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## "Photo News" Now Fortnightly

With this issue, "New Plymouth Photo News" becomes a fortnightly magazine instead of monthly. The change has been made to satisfy the most consistent criticism we have had ever since the magazine was started—that the interval between issues is too long.

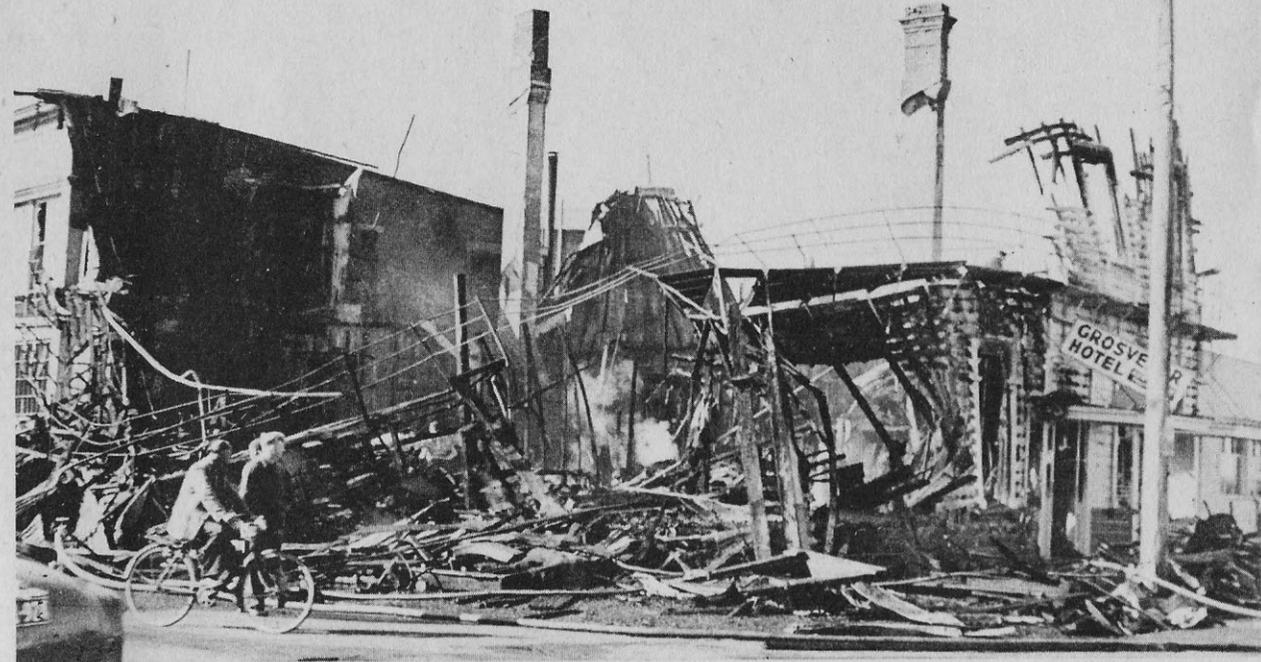
In the new, fortnightly "Photo News", to be published every second Friday, readers will find fresher, more timely picture-coverage of Taranaki news, once our new schedule has settled down and the printing time has been reduced to the minimum. The additional 28 pages of pictures per month will also enable us to give an even fuller coverage of the news.

Footnote: "Photo News" magazine production for March, 1959: 13,100 copies. For August, 1959: 25,600 copies.

## Aftermath of Fatal Fire

Following the fatal fire at the Grosvenor on the morning of Sunday, August 9th, police and firemen make a thorough inspection, to ascertain the cause of the tragedy. Picture on right shows these officials in the still-smouldering ruins.

Below: With the collapse of the gutted building, debris was spread out onto the roadway. In this picture, the fire escape balcony complete with railing can be seen clearly.



## Grosvenor Hotel Destroyed By Fire

In the early hours of Sunday' August 9, with 35 guests asleep, fire broke out in the popular Grosvenor Hotel. One of the staff, 23-year-old Joan Morris of Rahotu, lost her life in this very tragic fire. Receiving the alarm at 3 am, the New Plymouth Fire Brigade was quickly on the scene and did sterling work in saving the hotel's annexe, and adjoining buildings. The building was quickly reduced to a heap of rubble, as the flames gradually gained a firm hold.

Above: The remains of the hotel, photographed early in the morning.

Below: Firemen searching among the ruins, whilst the remains still smoulder.



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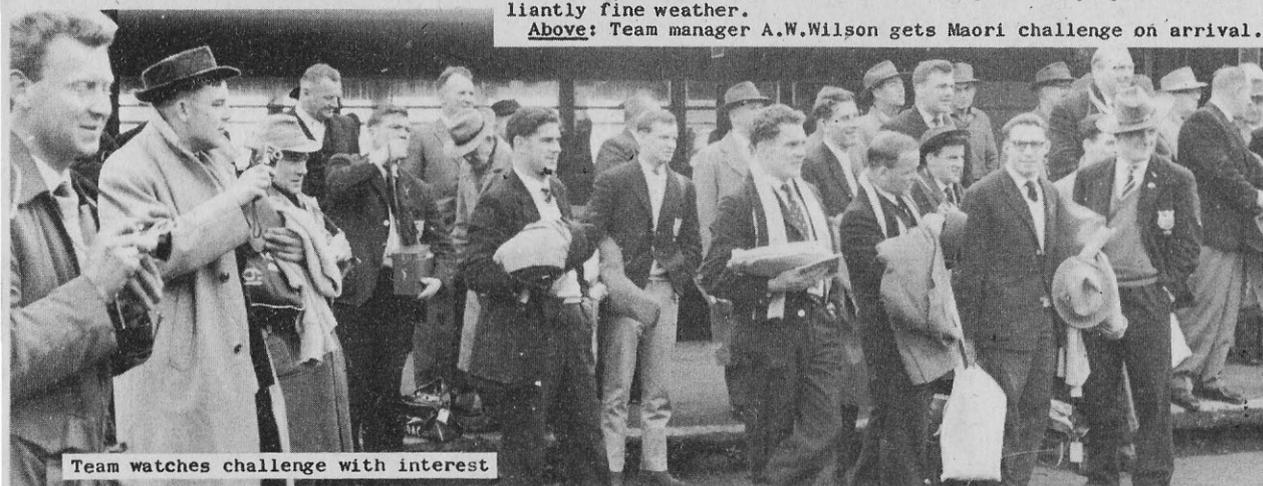


## THE LIONS IN TARANAKI

The visit of the British Isles touring Rugby team will long be remembered in Taranaki. The Lions were given a typical New Plymouth welcome, with Maori challenge, street procession, and all, which must have constituted one of the liveliest receptions of the tour.

For the game, 35,000 people packed into Rugby Park to see a very even contest in which the final score, 15 points to 3 for the Lions, flattered the visitors. The game was played in brilliantly fine weather.

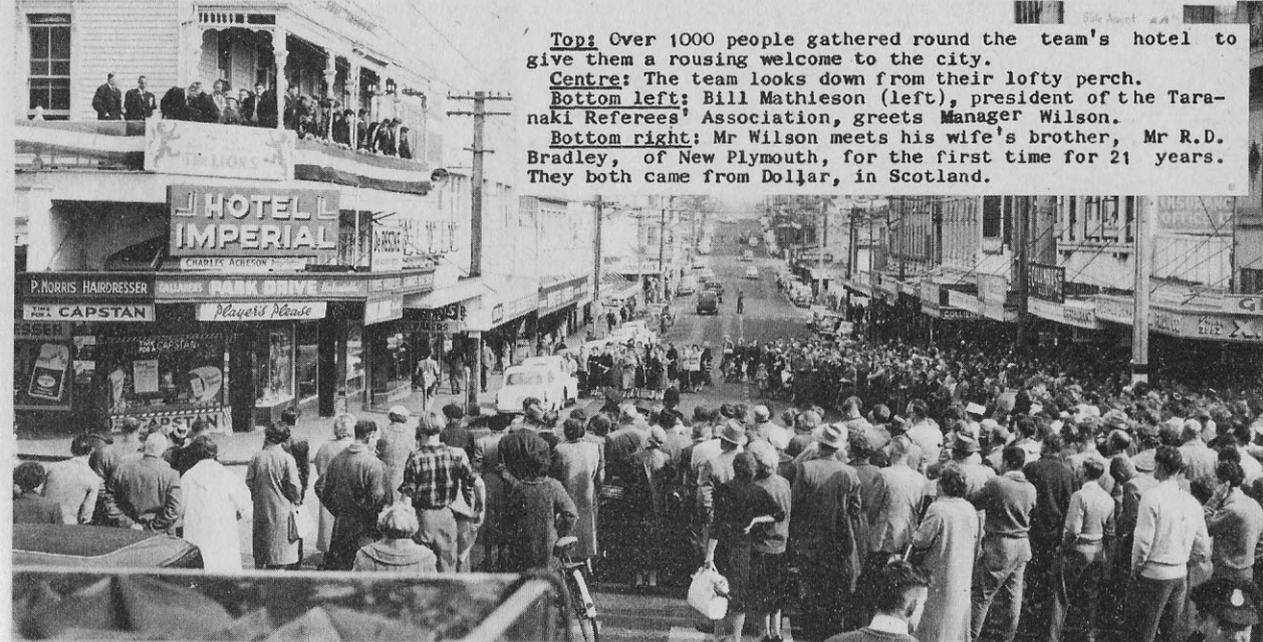
**Above:** Team manager A.W. Wilson gets Maori challenge on arrival.



Team watches challenge with interest



His credentials established, Mr Wilson gets a warm Maori welcome to Taranaki.



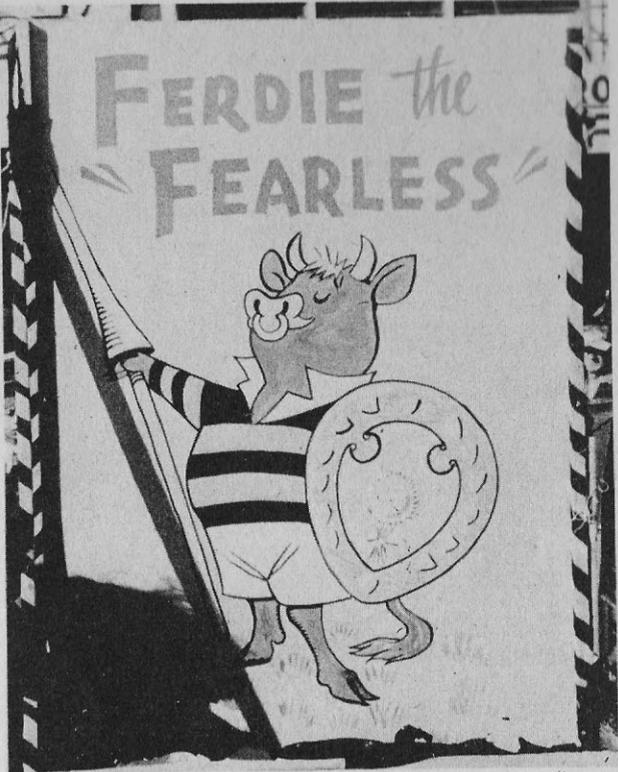
**Top:** Over 1000 people gathered round the team's hotel to give them a rousing welcome to the city.

**Centre:** The team looks down from their lofty perch.

**Bottom left:** Bill Mathieson (left), president of the Taranaki Referees' Association, greets Manager Wilson.

**Bottom right:** Mr Wilson meets his wife's brother, Mr R.D. Bradley, of New Plymouth, for the first time for 21 years. They both came from Dollar, in Scotland.

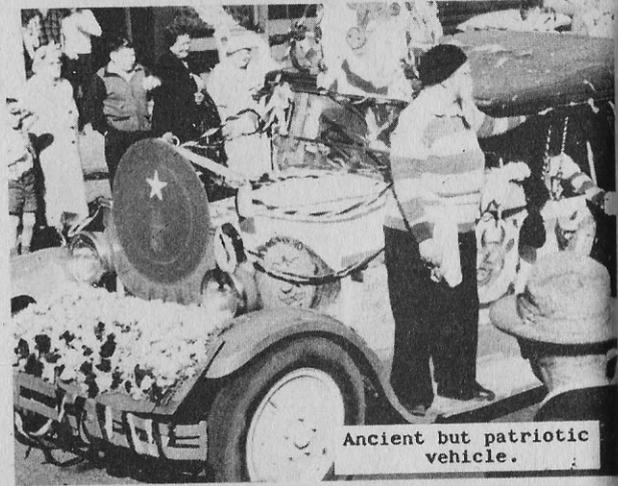




Over 15,000 people watched a bright and breezy pre-match parade organised by the Ferdinand Club before the big game.  
 Above: Ferdinand stands triumphantly before the match. He was slightly deflated by the time the game was over.  
 Below: The Y.M.C.A. gymnastic team gave an impressive display on a moving truck.



Mobile butchers with prime cuts



Ancient but patriotic vehicle.



Above: A pro-British float but it was given a good loud cheer.  
 Below: Bringing a note of glamour to the parade were these two bathing beauties perched on the New Plymouth Water Ski Club's float. They were highly popular--especially with the Lions.



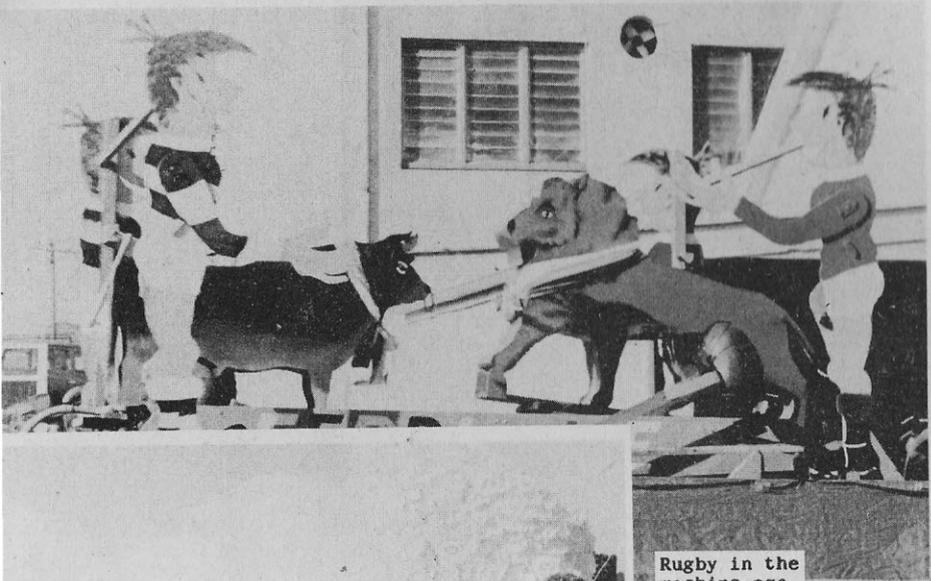
Space age entry



Space men and girls... nice work if you can get it.



Taranaki special... ideal for going up steps.



Rugby in the machine age.



No, Sabrina was not in town!

It was a rip-roaring parade, full of variety, humour and noise, especially noise. Naturally it was mainly pro-Ferdinand and equally naturally the predominant colours were yellow and black. The huge crowd lining Devon Street entered into the spirit of the proceedings and the result was a 100 per cent success.



Skating Club's float supported Taranaki. But Taranaki went for a skate.



Ideal for dodging pedestrians.



Actually he's a little horse this morning.

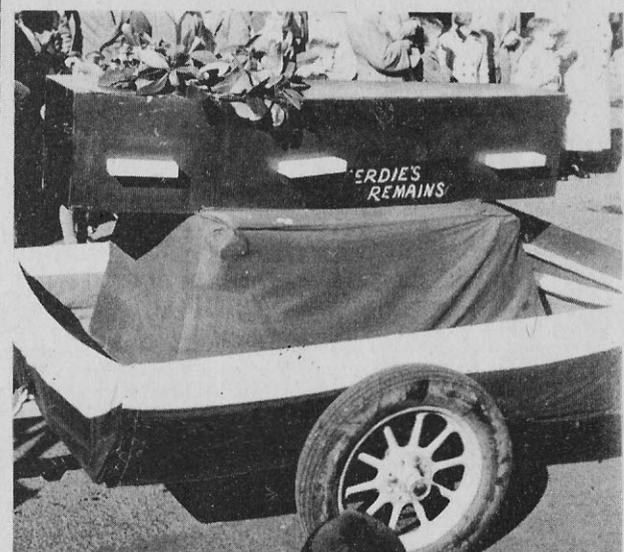


Above: The basketball girls were on the job as usual.

Centre right: Ferdie becomes bully beef.

Below left: Rocket ship in orbit.

Below right: The quick freeze float got a warm reception--especially when the packets were flying.





## Lions Were Not Tamed By Ferdie

The Lions are just a memory now. But unfortunately they are not the bright memory that many of the record crowd of 35,000 at Rugby Park expected. Frankly they were disappointing. And so were Taranaki. Neither team played great Rugby despite the fact that this game could have been one of the classics of the tour. For the record the Lions won by 15 points to three but they were flattered by their winning margin. The Taranaki forwards hustled and bothered but the faster, heavier Lions were just too good.

**Above:** These two pictures were taken within a second of each other on Photo News' new automatic camera. On the left Roger Boon has the ball and his expression says he's going to go through. But Lions halfback Dickie Jeeps has other ideas and (right) he carries them out.

**Below:** One for his knob. Urbahn barges into Malcolm Price with Bill Cameron right behind him.



G.H. Waddell is away with Flying winger P.B. Jackson in support. Urbahn (extreme left) is moving across.



Rubber-ball half-back Dickie Jeeps in a typical dash. On the extreme left is Roy Carroll. To the right of Jeeps is Captain Dawson, The Taranaki captain Burke, and Urbahn waiting for the tackle.



A magnificent action shot of Urbahn in a classic dive pass



**Above:** The automatic camera captures the end of a dangerous run by Malcolm Thomas. Taranaki winger Terry O'Sullivan grabs Thomas from behind as full back John Bayly moves in (left). Down goes Thomas (right) but he still gets a pass away.

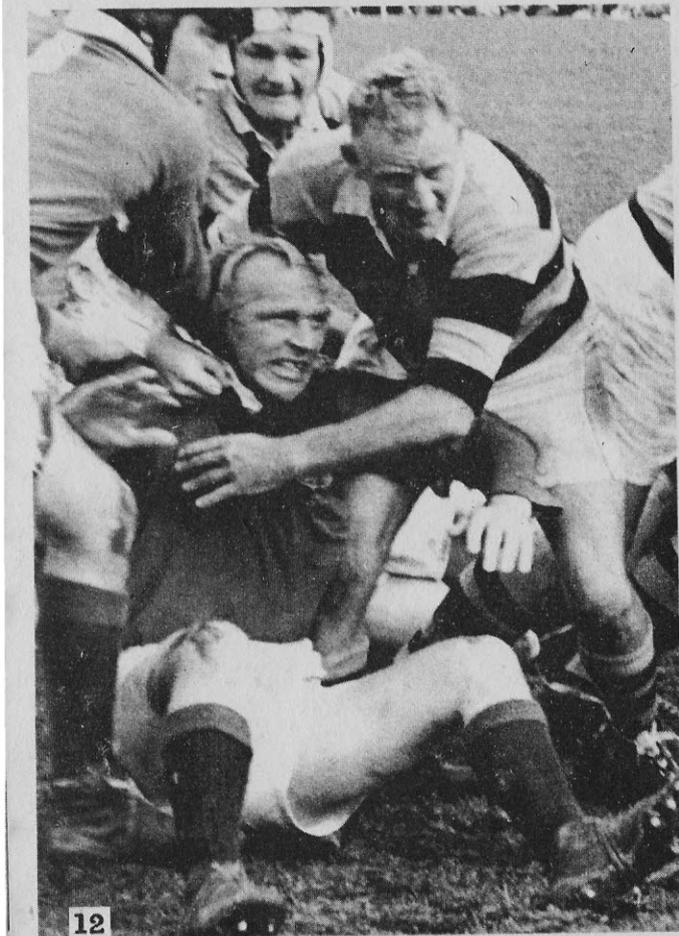
**Below left:** Massive Lions lock Rhys Williams is firmly held on the ground by Ike Flavell.

**Below right:** Brilliant Lions fullback Ken Scotland, caught over his own line with Taranaki players thundering down on him, hurls the ball over the dead ball line. A section of the crowd hooted Scotland but he saved a certain try.

**Above:** Burke has missed Jeeps (left) and the nuggety halfback heads towards Brown. The Taranaki centre didn't miss his tackle and Jeeps is down (right).

**Below left:** Jeeps, as usual with his tongue out, about to get a pass away.

**Below right:** Urbahn evades a tackle.



Right: A picture for the test books. Lions winger Jackson takes the Taranaki winger O'Sullivan with a copy-book tackle.

Centre right: A near thing...Waddell forces down just ahead of Ferdinand's men.

Bottom left: Rhys Williams takes the ball in a lineout and McLeod is also there.

Bottom right: A ruck breaks up. On the left is Flavell, and behind him is Burke.

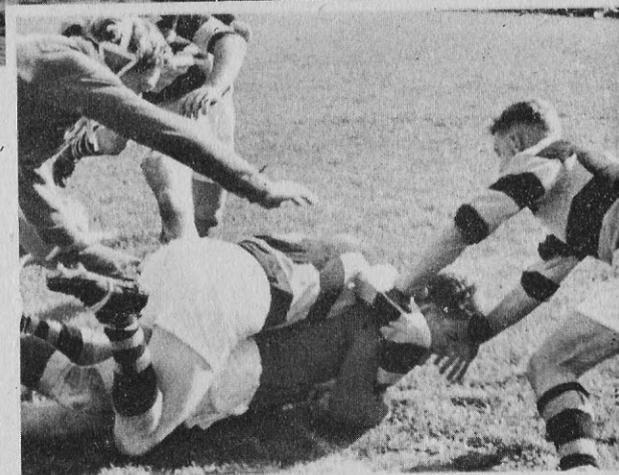
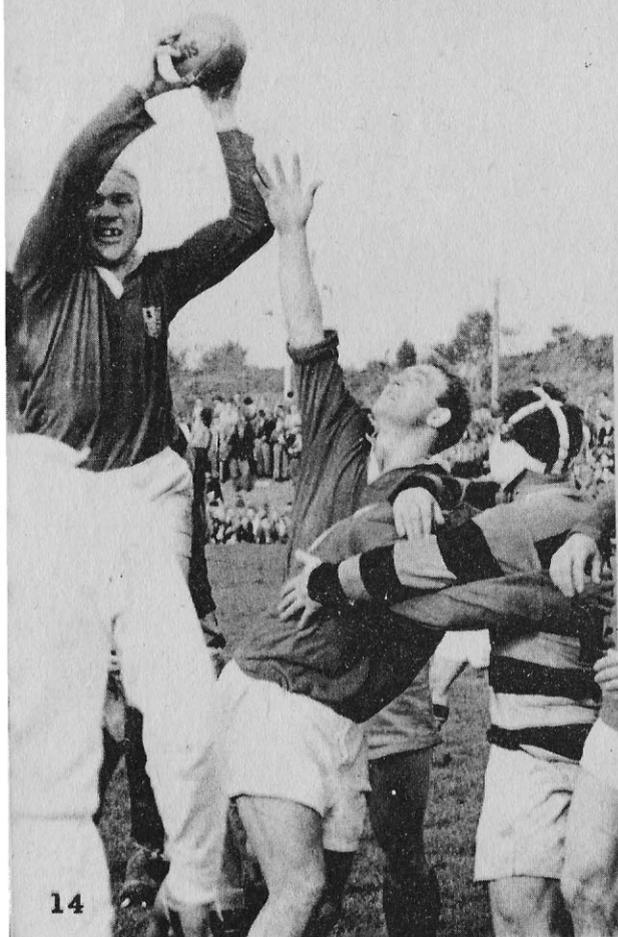
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Jeeps puts a hefty boot to the ball



The St. John's Ambulance men have done their valuable work again.



Above: Ian Macdonald pounces on Jeeps. Roy Carroll looms up on the left.

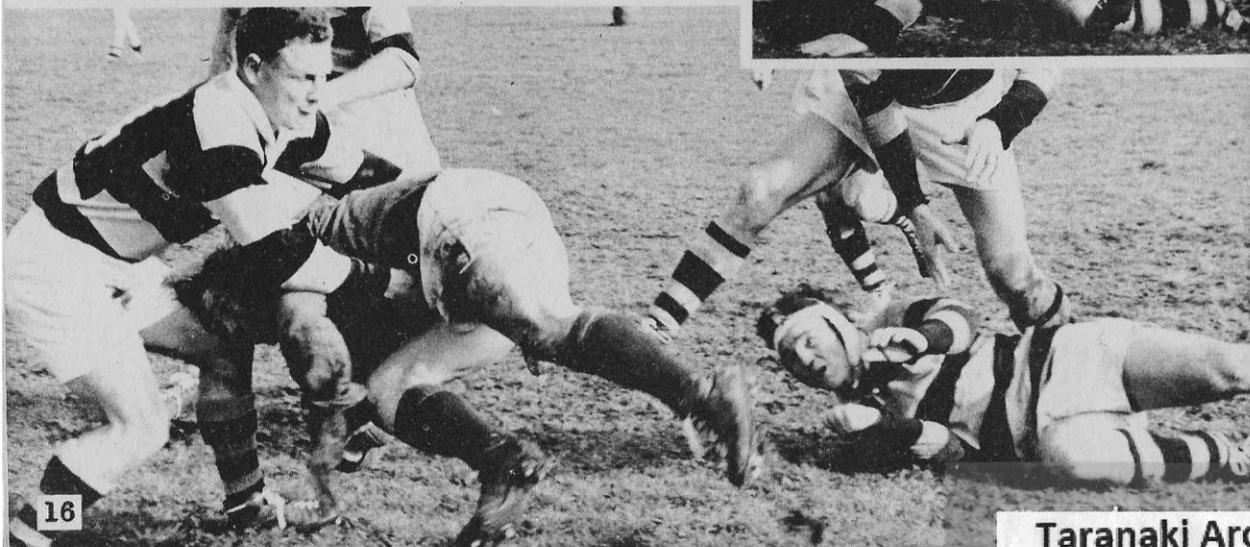
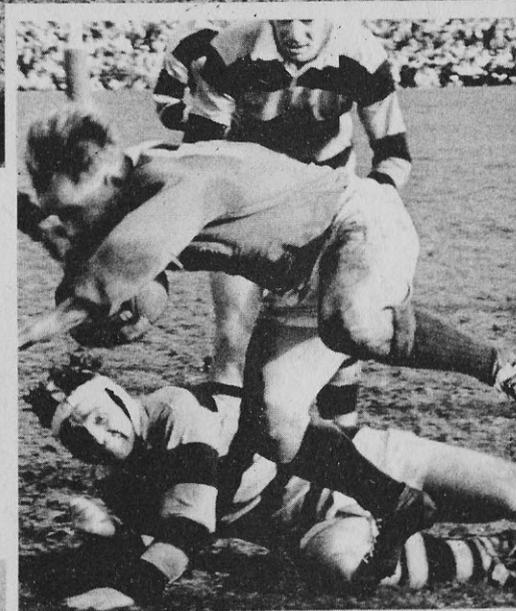
Right: New All Black John McCullough makes a spectacular dive to stop fullback Scotland.





## Series Shots Show Rugby Drama

Our new automatic camera, which is capable of taking a series of pictures in quick succession, records here as no other camera could the rugged drama of first-class Rugby in action. Within the space of a second or two, these five pictures record what happened when the Lions' scrum half, Jeeps, was tackled by MacDonald (above), twisted out of MacDonald's hold (right), and broke clear only to run headlong into the Taranaki winger Eric Keith (below), leaving MacDonald lying on the ground. (Continued on next page).



**Above** (continued from previous page): Keith brings Jeeps down (left) with Ralph Carroll on the job too, and together they make certain that the tough Britisher stays down (right).

**Right:** A wire netting fence kept the enthusiastic schoolboys off the field.

**Below:** The shouting and the tumult are over. A great crowd has left the field, and only the inevitable litter remains.



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## Toko Hall Gala

There was all the fun of the fair at the Toko Hall gala to raise funds for additions to the hall.

**Above:** The crowd gathers round money-making apparatus.

**Below left:** Murial Goldup receives a bottle of "essence" which she won in a competition.

**Below right:** Sharpshooters on the darts board are Myra Bayly and Norma Cleland.

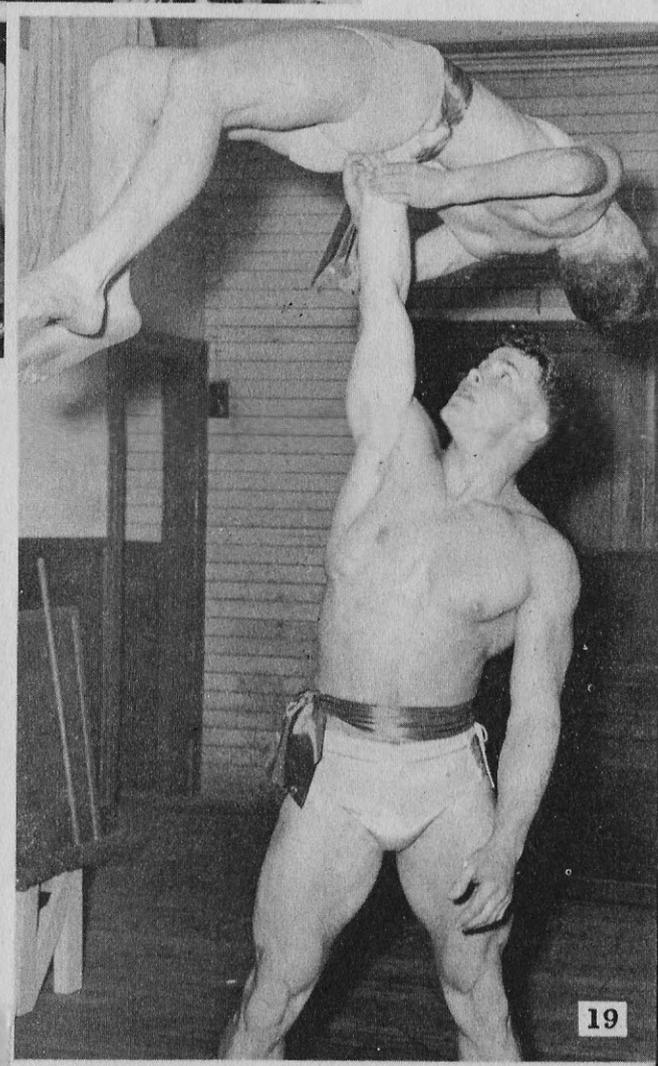


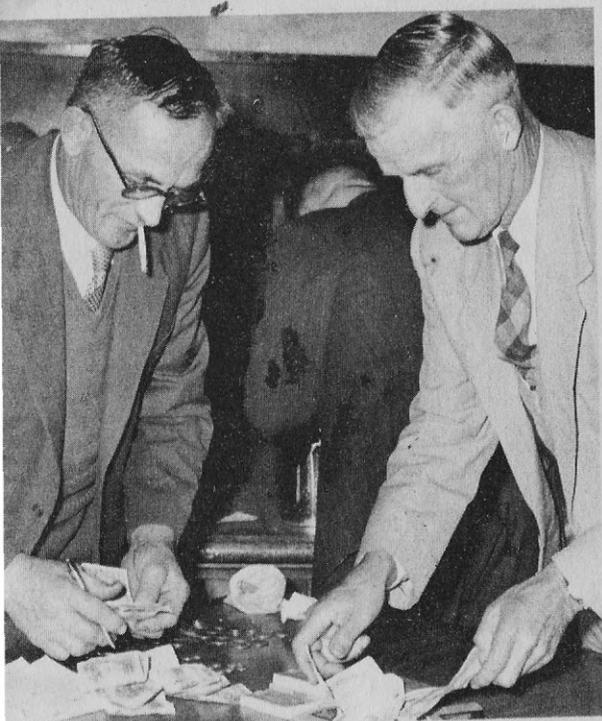
**Left:** All you have to do is 1-1-lift it like this. Johnnie Aitken, strongman of the future, tries his hands and muscles on the bar bells.

**Below left:** Mr New Zealand, Quentin Smith of Opunake, makes a big weight look easy.

**Below centre:** Trevor Rowe forgot to eat his spinach that night.

**Below right:** Quentin nonchalantly lifts Piers Barney, one of his assistants.

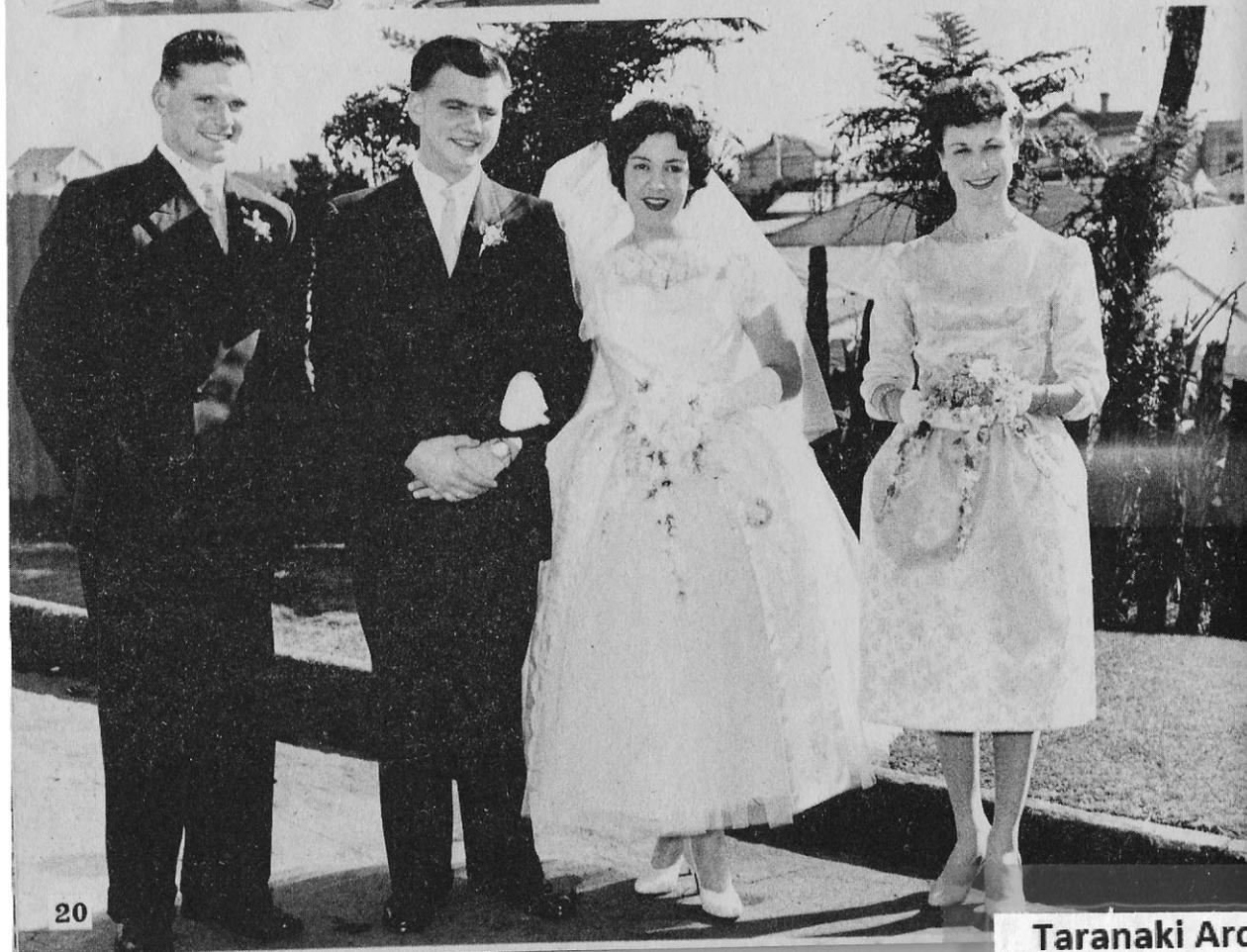




**Left:** The best part of proceedings—counting the money.  
**Centre:** And what am I offered?.....Trevor Rowe is auctioneer.

### Married

**Bottom: BANKS—KINSELLA.** At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, New Plymouth, Shirley Olive, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Norman Kinsella, New Plymouth, to David, youngest son of Mr and Mrs G. Banks, Leeds, Yorkshire, England. The bridesmaid was Yvonne Sheehan, New Plymouth, and the best man was Leslie Lewis, Hereford, England. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.



### Plunket Fashion Show

The latest, the gayest, the brightest and the slickest in fashions were on show at the New Plymouth Plunket Society's fashion show recently. The parade was held just as the great fashion houses of Paris were holding their new season's shows and to a mere male the only big difference between the outfits of Paris and New Plymouth was the price.

**Above:** An audience gives a knowledgeable once-over to the snappy clothes on show.



Just the thing for cocktails.



Two piece job and just look at that hat.



Fur's fair. 21



### Stratford Benedicts' Ball

There was all the grace and precision of expert dancing at the Stratford Benedicts' Ball. With all the dancing couples doing the same thing at the same time it was a grand spectacle.

Above: Officials who helped make the ball a great success. From left: Mr and Mrs Owen Brown, Mr and Mrs Stan Dick (secretary), Mr and Mrs Ian Martin (vice-president), Mr and Mrs Jim Murray, and Mr and Mrs Alan Follett (president).

Below: Dancing turned into an art.



Above: Members of the New Plymouth and Urenui Benedicts Clubs who attended the Stratford Club's ball.

Below: Dancers make an attractive pattern as they move as one in complicated dance movements.





## Crowning the Queen

The pomp and pageantry of a coronation climaxed the Eltham Rugby Football Club's Queen Carnival, held to raise funds for the club's gymnasium.

**Above:** Queen Kaye Tumoana is crowned by Mayoress Mrs F.J. Taylor.

**Below:** The spectacular scene at the crowning ceremony with the Queen and her attendants in magnificent regalia. On the left is Town Crier Vic Blackstock. Princess Pauline Cronin is in the centre between Mr Blackstock and Queen Kaye.



**Above left:** Queen Kaye and escort Vic Blackstock (town crier) at the end of the ceremony.

**Above right:** Jack Brown is installed as "Prime Minister" of Eltham.



## Married

**PALM---INT'VEEN:** At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, New Plymouth, Rina, second daughter of Mr and Mrs H. Int'Veen, Pynacker (Holland), to Stefani, second son of Mr and Mrs Palm, Arnhem, Holland. Best man was Frits Van Hattum. The flower girl was Grazien Van Hattum and the page boy was Maarten Van Hattum. The couple will live in New Plymouth.

## Big Day at Rugby Park

This fine aerial picture was taken as the two teams, Taranaki and the Lions, were taking the field. It shows the extensive alterations now being made to Rugby Park, on the left centre of the picture. A closer look at the photo will show that there wasn't a parking space to be had in any of the streets; cars were even parked in the Westtown school grounds, immediately behind the park, and in every available driveway of every house.

