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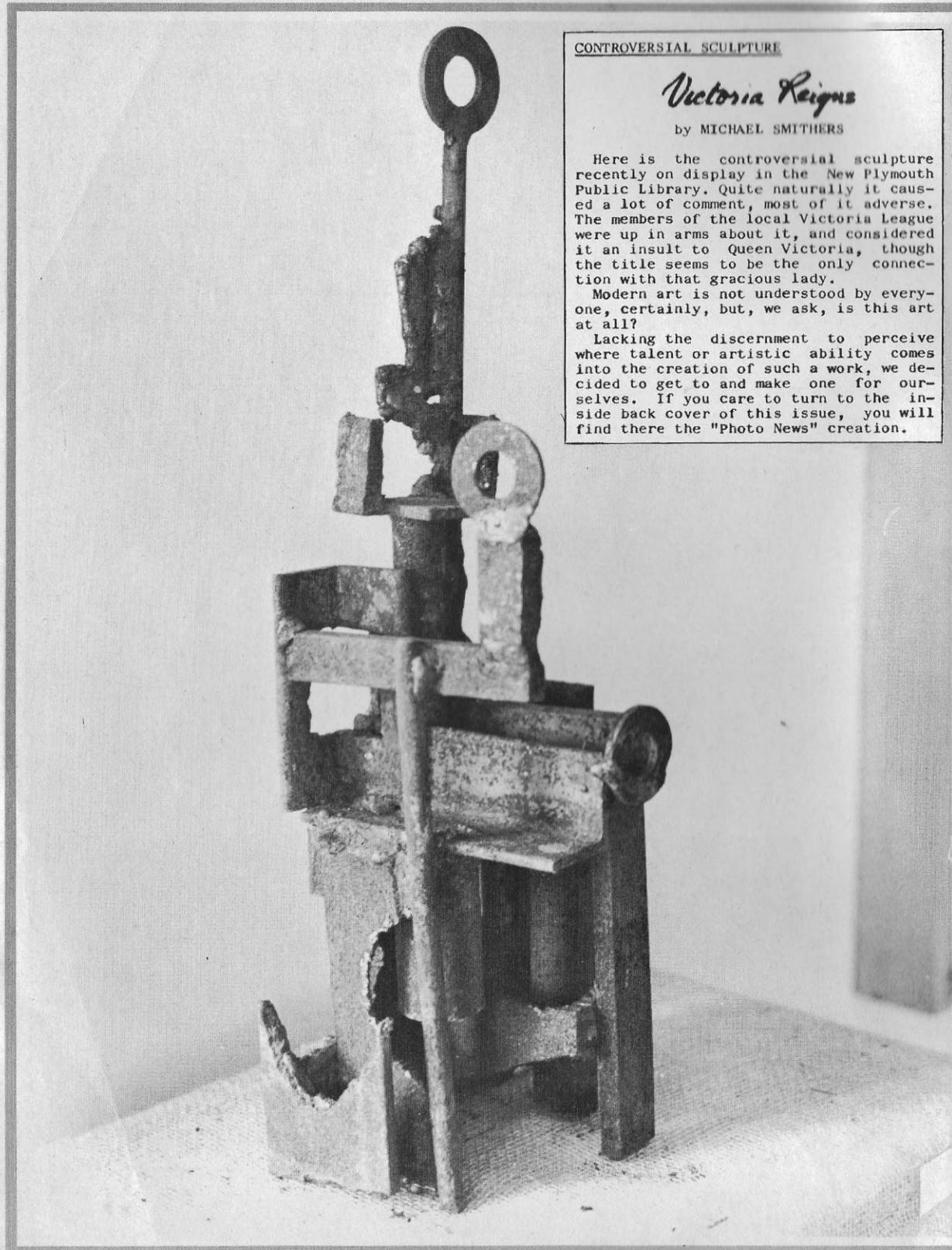
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CONTROVERSIAL SCULPTURE

Victoria Reigns

by MICHAEL SMITHERS

Here is the controversial sculpture recently on display in the New Plymouth Public Library. Quite naturally it caused a lot of comment, most of it adverse. The members of the local Victoria League were up in arms about it, and considered it an insult to Queen Victoria, though the title seems to be the only connection with that gracious lady.

Modern art is not understood by everyone, certainly, but, we ask, is this art at all?

Lacking the discernment to perceive where talent or artistic ability comes into the creation of such a work, we decided to get to and make one for ourselves. If you care to turn to the inside back cover of this issue, you will find there the "Photo News" creation.

A Century Of Photo News

With this issue of "Photo News" we've scored a century.....and it is thanks to the readers for their loyalty and support. From our first issue in February 1957, we have had a steadily growing circulation until today, when we can claim that "Photo News" has a reading population of some 35,000, which includes readers in all parts of the country plus some hundreds overseas. But not only is Taranaki served in this way, we have other issues published in Gisborne, Wanganui, Nelson, Rotorua, Tauranga and Whangarei, and like Taranaki, they form an essential part of the life of those communities. Much that goes into "Photo News" is never seen in other publications.

Not only must "Photo News" be of interest to read, it is also a lot of joy to compile. We have had some enjoyable times getting our pictures, and most important of all, we have made some very good friends in doing so.

In compiling these last 100 issues of "Photo News" we have covered some half a million miles to get our pictures, to say nothing of the 100 times that we have been round the mountain on deliveries.

So, on attaining our century of issues, we thank you, our readers, for your growing support and cooperation.

THE EDITOR.

Pruning Demonstration

Below: Mr Hec Thomas, surrounded by enthusiastic gardeners when he recently gave a pruning demonstration in the garden of Bill Wilson, the gardening expert of 2XP. This gathering and the interest they show is indicative of the love of trees by a large number of New Plymouth citizens.



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OUR COVER

Since this is our 100th issue, we thought we would adorn the cover with one of the prettiest teenagers in the province. Here is Carol Nicoll, amid some of the issues published since 1957.

BACK COVER

Winter scene on the Waitara river. This attractive photograph was taken about eight miles up the Waitara river on a calm and sunny winter's day. We might add that it has been hard to find that sun during this last month.

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First Shield Game Was A Mudbath

There was little doubt in the minds of the Taranaki supporters about the outcome of the first shield challenge against Buller. But we'll take off our hats to the Buller team for the sporting and hard game they played against a pack of forwards that will be hard to beat. The conditions for this game were absolutely atrocious, making the ball the hardest thing to handle. The visiting team wouldn't have crossed our line if the game had gone on for a week, but the score of 11-0 was a true reflection of the game mainly because of the conditions. Above: Here's a few of the home team looking like drowned rats. From left: Trevor Jenkins, Allan Smith, Ralph Carroll and Peter Mac. Below: Neil Wolfe who had an unhappy time in the mud, gets upended, and the greasy ball flies out of his grip, despite the support of Ralph Carroll, Ritchie Coles, Terry O'Sullivan and Kerry Hurley (No.4).



MUD LARKS!

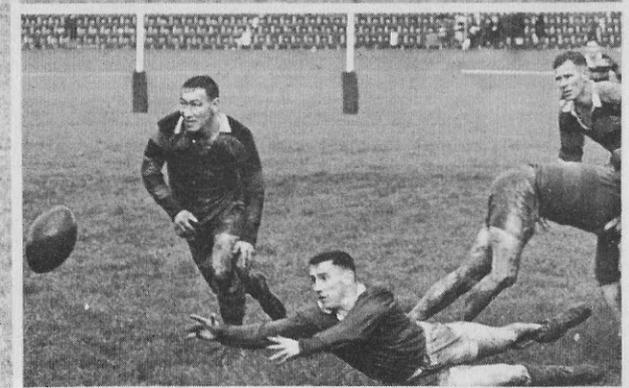
This wouldn't be the first time that the Taranaki team has struck wet going, but it will be a long time before they strike such miserable conditions as prevailed for the first shield challenge against Buller.

Above: Eric Keith gets bowled out at the corner, after very nearly getting through to score.

Below: Typical of the game was the number of rushes with the ball at his feet of Ralph Carroll.

Right: Gary Hayes (right) looking for an opening past Buller captain Wally Forsyth.

Below, right: They even fell in the mud getting a pass out.





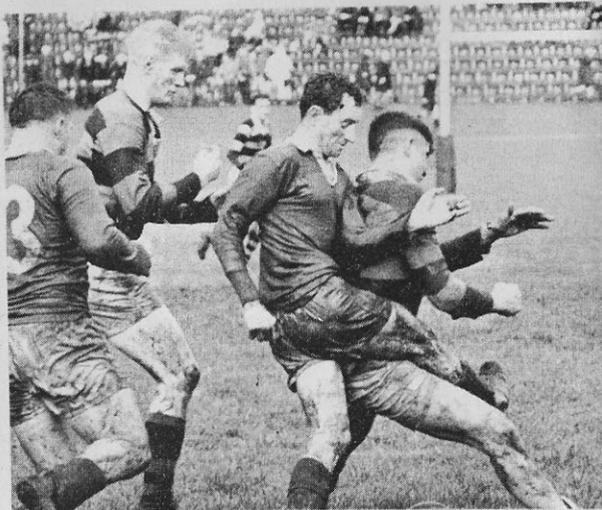
SHIELD GAME v. BULLER

Above: Nearly 10,000 people saw this game, despite the fact that they were soaking wet before it started. There must have been an awful lot of sick aunts to visit that day!

Right: Winger Eric Keith gets ready to put the short kick in.

Below: Big Peter Mac played an outstandingly good game in the line-outs.

Below, right: Allan Smith gets tied up with a Buller player while the greasy ball remains on the deck.



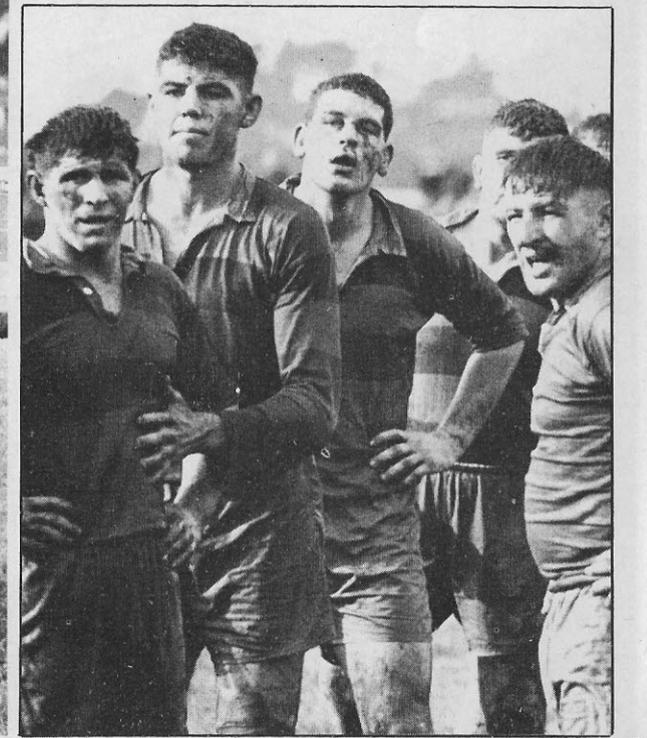
SHIELD CANDIDS |

Above, left: Peter Mac was into everything!
Left: It was hard to hold the ball, even in the line-outs.

Below, left: Often hard pressed, the Buller defence had nothing left but to kick the ball out of touch.

Above: Kevin Briscoe and Ritchie Coles get an attack moving.

Below: Bluddy muddy!





Married

Above: PENTELOW-HEATHER. At the Methodist Church, Rahotu, Jennifer Dorothy, second daughter of Mr and Mrs R.Heather, Rahotu, to Leonard Charles, only son of Mr and Mrs C.Pentelow, Oaonui. The bridesmaids were Mary Wells, sister of the bride, Warea, and Jeanette Upson, sister of the groom, Eltham. Best man was Douglas Dawson, Rahotu, and the groomsmen were Ray Corric, Rahotu. The flower-girl was Sheryl Upson. Future home, Oaonui. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below: DEERE-DOBSON. At the Knox Church, Inglewood, Heather, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs S.J. Dobson, Inglewood, to Perry, son of Mr and Mrs Jim Deere, Pahiatua. Rosemary Dobson, sister of the bride, was the bridesmaid and Roger Nelson was the best man. The flower-girl was Stephanie Deere, sister of the groom. Future home, Wanganui.



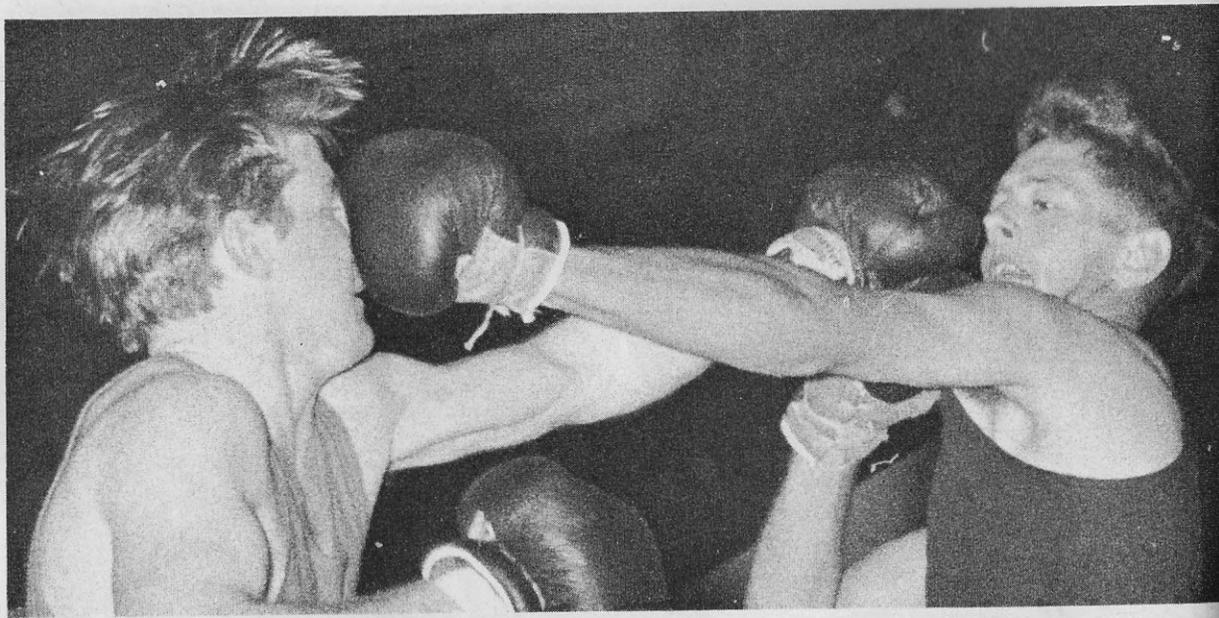
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Above: BANK MANAGER TO RETIRE. Mr R.A.Philpotts, manager of the NSW in NP, is to retire at the end of September. He has been manager of the NP branch since 1957 and is the treasurer of the YMCA as well as being patron of the Combined Hockey club.

Right: YOUNG 90-YEAR-OLD. We've seen a few nonagenarians in our time, but none looking as fit and young as Mrs Jane Smith, Courtney St. NP. Mrs Smith is still capable of doing everything for herself and looks like reaching the century.

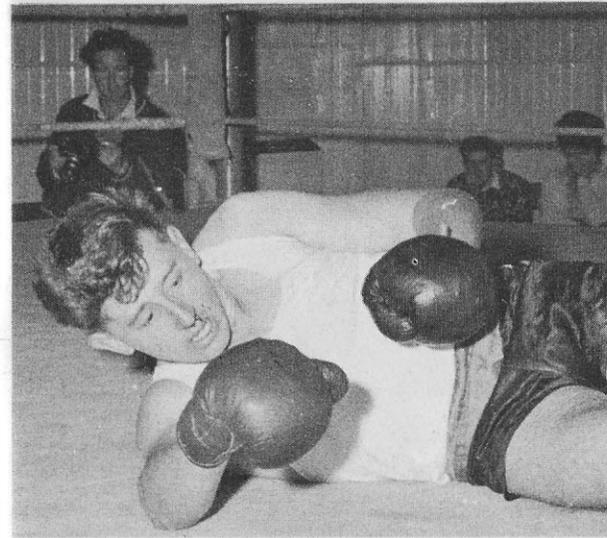
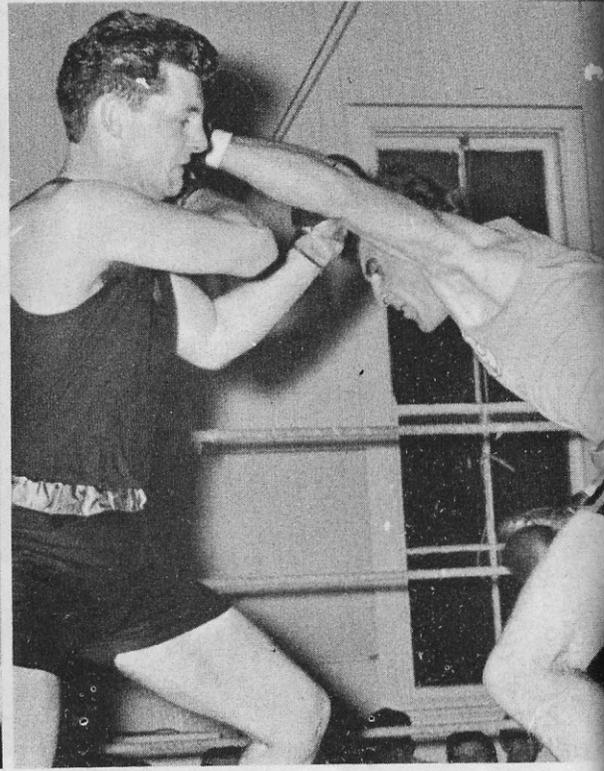
Below: Sargoods' building on the corner of Currie and Powderham street is being pulled down to make way for the Taranaki Newspapers' new building.





First Boxing Tourney For Two Years

A good crowd welcomed back boxing to the city after a lapse of two years, when the Fitzroy club organised a tournament in the Trades Hall. Feature of the evening was the excellent boxing provided by the fighters. Many of the bouts were full of action from the first bell, and kept the large audience on their toes, or rather on the edge of their seats. Above: Ouch! we bet that one hurt, bang on the end of the nose. And on the receiving end is D.Robins (Fitzroy) and the striker is P.Muller (Patea). Below, left and right: One of the fiercest fights of the night was that between R.Chadfield (Wanganui) and J.O'Sullivan (Patea). This was a humdinger with good solid blows being landed by both fighters. Chadfield won a split decision.

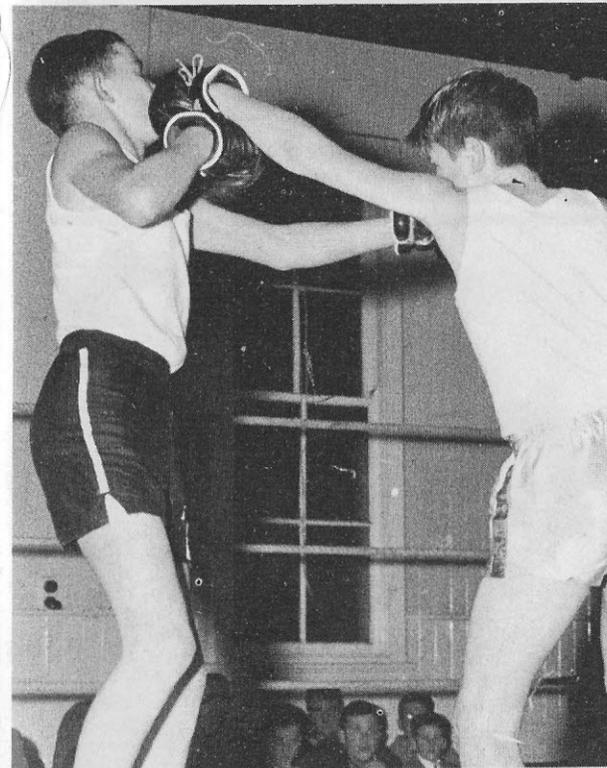
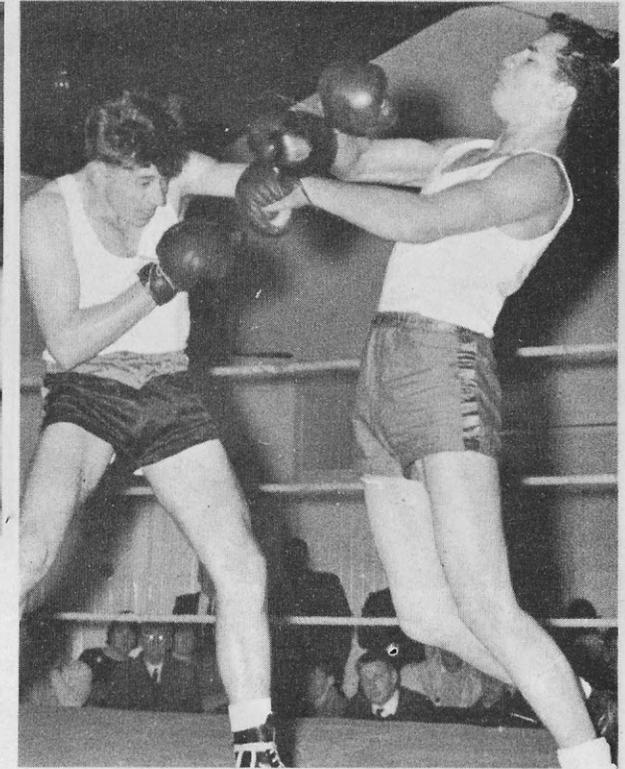


Above: Down for a brief period went J.Schicker (Fitzroy) in his bout with M.Carter (NP).

Above, right: Schicker got up again to dish out some rough treatment. Here he reels his man back on his heels with a good straight left.

Below: D.Williams (Eltham) left, and D.Baxter (Wanganui) both receive a left at the same time. This was another fast and furious bout enjoyed by the large crowd, and won by Williams.

Below, right: E.Carter (Manaia) gets down low to avoid the stinging blows of K.Mangino (Fitzroy), who easily won this bout.





Engaged

Above, left: McLEAN-MELVILLE. Thelma Gwen, eldest daughter of Mrs G.Rothwell, NP, and the late Mr T.W.Melville, to John, son of Mr and Mrs J.McLean, Scotland. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Left: GRANT-TOY. Gaewyn, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs C.W.Toy, Hawera, to David, eldest son of Mr and Mrs K.D.Grát, Aroha. (DAVID PAUL STUDIO).

Below, left: GIBBONS-HUNWICK. Shona Jill, 2nd daughter of Mrs E.J.Hunwick, Waipuku, and the late Mr H.Hunwick, to Gordon Gifford, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J.L.Gibbons, Tarata.

Above: BURTON-HINTON. Janet Helen, second daughter of Mr and Mrs R.S.Hinton, Stratford, to William Antony, youngest son of Mr and Mrs E. Burton, New Plymouth.

FOUR GENERATIONS

Below: There are four generations shown in this photograph. From left: Mrs J.Zsigouts, Mrs L.Parker, Suzanne Zsigouts and Mrs F.Goldsworthy.



Stratford Caledonian Debutantes



Debutantes presented to the Minister of Finance, Mr Lake, and Mrs Lake at the Stratford and District Scottish Society's ball in Stratford recently were, from left, back row: Valerie Gillett, Sandra Henderson, Fiona Brooks, Judith Ham and Barbara Mail. Front row: Carol Maul, Gawyn Strachan and Nancy Fawcett.



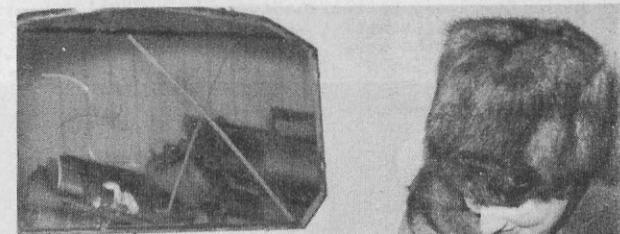
One-Act Play Festival

The North Taranaki area of the British Drama League held its second annual festival of one-act plays at the NP Little Theatre recently, when seven drama groups competed. The Adjudicator, Mrs Pat Bell-McKenzie, Wellington, had high words of praise for the quality of most of the productions. The winning group was that of the NP Repertory Society, shown above, with a cast of those show, from left: Eileen Brown, Lyndsay Arthur, Ken Bramble, Shirley Hamling, Rae Sanson, Fred James, Glen Fergusson and Ken Clapcott. They presented "The Ring Game". Below: Producer Dorne Arthur receives the winner's trophy from Mrs Pat Bell-McKenzie. Right: Mary Ballantyne, winner of the best actress award.



FESTIVAL PLAYERS

The Opunake Players, shown here, presented "Michael" at the BDL Festival recently. From left, the cast is: Charles Keys, June Muggerridge (producer), Jennifer Trolove, James Baker, Nell Smith, Arthur Hughson, Ian Baker, Charles Grant and Mrs N. Baker (prompt). Below: Mrs K. Mickelson makes up Charles Grant. Right: Two children who played a small part in the play were Vaughan Trolove and Marcus Gawler with Mrs J. Trolove.





DRAMA LEAGUE FESTIVAL

Above: Mrs Ngaire Ward has her headgear checked by the producer of "The Vixen and the Grapes", Colleen Molesworth. This was the drama presented by the Stratford Women's Club Drama Group.

Right: Ted Collie was in charge of the lighting effects for all the plays.

Below: Cast of the Stratford play, from left: Diana Cavalier, Shirley Andrews, Lois Rawlinson, Vida Lynskey (prompt), Colleen Molesworth (producer), Nancy Stokes, Shirley Copplestone and Ngaire Ward.



ONE-ACT PLAYERS

Here are two more groups that recently took part in the British Drama League's festival of one-act plays. **Above:** Cast of the New Plymouth Boys' High School Drama Club's presentation of "Birds of a Feather", from left: Selwyn Hodder, Geoffrey Hancock, Robert Wheeler, Warren Prestige who also produced the play and Wayne Russell (prompt). **Below:** Cast of the Little Theatre Society's production "The Enchanted Nymph" take time out for a cuppa with the adjudicator. From left: Fred Brattle, Vivienne Baty, Max Baty, Joyce Campbell, Noel Baty, who also wrote the play, Mrs Pat Bell-McKenzie and Cassie Russell (producer).





Coming of Age

Above, left: Julia, daughter of Mr and Mrs M. Dymond, Hawera, who recently reached her majority. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).

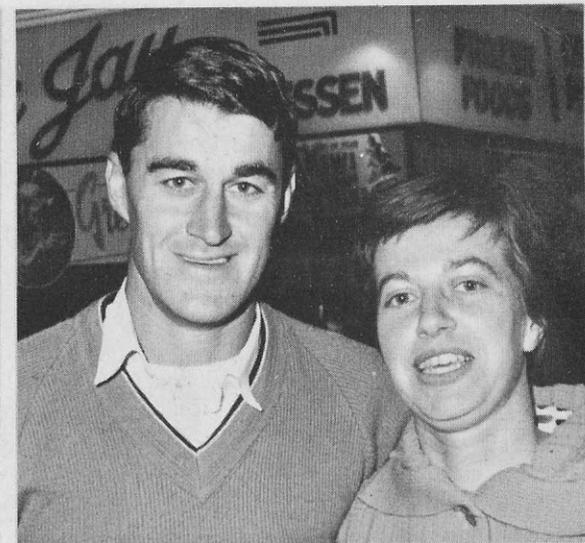
Above, right: Colleen, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R.R.Emett, NP, photographed with her mother, father and brother David at a family party held at the home of Mr and Mrs O.Rothwell, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below: Charlie, with his mother and father, Mr and Mrs C.Stewart, NP, on the occasion of his 21st birthday. (VOGUE STUDIO).



BEST ACTRESS AWARD

Above: Adjudicator at the recent British Drama League's Festival, Mrs Pat Bell-McKenzie (right), congratulates Mary Ballantyne, winner of the best character performance award.



Engaged

Above, left: HAYMAN-GEORGE. Joan Colleen, only daughter of Mrs M. George, NP, and the late Mr W.A.George, to Albert Charles, fifth son of Mr and Mrs W.H.Hayman, Inglewood. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Above: GEORGE-SYKES. Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.Sykes, Adelaide, Australia, to Ronald Lionel, second son of Mrs M.George, NP, and the late Mr W.A.George.

Left: BARRY-LISTER. Jeanette Lorraine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.H.Lister, Stratford, to Ian Arthur, elder son of Mr and Mrs W.A.Barry, New Plymouth. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below, left: FRAZER-RYAN. Lorraine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs T.J.Ryan, Oakura, to Robert, elder son of Mr and Mrs W.R.Frazer, Paeroa. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below: LOVERIDGE-HERMON. Naomi Margaret, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs T.S.H.Hermon, Waitara, to James Frederick, elder son of Mr and Mrs A.T. Loveridge, Waitara. (VOGUE STUDIOS).





Derailment At Ngaere

A coal wagon on the Wanganui-New Plymouth train broke an axle, and this resulted in sixteen wagons leaving the track and piling up in a mass of twisted steel and splintered wood before the driver of the locomotive pulling the trucks could stop. Railwaymen worked throughout the night in driving rain and cold winds to try and clear the loop around the small station at Ngaere where the accident occurred. Above: A twisted mass of steel and splintered wood with trucks off the tracks in all directions was the scene after the derailment. Below: Repair gangs worked in driving rain to clear the track.



LINE CLEARING AFTER NGAERE DERAILMENT

Above: Working by the light of carbide flares, railwaymen attack their unenviable task.

Above, right: Replacing damaged and broken sleepers was a chore that went on throughout the night.

Below: Heavy fuel tanker was tipped right over and leaked fuel oil, which added to the hazard.



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Married

Right: MOUNSEY-BANKS.
At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Diane, second daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Banks, NP, to Sefton, second son of Mr L. Mounsey, Oakura. The bridesmaid was Maxine Townsend, NP, and the best man was Dennis Brunsdon, NP. Future home will be Taumarunui.



Below: DOWN-TEERS.
At St. Mary's Church, NP, Rosemarie Louise, fourth daughter of Mr and Mrs N. Teers, NP, to David John, only son of Mr B. Down, Auckland. The bridesmaids were Barbara Teers, sister of the bride, NP, and Diane Howarth, NP. Barry Harris, NP, was the best man and Sonny Hawkes, Auckland, was the groomsmen. Future home, Auckland.



Douglas Demons v. Toko Terrors

We don't know if it's shield fever that prompts such actions, but we do know that it was fever pitch at the recent ladies' football match at Toko when the girls of the Douglas hockey team donned football boots and shoulder pads to do battle with the basketball team from Toko. There were no quarters asked or given by these members of the weaker sex. It was in fact, a very enjoyable game from both spectators' and players' points of view. We did, however offer to sooth any bruises, but our offer was politely turned down. **Above:** These are the Douglas Demons, complete with their mascot! **Below:** Here are the Toko Terrors, a neat looking side, but did they pack a wallop!



COUNTRY GIRLS PLAYED VIRILE RUGBY

We've seen ladies' rugby before, the kick and rush type, but the game between Douglas and Toko was tough. It was played at a very fast pace, with good tackling from both sides. Naturally the bobs on the sideline had plenty of advice for the players, but it went unheeded as the girls played their own brand of football. The only casualty of the game was caused by a spectator, though we feel sure that the players must have been nursing many bruises for quite a time. We can't think why, but the Ambulance men were there in force!

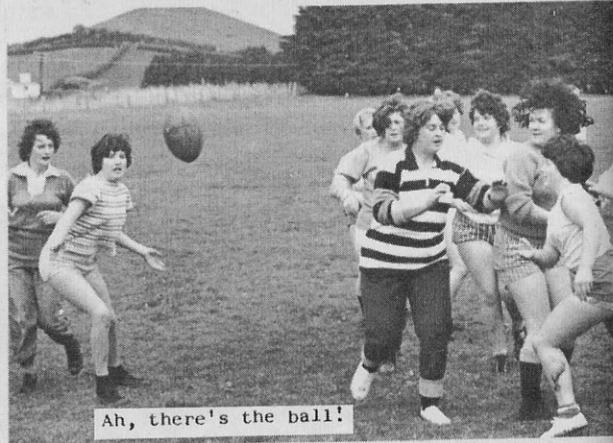


What a mascot!

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Tackling low!



Ah, there's the ball!



There was a ton of weight at the back of the scrum!



Going down?



FUN AT TOKO

There was plenty of fun at the recent ladies' rugby match at Toko as the pictures on this page show.

Above: After the game, the referee, Noel Payne, was autographed in lipstick from top to toe.

Below: One of the tries, scored for Toko by a Douglas player!

Above, right: This one's going down with a bump.

Right: Now play the ball, not the player.

Below, right: Brian Wilmshurst, the touch judge, waits patiently for the call "Pants" as he stands with trainer Mick Paton. Fortunately the call never came, as we feel he would have got left out in the rush!





N.I. Table Tennis Champs

The city was recently invaded by most of the top table tennis players in the North Island for the N.I. championships. Queen's Hall was crowded for the final night of these championships and they were well-rewarded for there was some of the best play witnessed in the city for a long time.

Above: President of the NZ Table Tennis Association, Mr K.A.Fraser, presented the prizes and is here shown giving the trophy to the winners of the under-16 mixed doubles, Miss J.Bush, Hutt Valley, and G.Langridge (S.Taranaki).

Below: Winner of the women's singles and the star player at the champs was Miss N.J.Attwood, Northland.

Right: Officials, from left: president of the NZTTA K.A.Fraser, tournament manager K.Perkins, and N.Taranaki president Al Offord.

Below, right: The prizes were well worth fighting for.



DOUBLES FINAL PROVIDED SPARKLING PLAY

Final of the mixed doubles was perhaps one of the best games of the whole tournament with long volleys to thrill the spectators and cunning and fast play by both pairs.

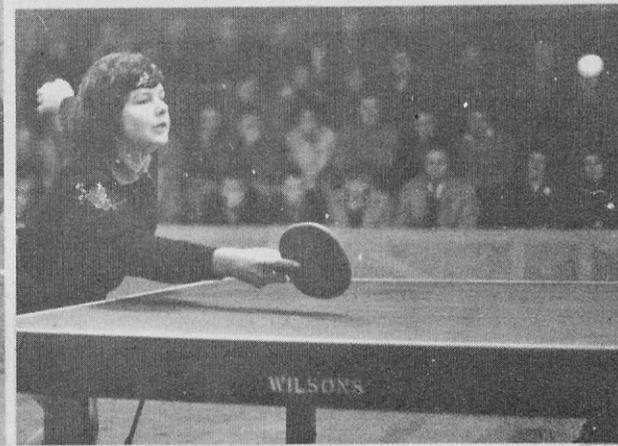
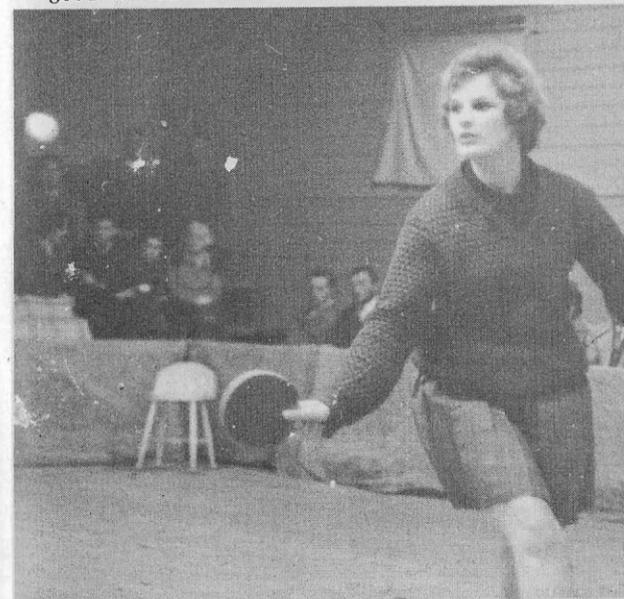
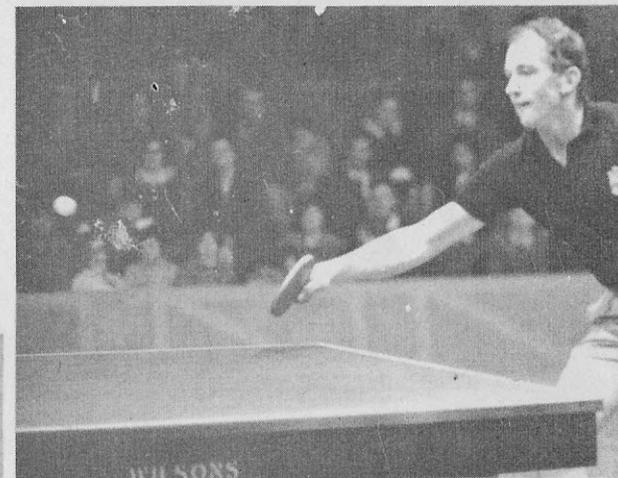
Above: Miss V.Braumann smashes back a quick one as her partner B.Foster watches.

Below: A figure of concentration, with eyes firmly glued to the ball, that was Miss V.Braumann.

Above, right: Miss N.Attwood, with her partner M.Dunn, were the favourites but were beaten in this fast encounter.

Right: B.Foster played some fine shots close to the table.

Below, right: The girl with the unorthodox style, Miss N.Attwood, was nevertheless very good to watch.

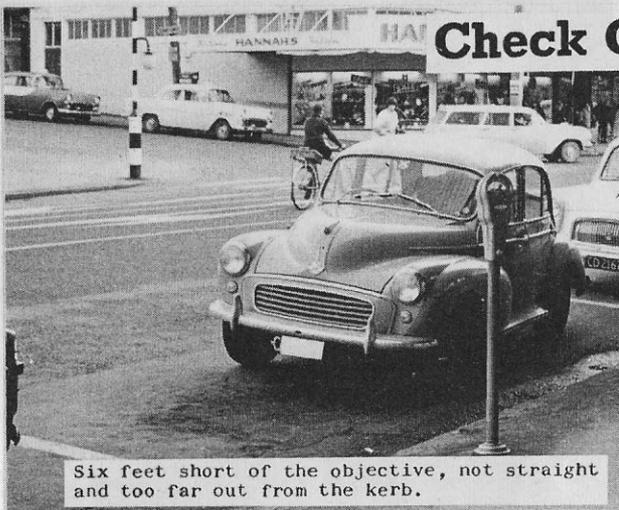


Stormy!

July has been one of the worst for rain and rough weather that we have experienced. Though it has been mild, rain has come down in bucketsful, and there have been high winds and rough seas. This picture was taken as the breakwater was getting a terrific pounding by the heavy seas, which were breaking right over the light at the end of the breakwater.



Check On Parking



Six feet short of the objective, not straight and too far out from the kerb.

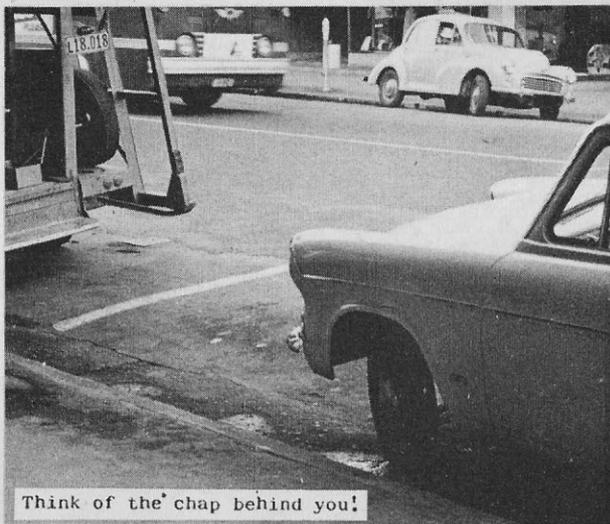


Up a bit more, mate!

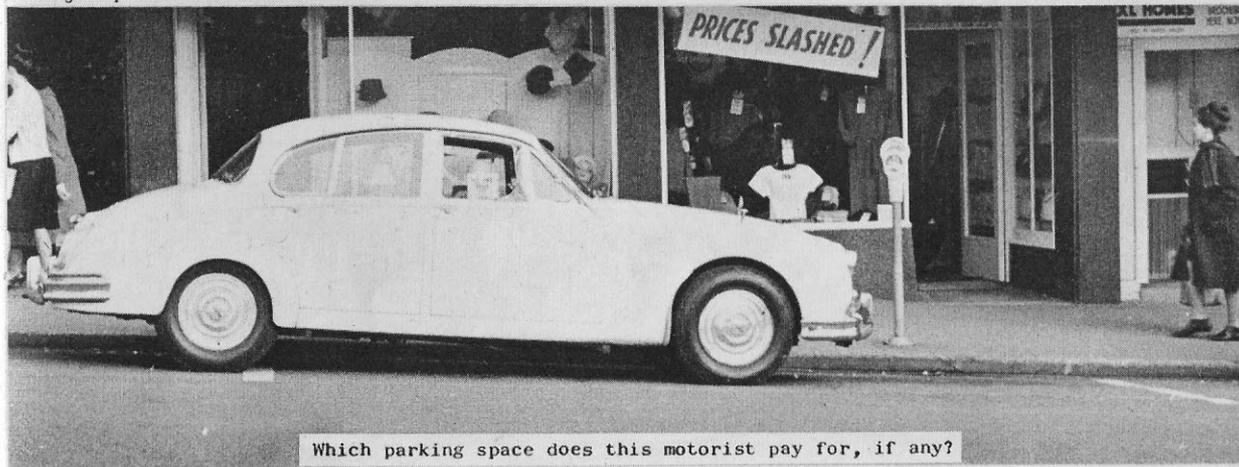
The Transport Department is to conduct a check on parking within the city. And not before time. Some of the parking has been atrocious, and shows no consideration for the other motorists. We took our camera along Devon street recently, and in a matter of five minutes had taken the pictures on this page. The city by-law says that the motorist shall park UP to the front white line, and that goes for the driver of a Mini as well as a Rolls.



What show has the motorist got behind you if you park like this?



Think of the chap behind you!



Which parking space does this motorist pay for, if any?



Married

Above: CHARLTON-NEWELL. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Joy Newell, second daughter of Mr and Mrs R.H. Wilkie, Wellington, to David Murray, second son of Mr and Mrs W.E. Charlton, Stratford. The bridesmaids were Pam Wood, NP, and Marlene Cox, Auckland. Dennis Stevens, Wanganui, was the best man and Eric Wilson, NP, was the groomsmen. Future home, Stratford.

Below: GIBBONS-CAHILL. At the Catholic Church, Stratford, Antoinette Maree, second daughter of Mr and Mrs A.E. Cahill, Stratford, to James Ashley, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A. Gibbons, Midhurst. The bridesmaids were Anne Death, Palmerston North, Adrienne Cahill and Hazel Gibbons, both of Stratford. Ray Gamlin, Waipu, was the best man and Trevor Hill and Des Symes, both of Stratford, were the groomsmen. Brian O'Neill, Stratford, was the page boy. Future home, Ratapiko.



Silverstream score and their supporters show it

N.P.B.H.S. Beats Army Cadets

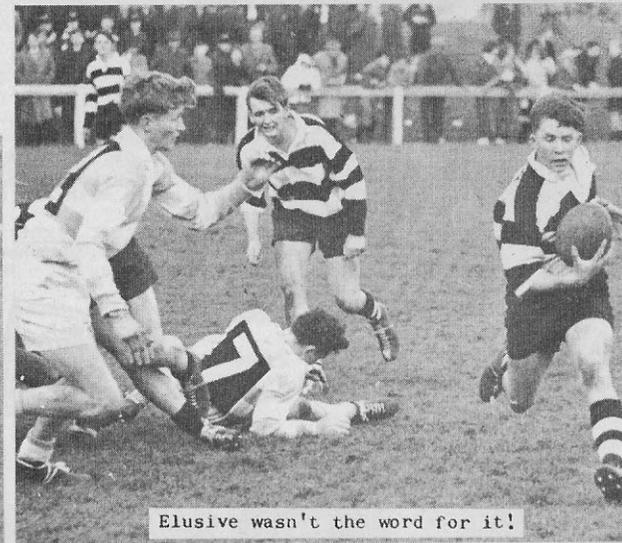
A very fit NPBHS XV recently downed a team from Silverstream 17-9 before a large crowd at Hicks Park, Hawera. The local boys are back to their devastating form of two or three years ago and showed up particularly well. Here is the future Taranaki strength then with these fit and effective footballers.



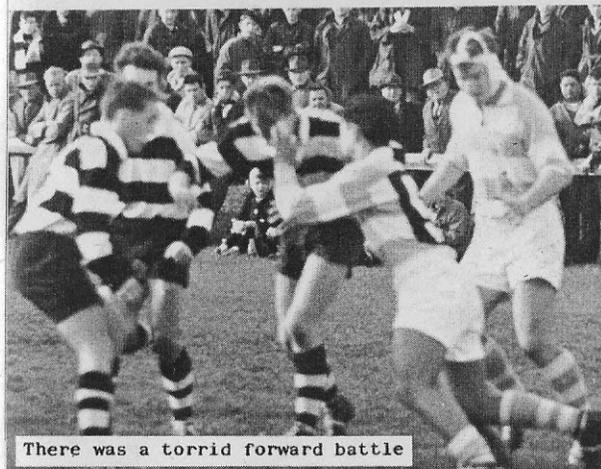
Speed and fitness were evident



BHS half-back played well



Elusive wasn't the word for it!



There was a torrid forward battle



Keen, clean tackling paid dividends

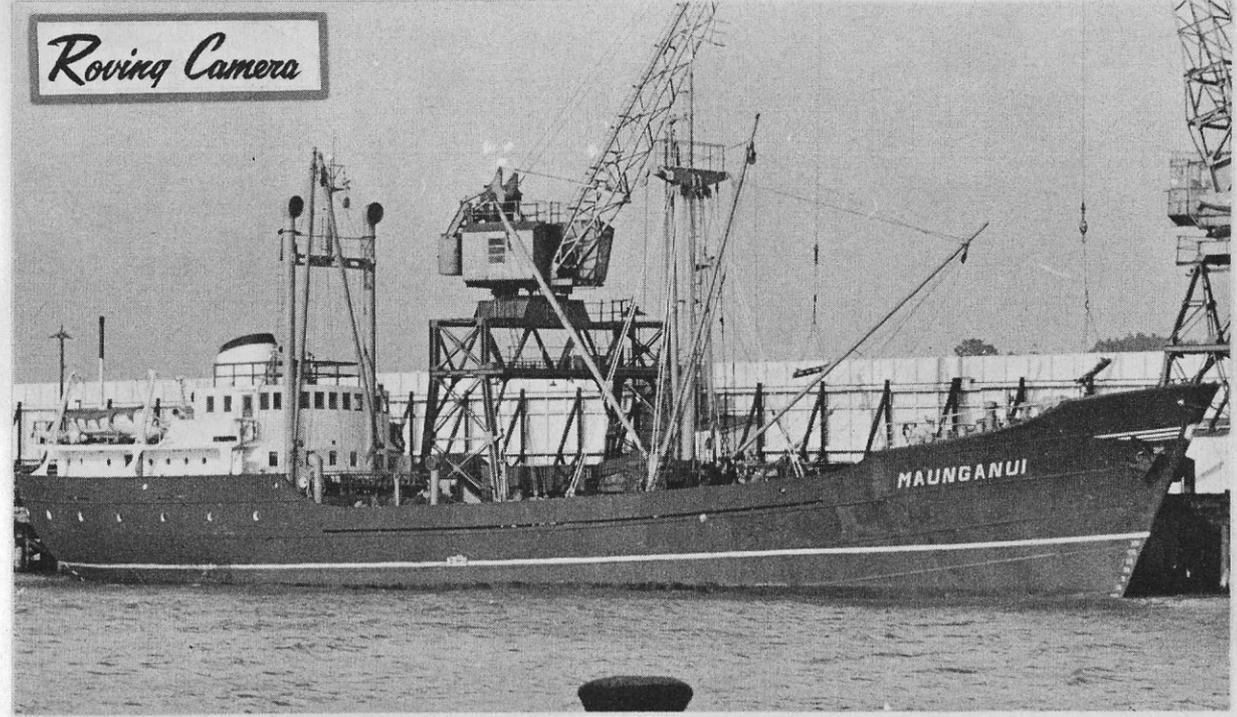


Coming of Age



Above, left: David, son of Mr and Mrs D.T. Anglesey, Hawera, poses with his 21st birthday cake. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).
 Above: Mary Louise, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.C. Bourke, Inaha, recently celebrated her coming of age at Kapuni Hall. With her in the picture are her mother and father and grandmother.
 Below, left: Brian, eldest son of Mr and Mrs L.B. Smith, NP, is shown with his mother and father at his recent birthday celebration. (VOGUE STUDIOS).
 Below, right: Catherine Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs C.C. Robertson, NP, is shown with her cake and key on the occasion of her 21st birthday.

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INFREQUENT VISITOR

Above: The Northern Steamship Company's coaster Maunganui which is an infrequent visitor to Port Taranaki is seen at the port on a recent visit. Her last visit to New Plymouth was way back in February 1963.

NEW SHOPS FOR WAITARA

Below: The comparatively new building which was built for Dalgety and Co. and left empty for so long has at last been purchased and is to be turned into a modern block of shops at Waitara. This will be an added amenity for the town, which is fast becoming overcrowded in the small shopping area.





Running repairs to the "Broadway Speshull"



Rangitira Bob Grant (NP) with captured Manawatu Rangitira Merv Johansen.

Savage Raid On New Plymouth

Savage hordes from the Manawatu struck the city without warning! Word came via the bush telegraph that they had passed Inglewood, when our own forces were alerted and gathered at the corner of Huatoki street to meet this hostile force. With the capture of the invading Rangitira the battle petered out into a social get-together at the Vogeltown school hall. But the battle was fun while it lasted.



Repelled invaders were carted through the streets to be shot



Cyril Stevens got a comfortable ride on a fork lift that neither forked nor lifted



CITY BAND "PLAYS UP"

The NP city band were suitably attired for the greeting of the savages from the Manawatu. The get-up didn't affect their playing quality, as they'd all remembered to bring their instruments, except drum-major Ian Sifleet, above, who had to make do with a broom for a staff. There was, of course, an interloper, below. Tom Burbidge had a specially-made instrument, as his doctor had told him to keep away from noises!



Enough to make Sousa turn in his grave!



Plenty to rest the drum on!



Bandmaster Lionel Hall took things seriously