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Okato's New Clock Dedicated

The centennial memorial clock at Okato was dedicated at a ceremony attended by hundreds of local and ex-Okato people. The unveiling was performed by two of the oldest residents of Okato, Mrs Alice Fox (left) and Mr L. Andrews, second from right. They were assisted by Mr Keith Roebuck, right, and the acting chairman of the centennial committee, Mr H. Paul. This heralded the start of a week-end never to be forgotten by the people of Okato and district, when the town played host to over 15000 visitors.

Ex-N.P. Boy In Australia

Right: Ex-NP boy Laurie B. Davis (Nobby to his friends) who left New Plymouth in 1925 for Sydney. Nobby is an old boy of the NP Central School, and has successfully owned butcher shops in Sydney and Port Kembla before going into the steel industry. His interests include Surf Life Saving clubs, one of which he has been made a life member. He is also a keen bowler, and hopes to play against the touring NZ team on their forthcoming tour of Aussie. We like to hear from any ex-Taranakian now residing overseas, especially as we get compliments about the publication. Nobby still maintains an interest in the province, firstly because his sister, Mrs R.G. Capon, lives in Waitara, and secondly because he has become a regular reader of "Photo News".



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Four Generations

Above: In our photograph we show four generations. From left: grandmother Mrs V. Goodwin, great-grandmother Mrs H. Haine, Lynette Berry and mother Mrs I. Berry.

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OUR COVER

Popular girl, popular car. That's what we think about this month's cover. The girl, Marie Cronin is a keen basketball player, and was one of the Miss Brooklands contestants. The car, the Triumph 2000, has become Britain's most popular car with its fine styling and sparkling performance. They're both good-looking, aren't they?

BACK COVER

One of the most colourful floats in the recent Okato Centennial Parade, that of the Catholic Women's Institute.



CHIEF COOK'S ASSISTANT

Young Geoffrey, 2-year-old son of Mr and Mrs M. White, Waitara, got into mother's mixing bowl and a bag of flour. This picture was the result, with Geoffrey at the start of a messy job. It appears that Geoffrey is taking this seriously.



Engaged

Above: BATES-WEBBY. Pamela Christine, daughter of Mr and Mrs C.H.Webby, Eltham, to Bruce John, son of Mrs A.H.Bates, Stratford. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below: VINSEN-FOOTHEAD. Margaret, elder daughter of Mrs Foothead, Petone, and the late Mr Foothead, to Louis, only son of Mr and Mrs Bill Vinsen, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Above, right: LITTLE-HICKEY. Valerie Jean, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D.D.Hickey, Patea, to Ross William, elder son of Mr and Mrs C. Little, NP.

Right: MUNDT-CULPITT. Beverly June, youngest daughter of Mrs N.M.Burr, Auckland, to Dennis Bruce Peter, younger son of Mr and Mrs F.H.Mundt, Hawera.

Below, right: ROGUSKI-MACARTNEY. Joy, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G.Macartney, Stratford, to David John, eldest son of Mr and Mrs D.V. Roguski, Te Wera.



Above: Mr and Mrs Tom Murdock, NP, are shown here on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary with their bridal party of 25 years ago. From left: George Taylor, Tom and Freda Murdock, Lorna Taylor and Joe Lowe.

Above, right: Married at St. Mary's Church, NP, were Barbara, only daughter of Mr and Mrs H.F.Jury, NP, to Christopher, only son of Mr and Mrs R.Hinton, Stratford.

Below: Mr and Mrs J.H.Sampson, photographed on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary. (VOGUE).

Below, right: Donald, son of Mr and Mrs R.E.Gyde, Inglewood, is shown with his mother and father at his 21st birthday party. (VOGUE).



Celebrations



Patea Spectacular

A total of £1666 was raised in 6 weeks by the nine contestants in the recent Patea Spectacular carnival, finalised by a parade and sports day. Much interest was aroused and the organisers are to be congratulated on their efforts.

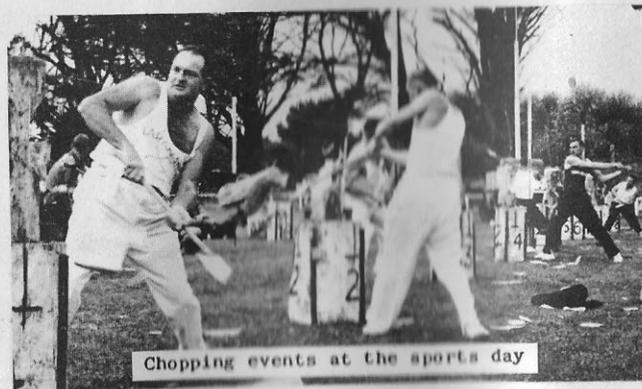
Above: The parade moves up the main street, led by the float, "Let's Go A-Head". (PHOTOS BY ALDOR FILMS).



Carol Parkinson, Miss Patea Spectacular, is chaired by members of the band, who were her sponsors.



Queen for a day: Carol Parkinson and her maids



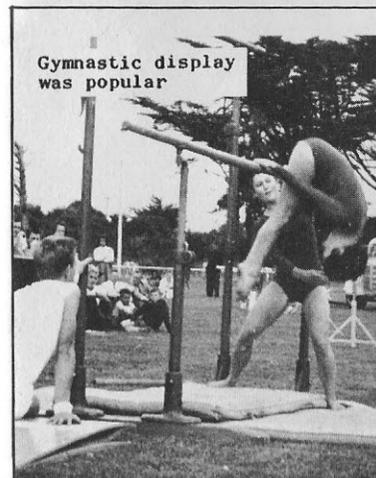
Chopping events at the sports day



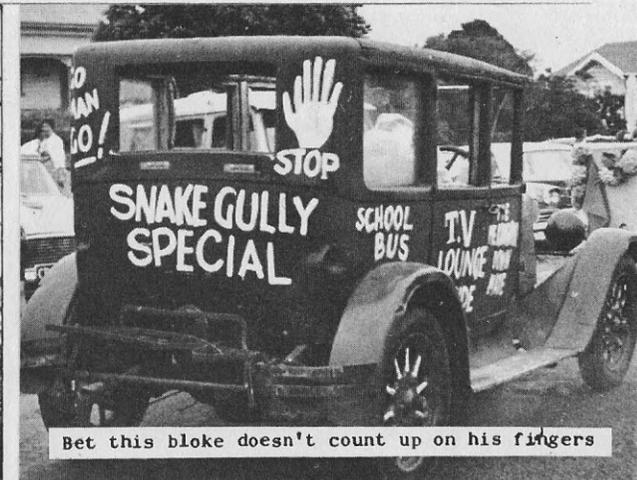
Presentation to Carol Parkinson, shows the Mayor Mr Prince, Mrs A.Hall and Miss Campbell (NP).



Official party



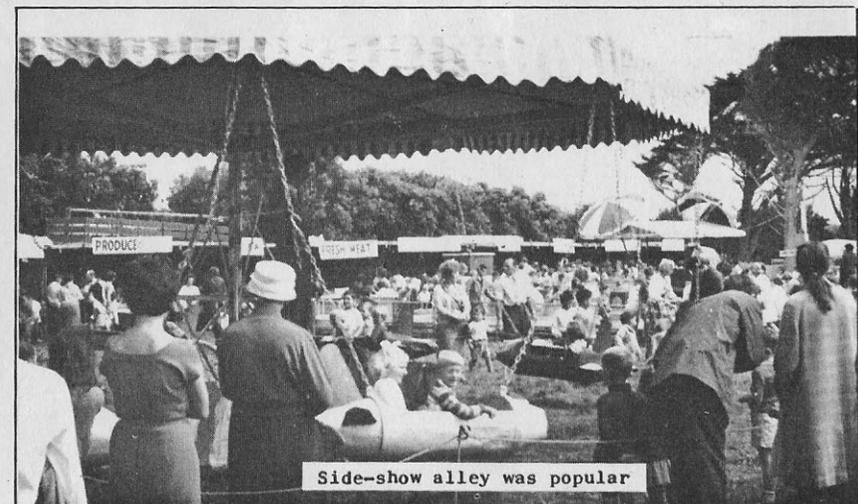
Gymnastic display was popular



Bet this bloke doesn't count up on his fingers



Winning float, Irish House, entered by the Hibernian Society, Patea.



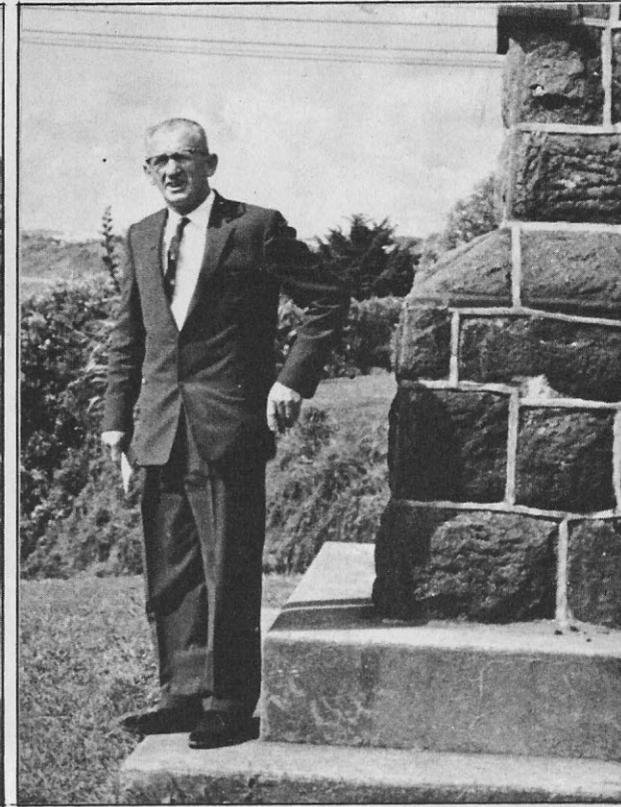
Side-show alley was popular



Wedding Bells

Above: WILSON-WILLS. At the Whiteley Methodist Church, NP, Adrienne Kay Wills, only daughter of Mrs N.Eva, NP, to Robert Boyd, third son of the late Mr and Mrs Wilson, NP. The bridesmaids were Lynette Howe and Cassie Boyle, both NP. Best man was Brian Goldsworthy, NP, and the groomsman was Selwyn Wills, brother of the bride, NP. Future home, New Plymouth.

Below: FRANCIS-HAMBLYN. At Holy Trinity Church, Fitzroy, Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.M Hamblyn, NP, to Barry, only son of Mr and Mrs L.Francis, Koru. The bridesmaids were sisters of the bride, Lynnette, Marce and Christine Hamblyn, all of NP, and Janet Francis, sister of the groom, Koru. Colin Sampson, Rataipiko, was the best man and Brian Holt, NP, was the groomsman. Future home New Plymouth.



105th Anniversary Of Battle

The New Plymouth Historical Society recently celebrated the 105th anniversary of the Battle of Waireka with a short ceremony at the Pioneer Road Memorial attended by about fifty people. This was followed by a special commemoration at the Memorial Hall.

Above: A commemoration spray of flowers was placed on the memorial by Mrs M.Rau, a member of the committee, accompanied by Mr W.Christoffel, vice-president of the society.

Above, right: Speaker at the function was Major G.T.Seccombe, MBE, DCM.

Below: Society's president, Mr E.R.Andrews, speaks at the function to the gathering.



Captain Mrs G.Baker speaks to the gathering



Rahotu Guides 5th Birthday

Many Guides from troops at Okato and Opunake attended the 5th birthday of the Rahotu company. Among the guests were many parents, ex-Guides and past-presidents of the committee. After an evening of games for the Guides and Brownies, an elaborate supper was served.



Mrs L.Butler, the president, lit the candles.



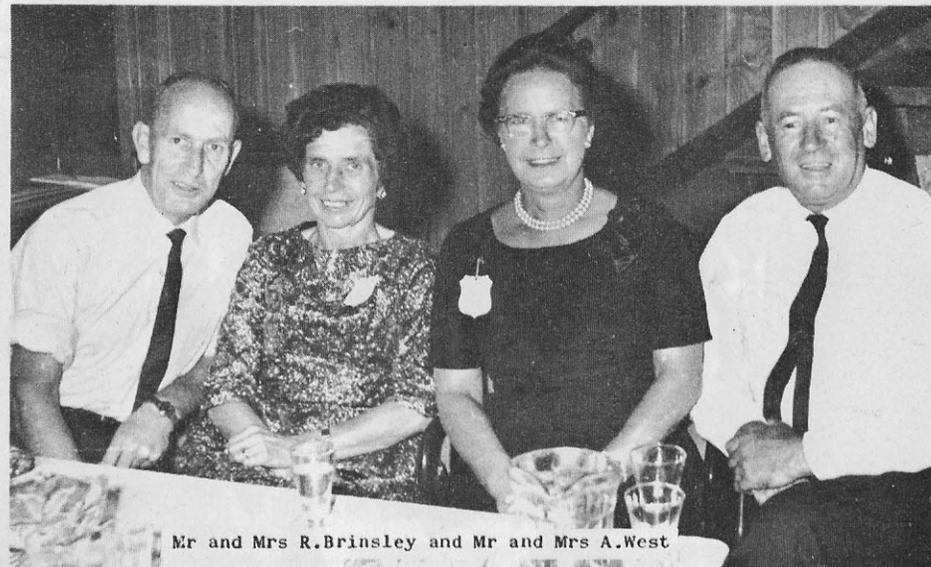
Mrs J.Burson, another past president, fanned out the candles on the cake.



First president, Mrs H.Wright, came all the way from Douglas to enjoy the evening and cut the birthday cake.

MASTER PRINTERS SOCIAL IN N.P.

Master Printers from all over NZ recently held their annual conference in the city, and concluded their business with a grand social evening. Many friendships were made, and many old friendships were renewed. We show on this page some of the local printers at the social event.



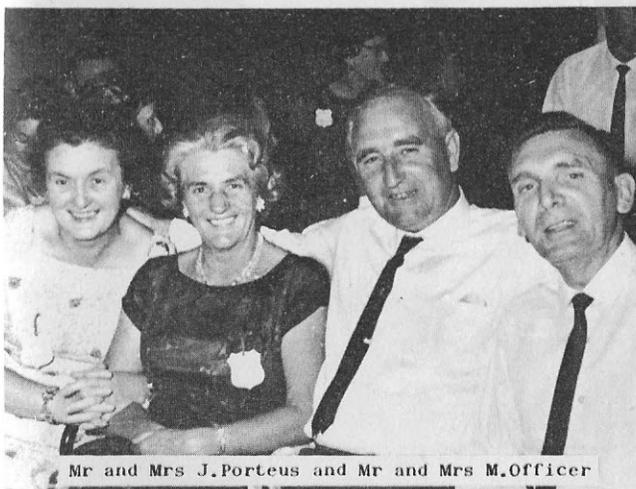
Mr and Mrs R.Brinsley and Mr and Mrs A.West



Mr and Mrs H.Rix and Mr and Mrs R.W.Bagshaw



Mr and Mrs W.D.Saunders and Mrs C.Anderson



Mr and Mrs J.Porteus and Mr and Mrs M.Officer



Mr and Mrs D.Rush and Mrs J.Ekdahl.



Wedding Bells

Above: WORKMAN-McMILLAN. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Wendy Marion, youngest daughter of Mrs L.M. Penwarden, NP, and the late Mr Ivon McMillan, to John, only son of Mr Noel Workman, NP. Matron of honour was Barbara Johnston, Opunake, and the bridesmaid was Glenys O'Neill, NP. Best man was Ross Scouller, NP, and the groomsman was Graham Telfer, NP. Future home, NP.

Below: WAGSTAFF-BENEFIELD. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Colleen, second daughter of Mr and Mrs H.E. Benefield, NP, to Paul, eldest son of Mr and Mrs N.B. Wagstaff, NP. The bridesmaids were Carol Inskip and June Goodwin, both of Okaiawa. Best man was John Wagstaff, brother of the groom, NP, and the groomsman was Mervyn Jamieson, Oakura. Jennifer Wright, NP, was the flowergirl. Future home, New Plymouth.



Rahotu Sports Day

Blessed with reasonable weather, the Rahotu sports day was a fair sort of success. For the spectator, there was a varied programme which had something for every taste, while for the active, there was plenty of competition in the many events.

Above: Basketball drew a large field of teams probably trying themselves out for the coming season.

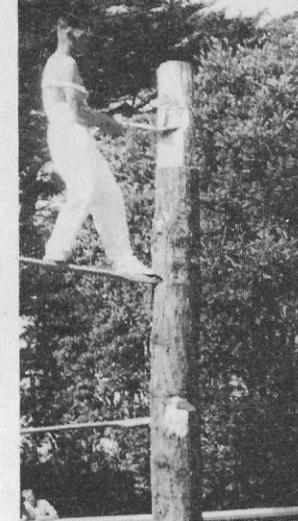
Above, centre: Not often seen in this part of the country was the jigger chip.

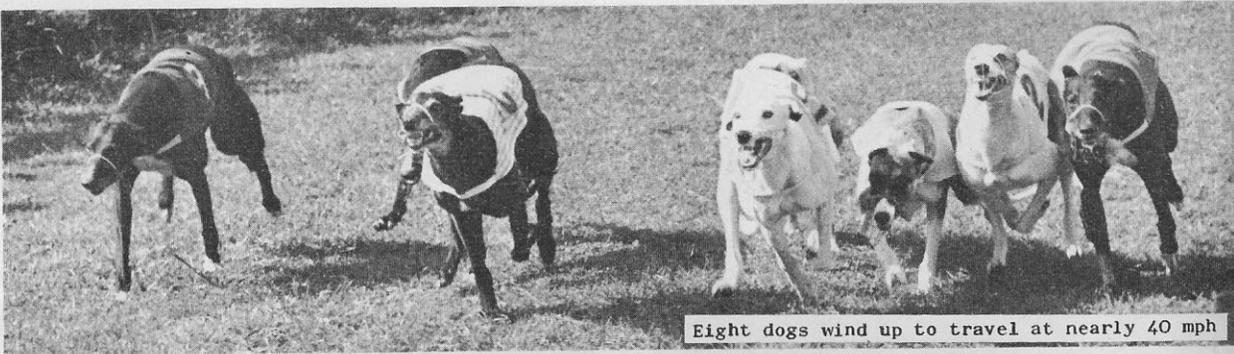
Above, right: Busiest man of the day was Colin Williams.

Right: Most enthusiasm was aroused for the married women's race.

Below: The Auroa Pipe Band provided music that was much appreciated by the crowd.

(PIX BY HENRY MCGEE).





Eight dogs wind up to travel at nearly 40 mph

Greyhound Racing Draws Big Crowds At Inglewood

Large crowds are being drawn to the meetings of the Inglewood Greyhound Racing Club, and the most recent meeting included the NZ Invitation Stakes, in which six of the best dogs in the country competed. Starters in this race included dogs from Auckland and Christchurch with the result that some very fine racing was seen.



Winner of the Invitation Stakes: Susie Rathgar, owned and trained by Sylvia Hodgson (Auckland).



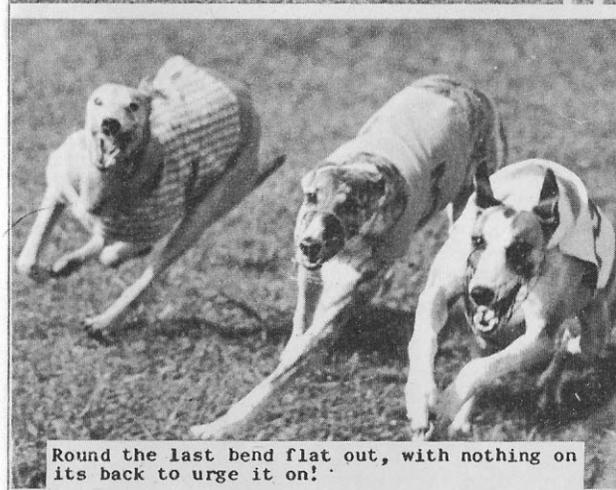
NZGRA president Ben Bray presented the trophy to Sylvia Hodgson.



So popular has greyhound racing become, that the NZBC sent a cameraman to cover the meet.



Starters for the big race are paraded



Round the last bend flat out, with nothing on its back to urge it on!

GREYHOUNDS (continued)

A programme of thirteen races provided a good Sunday afternoon's entertainment for the crowds attending. As a sport, we think this a good way to imitate the "sport of kings" and could be a good source of revenue for the State, if a tote was allowed. Many representations have been made with regard to betting but each appeal has fallen on stony ground. Frankly, we can see no more harm in gambling on a greyhound, than on a racehorse.



Part of this large crowd watch the start of a race



Engaged

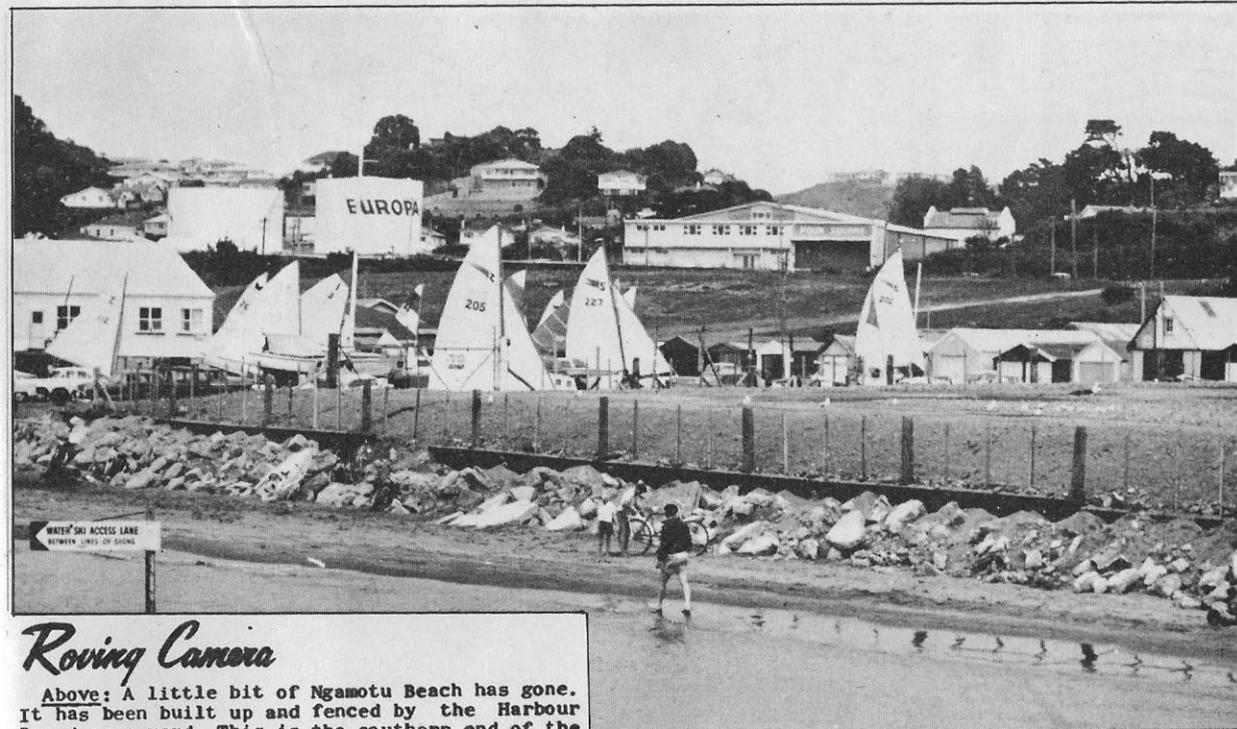
Above: PRICE-GRACE. Beverly Joyce, second daughter of Mr and Mrs C.D.Grace, Gore, to Frank Edward Price, elder son of Mr and Mrs T.S.A. Marsh, Waitara. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below: BUNNING-FISHER. Marlene, second daughter of Mrs E.Fisher, Stratford, to Milson, elder son of Mr and Mrs J.Bunning, Inglewood. (VOGUE).

Above, right: MCKOY-CORKIN. Noeline Mary, the younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R.H.Corkin, NP, to Colin Douglas, twin son of Mr L.A.McKoy, Opotiki, and the late Mrs McKoy. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Right: STEWART-CORNEY. Sandra Joy, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.A.Corney, NP, to John Francis, second son of Mrs M.E.Stewart, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below, right: GREEN-BATTEN. Anne Lorraine, second daughter of Mr and Mrs O.R.Batten, NP, to Trevor Owen, twin son of Mr O.M.Green, Koru, and the late Mrs Green. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

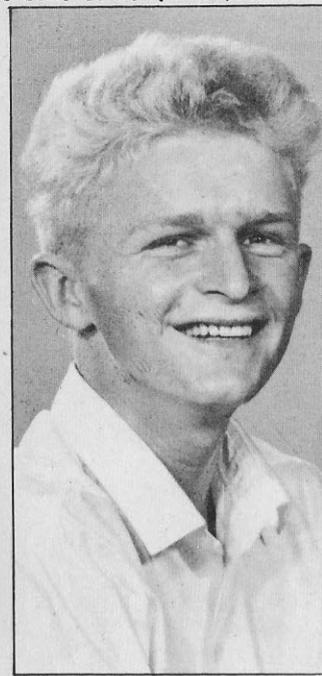
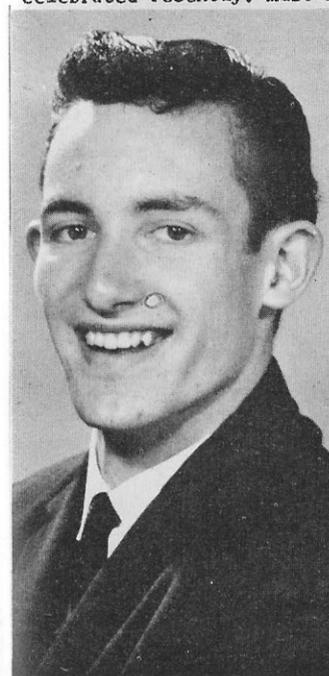


Roving Camera

Above: A little bit of Ngamotu Beach has gone. It has been built up and fenced by the Harbour Board as a yard. This is the southern end of the beach and will have no effect on the popularity of the beach, as this area was little used by holidaymakers.

Below: Two young New Plymouth men who have been given short contracts to appear in Auckland cabarets. The beginning of bigger things? Well, we hope so. Ray Hopkinson, left, and Garry Priest. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below, right: The key of the door for William Gooch, on the occasion of his 21st birthday, celebrated recently. Must be some door. (VOGUE).

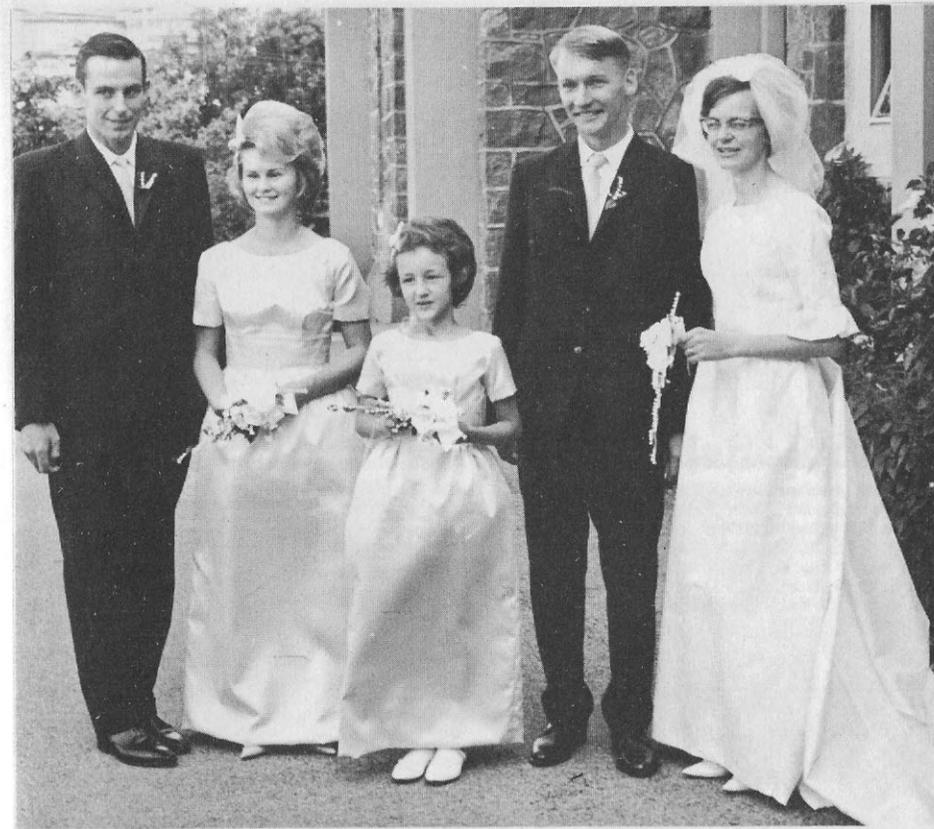




Wedding Bells

Above: SALISBURY-CARDIFF. At the Whiteley Methodist Church, NP, Marian, second daughter of Mr and Mrs A.Cardiff, NP, to Frederick David, younger son of Mr and Mrs F.Salisbury, NP. The bridesmaids were Geraldine Putt, NP, and Linda Cardiff, sister of the bride, NP. Best man was Tony Zieltjes, NP, and the groomsmen were Kevin Newsome, NP. The little flower-girls were Suzanne Cardiff, NP, Christine Cardiff, Hamilton, Susan Barlow, Auckland, and Eleanor Pigott, NP. The future home will be Masterton.

Below: MCFAYGEN-MCCULLOCH. At the first Church, Taumarunui, Margaret Helen, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs W.McCulloch, Taumarunui, to Douglas Gordon, elder son of Mr and Mrs F.McFaygen, Kaitieke. The attendants were, from left, Robin Henry, Taumarunui, Alistair Guye, Kaitieke, Jean McCulloch, Taumarunui, Edward McFaygen, Linden, the bride and groom, Raewyn Grubener, Owhanga, Trevor Rink, Taumarunui, Beverley Powell, NP, and James McCulloch, Taumarunui. The flower-girl was Lynette Carran and the page boy was Nigel McFaygen. Future home, Kaitieke.



Married

Left: GRAPES-BAKER. At St.Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Pamela Ann, 3rd daughter of Mr R.H.Baker, NP, to Robert Donald, NP, 2nd son of Mr and Mrs R. H. Grapes, Napier. The bridesmaids were Janice Bishop, NP, and Wendy Sole, NP. Lloyd Beech, Wellington, was the best man. Future home, New Plymouth.

Below: BATTEN-WHITTLE. At St.Mary's Church, NP, Marlene Caroline, only daughter of Mr and Mrs F.E.Whittle, NP, to Eric Andrew, second son of Mr and Mrs H.J. Batten, NP. The bridesmaids were Peggy George, NP, and Winifred Batten, NP, sister of the groom. Russell Hume, Palmerston North, was the best man, and Don Young, Wellington, was the groomsmen. Future home, New Plymouth.



River City, Wanganui.



Marching Championships

Seldom has there been a larger gathering of girl marchers than there was for the recent Stratford and New Plymouth championships, held recently in these two towns. Twenty-two teams took part in the championships, providing the spectators with some very good marching indeed. It would appear that marching is coming back into popularity again, with such a gathering as was seen. One thing that was very noticeable was the high standard of the performances given, right from the midgets to the seniors.



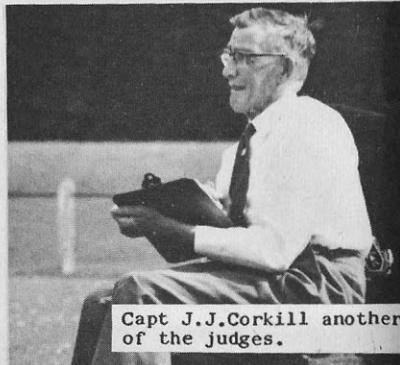
Plaza Playdates, Stratford.



Broadway bandoliers, Marton.



Judges Bernie Plumb and Yvonne Austin.



Capt J.J.Corkill another of the judges.

Tom Ruakere, president of the Stratford association, and the trophies.



Starlight, Putaruru, winners of the senior events at both Stratford and New Plymouth.



Skylarks, Palmerston North.



Kia Ora, Stratford, march past as Capt. J.J.Corkill takes the salute.

Commanders, another team from Palmerston North.



Casualty is carried off the field



Ian McKendrick judges the Starlight team from Putaruru: leader, J. Brandon.

MANY CASUALTIES AT MARCHING

It wasn't the heat, so it must have been the pressure of competition that made so many of the girls faint at the marching championships. The St. John women were busy reviving the girls as they flaked out. Just goes to show there must be a terrific strain when participating in the championship events.



Roebuck's Majorettes, NP: leader, Glenys Sanson.



McKenzies Midgets, Stratford, on the march.



Winning leader: J. Brandon, Starlights, Putaruru.



Avanette leader, C. May, whose team won the junior section of the championships.



Midget winners were Avanette Midgets, Wellington. Here, H. Burnette, the leader, gets her team's trophy.

Grandma's Day At Waimea



Who says that grandma is too old to cut capers these days? Don't believe it. The Waimea Women's Bowling Club recently held a grandma's tourney, and they had lots of fun and games. As a matter of fact, our photographer was the only man present, and didn't feel at all safe with all these frolicsome fillies. This was the first of what will become an annual tournament, and should prove as popular as any other tournament. Above: President Granny Marj Piggott addresses the first-ever grannies' tournament players.



Gran Piggot got involved in an argument with a couple of the younger grannies.



Walking sticks should be barred on the green!