bryan William, the second son of Mr and Mrs W.G. Phillips, Te Kiri. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

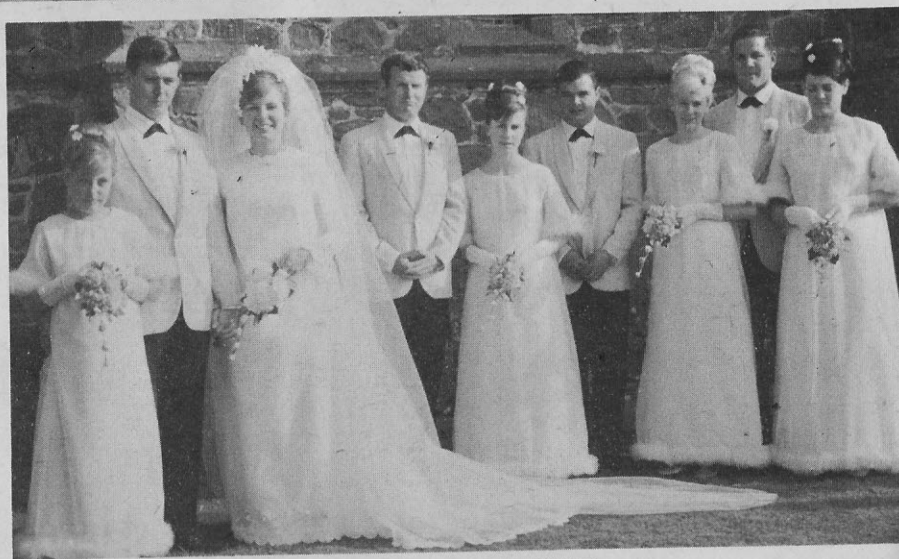






## Married

**Left: McCUTCHEON-SNOW-DEN.** At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP. Carol, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Snowden, NP, to Peter, youngest son of Mrs P. McCutcheon, NP. The bridesmaids were Yvonne McCutcheon, sister of the groom, NP, and Louise Attrill, NP. The best man was Brian McCutcheon, NP, and the groomsmen was Eddie McCutcheon, NP, both brothers of the groom. Future home, NP.



**Right: HARRISON-CASPER-SON.** At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Glenda, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs M.F. Casperson, NP, to Ronald Harrison, only son of Mr and Mrs Sutcliffe, NP. The bridesmaids were Lyn Hall, NP, Sharon Williams, NP, Carol Flannery, Auckland, and Sandra Casperson, sister of the bride, NP. The best man was Ron Wildermoth and the groomsmen were John Goodey and Bob Fowles, all of NP. Future home, New Plymouth.

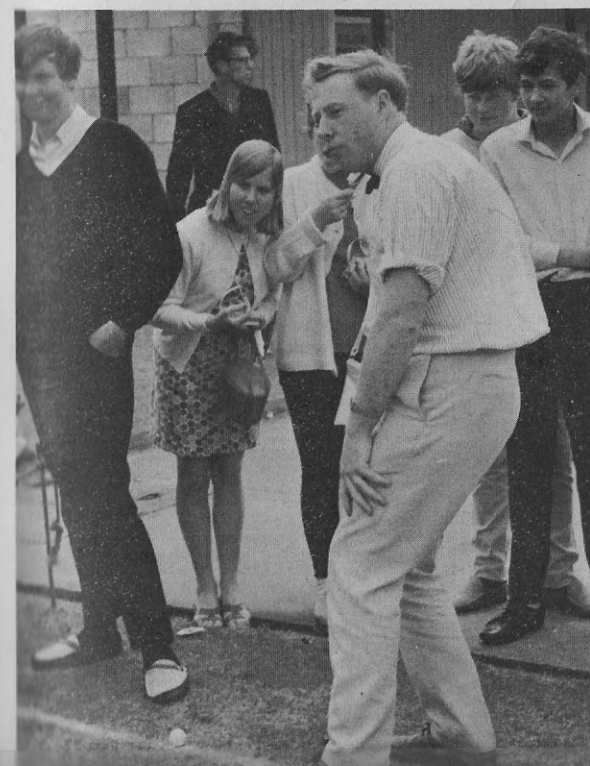


**Left: WOLLAND-ROBINS.** At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Cynthia Helen, second daughter of Mr and Mrs S.W. Robins, NP, to David James Wolland, second son of Mr and Mrs R. Saunders, NP. The matron of honour was Judith Alford, sister of the bride, NP, and the bridesmaids were Rosemary Robins, sister of the bride, NP, and Judy Clark, Inglewood. The flower-girl was Paula Robins, sister of the bride, NP. The best man was Wayne Hodgson, and the groomsmen was Jim Garmonsway, Hawera. The future home, Auckland.



## SPOTSWOOD GALA

Well over \$1000 profit was made from the recent gala at Spotswood College. Above, left: Pam Pearson was one who helped mind the children while mum and dad went off to spend their money without any worries. Above: White elephant stall was well patronised. Below, left: Teacher Murray Herbert had a try at putting. Below: Head boy Bruce Walker was in charge of the putting and from what we saw would have earned, for the college, a pretty penny. ....sorry, cent.







## FIRE PREVENTION



Fire prevention week was held recently and as this is of concern to all, we went to the IHC workshop and the Frankley school to watch the fire brigade lecturing on the prevention of fire. A popular attraction was the dog, Sparky. **Above:** Officer Roger Beggs answered the children's questions on fire prevention. **Left:** At the IHC workshop, Roger shows how easily clothing can catch fire. **Below, left:** Preparing a demonstration fire. **Right:** At Frankley school, the children made a fuss of Sparky. **Below, centre:** Officer Beggs shows how to put out a fire.



## Married

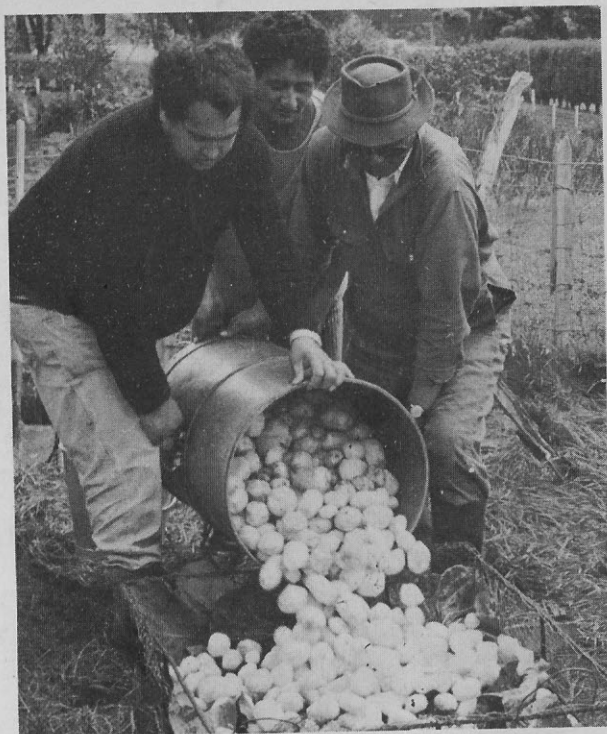
**SOUTHERN-HUNGER:** At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Bernice, the younger daughter of Rev. and Mrs W. Hunger, NP, to Robin, elder son of Mr and Mrs N. Southern, NP. The matron of honour was Janet Finer, sister of the bride, NP, and the bridesmaid was Elizabeth Hand, Dunedin. The best man was Tom Clow, NP, and the groomsmen were Neville Hunger, brother of the bride, NP. The flower-girls were Judith Finer, and Lyn-Marie Hunger, NP. Future home, NP.

**HOGAN-GOODWIN:** At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, June, only daughter of Mr and Mrs L. Goodwin, Oakura, to Terry, youngest son of Mrs P. Hogan, NP, and the late Mr G. Hogan. The bridesmaids were Frances Jordan, Inglewood and Gloria Rowlands, NP. The best man was Brian Goodwin, brother of the bride, Oakura, and the groomsmen were Peter Goodwin, NP. Future home, Oakura.



**DUTTON-MOORE:** At the Methodist Church, Fitzroy, Nancy Lyn, the youngest daughter of Mrs D. Moore, NP, and the late Mr A.F. Moore, to Brian Gary, the eldest son of Mr and Mrs G. Dutton, NP. The bridesmaids were Yvonne Moore, sister of the bride, NP, and Diane Burlace, NP. The best man was Dave McDowell, NP, and the groomsmen were Ron Krutz, Omata. Future home, NP.





## Hangi for Methodists

Part of the social side of the Methodist conference held in NP recently was a hangi in the grounds of the Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel. Well over six hundred people attended this meal and it took about thirty Maori folk to prepare this huge feast. The meal required five pigs, five sheep, a side of beef, four cwt of potatoes and four cwt of pumpkins. In all, five pits were prepared and with careful timing, everybody was served with their food piping hot. Above: The potatoes being prepared for the hangi. Above, right: Three of the many carvers at work. Right: Long tables were filled with the food. Below: The pits were damped down after use.



Methodists from all parts of NZ attended the conference held in the city and, of these, six hundred came to the Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel to partake of the delicious hangi which had been prepared for them. First in the queue when the hangi was opened were the girls from the hostel who took their baskets of food on to the grassy slopes. Above: Part of the queue in the marquee where the food was served. The queue stretched for many yards as people waited for their meal. Below: The boarders of the hostel sat in the sunshine and smiled for our camera. Above, right: Four hostel girls who found the food so good we could scarcely get their attention. Right: Families stood round in little groups. Below, right: Inside the marquee there were more groups of people enjoying their food.







## MUSIC SCHOOL'S PRIZEGIVING

Pupils of the Merle Martin school of music were presented with their prizes at a music evening to mark the end of the year. Top left: Yvonne Sorenson played the pianica. Top, centre: One of the more unusual items was Ross Robertson with the organ. Top, right: Helen Rees and Rayma McDonald played a duet in perfect unison. Above, left: Marilyn Newman was awarded the examination cup. Above, centre: Clare Maskelyne gave Merle Martin a bouquet on behalf of the pupils. Above, right: Yvonne Sorenson won the junior cup. Right: Mareea Tipples with a pianica. Below: Members of the orchestra. Below, right: Guest soloist, Susan Wright.



Here are some more of the performers and prize-winners of the Merle Martin School of Music. Top, left: The Waitara Melodica group. Top, right: School orchestra in action, and well they performed. Left: Vera Tipples, a beginner at the piano. Centre, left: Maree Fitzpatrick and Vera Tipples were third in the beginners' section. Centre, right: Helen Rees was third in the senior section. Above, far right: Irene Haydon and Vicky Partington shared a prize for beginners' work. Right: Marilyn Newman was second in the juniors. Below, left: Jennifer Marsh gives a recital. Centre left: Robyn Peterson and Elizabeth Sundgren in a duet. Centre, right: Margaret Conway. Below, right: Clare Maskelyne, winner of the senior cup.

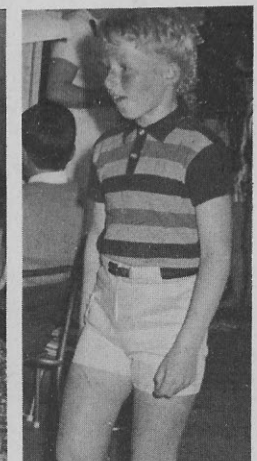






## ☆☆ Merrilands Fashion Parade ☆☆

A large crowd attended a very successful mannequin parade put on by the Merrilands School PTA. The clothes, made by the mothers, were auctioned at a gala day later that week. Some of the small models were rather reluctant to parade out on the catwalk, which was a source of amusement to the rather happy audience. Above, from left: Denise Denham, like the girl next to her, Joanne Moratti, looked cute in her shorties. Youngest model in the show was Stuart Denham. Raye Cosford models a colourful dress made by her mother. Right: Some of the many young models had a beaming smile for our photographer. Below, left: Gillian Clareburt and Lisa Butler on parade. Below, right: Rowan Bransgrove acted a little shy.



Above, left: Debra and Darrell Stonnell make an entrance to the fashion scene. Above: Philip and Joanne Rogers were rewarded with a gift of balloons. Above, right: Pauline Amor has a smile for the audience. Far left: Gayleen and Cindy Schicker receive their balloons. Left: Ann and Jennifer Burton looked very smart. Right: Janine, Tubby seemed a wee bit apprehensive. Bottom, left: Grant Amor and Murray Barr step out. Below: Young mannequins await their turn to parade. Below, right: Ross Beavan is ready for the beach.





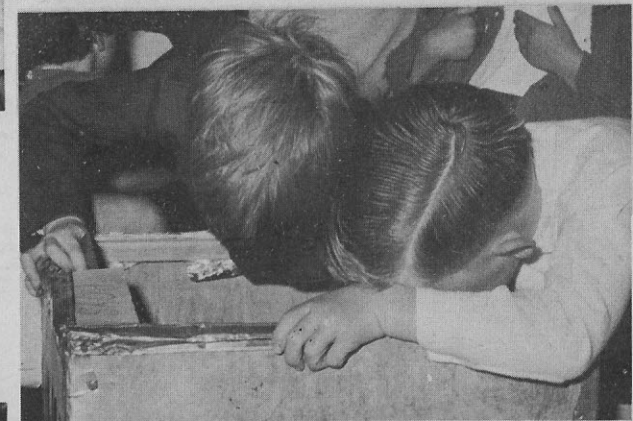
## METHODIST CONFERENCE CONCERT

During the recent Methodist conference held in the city, one evening was devoted to a concert and social at the Spotswood College Hall. This was filled to overflowing, and small wonder, for many of the audience must have known of the musical treat that was in store for them. We've heard some Maori groups performing before, dozens of them in fact, and many of a very high standard, but none has approached the quality of this party from Patea. Had we known what this was to be like, we would have taken not only our camera, but also a tape recorder. They would be an outstanding success at any function with their fine choral work. We'll risk a rebuke here, and say they are undoubtedly the best Maori group in the province. Above: Here they are on stage. Below: The pois seemed to move as one, so adept were they. Bottom: The packed audience was enraptured with these performers.

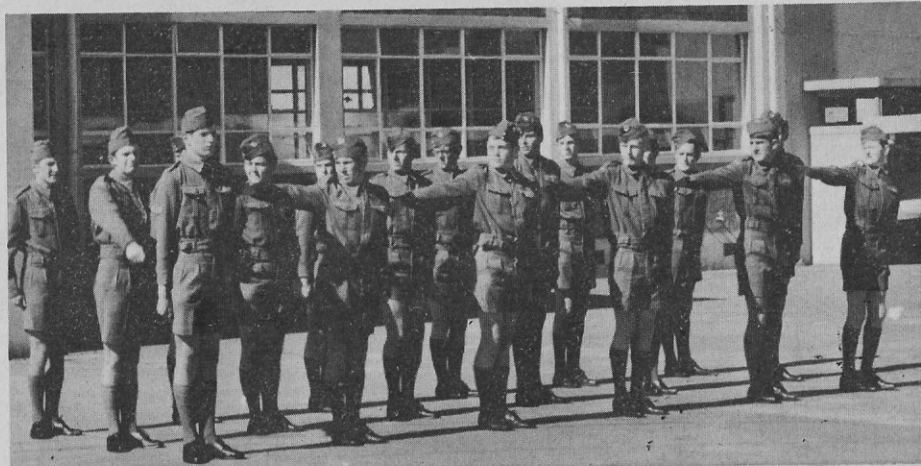


## Okato Church Fair

There was a very large crowd at the Okato Methodist Church fair held recently in the Hempton Hall. Above: One of the sales tables which rated high on the popularity list with women was that containing basketware and trinkets. Right: Two hands are always better than one when seeking a fortune in the bran tub. Below: The young people made a feast of the afternoon at the hoop-la table. Bottom, right: the older folks derived just as much pleasure.







## CADET TEST AT F.D. COLLEGE

Under-Officer Brendon King of the Francis Douglas College Cadet Battalion, recently underwent a test for the Friar Cup, premier award for cadets in the Central Military District. The judge was Brig. C.A. Kermode. **Left:** Brendon King instructs his squad in arms drill. **Above:** These were the boys who were under Brendon King's command. **Right:** Brig. Kermode talks to Under-Officer Brendon King at the conclusion of the tests. **Bottom:** With school boarders looking on, the squad ground arms.



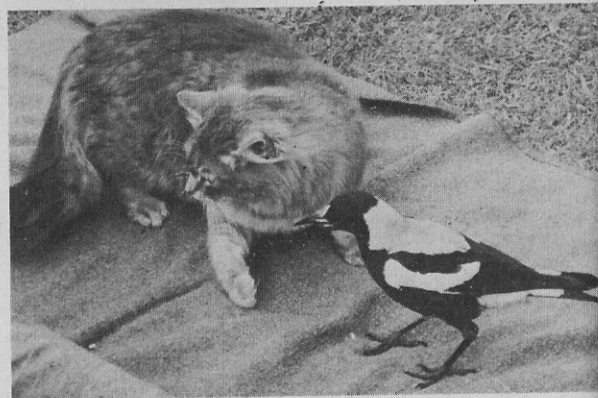
**Above, left:** Going through all the Cadet Battalion's training procedure, Brendon King makes an inspection of a squad member's rifle. **Above, right:** Brig. Kermode and Brendon King inspect the squad prior to the test for the Friar Cup. **Below, left:** With a voice that was clear and concise, the work of the cadet squad was made considerably easier under Brendon King's command. **Below, right:** Part of the test consisted of instructions by Brendon King of the working parts of a rifle. Here he explains to squad members how to dismantle a rifle for loading.





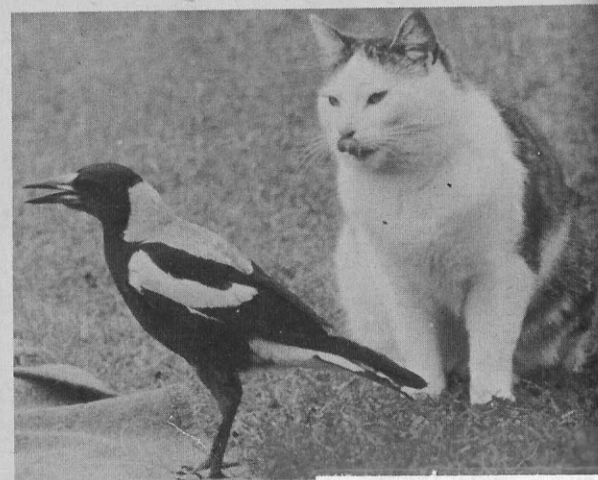


## Friendly Magpie



"Georgie girl", the magpie, is a firm friend of the Peckham family of Frankley Road. Befriended since a fledgling, Georgie girl comes down when called, and is a friend of even the four cats and three dogs which are part of the Peckham family. Above, left: Mrs P.L. Peckham, having called Georgie girl, gives her (of him) a tidbit. Below left: Close-up of Georgie girl. Top, right: The magpie and the cat are the best of friends, and above, she also enjoys the company of a second cat. Below: Georgie girl squawks for more tidbits while pussy licks his lips in anticipation of what?

This rather unusual friendship has won for Mrs Peckham a free subscription to "Photo News" for six months.



## INGLEWOOD PLUNKET JUBILEE

St. Andrew's Hall was the venue for the 50th jubilee dinner of the Inglewood sub-branch of the NZ Plunket Society. It was a great night for these women and their husbands who have interest in the society. Above: Official table, complete with bubbly and candles. Below: Cutting the jubilee cake is life member Mrs T. Nelson, assisted by the president of the branch, Mrs Enid Morton.

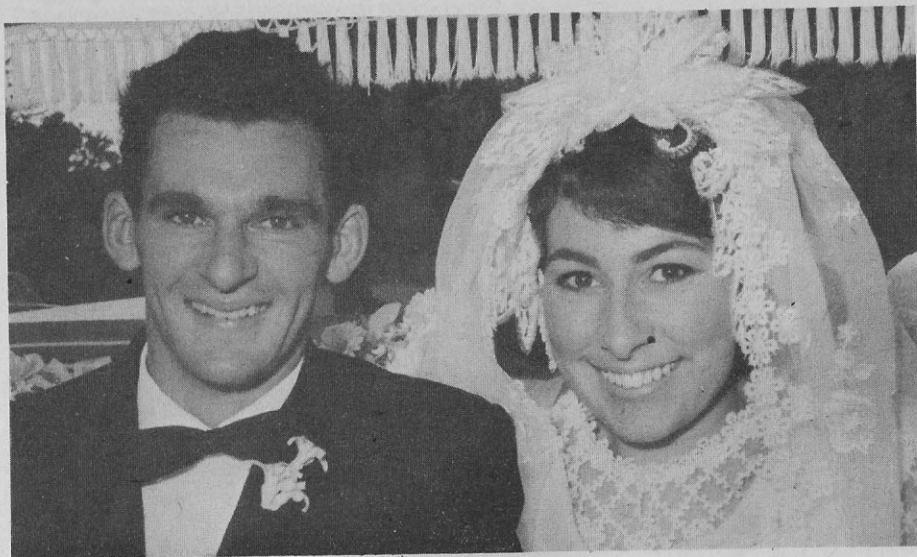


## N.P.-GROWN PINEAPPLE

Grown from a discarded pineapple top, this palm was grown in the city without any special treatment. Here the grower, greenfingers Joy Street, proudly displays her pineapple.







## Married

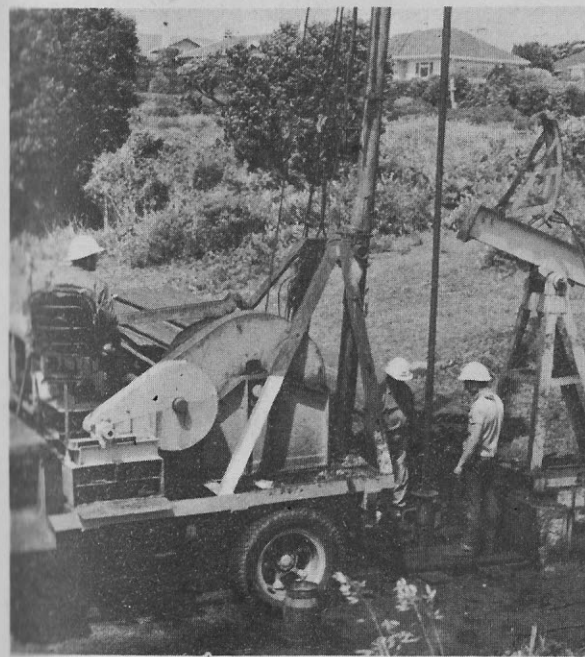
**Left: HUFFAM-GOINES:** At St. Michael's Church, Remuera, Auckland, Jennifer, third daughter of Mr and Mrs E.J. Goines, Auckland, to Nigel Huffam, elder son of Mrs L. Old, Waitara. The future home is in New Plymouth.



**Right: BENNETT-BROCKLEHURST:** At the Whiteley Methodist Church, NP, Evelyn Alice, eldest daughter of Mr W.J. Brocklehurst, Inglewood, and the late Mrs Brocklehurst, to Graeme Bruce, youngest son of Mrs E.A. Bennett, NP, and the late Mr Bennett. The chief bridesmaid was Claire Hickey, Hawera, and the bridesmaids were Ruth Brocklehurst, sister of the bride, Wellington, and Nyla Drinkwater, Inglewood. The best man was Rob Drinkwater, Inglewood, and the groomsmen were Bill Phillips, Midhurst, and Colin Yates, Inglewood.



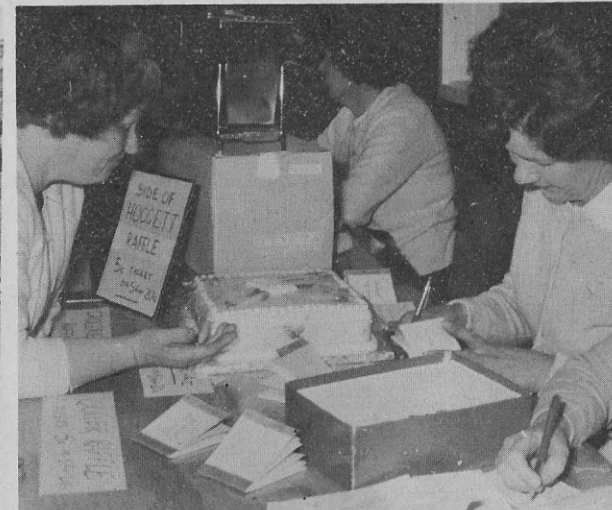
**Left: BEZZANT-ALLEN:** At the Francis Douglas College Chapel, NP, Kathleen, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs M. Allen, NP, to Desmond, eldest son of Mr K. Bezzant, NP. The bridesmaids were Patricia and Teresa Allen, sisters of the bride, NP. The best man was Kevin Harrison, NP, and the groomsmen were Graeme Bazzant, brother of the groom, NP. Future home, NP.



## Roving Camera

**Above:** Went down to Ngamotu beach one weekend to look for pictures, and found that these men work right through. They are taking test bores, and have taken quite a few around the beach.

**Below:** Carol, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Bill Pickering, Tarata, with mum and dad at her recent coming of age party which was well attended in the Tarata Hall.



**Above:** Workers at the recent Ferndale fair, or should we say fleecers? These women certainly know how to extract the money. Joyce Snowden parts with her money to raffle boss Jean Insull.

**Below:** No matter where one goes around the province, this is the sort of view one gets at almost every turn of the road. We took this view of Egmont up Albert Road one recent Sunday afternoon.



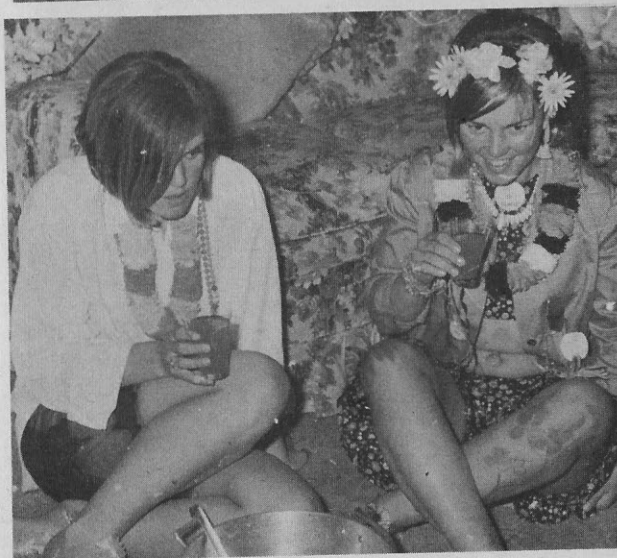




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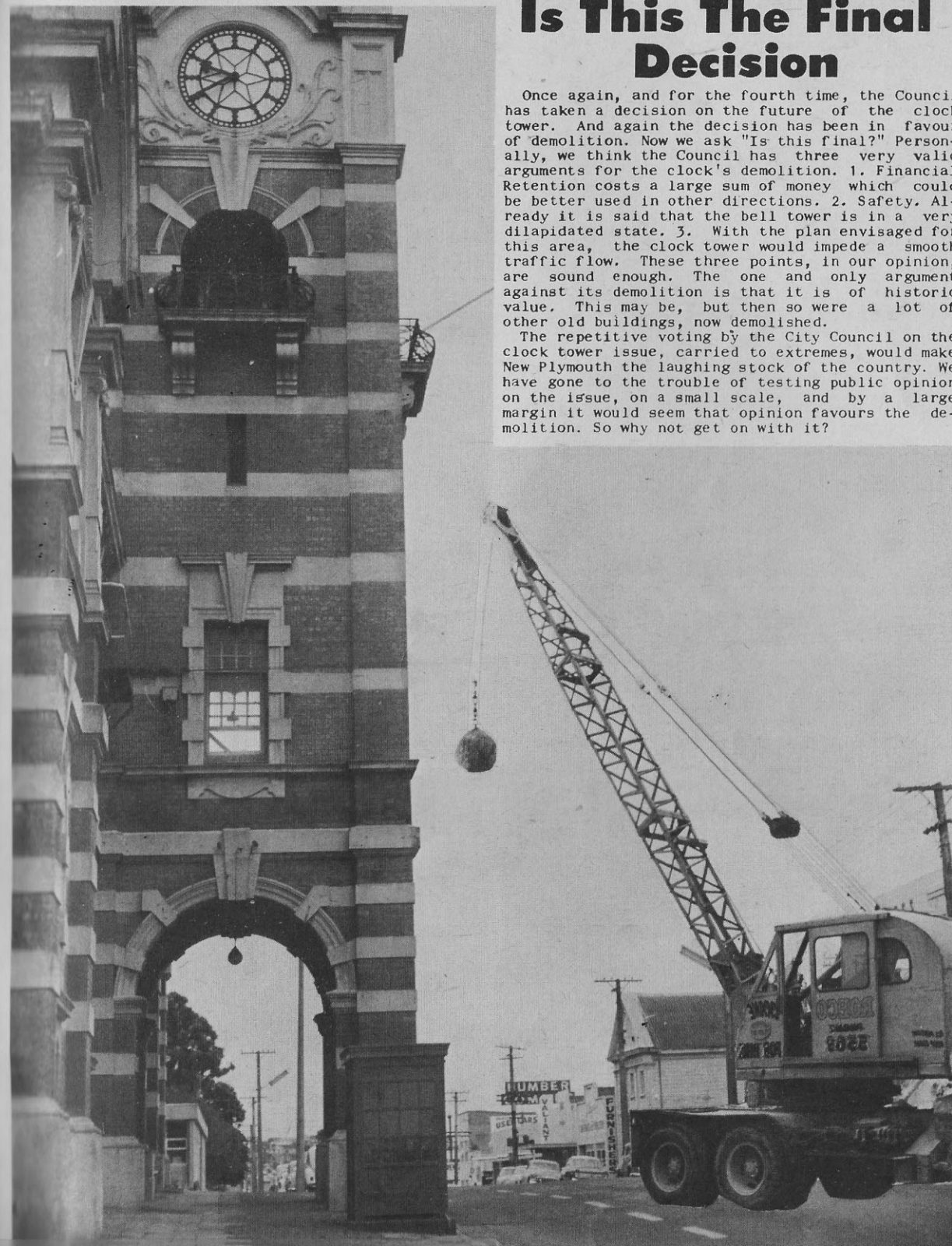
One young thing we know in the city had the bright idea of having her friends attend her birthday party as Hippies. The pictures on this page are the result. Above, left: Here are the girls (it was a hen party) who were invited. Above: This will be the next gimmick at your local grocery store! Far left: Vicky dressed in sack cloth. Left: Heather borrowed her brother's old shirt. Below, left: Al and Penny gave the soft drinks a go! Below: Mandy looked full of flower-power!



## Is This The Final Decision

Once again, and for the fourth time, the Council has taken a decision on the future of the clock tower. And again the decision has been in favour of demolition. Now we ask "Is this final?" Personally, we think the Council has three very valid arguments for the clock's demolition. 1. Financial. Retention costs a large sum of money which could be better used in other directions. 2. Safety. Already it is said that the bell tower is in a very dilapidated state. 3. With the plan envisaged for this area, the clock tower would impede a smooth traffic flow. These three points, in our opinion, are sound enough. The one and only argument against its demolition is that it is of historic value. This may be, but then so were a lot of other old buildings, now demolished.

The repetitive voting by the City Council on the clock tower issue, carried to extremes, would make New Plymouth the laughing stock of the country. We have gone to the trouble of testing public opinion on the issue, on a small scale, and by a large margin it would seem that opinion favours the demolition. So why not get on with it?

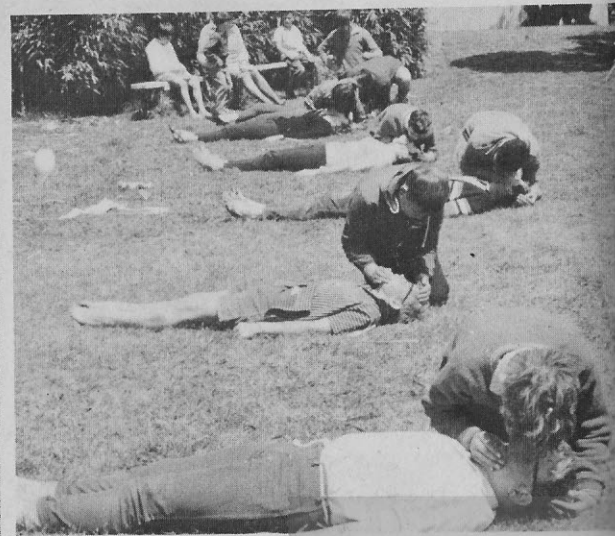






## SURF CADETS TRAIN

Two years ago the NZ Surf Life Saving Association introduced a surf cadet scheme to supply trained lifesavers to surf teams. The youngsters are taught all aspects of the drill so that after reaching fourteen years of age they could go into a surf team fully trained. Three Taranaki surf clubs, Fitzroy, Old Boys and East End, have introduced the scheme into their organised team work, the first being Fitzroy. These youngsters, under the able guidance of Mr Les Sporle, have progressed to the stage where they could in an emergency perform mouth to mouth resuscitation and assist regular team members with line work and other duties. Above: Peter Fastier reassembles a belt. If a lifesaver has to free himself from a belt at any time during rescue work these cadets will be able to save time by assembling it on the beach for him. Above, right: A fisherman's knot is the standard knob used for joining two surf lines. The knot must be able to withstand all pressures put upon it. Gavin Morris practises this. Below: Linda Cairns performs mouth to mouth resuscitation on Dale Challis. Below, right: Cadets in action. These youngsters who one day may save a life must be grateful to their trainer who devotes much time to this sport.



## Unique Collections



Denis Wadsworth of McLean Street, Fitzroy, has a unique hobby. He collects cigarette packets and he doesn't even smoke! Denis started his collection five months ago and has about twenty NZ varieties, as well as Indian, American, Australian and British cigarette and tobacco packets. He obtains his packets from various sources and averages fifty or sixty packets per week, mainly from his paper run. Above: Denis looking over his unusual collection. Below: These NZ cigarette packets are stacked on a shelf in Denis's bedroom. Right: A variety of packets from different overseas countries.



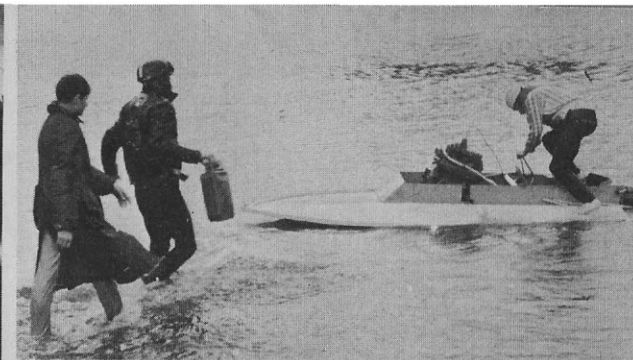
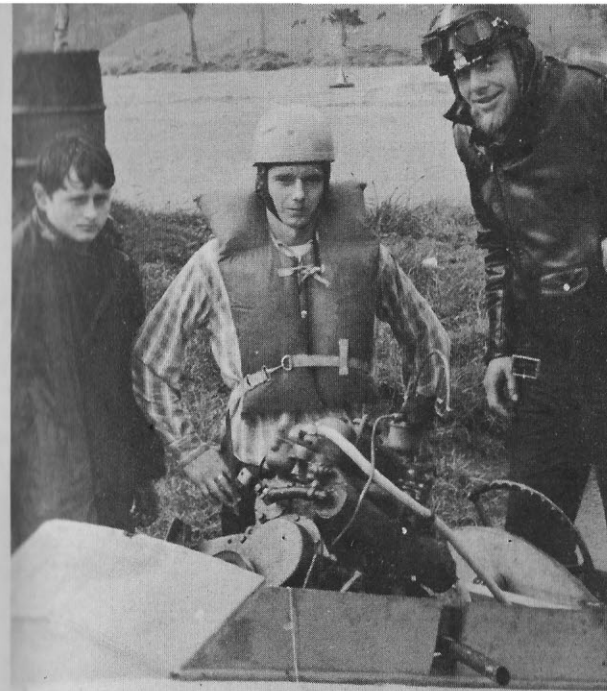


# Roving Camera

**Right:** Bill Neate, Hawera, is shown with his mother, Mrs J. Jenkins and Mr Jenkins (who called him Nelson?) and Sue Jenkins at Bill's recent 21st birthday party. (DAVID PAUL)

**Below:** Never seen such a bunch of happy-looking souls, and they should be too, for they are members of the NP Happiness Club, photographed here at their annual garden party. They didn't get the best of weather, but they got the best of support, with the consequence that their bank balance is up by a few cents. And all this is done for charity by these lovely ladies, God bless 'em!

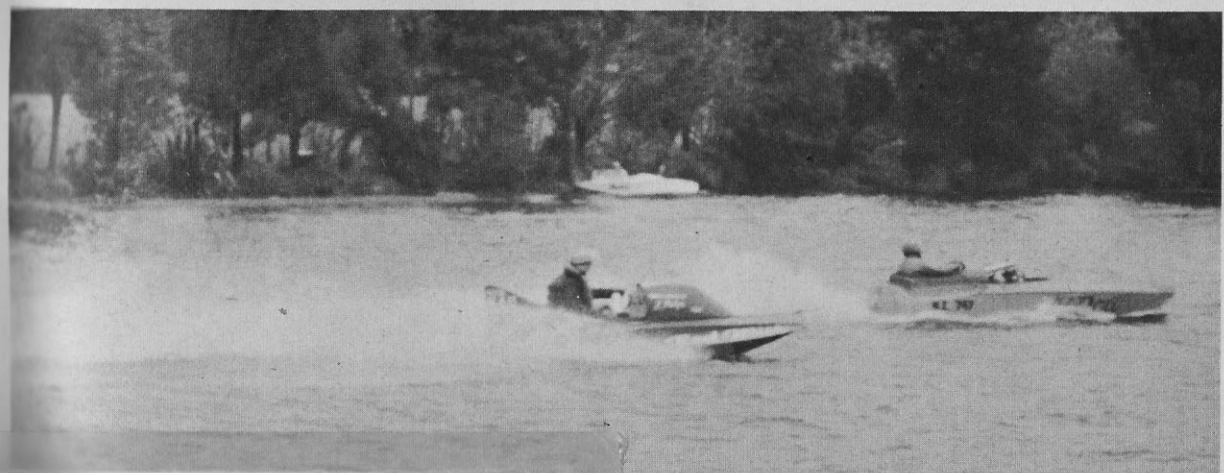
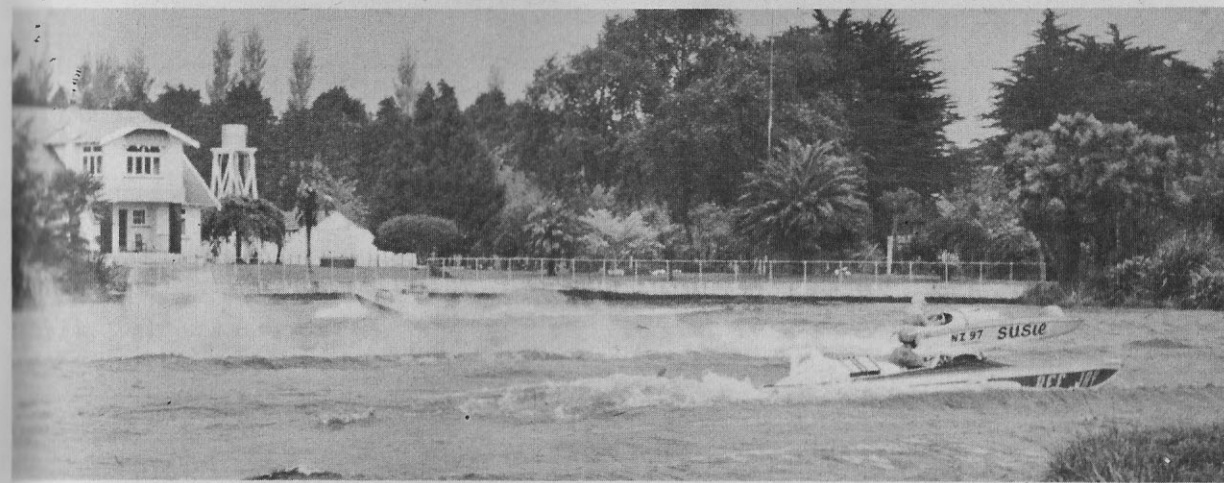
**Bottom:** What a great idea! Take a flask of tea and a few of mum's hard cakes out to this delightful spot at Lake Mangamahoe, and before you know it there are a dozen or so geese round looking for crumbs. Nice way to spend a Sunday afternoon.



## Speedboats in the Rain

What terrible weather to hold speedboat racing in? If they'd postponed their meeting for a couple of hours, they could have held it along Devon Street, instead of going right out to Rata-piko! Still, the rain didn't stop them racing, and they had quite a successful meeting despite the lack of public support, and who could blame them?

**Left:** Garry and Rex Henwood and Jeff Griffin with their boat Leppardo, the smallest boat in NZ with an inboard motor. **Above:** Going out in the rain to refuel. **Below:** Dismal looking scene which when the sun shines is a beautiful spot. **Bottom:** Didn't matter about getting wet in the backwash of the boat--the spectators got wetter in the rain!







## Wedding Bells

**Above: BINT-McLEAN:** At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Jill Maree, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. McLean, NP, to Kevin Arthur, second son of Mr and Mrs C.W. Bint, Lepperton. The bridesmaids were Dianne McLean, sister of the bride, NP, Margaret Clare, Wellington, and Delys Bint, sister of the groom, Lepperton. The best man was Brian Bint, brother of the groom, Lepperton, and the groomsmen were Jeff Hoskin, Pukearuhe, and Ron Muir, Brixton. Future home, NP.

**Below: SAMPSON-GILBERT:** At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Joylene, second daughter of Mrs L.R. Gilbert, NP, and the late Mr Gilbert, to Keith, second son of Mr and Mrs R.H. Sampson, Bell Block. The bridesmaids were Margaret Sampson, sister of the groom, Wellington, Margaret Dodunski, NP, and Joanna Naylor, Oakura. The best man was Ted Roberts, NP, and the groomsmen were Claude Sampson, brother of the groom, NP, and Brian Goldfinch, NP. The flower-girl was Debbie Coldrick, NP. Future home, New Plymouth.



## C.W.I. International Day

International day at the CWI rooms was a huge success, with entries for their international tables from every branch of the CWI in North Taranaki. **Above:** Winner of the competition was this table of Canada by the Woodleigh branch. **Below:** Second was a Japanese table by the Merrilands CWI. **Above, right:** Mrs M. Richardson takes a close look at one of the tables. **Below, right:** Third place was won by the Moturoa branch with this Scottish table. **Bottom, left:** Mesdames G. Orchard, Tikorangi E. Telfer, Waitara, and P. Penniall seem very interested in the exhibits. **Bottom, right:** We liked this Chinese table by the Durham CWI.







## ODD SHOTS

**Above:** This is the one that didn't get away, nor did it get caught by the Japanese fishermen. What a whopper....even the dog seems afraid of it! Haven't seen one this size since our visit to the East Coast a couple of years ago. This sardine only weighs 21½lbs. It was caught by Sharon Sait's father. (That's Sharon hiding behind the snapper). He caught it at CENSORED. Pity Mr Sait didn't wait till the annual Waitara fishing contest--this could have been worth real dough to him. Still it will make a meal or two...it certainly makes a good picture.

**Below:** Golfers by the dozen--now you know where your husband is, mum! Looks like club members of Westown had a rest from lawn mowing when the club recently held its closing tourney and with a massed start too. Here are a few of those who took part. Happy lot, these golfers!





## PARITUTU CIRCUIT

Here's a view of the Paritutu road racing circuit, taken from the top of Paritutu during the recent meeting. The track can be clearly seen, and also shows Ivon Watkins at right, and the Shell storage tanks, now under construction in the centre of the picture. On the track are the amazing little go-karts which screamed round the road at nearly 100mph.

